

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Las Animas, County of Bent, State of Colorado, met in regular session in the City Council chambers on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. the City Council was live streamed to the City of Las Animas Facebook Page. There being present at roll call were the following members:

Mayor:	Jim Collins
Council members:	Troy Abdulla
	David Armstrong
	Terry Kim
	Kimberlie King (by phone)
	Cassandra Siefkas
	Robert Sonny Smith

Youth Advisor:	Phoebe Frausto
Senior Advisor:	Sonora Servaes, by phone

Mayor Jim Collins declared a quorum present.

Others Present:

Greg Champney:	Las Animas Code Enforcement Officer
Ronald Clodfelter:	Superintendent of Light & Power
Lucas Collins:	Technology Technician
Virginia Freed:	Municipal Court Clerk
Richard Gallegos:	Deputy City Clerk
Doug Genova:	Interested Citizen
Jo Ellen Netherton:	Arkansas Valley Hospice
Jennifer Netherton:	Arkansas Valley Hospice
Rose Prichard:	Interested Citizen
John Spano:	Bent County Ambulance Service
Charmaine Tripp:	City Clerk & Treasurer
Pete Trujillo:	Interested Citizen
Samuel Vigil:	City Attorney
Ken Wagner:	Public Works Director
Lynette Wolf:	Interested Citizen

Other Citizens joining on Facebook Live

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jim Collins led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman Troy Abdulla seconded to approve the consent agenda along with the minutes of the October 13, 2020 Regular City Council meeting. The October vouchers will be approved after Council review during the meeting. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: a. Jennifer and Jo Ellen Netherton, Arkansas Valley Hospice

Mayor Jim Collins recognized Jennifer and Jo Ellen Netherton from the Arkansas Valley Hospice. Mayor Jim Collins asked Youth Advisor Phoebe Frausto to read the Arkansas Valley Hospice Proclamation to the audience. Mayor Jim Collins signed the Proclamation and thanked Arkansas Valley Hospital staff for the services that they provide to the community.

PUBLIC WORKS BOARD REPORT

Councilman Terry Kim moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to forgive the water surcharge in the amount of \$41.13 for Luis Carrillo at 1013 Maple Ave. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION GIVEN TO MAYOR JIM COLLINS FROM THE BENT COUNTY AMBULANCE CENTER

John Spano from the Bent County Ambulance Service presented a Certificate of Recognition to Mayor Jim Collins for going above and beyond during an accident that occurred near Hadley. Mayor Collins gave live saving measures to individuals that were involved in the accident.

LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR VFW POST #2411

Upon recommendation from City Clerk & Treasurer Charmaine Tripp, stating that the application was in order and the fees were attached, Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilman Troy Abdulla seconded to approve the liquor license renewal application for the VFW Post #2411. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

EXTENTION OF THE MARIJUANA MORATORIUM UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2020

Councilman Troy Abdulla moved, Councilman Robert Smith seconded to continue the moratorium until November 2021. After a brief discussion, Councilman Troy Abdulla voted in favor with all other Councilors voting against, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion failed.

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilman Robert Smith seconded to modify the boundaries to the downtown business district, amend the rules and regulations and to extend the moratorium until December 31, 2020. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

ADDITION OF A CITY STREET LIGHT AT THE WILLIAM HOWLAND PARK

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilwoman Kimberlie King seconded to approve an additional City street light at the William Howland Park. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 724, AN ORDINANCE FOR THE REGULATION OF TRAFFIC BY THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO; ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2020 EDITION OF THE "MODEL TRAFFIC CODE" REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas seconded to approve on second reading and have published by title only AN ORDINANCE FOR THE REGULATION OF TRAFFIC BY THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO; ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2020 EDITION OF THE "MODEL TRAFFIC CODE" REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

FIRST READING OF AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, FOR THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2021 AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2021

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilman Troy Abdulla seconded to approve on first reading and have published in it's entirety AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, FOR THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2021 AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2021. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

TRAVEL TRAILER PERMITS

The travel trailer permit is no longer needed for Wayne Burns at 356 Locust Ave. Councilman Robert Smith Moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to deny the travel trailer permit for Paul Rumph at 632 St. Vrain. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF LYNETTE WOLF TO THE PUBLIC WORKS BOARD

Councilman Terry Kim moved, Councilman Robert Smith seconded to appoint Lynette Wolf to the Public Works Board. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

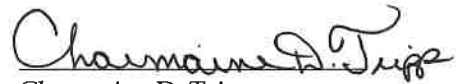
NEW BUSINESS: COVID-19 mask mandate is in effect for the City of Las Animas employees. Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas moved, Councilman Terry Kim seconded to continue the mandate that employees will be sent home without pay if they are caught not wearing a mask during working hours. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to approve the October 2020 vouchers. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

ADJOURNED

Mayor Jim Collins declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.


Charmaine D. Tripp
City Clerk & Treasurer

ATTEST:


Jim Collins, Mayor