

Minuets
Public Hearing
November 14, 2023

The Village of Capitan Board of Trustees met in public Hearing on Tuesday October 26th, 2023 at the Village Hall in Capitan, New Mexico at 5:30 PM.

Mayor Lowrance Called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

In Attendance: Trustee Kerns, Trustee Shearer, Trustee Fraley, Trustee Hair and Mayor Lowrance of the board were present.

Others in attendance were, Allison Provine, Brian Cleckler, Kay Strickland, Frances Traylor, Phillip Wall, Minerva Davalos, and Steve Osborn.

Mayor Lowrance - Is there any questions or comments? This is a public meeting.

Trustee Shearer - Do we have anything on this annexation?

Mayor Lowrance — Lincoln County Clerks sent out that we can't annex, unless we have a public meeting for annexation. We will send it to them and get it approved by the State. Once the State approves it, sends it to them and then we can annex. This is for Kathleen McDonald.

Trustee Shearer - Is this because of a water tap?

Mayor Lowrance - No, she just wants to be annexed into the Village.

Alisson Provine - Is there a plat map showing where this property is located in respect to the Village?

Mayor Lowrance — (pointing up to the large map behind him) Right up in there.

Steve Osborn — Right to your left, Mr. Mayor. It's that little section there.

Trustee Shearer — (pointing to a location on the map) Is it right here?

Steve Osborn — No, it's to the left. (location was pointed out) Yes.

Mayor Lowrance — That's hers.

Steve Osborn — Yes

Mayor Lowrance - We've been doing it wrong for...

Alisson Provine - So her land is adjacent to Village Land.

Mayor Lowrance - All the way around it.

Trustee Shearer - Surrounded on three sides.

Alisson Provine — Okay.

Frances Traylor — It's right next door to Tiffany Menix, which she is part of the Village and the house next door is the house she actually grew up in.

Mayor Lowrance — Okay. So, she wants to be annexed in. Anyway, we got word from the County that we did it wrong and that's why we are having a public meeting, and we will go for the Ordinance and send it in to the County so see if we can annex her.

They will send it up to the State and it will come back to us and we will put it on the agenda.

Trustee Shearer — So the Ordinance will be put on the agenda for approval after it comes back from the state?

Mayor Lowrance - If it's okay with the State.

Trustee Shearer - Okay

Mayor Lowrance — Make sense?

Trustee Fraley — Not really but...

Trustee Shearer — Do we have a previous annexation that we need to fix?

Mayor Lowrance — No. They have all been grandfathered in. The last one was, uhh...

Steve Osborne — It was a year or two ago on Highway 48.

Trustee Shearer and Mayor - Yea.

Trustee Shearer - Did we get those done properly?

Steve Osborn — As far as I know. They were annexed and as far as I know there was public hearings.

Trustee Shearer - I don't remember us doing an ordinance.

Mayor Lowrance — We didn't have one. We've been notified that we need to do it this way. It doesn't have to go into the ordinance book. It's just that the County knows that we are annexing people. So, from here on out, they will have a copy of the ordinance. They State will have a copy if they okay it. If we want to annex anybody, will have to have a Public meeting, vote on it., but we are all legal here.

Steve Osborn — On that one, I know that we sent it to the county.

Mayor Lowrance - They are coming out of the county, and we were notified that we didn't do it right. So, now we are doing it right. This is the public meeting.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:00