

**COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BOSQUE FARMS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
MAY 18, 2023**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Russell Walkup called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Mayor Russell Walkup, Mayor Pro Tem Ronita Wood, Councilor Michael Cheromiah and Councilor Tim Baughman. Assistant Clerk Mary Langley, Treasurer Yvonne Maes, Planning and Zoning Officer Mike Montoya and Police Chief Andrew Owen.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 10-15-1H (2) NMSA, 1978, REGARDING HIRING OF A POLICE OFFICER(S), EVIDENCE TECH & UTILITY WORKER

Councilor Baughman made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 5:46 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Wood seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Councilor Baughman made a motion to reconvene at 6:10 p.m. Councilor Cheromiah seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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

4. SILENT INVOCATION

Mayor Walkup asked everyone to keep all first responders and those that have lost loved ones in our thoughts. Mayor Walkup advised to keep our Clerk Administrator in our thoughts as well due to the passing of her father last Saturday.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Cheromiah led the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Baughman made a motion to strike item 14K and approve the remaining agenda. Councilor Cheromiah seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

7. PRESENTATIONS

P, B&H LLP presented the audit report for 2022

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8. APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 20, 2023, Regular Meeting

Mayor Walkup stated the minutes for the Regular Meeting April 20, 2023, would stand as presented.

9. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Chief Owen presented the Police Department report for April 2023.

Mayor Walkup swore in Officer Vazquez who graduated from the police academy.

10. MAYOR & COUNCILORS' REPORT

Mayor Pro Tem Wood advised that the Fair Board is working hard on the planning of the upcoming fair. She attended the latest VRECC meeting that discussed concerns with AMR.

Councilor Cheromiah nothing to report.

Councilor Baughman has concerns of when the Cole project will begin and when the Utility Dept. will start spraying for mosquitoes.

Mayor Walkup advised we will hopefully have a start date for the West Loop soon.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Maes presented the treasurer's report for the month of April 2023.

Mayor Pro Tem Wood made a motion to approve the treasurer's report for April 2023. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

12. NON-AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION LIMITED TO 1 ½ MINUTES

Resident Jennifer Saiz has concerns for the increasing crime and homeless in the area. Wants to see higher wages for the police department.

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13. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Adoption of an ordinance Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-22-3.1 (2018) To Opt-In for the Election of the Municipal Officers of The Village of Bosque Farms in the Next Regular Local Election

Mayor Pro Tem Wood made a motion to postpone the item until the next scheduled meeting. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

14. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proclamation acknowledging Motorcycle Awareness

Mayor Walkup issued a proclamation acknowledging motorcycle awareness.

B. Proclamation Professional Municipal Clerks' Week

Mayor Walkup issued a proclamation acknowledging professional municipal clerks' week.

C. Consideration of Contract with Gayle Jones for Professional Services and Consultation

Mayor Walkup gave explanation of the amendment in the contract. There was discussion.

Councilor Cheromiah made a motion to approve the contract with Gayle Jones for professional services and consultation as amended. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

D. Consideration of Resolution 1022-23 Approving and Accepting the FY 2021-2022 Audit

Councilor Baughman made a motion to approve resolution 1022-23 accepting the FY 2021-2022 audit. Mayor Pro Tem Wood seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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E. Request to Vacate Plat: Tract: 9A1A1A7C2 S: 1 T: 7N R: 2E 0.57 ACRES PLAT M-452

Nicole Golino is present on behalf of the requestor. Planning and Zoning Officer Montoya gave explanation. Mayor Eastman advised the Planning and Zoning Commission approved the request to vacate and re-plat.

Councilor Baughman made a motion to approve the request to vacate plat Tract: 9A1A1A7C2 S: 1 T: 7N R: 2E 0.57 ACRES PLAT M-452. Mayor Pro Tem Wood seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

F. Request for Re-Plat for the Properties Owned by Cuatro Amigos LLC and South Bosque Farms LLC

Planning and Zoning Officer Montoya gave explanation.

Councilor Baughman made a motion to approve the request for re-plat for the properties owned by Cuatro Amigos LLC and South Bosque Farms LLC. Councilor Cheromiah seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

G. Consideration of Sale of Surplus PD Units

Chief Owen gave explanation. There was discussion.

Councilor Baughman made a motion approving the sale of surplus PD units through auction with the proceeds returning to the PD budget. Mayor Pro Tem Wood seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

H. Consideration of Preliminary FY 2023-2024 Budget

Councilor Cheromiah made a motion to strike item 14H. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

I. Consideration of Hiring a Police Officer

Mayor Pro Tem Wood made a motion to approve hiring Christopher Robinson as a police officer. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

J. Consideration of Hiring an Evidence Tech

Councilor Cheromiah made a motion to approve hiring Isabella Lucero as an evidence tech. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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K. Consideration of Hiring a Utility Worker

Item was stricken.

15. Adjournment

Mayor Walkup adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JUNE 2023.

Russell Walkup, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Melissa Velasquez, Clerk/Administrator