

City of Eunice, New Mexico

March 22, 2011

TIME & PLACE A regular meeting of the City of Eunice, New Mexico was held in City Hall at 5:30 p.m. on March 22, 2011.

OFFICERS The meeting was called to order by Mayor Matt White presided and Joyce Tolsma acted as secretary of the meeting.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE The following council members were present: Gailand Overton, Jerry Corral, Wardell Allen, Nina Lynch, Billy Hobbs, and Mary Lou Vinson.

ABSENT Terry Bettis and CW Motes.

GUESTS Darlene and Gail Bayes, Kevin Burnam, Chad Ellison and Lynn and Tanya White of Eunice News.

INVOCATION PLEDGE Councilwoman Mary Lou Vinson led invocation.
Mayor Matt White led pledge.

CONSENT CALENDAR Councilman Wardell made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Nina Lynch to approve the consent calendar for March 8, 2011 and all bills.

Mayor White points out the \$4,414 concrete bill was to finish the curbing at the swimming pool. This was done to prevent future flooding of the pool.

ROLL CALL:

Nina Lynch	Yes
Billy Hobbs	Yes
Gailand Overton	Yes
Mary Lou Vinson	Yes
Wardell Allen	Yes
Jerry Corral	Abstain

MOTION: Carried

MANAGER COMMENTS City Manager Martin Moore stated that he is very happy to be here and thanks Council for the opportunity. Martin stated he has begun looking over the budget and will start going over the personnel policy this week, he has visited with most department heads and toured some of the facilities. Although some good

things have happened here, Moore sees opportunity to make more things happen and looks forward to this. Mrs. Martin returned home to their children that are in school this week, but both have felt very welcomed and are grateful for that.

ELLISON HOME

Mayor White wanted to change order of the agenda and bring up discussion of the possibility of purchasing the Golf Manager's home that is located at the golf course.

With the Ellison family relocating to Midland, Tx, they offered to sale their double wide mobile home. Ellison stated he tried to get an appraisal done but was told that cannot be done without the home being attached to property. Ellison was able to get a NADA book value out of Odessa as approximately \$84,000. Ellison is asking \$64,000 for the 2004 Solitaire home.

Marty and wife looked at the inside today stating that it is in very good shape. Weathering to a door was all that was observed.

Councilwoman Mary Lou Vinson questions the City being in realty business and White points out it could be good to have someone one the property to prevent vandalism, etc.

Councilman Gailand Overton questions if a new Golf Manager is going to be hired. White stated that just today he and Marty visited with Billy Little, who is interested in the position. City Manager Marty Moore stated that after visiting with Billy he felt more comfortable knowing Little's interest and understanding in what it will take to promote the course. Little is more interested in remaining outside working the greens, etc., but would like to oversee the entire course. Moore would like to see how internal personnel will step up and maintain the pro-shop position. Felicia Smith will be interim full time in the pro shop and a part time will be hired. Gage Guffey will be bumped up and our seasonal help will come in.

Overton stated that he also does not agree with the City being in the house rental business and feels we need to get out of the business. Overton then goes on and states with housing being so scarce we are really in no position to get rid of City rental

property, and thinks keeping the house at the golf course could be beneficial.

Councilman Wardell Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jerry Corral to table the consideration for the purchase of the Ellison home, allowing Chad two (2) weeks for advertising his home for sale.

ROLL CALL:

Wardell Allen	Yes
Gailand Overton	Yes
Billy Hobbs	Yes
Mary Lou Vinson	Yes
Jerry Corral	Yes
Nina Lynch	Yes

MOTION: Carried

**MOU/ ATHLETIC
CENTER**

Another meeting will be held Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. to further discuss particulars in the MOU. The MOU was sent to their attorney and things were switched and changed around, an age limit was never stated, things were omitted that should have been put in the document. The list of qualifications need to be rewritten, the school needs to set fees, the City will not pay the school to run the center, the City Manager needs to be included, termination in seven (7) days needs to be changed, and whatever else can be pre-thought. Councilman Wardell Allen, Councilman Gailand Overton and Councilwoman Nina Lynch thinks they can attend the public meeting to discuss the MOU.

01-2001 AUDIT RFP

City Clerk Joyce Tolsma stated our contract with Accounting and Consulting is up, making it time to put out an RFP for new auditors. A firm can be used for three (3) years, but with state approval, we were allowed to use Accounting and Consulting for four (4) years.

Councilman Billy Hobbs made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Nina Lynch to approve requesting Audit RFP # 01-2011.

ROLL CALL:

Mary Lou Vinson	Yes
Nina Lynch	Yes
Wardell Allen	Yes
Jerry Corral	Yes
Billy Hobbs	Yes
Gailand Overton	Yes

MOTION: Carried

**DEPARTMENT
REPORT(S)**

Councilman Wardell Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Nina Lynch to approve department reports.

ROLL CALL:

Billy Hobbs	Yes
Nina Lynch	Yes
Jerry Corral	Yes
Gailand Overton	Yes
Wardell Allen	Yes
Mary Lou Vinson	Yes

MOTION: Carried

**CITIZEN
COMMENTS**

None

**MAYOR &
COUNCIL
COMMENTS**

Mayor White began by stating he was again pleased with our GRT at \$336,479.

White informed Council that he approved a capital purchase to the police department for a new police unit. Half will be state funded and the other half will come out of the general fund. Also approved was a \$15,000 rough mower for the golf course. The old one will be repaired for using in the rough areas.

White stated we have had an industrious police officer patrolling the golf course checking golf carts, ice chests, etc for beer. The officer was counseled by Police Chief Kevin Burnam and rules and regulations were gone over. Mayor White received a phone call from Councilman Billy Hobbs that it was reported to him the officer was back on patrol at the golf course. Mayor White

explained the incident and stated that he could not find anyone to confirm the complaint and Hobbs informed him he should speak with Gage Guffey, Clayton Frank and Clancey Dean. After further detail from Hobbs, Mayor White points out that we have to be very careful with the care of this situation due to the City being liable should someone have a serious accident while leaving the course. Chief Kevin Burnam stated if an officer sees someone in the parking lot consuming alcohol, it is the officer's duty to ask them to put it away.

White stated that he, Marty and Joyce had a good visit with Steve Alamager, school board president this afternoon. With Moore having three (3) children at state level in music, he (Moore) is interested in helping the school get a music (band) program started. Council was delighted with this news.

Councilman Gailand Overton questions Chief Burnam about the purchase of the police unit and wanders if we might be headed away from having a rainbow of colors for police units, which Overton feels the department would look more professional if they had all the same color units. Burnam stated that he is working on that very issue.

Councilmen Overton, Corral, Allen, Hobbs, Councilwomen Vinson and Lynch each expressed their welcoming comment to Martin Moore and his family to the City, and each is looking forward to working with him.

ADJOURN

Councilman Billy Hobbs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wardell Allen to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Jerry Corral	Yes
Wardell Allen	Yes
Billy Hobbs	Yes
Gailand Overton	Yes
Nina Lynch	Yes
Mary Lou Vinson	Yes

MOTION: Carried

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Matt White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joyce Tolsma, CMC