

**City of Tucumcari
City Commission Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2015**

The Tucumcari City Commission met in a regular meeting on Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, Members present constituting a quorum were: John Mihm, Ruth Ann Litchfield, Robert Lumpkin, Amy Gutierrez and Rick Haymaker.

City Staff members present were: Jared Langenegger, City Manager; Doug Powers, Assistant City Manager; Shane Warner, Fire Chief/EMS Director; Mark Martinez, Project Manager; Jason Braziel, Chief of Police; Carolee Edwards, Officer; Tyler Davis, Officer; Shawn Slate, Officer; Jim Sewell, Airport Director; and Angelica Gray, City Clerk.

Invocation presented by Commissioner Haymaker, and Mayor Lumpkin led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of Changes or Deletions to Agenda

No changes or deletions were made to the agenda.

Commissioner Haymaker made the motion to approve the agenda and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Gutierrez welcomed everyone, apologized for missing a couple of meetings. Informed everyone the next Commission meeting she will have to attend by phone as well. Fun filled weekend coming up hopefully everyone will be able to attend all the festivities around town

Commissioner Haymaker congratulated Commissioner Gutierrez on her new grandbaby. Good to see Patsy and Karen. He invited everyone to the first annual Fired Up! quilt show at the Historic Railroad Depot Saturday the 26 from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m. two dollar admission, proceeds go to Tucumcari Mainstreet. There will also be a chalk street painting workshop with award winning artist Bob Divin at the Historic Rail Depot at 1:30p.m. Friday the 25th and 4:30 p.m. Saturday the 26th there will be a chalk walk chalk art contest for all ages from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; we have received a lot of good participation; lunch and supplies will be provided, call (575)461-9908 to enter or for more information.

Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield welcomed everyone, glad to see Russell and Thomas. Last weekend was Railroad Days and it was great, there was a big crowd, lots of people from out of town and from other countries. This weekend is Fired Up!, it'll be a fun weekend looking forward to it.

Mayor Lumpkin commented on Railroad Days, everybody that worked on it did a lot of work, put on a real good exhibit. There was a lot of participation; there were people from all over the world. The Railroad Museum is still looking for volunteers, to keep the museum open as much as possible;

it's a real nice exhibit. It would be a lot of fun to work there, if you would like to volunteer, get a hold of him; his phone number is in the phone book you can also get it from City Hall. Please volunteer if you're interested. He thanked all who worked on Railroad Days it was a lot of work, it came out well.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Mihm made the motion to approve the September 10, 2015 Work Session Meeting Notes and Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Commissioner Haymaker made the motion to approve the September 10, 2015 Commission Meeting Minutes and Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Proclamations, Memorials or Petitions

Proclamation declaring September 17-23, 2015 as Constitution Week was signed by Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield.

Ordinances or Resolutions

Ordinance 1125, First Reading, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 972 and Section 3.20 of the Tukumcari Municipal Code- Mr. Langenegger presented this item to the Commission. He stated that this ordinance is to amend our local Economic Development Act Ordinance and the amendment is to add cultural facilities, businesses that are developers of the metropolitan region development project and facilities for the direct sales by growers of agricultural products known as Farmers Markets. This is a change that was passed by legislative a few years ago; we are amending our ordinance to match the change. This will allow us to help other businesses that are cultural facilities, agricultural facilities or help businesses that are working with us with our Metropolitan Region Development Act. One reason we are doing this now is we have a good opportunity to help a local business, which is a cultural facility, being the Odeon Theatre. The State New Mexico MainStreet has some capital funding that they are giving out this year and the Odeon Theatre is a project in Tukumcari that needs some assistance with capital money for repairs to the building and other things to keep the historic theatre operating. We were contacted by the Economic Development department and New Mexico Mainstreet and they have the funding available, we just need to pass the ordinance so that it matches the state ordinance and we can bring State money into Tukumcari at no cost to the City.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked Mr. Langenegger for his work on this. The owners of the Odeon Theatre have done a lot of work to it, it looks real nice and it's a nice facility for the City of Tukumcari and this would be a great way to help them out.

Commissioner Gutierrez asked if there would be any money available for the Princess Theatre. Mr. Langenegger stated that it is possible, by adding this to the ordinance we can work on cultural facilities, it will be a great opportunity for us as we become an Arts and Culture District for the State to apply for state money as well. One thing that this ordinance will not do is we cannot use our local gross receipts tax that we collect for those projects listed as cultural facilities, the Farmers Markets and the MRAs but we can use the state funding. It opens it up to all cultural facilities and MRA projects and farmers markets.

Commissioner Gutierrez made the motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance 1125 amending Ordinance 972 and Commissioner Mihm seconded. Roll Call:

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Ordinance 1126, First Reading, an Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning District Map-

Mark Martinez presented this item to the Commission. He stated that the applicant is Jonathon Blea the address is 716 through 724 E. Smith, known as block 29, lots 1 - 2 of the Russell’s Addition, it is currently zoned C-1 “General Commercial”, it is proposed to change to R-3 “Multiple-Family Residential” . The area is already R-3; it is right off the main street. It is prominently an R-3 area. Main street was zoned as all commercial, he is not sure why these lots were originally zoned as commercial but it does fit within the neighborhood it is not spot zoning, he is not asking to put a residential in the middle of commercial, everything is predominately residential. This has been presented to Planning and Zoning Commission, they recommended to pass this, it was then referred to the City Commission. This is the first reading, the second reading and public hearing will be on October 22nd more information will be presented.

Mayor Lumpkin stated that Mr. Martinez presented all information clearly, in the past it was zoned as commercial, for whatever reason, but has never been used for commercial and it’s in the middle of a residential area. It would benefit the area and the people in the area, if it was residential.

Commissioner Mihm made the motion to approve Ordinance 1126 and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Resolution 2015-29, Mainstreet Capital Grant Resolution of Support-

Mr. Langenegger presented this item to the Commission. He stated that this resolution is stating the Commission’s support for the grant application to New Mexico Mainstreet to install a community pavilion on the lot where the Sands Dorsey building was demolished. The plans for the area include a small stage, restroom facility, water feature, pergola shape structures, grass, trees and sidewalks. The entire project cost is estimated at \$193,600, the grant application is for \$149,600 for New Mexico Mainstreet and \$25,000 in cash from the City and \$14,000 in-kind from the City, in-kind would include labor, materials, and equipment, along with \$5,000 in cash and in-kind from Tucumcari Mainstreet. This project is within the Tucumcari Mainstreet Master Plan, which started out with the Railroad Depot and the second priority in that plan was the Sands Dorsey building to turn it into something that benefits the community, putting a pavilion there where community events, musical, theatre, and art shows.

Mayor Lumpkin commented that he thinks it's a great idea.

Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield made the motion to approve Resolution 2015-29 and Commissioner Haymaker seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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City Manager's Report

The New Mexico Environment Department conducted an inspection of our landfill facility last week. During the inspection there were a couple of items that were brought to our attention. The inspectors stated that we could not have the roll off containers for metal and cardboard recycling as we are not permitted to be a transfer facility but as landfill. Our Streets and Sanitation Superintendent Alex Arias is looking into what can be done to allow us to provide this recycling service, however, for right now, the landfill can no longer accept metal or cardboard for recycling. These materials can be taken to Tucumcari Recycling.

On Monday of this week Alex Arias, David Smith, Scott Simpson and I attended the NMDOT hardship sale. We applied and were accepted to the sale which provides a \$25,000 grant to municipalities to purchase used equipment from the NMDOT. We were able to procure two ½ ton trucks for our Recreation Department and Code Enforcement, a ¾ dump bed truck for our Cemetery, a ten yard dump truck for our streets department, and a snow plow attachment for our sand truck. We did utilize \$8,200 of city budget to purchase this equipment in addition to the grant.

We have been meeting with our County Team for the ACT Workforce Development Program. We will be holding a stakeholder meeting on October 5, 2015 at 6pm at City Hall. This meeting will be to introduce the idea of the ACT work ready community program to interested individuals including employers, educators, and employees. We have developed a good county team to begin this effort which includes representatives from EDC, MainStreet, NM Human Services Department, Mesalands Community College, Logan and Tucumcari Schools, and representatives from local employers.

I want to thank our parks and streets departments. They have been working very hard to clean up the MainStreet area in preparations for Fired Up. We are very excited for this year's event as it promises to be bigger and better than last year. I really appreciate all of our city crew's hard work to make sure our city looks its best.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked Mr. Langenegger for going to the sale for the pickups, dump trucks, and snow plows stating that those are things that the City needs and we were able to get them at a very good price, which is fantastic. The ACT Job Ready program came up at the EDC meeting that Mr. Langenegger and Mr. Vanderpool attended. This program will train people in our area to be job ready and when an employer looks to come to our town and asks if we have enough employees available this will help with that. An entrepreneur was looking at Tucumcari and we mentioned the

program to him and he was very impressed, he said that was the kind of thing he looks for when coming to a community.

Commissioner Haymaker commented that the downtown area, especially where Fired Up is going to be held looks great. He would like to see us resolve this metal and cardboard recycling issue because it's pretty big. He doesn't know if contacting a representative since it is a state level discussion would help and offered his help to Mr. Langenegger in any way he can. There has been a lot of discussion about new businesses coming to Tucumcari and the ACT Program is one of the things they look at and having a certified work force ready to go will help them decide if Tucumcari would be a good place to build a factory, or store of any kind or move any industry in. This is an exciting program that Mr. Langenegger and Mr. Vanderpool have been working on for awhile.

Mayor Lumpkin commented that it is a joint effort, Mesalands Community College, the County and City of Tucumcari have been recruited, so it is growing and looks like it will be very productive.

Old Business

Acknowledgment of July 7, 2015 Senior Center Advisory Board Minutes- As the liaison for Senior Center Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield stated that they have been painting the center, the inside is all painted and looks good. She commented that Commissioner Haymaker did a nice job with his remembrance of 9-11. The Senior Center has been collecting items for the veterans as an ongoing project.

Mayor Lumpkin acknowledged the minutes and commented that they are doing a great job at the Senior Center.

New Business

Introduction of new police officers- Police Chief Braziel introduced the new officers. He stated that in the last few months we have hired several new police officers, he stated Cody Burch is currently in the academy he is half way done and will graduate sometime in November. There are a couple of newly certified officers: Carolee Edwards, who came from Ruidoso and brings a lot of experience to the department, Shawn Slate from Curry County, and Officer Tyler Davis who is local and that has to go to the academy, he is hoping to get him into the academy in January.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked Chief Braziel and welcomed all new officers including Cody. He thanked the officers for coming to Tucumcari, we understand that the position requires a lot of effort and we appreciate your work.

Tucumcari Rawhide Day Request- Mr. Langenegger presented this item to the Commission. He stated that this is another exciting event for Tucumcari. Karen Alarcon has been working with the radio station trying to put together this event, which will take place April 16, 2016. It is going to be another family friendly event with an old west theme, there will be gun fighter shows, a lot of things from the old west for people to go out and see and do. One thing that Ms. Alarcon has been working on, and hopes can happen, is that Clint Eastwood has been invited. The name Rawhide Days comes from the TV show that was filmed in Tucumcari, Clint Eastwood was a part of that and it helped

jump start his career, so hopefully he will come. Generally there is an admission to go onto museum grounds; the request is to waive admission fees for the event. There will be a donation jar set up in the museum; the donations would go towards the museum. There will also be a membership drive to try to get new people onto the advisory board. He stated that he thinks when we have these new events that come into town it's a good thing for us to help them out a little bit and help get them started, waiving the museum fees for one day won't set us back too much. He also thanked Ms. Alarcon for all her efforts, he thinks it's a great idea and thinks it'll be a great event and he looks forward to going to it.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked Mr. Langenegger, Ms. Alarcon and the radio station for all their work. Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield commented that it sounded fun. Mayor Lumpkin stated that this would be a very historical event, especially if Clint Eastwood could appear, he loved the idea of utilizing the museum grounds because events like these help Tukumcari and these efforts can usually generate revenue.

Commissioner Mihm made the motion to waive the museum entrance fees for Rawhide Days and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Requesting Approval of Grant Agreement A14-1190 for \$108,900 Quay County Senior Center Improvement Code (Roof Replacement)- Mark Martinez presented this item to the Commission. He stated this is a grant agreement between the City of Tukumcari and the Aging and Long-Term Services Department capital outlay it is a 100% grant and it is to improve the code, the main purpose for the money is for the replacement of the Senior Center roof. We have already been looking at the quotes and its going to be less than \$108,000, the scope of work states any excess funds must go to improve the code whether it is a new fire alarm system, replacing the sheet rock that was damaged from the leaking roof as long as it fits within the improvement code of the building.

Mayor Lumpkin stated that it was a great idea and thanked Mr. Martinez and asked if it was a grant application. Mr. Martinez replied that the funds are general obligation bonds and have been sold but for the grant agreement a Scope of Work must be submitted stating what the money will be used for. The money is available they just need to accept the grant agreement.

Commissioner Mihm made the motion to approve Title Grant Agreement A14-1190 and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Requesting Approval for Grant Agreement A14-1189 for \$190,000 Quay County Senior Center Vehicles – Aging and Long-Term Services Department- Mark Martinez presented this item to the Commission. He stated that is was also a grant agreement with Aging and Long-Term Services Department a capital outlay 100% grant in the amount of \$190,000 to purchase vehicles both transportation vehicles as well as vans that are able to pick up seniors and take them to and

from where they need to go. With this we're looking at getting ten to twelve passenger vehicle van with a wheelchair lift and the rest of the funds would be to equip and purchase additional vans.

Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield commented that these vehicles are very badly needed because there have been several instances where the seniors in wheelchairs gets stuck on the lift; she asked for the Commissions' approval on this.

Commissioner Haymaker asked how soon the vehicles would be able to be replaced. Mr. Martinez answered that once the grant agreement was signed the next step is to get to Santa Fe and get their personnel to sign off on them, next is a notice of obligation to obligate the funds then an RFP would go out or utilize our own procurement to determine who the vendor would be and the vehicles could be purchased. So realistically we are looking at the end of December or beginning of January depending on how quickly everything goes.

Commissioner Haymaker made to motion to approve Grant Agreement A14-1189 for \$190,000 to Quay County Senior Vehicles and Commissioner Mihm Seconded the motion. Roll call:

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Clarification on Ambulance Purchase- This item was presented to the Commission by Shane Warner. He stated that on August 27 he presented a proposal to purchase a 2014 ambulance through a HGAC contract for the price of \$109,275. In that proposal he mentioned that a new one would cost \$160,000. After talking with a representative from Phoenix Group, he was misinformed and that the \$160,000 was for a higher end ambulance that they were looking at. Mr. Warner apologized for the misunderstanding and felt that he needed to represent it to the Commission with the proper facts and figures. He is asking for approval to purchase a 2014 McCoy Miller ambulance with no changes to specs with a purchase price of \$109,275. This ambulance new would cost \$122,000 but since they are purchasing it through a HGAC contract it is discounted to \$109,275. The ambulance is demo unit that was built by the Phoenix Group to show its capabilities, the ambulance remains in the Phoenix Group's possession and has never been sold so it is still titled a brand new ambulance so it can be purchased through HGAC. Ms. Gray has been in contact with HGAC and they have issued an approval for this purchase this way they are following procurement.

Commissioner Haymaker asked what the clarification was for. Mr. Warner stated that he quoted \$160,000 for the purchase of a new ambulance but was misinformed and the price is \$122,000; the \$160,000 was for a higher end ambulance.

The item did not need a motion because the purchase was already approved.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked Mr. Warner for the clarification.

Requesting Approval to Retire K-9 Toro- Mr. Langenegger presented this item to the Commission. He stated that we have a K-9 unit, Toro, who needs to be retired due to his age, he is at the point where he can no longer perform the services needed. The state statutes anti-donation clause states that nothing can be given away, but there is an exception to K-9 units. The exceptions states that the K-9 can be given to their handlers when they are ready for retirement. This is because K-9 units go through a lot of training with their handler, they become attached and it is very

difficult to give them away to someone else. The handler is Dennis Garcia who he is willing to take possession of the K-9. We are asking for permission to release the K-9 unit to him. In looking at the statute there is a clause that states that upon determination of the Public Safety Secretary that if the dog is not a hazard it may be given to the handler. He is asking for clarification from the State as far as what that means, but what he is asking from the Commission is a vote of approval contingent upon approval from the state.

Mayor Lumpkin stated that he thinks that is a great idea and complimented Mr. Garcia for his concern and accepting this.

Commissioner Gutierrez asked that although Dennis is no longer with the Tucumcari Police Department he still has possession of the dog. Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield stated because he was the original handler. Mr. Langenegger answered yes it is difficult to give K-9 units to a different handler because they go through so much training and form a bond with their handler, so it's difficult for another person to take over the dog and get the same results. At the point where Mr. Garcia left the City, Toro was ready for retirement and we received a new K-9 unit, Aries who is training with Tyler Marney, but we needed to finalize the retirement of Toro and make it official and give him over to Mr. Garcia.

Commissioner Haymaker stated that with the screening process that is going to occur to ensure the dog's public safety in public places we are totally covered and he would like to commend Mr. Garcia for taking this responsibility.

Commissioner Haymaker made the motion to approve retirement of K-9 Toro and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Requesting Approval of NMDOT Aviation 2016 Maintenance Grant- Jim Sewell presented this item to the Commission. He stated that this covers maintenance items such as oil, filters for the vehicles. The main item Mr. Sewell wanted on the grant is to replace the hydraulic hose. The grant is for \$10,000 from the state, \$1,111 match from the City the total has gone up this year for \$11,111.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked Mr. Sewell and stated that the bottom line on this is we are going to get \$11,111 and we only have to pay back \$1,111 he thanked Mr. Sewell for his efforts.

Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield made the motion to approve the NMDOT Aviation 2016 Maintenance Grant and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Request for Approval of RFP#15-02 Nuisance Property Maintenance- Mr. Langenegger presented this item to the Commission. He stated that this is actually an IFB (invitation for bids) asking for bids for a contractor to clean up nuisance properties within the city. The new nuisance ordinance is being enforced, the street crews are going out and cleaning up some of the properties,

however, there are more properties than street crew. This bid would allow us to hire a contractor. If a property needed to be cleaned we would contact them and have them clean it, they would invoice the city and the city would charge those fees back to the property owner. Funds would be taken out of the General Fund to do this and hopefully re-coop those funds from the property owners or through liens, of course we aren't going to be able to re-coop all of them because sometimes people don't pay or respond to the invoices we send but I think this is something that is necessary for us to do to ensure that we continue to clean up Tucumcari and make it a more attractive community and further develop the community.

Commissioner Haymaker commented I heard you say contractor, are we looking at more than one possibly that could be certified to work for the City in that capacity. Ms. Gray replied, yes the IFB does state that the City does have the right to award it to multiple contractors. Commissioner Haymaker commented that, that was good because it looks like it will be a tall order for just any one contractor.

Commissioner Haymaker made to motion to approve the request for RFP#15-02 Nuisance Property Maintenance and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll call:

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Public Comments

James Dow- He stated that he thought it might be appropriate since the Commission meeting fell this close to last weekend's event, he wanted to give the Commission a breakdown of how things actually went as far as visitation and wanted on behalf of the board to personally say they appreciate all the comments that he heard tonight and hoped everyone had a favorable opinion on all the work we try to get accomplished at the Depot, they are working very hard. He wanted to give a breakdown of the states, it is very difficult in this type of situation to get 100% registration, we had a lot of people who came and went but we did manage to get a breakdown of a total of 245 people that registered, plus the kids and the people that just walked in was a total of 245 over a two day period, it's safe to say that a total of 500 people participated. We are very pleased with the reception we received, not only from our Commissioners but from the people who were visitors at the museum, we had nothing but favorable comments. On Saturday we had two visitors from California, two from Georgia, one from Kentucky, and one from Minnesota. On Saturday we had 185 visitors from New Mexico, another 13 on Sunday, giving a total of 298 visitors from New Mexico, of that total 145 were from Tucumcari, which isn't bad for a little town like Tucumcari. There were two visitors from Oklahoma, two from Oregon, two from Texas the two days combined there was a total of twelve from Texas, four people from New Zealand, two from Germany, three from Wales, and nine from England. On Sunday afternoon there were two visitors from Paris, France. A lady from New Zealand was interested in making contacts, he feels that it would be a good idea to follow up in hopes of making international connections for future advertising.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked Mr. Dow for all his hard work.

Gail Houser- He wanted to thank the Mayor and the Commission for approving the first reading of Ordinance 1125. He stated that it is critically important that we are able to dove tail a lot of our efforts for grant applications for private investment, into what is assumed to be the state statutes so

that we can really get rolling on this thing so thank you very much. Nothing has been mentioned, other than from Mr. Langenegger, about the opportunity at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday to dedicate our new community pavilion. He thinks it's important that everyone be aware of that and come down and celebrate what's going on in that property because that is going to be an important piece to redeveloping and rehabilitating downtown Mainstreet, maybe more importantly to that though is the fact that our City Manager is going to be in the dunk tank during Fired Up. He thanked the Commission for its time and they really do appreciate all the support the city commission has given Mainstreet.

Patsy Gresham- She stated she is blown away by all the things that the Commission is accomplishing and the way they are moving the community forward. She wanted to say thank you, the Sands Dorsey lot looks amazing even with just dirt. She is looking forward to the pavilion. She also congratulated Gail Sanders on being the director at the Chamber of Commerce. She stated that she supports the Commissions efforts and is grateful to everyone for all their hard work

Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Mihm thanked everyone for being here, welcomed all the new officers, welcomed those not from Tucumcari to Tucumcari, also welcomed Gail Sanders the new Chamber Director. He stated that along with Mr. Langenegger he would be in the dunk tank at Fired Up, the proceeds from the tank will be going to Blessing in a Backpack, which is one of the programs the City Manager was involved in long before he became the City Manager, it is a very important program for our small town. It feeds children over the weekend whose homes don't necessarily have the funds to feed the children and he thinks it's a great program, come dunk them to help put money towards the program. He thanked the listening audience that was present and wished everyone a great weekend.

Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield thanked everyone for coming and congratulated the new police officers proud to have you in our community. She mentioned that Police Chief Braziel would also be participating in the dunk tank and encouraged everyone to come out.

Commissioner Gutierrez said it sounds like it's going to be a fun weekend. She wanted to remind everyone that Saturday the Dinosaur Museum was having free entry, hopes everyone will take advantage of this offer, they will also be offering free entry to the museum again October 9th and 10th. The dunk tank for the Blessings in a Backpack sounds like a great and fun fundraiser, but the program is also looking for volunteers. On Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus come help fill the backpacks. It's a great program that feeds the children of the community that might not otherwise eat over the weekends, and being that there is no school on Fridays it makes for a long weekend. They deliver the backpacks to the schools every Thursday morning starting at 6:45 a.m. and that takes about an hour. So if you can't help fill them maybe you can help deliver. Even if you only come once a month it would help. All volunteers are welcome. She also thanked Mr. Houser for all his work on Fired Up! she thinks there is going to be a great turn out, she wanted to thank all those involved and all those who volunteer. She stated that there is not enough words to say thank you to all those who donate their time and volunteer. She welcomed the new officers and hoped they were adjusting well, nice to see those from here giving back to their community. She thanked Mr. Martinez and Mr. Warner for putting in the work for the grant applications and thanked Mr. Dow for all his work as well.

Commissioner Haymaker thanked everyone for coming and all those listening, Thanked Thomas Garcia for his great articles for the Quay County Sun and thanked all those from the Railroad and said the cart looks great, there were a lot more states represented at the Railroad days that didn't sign in. It was good to hear from Patsy, thanked her for her kind words and thanked Gail as well. He learned a lot of neat little things this year, at the Municipal League he believes they swear in their new officers at the commission meeting. He thought that was a great idea and is just something to be thinking about. Another thing since Fired Up! is coming up he wants to look at if there is a possibility at all to deter through truck traffic on 54 on our main street. There were several towns that were represented at the Municipal League, one in particular said that the truck traffic is destructive to their historic buildings those buildings were built in a time where freight of ten to twenty thousand pounds were being dragged down the street now a days we have upwards of a hundred thousand pounds of freight being taken down through our main street would like to see if there was a way to reroute that kind of traffic as we continue to focus arts in that area. He would hate to see someone injured or hurt trying to cross because people will be going from the railroad depot to the movie theatre. This was something brought up at the Municipal League and something that applies in our case. He thanked everyone for coming out and for everyone's interest. It is good to see Karen and appreciates everything she is doing with the Rawhide Day event.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked everyone for coming out, welcomed the new officers and thanked them for their service and for what they do.

Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield wanted to comment on the Artspace, if you haven't visited definitely need. She has been attending the drum circles and they are so much fun and very relaxing. Come out to the next one the next one is October 9th.

Adjournment

Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to Adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Litchfield made the motion to adjourn and Commissioner Haymaker seconded the motion. Roll Call:

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Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Robert C. Lumpkin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Angelica M. Gray, City Clerk