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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TOWN OF MESILLA
MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011
6:00 P.M.**

TRUSTEES: Nora L. Barraza, Mayor
Carlos Arzabal, Mayor Pro Tem
Sam Bernal, Trustee
Jesus Caro, Trustee
Linda L. Flores, Trustee

STAFF: Nick Eckert, Town Clerk/Treasurer
Jeff Gray, Marshal
Kevin Hoban, Fire Chief
Debbie Lujan, Public Works Director
Gloria Maya, Recorder

PUBLIC: Chris Alexander Mrs. Jimmy Nevarez

OPENING CEREMONIES

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Proclamation for New Mexico's teachers on April 1, 2011 – "Tribute to Teacher Excellence Day."

Mr. Eckert read the proclamation making April 1, 2011 "Tribute to Teacher Excellence Day."

Motion: To approve the proclamation making April 1, 2011 "Tribute to Teacher Excellence Day", **Moved**
by Trustee Caro, **Seconded by** Trustee Flores.

Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal, Trustee Bernal, Trustee Caro, Trustee Flores.

ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Barraza, Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal, Trustee Bernal, Trustee Caro, Trustee Flores.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Mayor Barraza indicated item #2 was postponed due to a death in the family.

Trustee Caro requested to remove #3 (Planning and Zoning Business) from the consent agenda.

Mayor Arzabal requested placing items #5, #6 and #8 on the consent agenda.

Trustee Caro stated he has questions regarding item #8.

Mayor Barraza stated items #5 and #6 will be placed on the consent agenda.

1 **Motion:** To approve the agenda as amended, **Moved by** Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal, Seconded by Trustee
2 Bernal.

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

5 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal Yes

6 Trustee Bernal Yes

7 Trustee Caro Yes

8 Trustee Flores Yes

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10 **ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

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12 **Motion:** To approve the consent agenda as amended, **Moved by** Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal, Seconded by
13 Trustee Caro.

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

16 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal Yes

17 Trustee Bernal Yes

18 Trustee Caro Yes

19 Trustee Flores Yes

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21 ***BOT MINUTES:**

22 1. Regular Meeting 2-28-11 *Approved by consent agenda*

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24 ***PZHAC BUSINESS:**

25 1. Case 011014; 1910 Calle de Parian, Dennis McMillan, Sign Permit for McMillan Furniture. Zone: HC.

26 *Approved by consent agenda*

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28 2. Case 011021, 2571 Calle de Parian, Jose Tarin, certificate of appropriateness and building permit for
29 changing a window on to a longer window and replacing a window in back with a French door. All other
30 windows in-kind replacement. Zone: HR. *Approved by consent agenda*

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32 3. Case 011022, 2215 Calle de Guadalupe, Bob Hamilton and Kathleen Foreman, Building Permit for
33 patio shade in rear of property. Zone: HC. *Approved by consent agenda*

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35 Trustee Caro asked if the Planning and Zoning had any concerns or conditions with case.

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37 Mr. Eckert responded the case went through the Planning and Zoning process and no conditions were
38 placed on the case. The plans were approved as presented by the applicant.

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40 Mayor Barraza indicated the Planning and Zoning has recommended the application for approval.

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42 **Motion:** To approve Case 011022, 2215 Calle de Guadalupe, Bob Hamilton and Kathleen Foreman,
43 Building Permit for patio shade in rear of property. Zone: HC., **Moved by** Trustee Flores, **Seconded by**
44 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal.

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

47 **Yes:** Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal, Trustee Bernal, Trustee Caro, Trustee Flores.

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49 **NEW BUSINESS:**

50 2. Presentation by Dona Ana County Assessor's Office regarding understanding the property tax process.

51 *Andy Segovia, County Assessor.* Postponed

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53 3. Presentation and discussion by the Children's Reading Foundation of Dona Ana County and their plans
54 for a new initiative and kick-off event. *Maria Flores and Terry Miller.*

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1 Ms. Maria Flores stated this is an initiative that has been in the works since January. As a school board
2 member I look at scores to see how our students our doing; the reading foundation looks at 3rd grade
3 reading scores. Approximately 59% are hopefully are at grade level. Of those students that are behind
4 every year they fall further and further behind and usually drop out by 9th grade due to frustration. The
5 reading foundation was formed by 4 citizens who were concerned with reading. They looked at it in their
6 community similar to ours and decided they needed to do something about literacy. At the beginning they
7 were at 57.6% of 3rd graders reading at grade and went to 89.6% currently, their goal was at 90%. We are
8 asking all businesses, cities, community members and churches to promote literacy. The Ground Swell
9 kick off will be May 13th with a literacy event on May 14th. We propose there be 3 centers to include Las
10 Cruces which includes Mesilla, Hatch and the Gadsden Independent School District to get involved. We
11 are a 5013C so we have a grant writer. We are asking hospitals to provide bibs that read "Read to Me" and
12 to provide a book. Every time someone goes to a supporting center they will be met with "read to your
13 child 20 minutes a day." We want to flood the area with this message; we are talking about shared
14 responsibility. This is about economic development for everyone, without literacy they become a burden
15 on society.

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17 Ms. Terry Miller described the different programs; Ready for Kindergarten, Team Read. There is a local
18 nine-year old who has created her own literacy organization who will be speaking at the kick-off. We will
19 then go into the schools to read to the students for 20 minutes.

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21 Ms. Flores asked the Town of Mesilla for a resolution supporting the Reading Foundation of Dona Ana
22 County.

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24 Mayor Barraza responded the board understands the importance of literacy. Asked that that resolution be
25 placed on the agenda for the next board meeting.

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27 Ms. Flores indicated we are going at looking a county joint resolution.

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29 Trustee Caro stated he feels this is great. Inaudible He supports anything that will help the kids learn to
30 read.

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32 4. First reading: Additions, changes, and deletions to Mesilla Town Code 9.10.170 Fireworks Ordinance.
33 **Kevin Hoban, Fire Chief and Nick Eckert, Town Clerk/Treasurer.**

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35 Mr. Eckert stated the Fire Chief, himself and the committee composed of interested parties revised the
36 Fireworks Ordinance which had been discussed at previous meetings. The Board of Trustees direction was
37 to review the ordinance and come back with proposed changes after the July 4th selling period. The 2 major
38 components or changes are: 1) Distance between stands which will be reduced to 700 feet between stands
39 2) Proposing a flat retailer fee per stand of \$5,000 to cover use of town staff for anything that needs to be
40 done with regards to fireworks. Currently it is a sliding scale the propose change will help the vendor with
41 the paper work required. This would help in the budgeting process since it is a sure amount.

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43 Fire Chief Hoban stated when the fee structure was implemented it was done by a committee of vendors
44 and citizens. This has become very difficult and time consuming for the vendors. One vendor has
45 recommended having a flat fee making it a smoother operation. The permits have caused confusion in the
46 City of Las Cruces and Dona Ana County with people thinking that the permit allows them to think they
47 can light fireworks outside the Town of Mesilla.

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49 Trustee Caro stated he feels the vendor fee is too high.

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51 Mayor Barraza asked what in terms of Gross Receipts has the town received.

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53 Mr. Eckert responded the town collected from the 2 vendors around \$2,700 in fees the first year; last year
54 the town collected \$5,269.

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56 Trustee Caro stated from his prospective he does not feel it is fair to charge these vendors \$5,000.

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2 Trustee Flores stated she is concerned with the traffic and safety.

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4 Fire Chief Hoban responded the first year there were a lot of problems with regards to traffic but it is
5 getting better. Asked to be more specific on what safety items she has a concern with.

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7 Trustee Flores responded there was some kind of reference to a state standard regarding the distance.

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9 Fire Chief Hoban responded he believes it is 150 feet in the state standards. The request for the distance
10 change came from the vendors. Everyone knows his stand on fireworks so it is not him wanting to have
11 more vendors but it is up to him to be fair. We have seen a significant increase in the amount of fees
12 collected. When he discussed the fee with one of the vendors he thought he was paying about \$10,000 in
13 permit fees. We are not increasing the fee; we are shifting the cost from the vendor to the purchaser. This
14 flat fee is much easier for everyone involved. We did a cost comparison with other entities and \$7,500
15 seems to be the average. These are figures that can be discussed. We did do research and discussed with
16 individuals.

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18 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal stated he agrees that is a lot of money. For a year round business it would be
19 \$25,000 and he does not believe we do that for other businesses. He thought the committee was going to
20 include a trustee, the fire chief and one of the vendors to come up with a reasonable amount. He does not
21 believe this is business friendly; one of the vendors does a free firework show for the town. Stated he
22 would like to see a committee revisit this.

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24 Trustee Bernal stated he knows the Fire Chief has put in a lot of time and effort in this and he respects a lot
25 of his input. He understood there was a committee being formed but he does not know what happened. He
26 asked if they are going to be charged for each holiday.

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28 Fire Chief responded yes they would be charged \$5,000 for each holiday.

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30 Mayor Barraza indicated a permanent business would be required to pay the \$25,000. The fee for vendors
31 only doing business for the 4th of July and New Year's the annual fee would be \$10,000.

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33 Trustee Bernal recommends there be more discussion on this ordinance. By all means we need to support
34 the business people that want to bring a business to the town.

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36 Trustee Caro stated he wants to hear what the vendors have to say. He does not believe we charge other
37 people who want to set up a business a fee; this is discriminatory.

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39 Trustee Flores stated fire works are dangerous so she does not mind having a fee. The money can be used
40 for clean up and to pay for any damages. She does not feel it is unfair to charge for these businesses but
41 wants to look at what is a fair price.

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43 Mayor Barraza stated this is a good opportunity for good dialog since we have all the trustees present along
44 with the vendors and the public. She feels we have a starting point. In terms of the \$5,000; we will not be
45 charging them Gross Receipt Tax.

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47 Mr. Eckert responded the vendors will need to pay Gross Receipt Tax which is a relatively small
48 component. The item that is being eliminated is the fee per customer.

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50 Mayor Barraza stated she misunderstood. She also agrees there are more work and the need for more
51 monitoring during these events.

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53 Mr. Eckert indicated there were 2 previous meeting where there was discussion of a worksession. There
54 may confusion regarding the committees that were to be formed.

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1 Mr. Jimmy Nevarez referred to handout provided. He has an issue with other vendors because no one is
2 going to control them. His business is the only one picking up trash on July 4th. He is not against change
3 but he is not for it if it is not going to help the community; feels the proposed changes will hurt the
4 community and business. Feels they should address the issues rather than to charge more when we are
5 doing all the work.

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7 Mr. Gary Tindal stated they pick up trash in the immediate area where we sell our products. The weather
8 seems to always be an issue on the 4th of July. Mr. Nevarez and himself are from the area and take an
9 interest in the community they are doing business with. He has not been privy to any discussion so he has
10 always relied on Mr. Nevarez' experience for guidance. Reiterated weather does cause problems in sales.
11 He is uncertain regarding the distance between stands. At first he thought the current permit fee was a
12 great idea; with the permit fee you shift the obligation from the consumer to the vendor. Ask the board to
13 look at taking a common sense approach to these issues.

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15 Mr. Chris Alexander indicated the 1,500 ft. has worked for us; more vendors will create more problems.
16 Sale of fireworks is allowed in the Commercial Zone and the Historical Commercial Zone. He feels it is
17 not realistic to impose a permit fee of this amount. He spoke to Mrs. Mary Smith, Attorney General Office,
18 and was informed it was left up to the municipalities. The state standard for a license is \$25; imposing the
19 additional \$5,000 on the vendor you are breaking the law. These 2 stands are paying the equivalence of
20 220 business licenses per year more than the entire town is putting out. These businesses are a great asset
21 for Mesilla and sales are going to be better this year. The City of Las Cruces and Dona Ana County have
22 conspired to place these fees to discourage these sales. We have an ordinance that has proven it self. In 2
23 years Mesilla has increased its receipts by over 100%. A closer distance will cause more work for
24 everyone. You don't hear the consumers complaining about paying the fee; if they don't want to fill out
25 the form they don't have to buy the product. He encourages the staff to work with the Attorney General's
26 office and the Consumer Review Board. If trash is a problem the money can be used to pay staff to clean
27 up the town. Asked if selling alcohol in a bar everyday is not more dangerous than selling fireworks. If
28 you want to levy a percentage, you do it the same as a franchise tax where the consumer pays and not the
29 vendor. If you are going to compare communities use a community like Mesilla. We have been successful
30 with the current ordinance.

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32 Trustee Caro indicated he feels things have been working for us and does not feel it should be changed. He
33 does not want discourage businesses from coming to Mesilla. We cannot be comparing to other areas in
34 the country there are too many variables.

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36 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal asked when they can begin selling fireworks.

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38 Fire Chief Hoban responded they can be sold between June 20th and July 5th.

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40 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal asked how many fires were there that were related to fireworks.

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42 Fire Chief Hoban responded there was 1 fire and 6 complaints. People had to be chased off school property
43 and the river levy. We also had trespassing on undeveloped properties. There were around 12 calls
44 answered by the Marshal's department.

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46 Mayor Barraza asked if additional staff is brought in to assist.

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48 Fire Chief Hoban responded yes we try to be proactive during this event. We have more activity related to
49 the fireworks than other businesses.

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51 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal asked if the distance is changed, how many more stands would be allowed.

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53 Fire Chief Hoban responded 2 more stands would be allowed. Anyone wishing a firework stand would
54 need to request a special variance or a zone change.

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56 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal asked if Mr. Nevarez leases parking from the landowner.

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2 Mr. Nevarez responded there is no room for another vendor since he leases all the adjacent properties for
3 parking from 3 different landowners and uses the other area for the firework display.

4 Trustee Bernal stated this is a lot of good information. He agrees with Trustee Caro to proceed in the
5 direction that we have been going in. He does not want to see a lot of vendors. He gets a lot of
6 compliments from the City of Las Cruces. He thanked Mr. Nevarez sincerely. We should honor you
7 because you follow the ordinance. Working together we accomplish the same goal.

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9 Trustee Caro stated Mr. Nevarez has made some very good suggestions that he is willing to consider.

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11 Trustee Flores asked what Chief Hoban has to say about the State Statue Mr. Nevarez addressed.

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13 Fire Chief Hoban stated we were attempting to get the ball rolling. We did not want to have legal review
14 until we had direction from the board. Our next step will be incorporating the information from the board
15 into the process and then have legal review before coming back to the board.

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17 Mayor Barraza indicated while working with the Fire Chief Hoban and Mr. Eckert she has a better
18 understanding how much more we asked for the departments. We are trying to recoup some of our money
19 since we do not have money to cover these expenses; we have to look at the whole picture. Thanked them
20 for the research and it is a start for everyone involved. She believes it is the consensus of the board that the
21 \$5000 fee is too high.

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23 Trustee Flores recommended considering Mr. Nevarez' suggestions.

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25 Fire Chief Hoban responded we can change the fee structure. The department heads are charged at looking
26 at ways to generate revenue for the town. The 4th of July and New Year's Eve is fun for a lot of people but
27 it is not fun for the fire department. He feels he has done a good job with the ordinance even though he
28 would rather have safe and sane. He is going to shift these expenses such as the printing of the books to the
29 administrative fund so these funds do not come from the fire fund. Just because we haven't done
30 something in the past does not mean we can not do it in the future. He is not targeting businesses; he is
31 trying to make the fire department contribute to the town's overall welfare.

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33 Mayor Barraza stated she understands he is not doing that.

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35 Mayor Pro Tem asked can if the expense of the books can be given to the vendors.

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37 Mr. Tindal stated he is not use to working with small town people on a personal basis. We would be more
38 than happy to pay incur the costs for the books.

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40 Mayor Barraza responded we are just trying to recoup our money and thanked them for offering their
41 assistance. We do not want to penalize the vendors but we need to look at the town. She has heard what
42 the different concerns are.

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44 Mr. Nevarez agreed we would be happy to pay for the books. He feels the process is in motion to recoup
45 expenses. The reason you don't have problems with current vendors is because we have family members
46 running the businesses; we have a vested interest.

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48 Mayor Barraza responded we have had a good working relationship with the vendors and Mr. Nevarez has
49 provided a fantastic display for the residents of Mesilla. Mesilla only receives 35% of Gross Receipt
50 Taxes; Mesilla receives the full amount of the permit fee. We are trying to do what is fair for everyone
51 involved.

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53 Mr. Alexander asked if there could be a Memorandum of Understanding between the vendors to bear the
54 cost the printing of the books. He does not know another industry in Mesilla that gives net dollars like that.

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56 Mayor Barraza asked the board if they would like give direction to the Fire Chief and Mr. Eckert.

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Trustee Bernal asked if he intends to support the firework display this year.

Mr. Nevarez responded yes it is. We want to make sure that any expenses Mesilla is incurring for the display is not coming from general firework regulating. We are happy to do whatever we need to do.

Mr. Tindal stated he would certainly like to shoulder some of the cost that Mr. Nevarez has had to incur.

Trustee Bernal feels we have accomplished a lot here. That is what it is all about. Thanked Fire Chief Hoban and the vendors.

Trustee Caro thanked Mr. Nevarez for the firework display.

Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal recommends putting the rules and regulations on the ticket so the buyer has the information.

Fire Chief Hoban stated he plans to be more proactive with the media this year. The state requires each vendor to pass out safety pamphlets.

Mayor Barraza asked if she is correct by saying the ordinance will remain the same and the books will be revised.

Trustee Flores inaudible

Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal stated he would like to charge a little bit more.

Mr. Eckert indicated he and Fire Chief Hoban will get with the vendors and come up with a plan that works for everyone.

Mayor Barraza asked if the scale will be looked at.

Mr. Eckert responded they will look at so it can be added to the ordinance.

Mayor Barraza stated that will be considered for the 2nd reading of the ordinance.

Trustee Caro indicated it would be good to do it as we have it now if time is running out.

Mayor Barraza asked them to contact Mr. Eckert and/or Fire Chief Hoban.

Trustee Flores asked Mr. Alexander if he was a vendor.

Mr. Alexander responded no; he supplies the property.

5. Approval of Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Audit as prepared by Marcus, Fairall, Bristol & Co., LLP per section 2.2.2.10(J)(3)(d) NMAC, Requirements for Contracting and Conducting Audits of Agencies. **Nick Eckert, Town Clerk/Treasurer. Approved by consent agenda**

6. For approval/disapproval: a resolution establishing a mayors' working group for the Town of Mesilla, Village of Hatch, City of Anthony, City of Las Cruces, and City of Sunland Park. **Nick Eckert, Town Clerk/Treasurer. Approved by consent agenda**

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

Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal Yes

Trustee Bernal Yes

Trustee Caro Yes

Trustee Flores Yes

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2 7. For approval/disapproval: a resolution adopting the Dona Ana County/City of Las Cruces all-hazard
3 emergency operations plan. **Kevin Hoban, Fire Chief.**

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5 Mr. Kevin Hoban read resolution adopting the all-hazard emergency operations plan.

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7 Mr. Michael Villa gave presentation - refer to handout. Handouts are available in the office of the Town
8 Clerk.

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10 Mayor Barraza stated she did attend a table top exercise and found it very informative and interesting.

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12 **Motion:** To Approve of Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Audit as prepared by Marcus, Fairall, Bristol & Co., LLP
13 per section 2.2.2.10(J)(3)(d) NMAC, Requirements for Contracting and Conducting Audits of Agencies.,
14 **Moved by** Trustee Caro, **Seconded by** Trustee Flores.

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

17 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal Yes

18 Trustee Bernal Yes

19 Trustee Caro Yes

20 Trustee Flores Yes

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22 8. For approval/disapproval: a memorandum of understanding between the Town of Mesilla and Dona
23 Ana County regarding DWI Programs Project number 10-CD-05-031 and 11-CD-05-031. **Jeff Gray,**
24 **Marshal.**

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26 Trustee Caro asked if this program is the same as last summer.

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28 Marshal Gray responded this is a different program set forth by Dona Ana County which provides training
29 and equipment to participate in the DWI program. This is a partial award for equipment to help perform
30 everyday patrols.

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32 Trustee Caro asked if the Marshal's department is requesting assistance from the Sheriff's and State Police
33 officers. He feels our department should be taking care of Mesilla.

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35 Mayor Barraza told Trustee Caro Marshal Gray would answer his question during trustee comments.

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37 **Motion:** To approve a memorandum of understanding between the Town of Mesilla and Dona Ana County
38 regarding DWI Programs Project number 10-CD-05-031 and 11-CD-05-031. **Moved by** Trustee Flores,
39 **Seconded by** Trustee Caro.

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41 **Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (summary: Yes = 3).

42 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal (did not vote - step out of the meeting)

43 Trustee Bernal Yes

44 Trustee Caro Yes

45 Trustee Flores Yes

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47 **STAFF REPORTS**

48 1. Community Development Office *Approved by consent agenda*

49 2. Community Programs *Approved by consent agenda*

50 3. Finance Department *Approved by consent agenda*

51 4. Fire Department *Approved by consent agenda*

52 5. Marshal Department *Approved by consent agenda*

53 6. Public Works Department *Approved by consent agenda*

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56 **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

1 Mr. Alexander commended the board for their decision regarding the fireworks which will benefit the
2 town. He is offering his service in printing the books.

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4 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal came back to the meeting.

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6 Mayor Barraza stated this is what it is all about – the community coming together to address those kinds of
7 needs. Thanked Mr. Alexander.

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9 Ms. Mary Jansen asked if the time is changing for the firing of fireworks and if more vendors will be
10 allowed.

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12 Mayor Barraza responded the time is 11:00 p.m. and there will not be anymore vendors.

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14 **BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS:**

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16 Marshal Gray responded to Trustee Caro’s questions. This program will provide us with the money to
17 purchase equipment in our everyday operations. The Sheriff’s and State Police have the right to come in to
18 any municipality and do not need my permission. I am informed if they plan to do something.

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20 Trustee Caro stated they should be in the outskirts and not in the core unless they are asked to come in.
21 They make Mesilla look like a speed trap. When they issue a citation Mesilla does not receive any
22 revenue. inaudible

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24 Marshal Gray stated he understands and since he has been here is has not asked for them for their assistance
25 but he cannot ask them to stop and also has an issue with us not getting any of the revenues.

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27 Trustee Caro reiterated he has an issue with the law to allow sale of liquor earlier on Sundays; feels it is a
28 contradiction.

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30 Marshal Gray responded the restaurants are pushing for that law to pass.

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32 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal indicated today was the deadline for any recommendations for this Historical
33 Preservation Ordinance.

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35 Mayor Barraza asked if he received anything from the Board of Trustees.

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37 Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal responded he had not received anything.

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39 Mayor Barraza stated she would forward any of her questions to him.

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41 Trustee Caro asked why we have vehicles that are unmarked.

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43 Marshal Gray responded he did want to invest in that since the car will be replaced soon. The car is
44 currently marked with magnetic. As long as the vehicle conforms to the markings such as government
45 plates it does conform.

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47 Trustee Caro stated he saw Deputy Hervol make a u-turn and cause the oncoming vehicle to slam on its
48 brakes.

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50 Marshal Gray responded Deputy Hervol may have felt it was safe to make the u-turn.

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52 Trustee Caro asked why when they make traffic stops does the officer park half way into the street.

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54 Marshal Gray responded that is designed to create a safety cushion between the on-coming traffic, the
55 police car and the individual that has been stopped.

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1 Trustee Caro inaudible
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3 Mayor Barraza indicated on March 30th the CDBG Grant will be read by the Department of Finance and
4 South Central Council of Government so we will be defending our application for Phase 4 for the
5 Community Center.
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7 **ADJOURNMENT**

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9 **Motion:** To adjourn, **Moved by** Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal, **Seconded by** Trustee Caro.

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

12 **Yes:** Mayor Pro Tem Arzabal, Trustee Bernal, Trustee Caro, Trustee Flores.
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14 **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30 P.M.**

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17 **APPROVED THIS 28TH DAY OF MARCH 2011.**
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23 Nora L. Barraza
24 Mayor
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26 **ATTEST:**

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31 Nicholas Eckert
32 Town Clerk/Treasurer