



# Town of Mesilla, New Mexico

**\*\*FOR THE HEALTH & SAFETY OF ALL PUBLIC,  
MASKS ARE REQUIRED TO ENTER THE PUBLIC MEETING\*\***

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES (BOT)  
TOWN OF MESILLA  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022  
6:00 P.M.**

**TRUSTEES:** Nora Barraza, Mayor  
Stephanie Johnson-Burick, Mayor Pro Tem  
Bibiana Cadena, Trustee  
Veronica Garcia, Trustee  
Adrianna Merrick, Trustee

**STAFF:** Cynthia Stoehner-Hernandez, Town Clerk/Treasurer  
Kevin Hoban, Fire Chief  
Rod McGillivray, Public Works Director  
Enrique Salas, Marshal  
Gloria Maya, Recorder

**PUBLIC:** Justin Sevey                      Erica P  
Susan Krueger

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Barraza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

**Roll Call.**

**Present:** Mayor Barraza, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick, Trustee Cadena, Trustee Garcia, Trustee Merrick.

Mayor Barraza held a Moment of Silence for Dr. Robert McComas and Ms. Teresa Quintana.

**3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA & APPROVAL**

Mayor Barraza removed items 6, 7, and 8 from the agenda.

**Motion: To approve agenda as amended, Moved by Trustee Garcia, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick.**

**Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (summary: Yes =4).

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

Trustee Cadena Yes

Trustee Garcia Yes

Trustee Merrick Yes

4. **PUBLIC INPUT** – The public is invited to address the Board for up to 3 minutes. **Space is limited and may require persons giving public input IN PERSON to rotate if capacity of the room is exceeded.**

No Public Input

5. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** (The Board will be asked to approve by one motion the following items of recurring or routine business. The Consent Agenda is marked with an asterisk \*)

**Motion:** To approve consent agenda, Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.

**Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (summary: Yes =4).

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

Trustee Cadena Yes

Trustee Garcia Yes

Trustee Merrick Yes

- a) **\*BOT MINUTES** – Minutes of a regular meeting January 10, 2022. *Approved by consent agenda*
- b) **\*PZHAC CASE #BL#0923** – 3331 Gandy Lane, submitted by Justin Sevey of Dr. Green Organics for a cannabis license. **Zoned: Single Family Residential (R-1).** *Approved by consent agenda*
6. **CLOSED SESSION** – pursuant to NMSA 1978 Chapter 10-15-1(H)(2): discussion limited to the hiring of someone in the Community Development Coordinator Position. – **Board of Trustees.** *Removed from the agenda*
7. **STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION AND ROLL CALL VOTE** – discussion limited to the hiring of someone in the Community Development Coordinator Position pursuant to NMSA 1978 Chapter 10-15-1(H)(2). – **Board of Trustees.** *Removed from the agenda*
8. **ACTION ON MATTERS FROM CLOSED SESSION** – the hiring of someone in the Community Development Coordinator Position pursuant to NMSA 1978 Chapter 10-15-1(H)(2). – **Board of Trustees.** *Removed from the agenda*

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) **For Approval:** an award to Bohannan Huston for design services for the SCADA system (funded through Capital Outlay). – **Rod McGillivray, Public Works Director.**

Mr. McGillivray made a presentation regarding awarding design services for SCADA system to Bohanna Huston.

**Motion:** To approve awarding Bohannan Huston the design service for the SCADA system (funded through Capital Outlay) Moved by Trustee Garcia, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick.

**Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (summary: Yes =4).

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

Trustee Cadena Yes

Trustee Garcia Yes

Trustee Merrick Yes

- b) **For Appointment:** A Mayor Pro-Tem to serve for one year pursuant to MTC 2.15.060. – **Board of Trustees.**

Trustee Garcia nominated Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick to serve for as Mayor Pro Tem for one-year pursuant MTC 2.15.060.

**Motion: To approve the nomination of Mayor Pro Tem to serve for one year pursuant to MTC 2.15.060, Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Buric, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.**

**Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (summary: Yes =4).

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

Trustee Cadena Yes

Trustee Garcia Yes

Trustee Merrick Yes

c) ***For Appointment:*** representatives to serve on each of the following committees: - **Nora L. Barraza, Mayor.**

- Southwestern Area Workforce Development Board- Mayor Barraza, Trustee Garcia
- South Central Council of Governments, Inc.-Mayor Barraza, Trustee Garcia (Alternate)
- Lower Rio Grande Water Users Organization-Trustee Cadena, Mr. McGillivray
- Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)-Mayor Barraza, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick, Tom Maese
- South Central Regional Transit District (RTD)-Mayor Barraza, Trustee Garcia (Alternate)
- MPO Technical Advisory Committee-CDC, Mr. McGillivray, Mr. Astorga
- MPO Bicycle Committee-Ms. Curry, Mr. McGillivray
- Board of Adjustments (Resident, a P&Z Member & BOT member)-Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick, Ms. Lucero

## **10. BOARD OF TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick: MPO meeting January 12<sup>th</sup>, next MPO meeting February 9<sup>th</sup>

Trustee Garcia: MPO meeting February 9<sup>th</sup>

Mayor Barraza: RTD meeting Wednesday, Legislative Session is starting

## **11. BOARD OF TRUSTEE/STAFF COMMENTS**

Fire Chief Hoban stated testing results have come back negative. They have been holding regular meetings and trainings.

Mayor Barraza stated the volunteers are awesome and residents have expressed their gratitude and appreciation for their service.

Marshal Salas informed the board that “Sonny” is finally being helped.

Mayor Barraza thanked staff for their assistance with “Sonny”.

Ms. Stoechner-Hernandez asked that anyone interested in attending the New Mexico Municipal Day in Santa Fe to let her know so that she can register them.

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick thanked Marshal Salas and Fire Chief Hoban for helping “Sonny”. She thanked Ms. Stoechner-Hernandez for her service to the town.

Trustee Cadena stated there is a lot to learn and is grateful to be awarded the opportunity to service the community.

Trustee Garcia thanked Ms. Stoechner-Hernandez for her service to the town.



Mayor Barraza stated there is an Architectural Style Committee next Tuesday at 3:30 p.m., Community Development Coordinator interviews will be held tomorrow, PZHAC will meet on February 7<sup>th</sup>. We have lost job candidates due to the town's salary schedule. The budget process will be soon. Trustee Garcia, staff and I will be attending the New Mexico Municipal Day. Mollie Training will be March 24 & 25, asked trustees to let staff know if they will be attending so that arrangements can be made.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The Town of Mesilla Trustees unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting. (Summary: Yes-4).

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:15 P.M.**

**APPROVED THIS 28th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2022.**

*Nora L. Barraza*

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Nora L. Barraza  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

*Rani Bush 4/26/22*

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Rani Bush  
Town Clerk/Treasurer

