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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, April 14, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, 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

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:

Ronald Clodfelter: Superintendent of Light & Power

Terry Kim: Interested Citizen

Charmaine Tripp: City Clerk & Treasurer

Samuel Vigil: City Attorney

Ken Wagner: Public Works Director

Other Citizens joining on Facebook Live

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

**DISPOSITION OF MINUTES**

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilman Troy Adbulla seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of March 10, 2020 as presented. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilwoman Cassandra Siefkas seconded to approve the Special Call Minutes of March 18, 2020. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

Councilman Jaxson Meardon moved, Councilman David Armstrong seconded to approve the Special Call Minutes of March 20, 2020. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

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Councilman David Armstrong moved, Councilwoman Kimberlie King seconded to approve the conference call minutes of the Town Hall Meeting on March 26, 2020 with the correction of “Thaton’s Market” to “Thaxton’s Market”. On a voice vote, Mayor Jim Collins declared the Motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

Mayor Jim Collins announced that the Public Works Board has been combined with the City Council meeting. Public Works Director Ken Wagner gave his report on the water, sewer, sanitation and street activities. No City Council action was required.

**YOUTH ADVISOR REPORT**

Youth Advisor Steven Gallegos reported that all school sponsored activities have been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Salazar reported that the school district has continued preparing school lunches for pick up to family members. Currently they are serving approximately 1,500 meals a day. Councilman David Armstrong recommended that the school receive the Lawrence Sena Service award at a future City Council meeting.

**SENIOR ADVISOR REPORT**

Senior Advisor Sonora Servaes reported that the senior center is currently closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The center continues to keep the senior citizens home to keep them safe. The school is working to provide nutritious meals to our vulnerable population. The school has partnered with other agencies to provide lunches to Senior Citizens as well as the school children.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**  None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION SCHEDULED**

Mayor Jim Collins set a City Council work session has been scheduled for April 28, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. to calculate and discuss the marijuana poll results. The cut off for accepting polls will be April 24, 2020.

**MARIJUANA BOARD**

Mayor Jim Collins recognized Terry Kim. Mr. Kim asked about the status of the citizen marijuana board. Mayor Jim Collins informed Mr. Kim that they can continue to meet and the City will continue to consider input from the marijuana board.

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

# ADJOURNED

Mayor Jim Collins declared the meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

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Charmaine D. Tripp

City Clerk & Treasurer

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Jim Collins, Mayor