

**CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS
GOVERNING BODY, REGULAR MEETING
123 DOWNS DRIVE, RUIDOSO DOWNS, NEW MEXICO 88346
JANUARY 9, 2023**

The City of Ruidoso Downs Council met in a regular session on Monday, January 9, 2023. Mayor Holman called the regular meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and asked Councilor Miller to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilor Walker, Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Miller

Present by Phone: Councilor Lacewell

Municipal Employees Present:

John Underwood, City Attorney

Alejandra L. Giron, City Clerk/Treasurer

Selena Chavez, Assistant City Clerk

Joe Commander, Police Chief

Robert Knight, Deputy Police Chief

Joey Jarvis, Public Works Director

Bruce Baker, Assistant Fire Chief

Mary Castaneda, Finance Director

Kristin Avila, Finance Clerk I

Guests Present: 2

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Lundquist moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilor Walker seconded and upon a roll call vote of all voting "aye" the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

(All matters listed under Item 5 will be enacted by one motion.)

A. *Approval of Amendment to the MOU between the Village of Ruidoso and the City of Ruidoso Downs as the Administrative Authority for the Ruidoso Downs Police Department for DWI Enforcement Activities and Reimbursement of Costs.

B. *APPROVAL OF GOVERNING BODY MINUTES

* December 12, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes

Councilor Lundquist moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilor Miller seconded and upon a roll call vote of all voting "aye" the motion passed.



PUBLIC INPUT

Bonnie Richardson made comments.

COUNCILORS COMMENTS

Councilor Miller wished everyone a Happy New Year and stated there is nothing to rent in the City of Ruidoso Downs and one of the biggest needs is transportation.

Councilor Walker stated a lot of people are buying homes to have as Air BNBs and we should look into putting a cap on the number of houses that are allowed to be Air BNBs to make workforce housing available.

Councilor Lacewell moved to reconsider Consent Agenda. Councilor Miller seconded and upon a roll call vote the Motion failed by a Majority vote as follows: (summary: Aye= 2 Nay=3).

Aye: Councilor Miller, Councilor Lacewell.

Nay: Councilor Lundquist, Councilor Walker, Mayor Holman

MAYORS COMMENTS

Mayor Holman stated today is National Appreciation for Law Enforcement Day and the officers here are doing an outstanding job. The mayor read a memo from Donna Miller (See Exhibit "A").

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Possible Action on Adoption of Resolution 2022-27, a Resolution approving the Official Holiday Calendar for the City of Ruidoso Downs.

Councilor Walker moved to adopt Resolution 2022-27, as is with no changes. Councilor Miller seconded and upon a roll call vote of all voting "aye" the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of the City of Ruidoso Downs Assets for Fiscal Year 2022.

The Finance Clerk presented the 2022 Asset list, Asset acquisition, and Asset depreciation list.

Councilor Walker thanked Mary and the team that helped to have a clean audit and stated everything has been going well.

Councilor Miller stated all of the audit findings in the past were due to inexperienced people.

Councilor Lundquist moved to approve the City of Ruidoso Downs's Assets for Fiscal Year 2022. Councilor Walker seconded and upon a roll call vote of all voting "aye" the motion passed.



B. Discussion and Possible Action on Bixby Electric Proposal to repair the Stoplight and Marquee sign at the intersection of Downs Dr. and Hwy. 70 in the amount of \$171,018.57.

The Public Works Director stated the Proposal is \$171,018.57, the insurance pays out \$166,436.01, and we are short \$4,582.56.

The Finance Director asked Council which funds they wanted to pay the difference from the Lodger's Tax Non-Promotional or the Emergency Contingency.

Councilor Walker moved to approve the Bixby Electric Proposal to repair the Stoplight and Marquee sign at the intersection of Downs Dr. and Hwy. 70 in the amount of \$171,018.57 and the remaining balance out of Lodger's Tax Non-Promotional fund. Councilor Lundquist seconded and upon a roll call vote of all voting "aye" the motion passed.

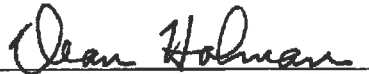
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body, Mayor Holman adjourned the regular meeting at 3:21 p.m.

MINUTES ARE DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED ON:

Passed and Approved on this 23rd day of January 2023.

APPROVED:



Dean Holman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Alejandra L. Giron, MMC
City Clerk/Treasurer



EXHIBIT A

Donna Miller

From: Donna Miller
Sent: Thursday, January 5, 2023 11:10 AM
To: 'otrejo@ruidosodowns.us'; Robert Knight; Joe Commander
Subject: Officer Trejo

Hi!

I received a call from Adam Aldaz with the New Mexico Municipal League to commend us and express his praise for Officer Trejo. Adam had come to Lincoln to visit his mother for Christmas and on December 23 he had to take her to the emergency room. After being there all afternoon Adam was driving his mother home and was stopped by Officer Trejo for speeding (receiving a warning ticket). Adam wanted us to know what a great officer Trejo is. He said he was very kind and respectful and was also very polite to Adam's mother, talking with her and asking her how she was feeling, etc. Adam said Officer Trejo stands out as a very professional officer and we are very fortunate to have him as an officer in the City of Ruidoso Downs.

(Just wanted to pass this on to you.)

Have a nice day,
Donna

Donna Miller

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