

**VILLAGE OF CIMARRON**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, May 4, 2020 at 5:30pm**  
**The Governing Body met via GoToMeeting Application**  
Monday May 4, 2020 5:30 PM- 6:00 PM (MDT)  
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- I. Pledge of Allegiance- Pledge to the New Mexico State Flag**  
Mayor Leo Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the New Mexico Flag
- II. Roll Call**  
Mayor Leo Martinez            Mayor Pro Tem Laura Gonzales            Councilor James Gallegos  
Councilor Judy B. Le Doux            Councilor Matthew Gonzales  
  
Clerk Administrator Shawn Jeffrey
- III. Approve/Disapprove of Agenda**  
*Councilor Judy LeDoux moved to approve the agenda of May 4, 2020.*  
*Councilor James Gallegos seconded.*  
*Roll Call Vote: Mayor Pro Tem Laura Gonzales-Aye, Councilors Judy B. LeDoux-Aye,*  
*Councilor James Gallegos- Aye, Councilor Matthew Gonzales- Aye. Approved 4-0*
- IV. Discussion/Approve/Disapprove: COVID-19 Updates and Recommendations**  
Mayor Leo Martinez reported he had a task force meeting for the Economic Recovery Plan for Cimarron. The volunteers for this group are Colin & Erin Tawney of the Blu Dragon Brewery, Cimarron Police Chief Ryan Gates, Fire Chief Anthony Martinez, Cimarron EMS Director Nate Lay, Lodgers Tax Board Rep/Colfax County Gazette Sharon Smith, Councilor James Gallegos, other in attendance were Myself Mayor Leo Martinez, Admin Shawn Jeffrey, Deputy Clerk Renee LeDoux. Councilor Matthew Gonzales thanked Mayor Leo Martinez for the choices for the task force. A plan was presented to the task force for the Economic Recovery of the Village. The group went over the plan and offered ideas and comments. It is the same plan that was submitted to the Governing Body for review. Councilor James Gallegos stated that in the task force meeting he had requested to have the wash stations added to the list of tasks to be completed. He asked if that needs to be put in the plan. Mayor Leo Martinez responded that Bob's Yard rents wash stations along with the portable restrooms with hand sanitizer that is an available option and we will add the wash stations to the list with the order of the portable restrooms. Mayor Leo Martinez asked the Council for a consensus on the timeline to have these delivered, all agreed the sooner the better. Mayor also reported he

wrote a letter to the Governor asking to slowly open the Village and to have the acupuncture office and the beauty/barber shop be deemed essential for the health of the elderly in the Village. He has not received a response.

Admin Shawn Jeffrey asked where will the wash stations be placed; it was requested to have them placed at the interpretive center and at the park.

Councilor Matthew Gonzales asked what is the plan for the task force? How often will they be meeting? Mayor Leo Martinez responded that after May 15, 2020 when the Governor has her next update then it may be necessary for the Task Force to meet again to plan the next step of the Community Economic Recovery Plan.

#### **V. Approve/Disapprove Recovery Plan**

*Councilor Judy LeDoux moved to approve the Economic Recovery Plan.*

*Councilor Matthew Gonzales seconded.*

*Roll Call Vote: Mayor Pro Tem Laura Gonzales-Aye, Councilors Judy B. LeDoux-Aye, Councilor James Gallegos- Aye, Councilor Matthew Gonzales- Aye. Approved 4-0*

#### **VI. Approve/Disapprove Resolution 2020-022 Action Plan**

Councilor Matthew Gonzales asked Mayor Leo Martinez if he could report on the plan and the different phases. Councilor Matthew Gonzales asked how this plan will be enforced. Councilor James Gallegos answered that it is not local law enforcement duty to enforce it is NM State Police who is the enforcement department for the Governor Order. Councilor Matthew Gonzales also wanted to ask how the citizens will be notified of the plan. Mayor Leo Martinez reported that the plan can go out in the utility bills, post online, and post in the Village. Councilor Judy LeDoux asked about the option for the On-call system message to reach the Village residents. Admin Shawn Jeffrey stated that during the Task Force meeting Mr. Colin Tawney reported that we could adopt this plan however they have state regulations they have to follow to stay open. She also reported that signs, hand sanitizers, thermometer, and gloves as the Governors Plan outlines. The Action Plan was modeled to include all the businesses and to follow the Governors Executive Order.

*Councilor Judy LeDoux moved to approve Resolution 2020-022 Action Plan.*

*Councilor James Gallegos seconded.*

*Roll Call Vote: Mayor Pro Tem Laura Gonzales-Aye, Councilors Judy B. LeDoux-Aye, Councilor James Gallegos- Aye, Councilor Matthew Gonzales- Aye. Approved 4-0*

#### **VII. Council Concerns**

Councilor James Gallegos reported he would like to have more presence of the Law Enforcement in the Village to slow the traffic down as there has been an increase in traffic and motorists speeding. He stated he would be willing to donate masks and gloves if the department needed some. Chief Gates responded that they have been using a greater amount of discretion when stopping vehicles. They have been busy with the burglary and vandalism cases that have been going on. He also added they have masks and sanitizer and they do use them when there is a higher risk. Councilor James Gallegos also has another request and that is to get the Municipal Court back up and running. Chief Gates reported he has personally taken care of a couple of cases and that there is some activity going on in the Court system. Councilor Matthew Gonzales asked if Judge Karen

Gates could draft a list of protocol procedures for opening the Court back up. Admin Shawn Jeffrey said she would relay the message.

Chief Gates also reported they have funding for the Step-Overtime Program, and this is used for officers to get over time pay and it may be a good time for them to use this funding.

Mayor Leo Martinez reported he attended a Mayors meeting with the Mayors in the State and there was a big concern for out of state travel.

Councilor Matthew Gonzales stated his concern on just some of the State parks being open and not all of them which is incentivizing more traffic in Cimarron Canyon.

Mayor Pro Tem Laura Gonzales reported they are working on their phases to open up and that at this time it looks like the Bookmobile will not run this year. She also mentioned that they do not have a definite answer as to when the Library will open.

Councilor Matthew Gonzales asked to have a Resolution or Proclamation drafted for the support of the Library.

Councilor James Gallegos asked Mayor Leo Martinez to try to get on her list of Mayor meeting.

Councilor Matthew Gonzales asked to have a proclamation drafted for Billy Doerr to honor him.

#### VIII. Adjourn

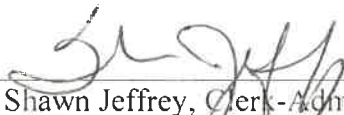
*Councilor James Gallegos moved to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Laura Gonzales seconded. Approved 4-0 6:08pm*

*Roll Call Vote: Mayor Pro Tem Laura Gonzales- Aye, Councilors Judy B. LeDoux-Aye, Councilor James Gallegos- Aye, Councilor Matthew Gonzales- Aye. Approved 4-0*

**APPROVED THIS 13 DAY OF MAY 2020**

  
Leo Martinez, Mayor

Attest:

  
Shawn Jeffrey, Clerk-Administrator