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## 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, February 11, 2020, at 7:02 p.m. There being present at roll call were the following members:

Mayor: Jim Collins

Council members: Troy Abdulla

David Armstrong

Kimberlie King

Jaxon Meardon

Cassandra Siefkas

Robert Sonny Smith

Senior Advisor: Sonora Servaes

Youth Advisor: Steven Salazar Jr.

Mayor Jim Collins declared a quorum present.

Others Present:

Brittany Andrews: Interested Citizen

Greg Champney: Code Enforcement Officer

Christopher: Interested Citizen

Ronald Clodfelter: Superintendent of Light & Power

Marian Collins: Interested Citizen

Ronald Crespin: Interested Citizen

Ronnie Crespin Jr. Interested Citizen

Robert Dodson: Interested Citizen

Logan Goolsby: Maggie’s Farm

Mackenzie King: Interested Citizen

Kirby Ladner: Interested Citizen

Paul Lyons: Interested Citizen

Morgan Martin: Interested Citizen

Randy McDermed: Interested Citizen

Bill Nichols: Interested Citizen

Rose Prichard: Interested Citizen

Brian Simmons: Interested Citizen

Darcie Sorge: Interested Citizen

John Struckoff: Interested Citizen

Charmaine Tripp: City Clerk & Treasurer

Pete Trujillo: Interested Citizen

Ms. Ybarra: Interested Citizen

Samuel Vigil: City Attorney

Ken Wagner: Public Works Director

Susan Wason: Interested Citizen

Bobbie Williams: Interested Citizen

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jim Collins asked Ms. Ybarra to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**DISPOSITION OF MINUTES**

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of January 14, 2020 as presented. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION OF HB19-1230 MARIJUANA HOSPITALITY ESTABLISHMENTS**

City Attorney Samuel Vigil informed the City Council about HB19-1230 concerning marijuana hospitality establishments. The City Council will need to decide at some point to either allow or disallow these type of establishments. Mayor Jim Collins requested that a Public Hearing be held to get public input into the decision.

**CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL REVIEW REQUEST FROM MAGGIE’S FARM**

Mayor Jim Collins stated that a Public Hearing was Held on February 4, 2020 concerning the Special Review Request from Maggie’s Farm to request the use of 332 Bent Avenue be changed to allow a business. Mayor Collins explained that decision was made by the Board to defer the decision to City Council. Mayor Jim Collins invited Mr. Logan Goolsby from Maggie’s Farm to speak. Mr. Goolsby thanked the Council for the opportunity to speak. Mr. Goolsby stated that Maggie’s Farm would like to address the Citizen concerns that were brought up at the Special Review Hearing. Mr. Goolsby stated that Maggie’s Farm has educational programs they offer and they do have sample packets available. Mr. Goolsby stated that Maggie’s would only sell what they grow to customers and that they would offer medical services and hope to serve the senior citizens or people with medical marijuana needs in the community. Maggie’s Farm would offer local jobs and want to invest back into the community.

Mayor Jim Collins asked if the community had any comments and Mr. Bryan Simmons, homeowner of property within 300 ft stated that he was not in favor of the Marijuana business located behind his home. Mr. Peter Trujillo stated that he was against corporate companies coming in to Las Animas.

After the citizen comments were heard, Mr. Goolsby added that the use of the building would increase property values and asked the City Council if they could continue to move forward with their store.

Councilwoman Kimberlie King moved, Councilman Robert Smith seconded to approve the Special Review Application for Maggie’s Farm to operate a business at 332 Bent Ave. On a voice vote, with Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas abstaining, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FOR TCM BANK**

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Councilman Jaxon Meardon moved, Councilman David Armstrong moved to add to the Agenda authorization for Charmaine Tripp and Ken Wagner to change the current credit card to TCM bank and have a credit limit in the amount of $3,000.00 each. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

Upon recommendation from the Public Works Board, Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas moved to raise the fees from $350.00 to $360.00 per yard for flat work. On a voice vote Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**  a. John Struckoff

Mayor Jim Collins informed Mr. Struckoff that the case is closed due to the fact that the claimant did not show up.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**CITY HALL MEETING CONCERNING MARIJUANA BUSINESSES SET FOR MARCH 4, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.**

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas seconded to set a City Hall meeting concerning the marijuana businesses on March 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. The Public is invited to participate and express their opinions. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANACE NO. 721, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO FOR ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, 2006 EDITION, AND REPEALING SECTIONS 6-1, 6-2 AND 6-3 OF THE LAS ANIMAS MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED “UNIFORM BUILDING CODE-ADOPTED” AND REENACTING THE SAME

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to adopt on second reading and have published by title only in the Bent County Democrat newspaper ORDINANCE NO. 721, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO FOR ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, 2006 EDITION, AND REPEALING SECTIONS 6-1, 6-2 AND 6-3 OF THE LAS ANIMAS MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED “UNIFORM BUILDING CODE-ADOPTED” AND REENACTING THE SAME. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the motion carried.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE V SECTIONS 5-57 AND 5-63 OF THE LAS ANIMAS MUNUCUPAL CODE ENTITLED “VICOUS DOGS”

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman Troy Adbulla seconded to approve on first reading and have published in the Bent County Democrat newspaper in its entirety AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE V SECTIONS 5-57 AND 5-63 OF THE LAS ANIMAS MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED “VICIOUS DOGS”. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

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**APPOINTMENT OF LESLIE POINTON TO THE LAS ANIMAS/BENT COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD**

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilwoman Kimberlie King seconded to appoint Leslie Pointon to the Las Animas/Bent County Library District Board. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:** Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas moved, Councilman Jaxon Meardon seconded to approve the vouchers for January 2020 as presented. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

# ADJOURNED

Mayor Jim Collins declared the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Charmaine D. Tripp

City Clerk & Treasurer

ATTEST:

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Jim Collins, Mayor