

City of Tucumcari
City Commission Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2014

The Tucumcari City Commission met in a regular meeting on Thursday, October 9, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, Members present constituting a quorum were: John Mihm, Ruth Ann Litchfield, Amy Gutierrez, Rick Haymaker and Robert Lumpkin, who appeared by Skype.

City Staff members present were: Doug Powers, Assistant City Manager; Dennis Dysart, Finance Director; Ralph Lopez, Project Manager; Mark Martinez, Project Manager; Jason Braziel, Chief of Police; Angelica Gray, City Clerk; and Mercedes Rudisill, HR Specialist.

Invocation presented by Pastor Rick Haymaker with Agape West Church, and David Essex with Xcel Energy led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of Changes for Deletions to the Agenda

Mr. Powers asked if Item 9B could be deleted from the agenda.

Commissioner Haymaker made the motion to delete item 9B from the agenda and Commissioner Lumpkin seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Haymaker	Mihm	Litchfield	Lumpkin	Gutierrez
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Commissioner Litchfield made the motion to approve the agenda as amended and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Litchfield	Haymaker	Gutierrez	Mihm	Lumpkin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Mihm thanked everyone for coming tonight. He apologized from the delay in getting this meeting started, however; the commission was in a lengthy executive session.

Commissioner Litchfield also thanked everyone for coming tonight as well as everyone listening on the radio. She also thanked the police department, the fire department, and the District Attorney's Office and all departments who have worked hard to solve the fires happening in Tucumcari. She hopes they come to a conclusion soon.

Commissioner Haymaker thanked everyone for coming and for their patience. He also stated that they are grateful to the police department, fire department, and district attorney's office and he is looking for the arson situation to be resolved soon.

Commissioner Gutierrez welcomed everyone tonight. She also hopes the arson will get resolved soon.

She also thanked everyone for attending the Fired Up! She reminded everyone of the rodeo this weekend.

Mayor Lumpkin agreed with the other commissioners and thanked all the law enforcement agencies for their hard work.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Haymaker made the motion to approve the September 25, 2014, commission meeting minutes and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Lumpkin	Gutierrez	Litchfield	Haymaker	Mihm
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance 1116, Second/Final Reading, Franchise Granted to SPS/Xcel Energy - Commissioner Litchfield made the motion to approve the final reading of Ordinance 1116 regarding granting franchise to SPS and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Haymaker	Lumpkin	Mihm	Gutierrez	Litchfield
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Ordinance 1117, Second/Final Reading, Adding Illicit Synthetic Drugs – Commissioner Haymaker thanked Mr. Ysco for presenting this matter to the commission.

Commissioner Haymaker made the motion to approve Ordinance 1117, an Ordinance Adding Illicit Synthetic Drugs and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Mihm	Litchfield	Lumpkin	Gutierrez	Haymaker
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Resolution 2014-34, 2014 MAP Resolution for Cash Match Waiver – Ralph Lopez presented this matter to the commission. He stated the resolution is to request a cash match waiver from NMDOT. As for most of our grants, the City has a cash match or in-kind. We were asked to apply for a waiver on the City’s percentage portion of the MAP of \$73,000.00.

Commissioner Mihm made the motion to approve Resolution 2014-34 and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Haymaker	Mihm	Litchfield	Lumpkin	Gutierrez
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

City Manager’s Report

Mr. Powers addressed the Mayor, commissioners, and people of Tucumcari. He stated he appreciates working for the City of Tucumcari. He stated we have some of the finest individuals working for the City. Over a year ago, this City stood up for him and he will never forget it. He is proud that this community stood up for him.

He stated when he is asked where he is from, he answers “I’m from Tucumcari”, and he’s proud of it.

He stated we have been through the good times and the bad times. However, we stay here because this community has that attraction.

He stated that when Commissioner Gutierrez’ husband retired they could have retired anywhere however, they chose to come back to Tucumcari.

He stated that Commissioner Haymaker and his wife also chose to move to Tucumcari.

He just wanted to say thank you to everyone.

Mayor Lumpkin stated that Mr. Powers has attended several meetings for the City of Tucumcari such as the Water Trust Board meetings where the City received \$2.2 mil for a transmission line, the issues over our lake and the level of the lake and intake structure and water availability for Tucumcari.

He thanked Mr. Powers for all his hard work.

Bids and Contracts

Requesting Approval of Advertising Contract with Clovis Media, Inc. –Mercedes Rudisill addressed the commission. She stated this is an annual contract with Clovis Media, Inc., which is the online packet and includes the boxed ads on their website and covers Tucumcari, Clovis, and Portales websites. In addition, they will make changes and updates to the Convention Center website and updates on events taking place in Tucumcari. The cost of this contract is \$4,720.00, and will cover the remainder of this fiscal year.

Commissioner Mihm asked if she knows how successful this ad has been as far as scheduling. Ms. Rudisill stated she receives a monthly email with the information of how many people have looked at it, if they call, she asks how they heard about the convention center and four people have responded from the website.

Commissioner Haymaker made the motion to approve the Contract with Clovis Media, Inc. and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Litchfield	Haymaker	Gutierrez	Mihm	Lumpkin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Requesting Approval of Grant Agreement 2014-1188 For Senior Centers – Mark Martinez addressed the commission. He stated this grant agreement is for the Quay County wide centers, which includes House, Tucumcari, and Logan Centers. The amount is for \$45,300.00, which will be used for meal equipment. This is 100% grant from the capital outlay from Aging and Long Term Services Department.

Mr. Powers added updates have been made to the kitchens. He stated the people at the senior center have come up with \$1,400 for paint and supplies to be used at the Tucumcari Center.

Commissioner Litchfield made the motion to approve the Grant Agreement 2014-111 for Senior Center and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Lumpkin	Gutierrez	Litchfield	Haymaker	Mihm
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Requesting Approval for Integrated Municipal Financial Software System (RFP) – Dennis Dysart addressed the commission. He stated he is asking for approval to submit a RFP for the financial software. This has been discussed in several finance board meetings and is included in the budget.

Commissioner Haymaker made the motion to approve the Integrated Municipal Financial Software System and Commissioner Litchfield seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Haymaker	Lumpkin	Mihm	Gutierrez	Litchfield
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Requesting Approval for WHPacific Master Service Agreement – Ralph Lopez stated WHPacific has prepared our airport contracts for the last four years. This agreement needs to be renewed every four years. They are also the only engineer who submitted a proposal. He stated their proposal was approved by the commission at an earlier meeting. In addition, this agreement does not have a cost to the City at this time. He stated the individual tasks they perform for the airport would have costs associated, which will be negotiated by the City on an on-call basis, as needed.

Commissioner Litchfield made the motion to approve the WHPacific Master Service Agreement and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Mihm	Litchfield	Lumpkin	Gutierrez	Haymaker
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Old Business

Acknowledgment of Library Advisory Board Minutes from July 28, 2014 – Mayor Lumpkin acknowledged the Library Advisory Board Minutes from July 28, 2014. He thanked Commissioner Mihm for his help with the library.

Acknowledgment of Tucumcari Senior Citizens Advisory Board Minutes from October 1, 2014 - Mayor Lumpkin acknowledged the Tucumcari Senior Citizens Advisory Board Minutes from October 1, 2014.

Acknowledgment of Cemetery Advisory Board Minutes from July 23, 2014 – Mayor Lumpkin acknowledged the Cemetery Advisory Board Minutes from July 23, 2014.

Acknowledgment of Finance Advisory Board Minutes from September 23, 2014 – Mayor Lumpkin acknowledged the Finance Advisory Board Minutes from September 23, 2014.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked all the volunteers who serve on the advisory boards. He appreciates their dedication and hard work.

New Business

Commissioners will vote to approve the hiring of new City Manager as discussed in executive session during the prior work session – Mayor Lumpkin commented that the commission had a very active executive session. It was discussed and he feels this commission is working very hard to make the best decisions for the citizens of Tucumcari.

Commissioner Mihm made the motion to extend the city manager position to Jared Langenegger and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Haymaker	Mihm	Litchfield	Lumpkin	Gutierrez
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

In form of correction, the Mayor asked for a motion to re-approve the agenda, adding Item 9B and deleting Item 9C.

Commissioner Mihm made the motion to re-approve the agenda and reactivate Item 9B and remove Item 9C and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Litchfield	Haymaker	Gutierrez	Mihm	Lumpkin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Recommendation from Lodger’s Tax Advisory Board to Approve funding to Rockabilly on the Route for \$20,000.00 and Mesalands April Rodeo 2015 for \$20,000.00 -

Commissioner Litchfield made the motion to approve Lodger’s Tax Advisory Board’s recommendation in funding Rockabilly on the Route for \$20,000.00 and Mesalands April Rodeo 2015 for \$20,000.00 and Commissioner Mihm seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Lumpkin	Gutierrez	Litchfield	Haymaker	Mihm
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Public Comments

Frank Turner – He is a volunteer with the railroad board. He showed the commission an older picture of the depot. He invited everyone out to the Railroad Days. He stated that Mark Lake and Leo Thrasher directed the beginning of renovations of the depot. He is proud of the depot. He stated he enjoyed working with Mr. Powers and they have accomplished a great depot. He thanked the Mayor for his support.

Gail Houser – He is the Executive Director for Mainstreet. He stated the Fired Up! Event was unbelievably successful. They appreciate the City, the city commissioners, and the merchants in the Mainstreet area. He recognized Chris Gries, Scott Simpson, and Alex Arias for their great job and he appreciates their phenomenal job.

Items from Commissioners

Commissioner Haymaker reminded everyone of Railroad Days, the Ranch Supply's block party. He thanked the commission for the support, Ms. Gray and Ms. Rudisill for making his job as a commissioner easier.

Commissioner Gutierrez thanked all the applicants for the city manager position. She stated the commission worked together. She welcomed Mr. Langenegger aboard.

Commissioner Mihm thanked everyone for coming out tonight. He congratulated Mr. Langenegger and he looks forward to seeing Tucumcari moving forward. He stated it was a long process to hire a city manager, however; he's sure there will be a reward for Tucumcari. He hopes that moving forward we show our new city manager support.

Commissioner Litchfield thanked Ms. Marquez for being here tonight. She welcomed Mr. Langenegger and also welcomed him aboard. She stated that Senior Citizens are having a Halloween dance on October 24th at Del Norte and she volunteered to find door prizes. She thanked Del's Restaurant, Kmart, Odeon Theater and all the businesses that helped our seniors.

Mayor Lumpkin thanked the citizens and all the people who applied for the city manager position. He thanked the volunteer groups on all the advisory boards along with the vendors who help Tucumcari. He stated that Commissioner Litchfield's husband was Mayor when they signed the deed to Tucumcari. He stated Frank Turner, Richard Primrose and Calvin Litchfield went to Nebraska to sign the deed and now Commissioner Litchfield will then be making the welcoming for Railroad Days. He stated they are very proud of the people of Tucumcari, both the past and present.

Adjournment

Mayor Lumpkin asked for a motion to Adjourn. Commissioner Mihm made the motion to adjourn and Commissioner Gutierrez seconded the motion. Roll Call:

Haymaker	Lumpkin	Mihm	Gutierrez	Litchfield
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Ruth Ann Litchfield, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Angelica M. Gray, City Clerk