

**COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BOSQUE FARMS, NM
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 3, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Wood called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Mayor Pro Tem Ronita Wood, Councilor Erica De Smet, Councilor Tim Baughman, and Councilor Michael Cheromiah, Assistant Clerk Julie Gabaldon, Police Chief Andrew Owen, and Attorney Mark Jarmie

**3. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 10-15-1H (2) NMSA, 1978
PURSUANT TO PERSONNEL MATTERS REGARDING THE TERMINATION
OF THE UTILITY DIRECTOR**

Councilor Baughman made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 5:45 p.m.
Councilor Cheromiah seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Councilor Baughman made a motion to reconvene at 5:55 p.m. Councilor Cheromiah seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Attorney Mark Jarmie stated that discussion during the executive session was limited to 10-15-1H (2) regarding personnel matters and nothing further was discussed.

4. CONSIDERATION OF TERMINATION OF UTILITY DIRECTOR

Councilor Baughman made a motion to approve the findings of the personnel board and approve termination of Utility Director. Councilor Cheromiah seconded the motion.

Roll call as follows: Councilor Baughman, for; Councilor Cheromiah, for; Councilor De Smet; against. **Motion carried.**

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5. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES

Attorney Jarmie recommended a contract for legal services needed for union contract and union matters. Councilor Cheromiah made a motion to approve the contract for legal services. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. There was discussion. Councilor Cheromiah amended his motion to approve contract for legal services adjusting section six (6) changing the date to April 4, 2024, and section eleven (11) changing the typo from heretThis to hereto. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. There was further discussion. Councilor Cheromiah withdrew his motion to approve the contract for legal services. Councilor Baughman seconded the withdrawal of the motion. Councilor De Smet made a motion to move agenda item five (5), consideration of approval of contract for legal services to April 18, 2024, unless we need a special meeting prior. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion.

Roll call as follows: Councilor Baughman, for; Councilor Cheromiah, for; Councilor De Smet; for. **Motion carried unanimously.**

6. CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT FOR SEWER PLANT OPERATIONS

Councilor De Smet made a motion to move item to next meeting. No second motion. Motion died. Councilor Baughman made a motion to approve contract with Prodigy for sewer plant operations. Councilor Cheromiah seconded the motion. There was discussion.

Roll call as follows: Councilor Baughman, for; Councilor Cheromiah, for; Councilor De Smet; for. **Motion carried.**

7. CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACTING WITH 3B BUILDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT

Councilor De Smet made a motion to approve contracting with 3B Builders for construction oversight. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. Councilor Baughman gave an update on Well #1. There was discussion.

Roll call as follows: Councilor Baughman, for; Councilor Cheromiah, for; Councilor De Smet; for. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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8. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR

Councilor Cheromiah recused himself from voting. Councilor Baughman made a motion to appoint Chris Gillespie as Mayor. Mayor Pro Tem Wood seconded the motion.

Roll call as follows: Councilor Baughman, for; Mayor Pro Tem Wood, for. **Motion carried.**

9. ADJOURN

Mayor Pro Tem Wood adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 18TH DAY OF APRIL 2024

Chris Gillespie, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Julie Gabaldon, Assistant Clerk