

MINUTES

VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS de ALBUQUERQUE
6718 RIO GRANDE BOULEVARD N.W.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

August 10, 2005 - 7:00 P.M.

Present:

Larry Abraham, Mayor

Don Lopez, Trustee/Mayor pro tem

Pablo Rael, Trustee

Mary Homan, Trustee

Tim McDonough, Trustee

Juan Vigil, Administrator

Annabelle Silvas, Clerk

Terry Nighbert, P&Z Director

Nancy Haines, Treasurer

Gil Saavedra, Accountant

Sherry Tippett, Attorney

George Dahl, Fire Chief

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Village of Los Ranchos' Governing Body held its Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 10, 2005 in the Warren J. Gray Hall. The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

MOTION THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD A CLOSED MEETING FOR DISCUSSION OF PENDING LITIGATION AT 6:00 P.M., AUGUST 10TH, 2005 AND ONLY THE ITEMS DESCRIBED IN THE NOTICE WERE DISCUSSED.

Mayor Abraham read the statement of closed meeting and asked for a motion.

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved approval of the Closed Meeting statement. Trustee Rael seconded.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

MOTION THAT THE VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS' ATTORNEY IS AUTHORIZED TO PROCEED WITH THE THREATENED AND PENDING LITIGATION MATTERS DISCUSSED IN THE CLOSED MEETING OF AUGUST 10TH, 2005 WITHIN THE PARAMETERS SET BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Mayor Abraham read the statement and asked for a motion.

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved approval to authorize the Village of Los Ranchos' attorney to proceed with the threatened and pending litigation matters discussed in the closed meeting within the parameters set by the Board of Trustees. Trustee Homan seconded.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Trustee Rael moved approval of the agenda. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Lorilee McDowell, 7201 Guadalupe Trail invited everyone to participate in a Village group photo at the Growers' Market on Saturday, August 13, 2005.

William Christensen, 1838 Candelaria NW, president of the Rio Grande Kennel Club said he would like to request permission to hold an AKC sanctioned dog match in the Village Park. He said they have general liability insurance and can furnish a copy of the policy.

Administrator Vigil said that this requires Board approval because the Animal Control ordinance does not allow dogs in the park unless the Board authorizes a sanctioned event.

Trustee Lopez asked that Mr. Christensen address a letter to the attention of the Village Administrator for next month's agenda.

Trustee Homan asked that the letter outline a tentative schedule and the expected number of participants, including the number of dogs.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – JULY 13, 2005

Trustee Lopez said that on page 3; line 30 he would like to insert the words "V.J.", and on page 19, line 46 the word "flood plane" should be "floodplain".

B. DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. LAW ENFORCEMENT/BCSD
2. FIRE
3. ANIMAL CONTROL

MOTION: Trustee Homan moved approval of the Consent Agenda with amendments. Trustee Rael seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

4. REPORTS

A. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Abraham reported that:

- He would like to thank Trustee McDonough for introducing Howard Higgins to them. He said that Dr. Higgins will be helping them with the Section 7 Review application to the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for the Maddox Barn. He said they received a letter from the Corp of Engineers asking for comments on the City of Albuquerque's modification of the Montañño permit regarding the four lanes. They have asked Dr. Higgins to submit a response to the phone quote request to the Village's response because he is very familiar with SHPO and the Corp of Engineers.
- He received a call from Lawrence Rael reporting that PNM will be moving the telephone poles on Rio Grande Blvd.
- He has received favorable comments on the Village Vision and would like to thank Lorilee McDowell for all her efforts. He said they are considering adding a business directory.
- He and staff are attempting to revive MainStreet and Virginia Grant will be organizing this committee. He said they will attempt to contact previous committee members and are considering the purchase of a trolley with the funds allocated to MainStreet.
- The hearing on the 280 foot setback Lawsuit took place on August 3, 2005 before Judge Campbell.
- The P&Z Department is doing a good job ensuring that contractors and businesses are providing the Village with copies of their CRS-1 reports.
- They are working with the Village attorney on permitting real estate sales and construction taking place in the Village.
- He attended Safety Counseling training to prevent the loss of a Workman's Compensation refund in the amount of \$6,300.
- They are getting a lot of buy-in from people on using "Los Ranchos de Albuquerque". He said he met with Ken Ortiz from the Department of Motor Vehicles and that the Village residents now have the option of putting Los Ranchos de Albuquerque on their driver's licenses and vehicle titles.

Trustee Homan said they should put a notice in the Village Vision regarding this change for residents renewing their license.

- The auditors will be here August 22, 2005.

B. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vigil reported that the U.S. Marshall's office, the State police and the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department under proper warrant confiscated all the drug paraphernalia and other materials except for tee shirts and bumper stickers at the Gas Pipe. He said that the Sheriff's Department has been patrolling the streets on a regular basis.

He said the Unser Museum is making excellent progress and they are looking to open within the next few months.

He said that they will be meeting with the Trust for Public Land (TPL) to discuss the open space proposal for the future. He said they are working under a letter agreement with the Village and will be working on getting a survey done to gather information on support, financing and related information from Village residents.

He said with the help of Terry Nighbert they are currently appraising property for the Fire Station.

In the next couple of weeks warning signs will be posted on 4th Street and Rio Grande Blvd. in compliance with the new State law requiring drivers to slow down and pull over to the left lane for stationary law enforcement and emergency responders.

He said the majority of his time has been spent trying to get the right-of-way acquisition for the 4th Street project completed. He said that Mr. Owsley assures him that all the documents should be ready for presentation to proceed to bid in September.

C. PLANNER'S REPORT

Planner Nighbert reported that the Planning Department has been working diligently on the SHPO requirements for the barn/community center; he said he has been working with Administrator Vigil on the negotiations for the 4th Street project and the ICIP project. He said the Department continues to inventory all building plans and has cleaned out the annex; they continue to work with the County for maps, to update their planning reports that go to the Board of Trustees, and are working with several enforcement cases.

D. LEGAL REPORT

Attorney Tippett said that she would like to address the letter from Ms. Haggard. She said everyone has a constitutional right to petition their government but does not believe that the Village has the obligation to read a letter into the record from a third party and recommends against it being read.

Trustee Lopez asked if this is threatened and pending litigation.

Administrator Vigil responded that it is potential threatened litigation because they have given her a letter of condemnation.

Attorney Tippett said as a policy the Village should not read letters into the record from a party that is not present. She said the letter can be construed as threatened or potential litigation because it does reference the Attorney General's Office.

Trustee McDonough said he will respect the opinion of the attorney, but at the last meeting this individual did share some concerns and was unable to attend the meeting tonight. He said that a policy on the avenues of communication available to residents and business owners needs to be discussed because there is only one meeting a month.

Mayor Abraham said that both he and Juan met with Ms. Haggard this morning and she was under some misunderstanding that this administration was responsible for changing 4th Street from three lanes to four lanes. He said she is being provided with the records to show how this transpired.

Attorney Tippett said that she is in the process of reviewing a couple of the ordinances. She said she is working on amending the Sign Ordinance which would give the Village the authority to permit all realtors and developers and a sign would be issued with the "Village of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque" and a permit number on it. She said she is also working on a paramedic training agreement to protect the Village from the expense of training.

Trustee Homan asked if the permitting of the real estate signs also enable the Village to track more closely the properties that are being sold to collect the gross receipts taxes deserved.

Attorney Tippett responded, yes, that is the reason for this action.

Trustee McDonough said that the sign ordinance, as well as other ordinances, needs to be reviewed totally because they have had other issues come up, such as not being able to enforce them because they are misconstrued and miswritten.

Attorney Tippett said that Terry has been reviewing the ordinances for any challenges or enforcement issues and referring them to her.

Trustee Rael asked if she had a chance to look at whether doing something for World War II veterans was an anti-donation problem.

Attorney Tippett said that she looked into this and feels that it is risky and a potential liability for the Village to fund an event that could benefit any private industry.

Trustee Lopez said that they need to make a decision as a group on the way this should be done and how it is paid for. He said other municipalities have events that are coincident with the way they operate without getting into legal problems.

Attorney Tippett said that she contacted an attorney in Santa Fe to inquire about Community Day, and they use Lodgers Tax, which is not out of the General Fund and is less likely to be attacked under the anti-donation clause.

E. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Deputy Chief Perez reported that for the month of July they responded to 101 calls. He said that two of their firefighters are in paramedic training through AFD's Academy and that both he and Chief Dahl have agreed to work as shift employees for a nine month period. He said that once they have their paramedics in place it will allow them to be at an Advanced Life Support (ALS) level, allowing them the ability to transport.

He said that they are working in coordination with the Sheriff's Department to provide safety to the students and parents of Horizon Academy.

He said they have completed 20 inspections of businesses within the Village and their goal is to make contact with every business by the end of the year allowing them to conduct routine inspections on a regular basis.

5. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

A. CASH REPORT – JUNE

MOTION: Trustee Homan moved approval of the Cash Report as presented. Trustee McDonough seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

B. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2005-8-1- ADOPTING THE 2005/2006 FY-FINAL BUDGET

Trustee Lopez asked if the Professional Services-Engineering on page 28 of 43 will begin in October.

Accountant Saavedra said that it is his best estimate based on the Agreement because they still do not have a schedule from Larkin Group.

Trustee Lopez asked if the total of \$437,000 on page 31 under Professional Services-Engineering is correct.

Accountant Saavedra said that it should actually be labeled "Construction Costs".

Trustee McDonough asked if the construction costs continue on to the next fiscal year.

Administrator Vigil responded that it should not run into the next fiscal year. He said Larkin Group will be here next month to present the request for bid and at this point we will have the budget and more information about the project and schedule.

Trustee McDonough asked if they could have this information before they get their packets because it is a lot to cover and they do not have a good handle on what the budget is for the construction and the funds available.

Administrator Vigil responded that he will have Mr. Owsley, Larkin Group deliver this information as soon as possible.

Trustee Lopez asked if the plans and specifications will be available for pickup at the Village or Larkin Group.

Administrator Vigil responded that they will probably be available through the Larkin Group.

Trustee Lopez asked when the plans and specifications will be available for them to review.

Administrator Vigil responded that Mr. Owsley has assured him that they will be available for inspection soon.

Trustee McDonough asked if there are any significant changes to the budget since they last reviewed it.

Accountant Saavedra responded that most of the changes were in the General Fund and that the most significant change was the transferring of money to the 4th Street Project.

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved approval of Resolution No. 2005.8.1; Adopting the 2005/2006 FY-Final Budget. Trustee Homan seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Trustee McDonough, aye; Trustee Homan, aye; Trustee Lopez, aye; Trustee Rael, aye.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS

Attorney Sherry Tippett swore in those intending to testify under this Item 6.A.

A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER TO TVSLR, LLC (FORMERLY SAL'S LOUNGE & PACKAGE) KEITH BAIRD- 6855 4TH STREET NW

Planner Nighbert reported that the Planning Department recommends approval of the application for TVSLR, LLC as presented by the applicant with the conditions approved under site development plan 05-05 by the Board of Trustees at their regular meeting of July 13, 2005, (see Planning Report PZ-05-58).

Keith Baird, 913 Green Valley Road said that he is redeveloping Sal's Liquor and Lounge into the Village Shops at Los Ranchos. He said they have already applied for a liquor license and do not anticipate any obstacles or problems.

Trustee Lopez asked if they are still on schedule and will be opening soon.

Keith Baird said that the Calico Café is not expected to open on schedule. He said they are hoping to get a permit in within two weeks and will still have to come back in for another site development for the remaining 9,000 square feet.

Trustee McDonough asked if the Liquor license will apply to the facility or the business.

Keith Baird said that it will be leased to the Calico Café.

MOTION: Trustee Homan moved approval of the liquor license transfer to TVSLR, LLC. Trustee McDonough seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

B. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF SDP-05-07, A REQUEST BY AILENE O'BYRNE PROJECT ARCHITECT FOR GEORGE RAINHART, ARCHITECT FOR NORTHDALÉ PHASE II FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR COMMERCIAL RENOVATION/REMODELING OF THE EXISTING RETAIL SHOPPING CENTER IN THE FOURTH STREET COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 6601 FOURTH STREET NW AND IS LEGALLY KNOWN AS TRACT A-1-A-1, NORTHDALÉ SHOPPING CENTER WITHIN THE ELENA GALLEGOS GRANT PROJECTED SECTIONS 28 AND 29, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST NEW MEXICO PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF BERNALILLO COUNTY BOOK 2005C, PG. 69 FEBRUARY 17, 2005. THIS PROPERTY CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 3.4374 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

Planner Nighbert reported that the Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval to the Board of Trustees with conditions (see Planning Report PZ-05-56).

George Rainhart, 2325 San Pedro, said that they have addressed the issues brought up by the P&Z Commission and the public. He said their plan was simply to remodel the East wing, but they encountered some environmental issues with asbestos and various mold problems in two of the smaller buildings, so they will be rebuilding instead.

Trustee Lopez asked if once they demolish and rebuild the space it will be left open to the tenants for their input.

George Rainhart responded yes, the newer structure will allow them to be more flexible. He said the leases from the buildings already in place will restrict them to the existing footprint with a few minor exceptions.

Roger Erker, owner of J.B's Restaurant, 6621 4th Street said that his only concern is that the original parking lot agreement allowing access from their parking lot through the Northdale Shopping Center and out to Chavez be a matter of record.

Leo Bartolucci 6612 Las Casitas Ct. NW said that he wrote a letter to the manager of one of the Northdale Shopping Center businesses addressing a problem with a delivery truck coming in late at night and leaving their engine running until 7:00 a.m. He asked the owner to consider having the trucks park in the front while waiting for the business to open for delivery to eliminate noise and air pollutants to their residential development.

Terry Nighbert said that they will make sure that this issue is addressed in the operational plans and that he will have Mr. Bartolucci come in to his office to review these.

Trustee McDonough said that the zoning code for the Village Center needs to be addressed instead of granting variances all the time.

MOTION: Trustee Rael moved approval of the Northdale Phase II Site Development Plan. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

C. HEARING OF CU-05-06 BY MODRALL SPERLING ROEHL HARRIS AND SISK P.A. (AGENT FOR CYRENE L. INMAN) OF APPROVAL OF A REQUEST BY KAY BEASON FOR A RENEWAL FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE USE OF A MANUFACTURED HOME WHILE BUILDING A NEW HOME LOCATED AT 700 B MULLEN ROAD NW, BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION PURSUANT TO JOINT MOTION FOR STAY AND ORDER ENTERED JULY 28, 2005 IN INMAN VS. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, (CIV 2005-04161). THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 700 B MULLEN ROAD NW AND LEGALLY KNOWN AS A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND BEING IDENTIFIED AS TRACT 64-A-3-B, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE M.R.G.C.D. PROPERTY MAP NO 29, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST, N.M.P.M., THE VILLAGE OF LOS

RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO; AND THE WESTERLY PORTION OF TRACT 65-A-7-A-1 OF M.R.G.C.D. MAP NO. 29 OF THE PLAT OF DIVISION OF LAND OF HEIRS OF GILBERTO B. CHAVEZ, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON MAY 13, 1974, IN VOLUME B 9, FOLIO 121. THIS PROPERTY CONTAINS 2.65 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

Planner Nighbert reported that at the April 26, 2005 P&Z Commission meeting a motion was made by Commissioner Crawford to approve the request by Kay Beason for approval of a renewal for a conditional use permit (motion carried 6-0), and that attached to this is the Planning Report with staff recommendation that the P&Z Commission approve an amendment to an existing conditional use to allow for the modular structure to remain as a residential dwelling until such time as she can proceed with building her own home; further recommending that this be the last extension granted. Subsequent to approval by the P&Z Commission the Modrall Sperling Law Firm filed an appeal which was considered untimely by the Village of Los Ranchos. The Modrall Sperling Law Firm then referred it to State District Court and as part of a settlement agreement this item is placed before the Board of Trustees for a hearing.

Tim VanValen, attorney, Modrall Sperling Law Firm, representing Cyrene Inman, 700 Mullen. He said that they are here to oppose the April 26, 2005 P&Z Commission approval of the conditional use permit for the fifth time. He said that they are requesting that the grant of this permit be reversed or voided by the Board of Trustees because it was improperly granted and the Village did not have the authority to grant it because there has never been any construction or a building permit.

Trustee Homan asked if to date there has been any effort in beginning construction on the site.

Planner Nighbert responded that he is not aware of any construction but that she did apply for and receive a zoning review permit for residential construction and a permit from the State to place a modular home on a permanent foundation on the site.

Tim VanValen said that this is a permit to proceed with placing the existing mobile home on a pad and not for construction of a separate residence which is what the conditional use permit was granted to do.

Planner Nighbert responded that a "separate residence" under the zone code can be a modular home.

Lillian Apodaca, 3908 Carlisle NE, representing Kay Beason said that they consider this rehearing to be improper under the City rules and regulations. She states that in 1995 Mr. & Mrs. Inman purchased this property with a one acre lot from Ms. Beason and that pursuant to the Purchase Agreement it was agreed upon between the parties that they would go before the Village of Los Ranchos to get a zone change to build four additional homes on the property. She said that in a suit filed against Ms.

Reason by Mrs. Inman she states that they purchased this piece of property with the understanding that the land was to be developed as soon as possible, but when Ms. Beason has attempted on numerous occasions to develop the property Mrs. Inman has been present each and every time opposing the development.

Trustee Homan asked Terry Nighbert to clarify if the Village has active enforcement of permitting at this time.

Planner Nighbert responded, yes.

Trustee Homan said that this is a moot point and should not go any further because the circumstances that were heard by the P&Z Commission were apparently valid or they wouldn't have granted a Conditional Use Permit again.

Trustee Lopez said that he concurs with this because as he understands the request by Mr. VanValen was not timely.

Terry Nighbert said that according to the Zoning Ordinance any appeals must be made to the Clerk within 15 days of the decision of the Commission to the Board.

Trustee Lopez asked if they are proper in not acting on this matter.

Attorney Tippet said that this rehearing was done in an effort to settle this matter. It is not formerly a settlement; it is a motion to "stay" the proceedings. She said that under our zoning code a modular home is allowed in this area and therefore there is no need for a Conditional Use Permit.

Tim VanValen said that he thinks that there are some ambiguities in the Village's Zoning and that the lack of a request for public comment at the granting of the Conditional Use Permit raises due process issues on how this hearing was conducted.

Trustee Lopez asked Sherry Tippet to reaffirm that the P&Z Commission's action was not illegal.

Trustee Homan made a motion to go on to Item 6.E. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion.

Attorney Tippet said that a motion for nonreversal of the P&Z Commission's decision would be more appropriate.

Trustee Lopez withdrew his second.

MOTION: Trustee Homan made a motion to uphold the Planning and Zoning Commission's decision in granting the Conditional Use Permit. Trustee Lopez seconded.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

Mayor Abraham said that he is a big believer of neighborhoods and communities and that this issue is not going to be resolved by this Board; it needs to be resolved by the parties involved.

D. PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMUNITY COMMENTS ON INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2007-2011

Administrator Vigil reported that this is a public hearing on the Village's Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP). He said they were advised by the State DFA that the new plan will cover 2007 to 2011 since the State legislature has already appropriated the funding for 2006. He said that he and Terry Nighbert attended the training session for the ICIP and were told that they needed include those projects that were being submitted for consideration under GRIP II projects. He said that anyone in the public can contribute projects. The projects will be listed in priority to include the added funding needed for each year of the Plan (see ICIP 2007-2011) and submitted to the State for use during the upcoming legislative session. He said that the requirement of the State is that this prioritization be adopted by resolution after receiving public comment.

No public comment received.

E. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2005-8-2- APPROVING THE 2007-2011 INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND GRIP II PROJECTS

MOTION: Trustee McDonough made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2005-8-2 with changes presented. Trustee Rael seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Trustee McDonough, aye; Trustee Homan, aye; Trustee Lopez, aye; Trustee Rael, aye. The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF VOTING DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE FOR THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING – NEW MEXICO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN ROSWELL

Trustee Homan said that as senior member of the Board; Trustee Rael can be the voting member and she will be the alternate. She said she will get together with Trustee Rael to review the resolutions that the Resolution Committee worked on.

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved that Trustee Rael be the voting delegate and

Trustee Homan be the alternate for the N.M. Municipal League annual business meeting. Trustee McDonough seconded.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

B. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MAYOR'S REPORT PER RESOLUTION NO. 2005-3-5 ON FOURTH STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITIONS AND ACTIONS

Administrator Vigil said that 100% of the offers have been made and only two properties are at the point of condemnation. He said that attached is a detailed report on the 4th Street Improvement Project Right of Way acquisition and actions taken by Don Trujillo and Roxanne Trujillo of the Department of Transportation's Real Estate Appraisal Division.

MOTION: Trustee Lopez made a motion to accept the Mayor's report per Resolution No. 2005-3-5. Trustee Homan seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

C. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Administrator Vigil said that an Organizational Chart was one of the deliverables that was requested by the auditors.

Trustee Homan asked that Planning be spelled correctly under the department heading.

Trustee McDonough said that there are many Municipal Judges that would argue that there should not be a connecting line between the Board and the Municipal Court because they are both elected.

Administrator Vigil said that he put them in a parallel line to reflect this, but the Board does have budgetary authority over them and creates their budget.

MOTION: Trustee McDonough made a motion to accept the Organization Chart with the change noted by Trustee Homan. Trustee Rael seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

9. TRUSTEES INFORMAL DISCUSSION

Trustee Lopez asked if the community center will be up by November 11th to use for the WWII veterans function.

Trustee Rael said that they should consider reserving the Taft gym as school is out during this time.

Mayor Abraham said that depending on how many veterans will be attending, there is always the possibility of using the park, village hall or the fire station, or get one of the Village's restaurants to partake.

Trustee Homan asked if the plan is to recognize all veterans and highlighting the WWII veterans.

Trustee Rael said that he thinks that it should be limited to WWII veterans.

Trustee Lopez said that they should consider a special issue of the Village Vision to recognize their WWII veterans.

Mayor Abraham said this should be fine, as long as they are limiting it to Village residents who are WWII veterans.

Sherry Tippett said that she would feel more comfortable with donations rather than public money.

Mayor Abraham said it would be simpler to do something at Sadie's and figure out how to underwrite it.

Trustee McDonough suggested they put together a committee.

Trustee Homan said the number of participants will determine the space needed.

Mayor Abraham said that they will put in that RSVP's need to be in by November 4th or 5th in the November Village Vision issue.

Trustee Homan said that she would be happy to join Trustee McDonough on this committee.

Mayor Abraham said that they will put Greg Perez in charge.

Trustee Lopez said he left a voicemail for Annie Sanchez today telling her that the issues brought up by her will be scheduled in our long range plan. He said the vegetation is overgrown in this area, but that maintenance equipment cannot be used because it is too steep. He said they can wait and see if erosion takes place or spend \$500 on the plan he presented a couple of months ago.

Trustee Rael asked what the timeframe is on this project.

Administrator Vigil said that it is included in the GRIP II projects.

Trustee Homan said that she will be running for the Municipal League Board and

would appreciate the support.

Trustee Rael said that the Master Plan needs to be changed or corrected to make sure that if a property does not have frontage on 4th Street it does not have the authority to be zoned Commercial.

Mayor Abraham said that this can be easily corrected if it was the original intent. He said they need to schedule a retreat to discuss the VC zone and goals for the next year.

Trustee McDonough agreed to get a retreat coordinated.

Mayor Abraham presented a Village logo to the Board for their approval. He said he will be ordering shirts for them to wear to the NM Municipal League annual meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Trustee McDonough moved to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. Trustee Homan 2nd the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0.

APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque this _____ day of _____, 2005.

ATTEST:

Annabelle Silvas, CMC
Village Clerk

