

**TOWN OF COCHITI LAKE
MINUTES OF ASSEMBLY MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2009
FIRE HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kiesling called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
Assembly members in attendance were Ken Kiesling, Freda Donica,
Tony Da Silva, Willy Ryan, Linda Bradshaw.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Freda Donica moved to approve the agenda as presented.
It was seconded by Linda Bradshaw and passed with a 5 to 0 vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Willy Ryan moved to approve the Minutes of 9-24-2009 as presented.
It was seconded by Freda Donica and passed with a 5 to 0 vote.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Road Project

Ken Kiesling explained that there has been communication between The New Mexico Department of Transportation and The Inspector Generals' Office; they are working on the reimbursement of funds that were received through a grant from the County. There will be a Financial Analyst who will provide information and possibly schedule an appointment with the Administrator and 2 Assembly members. If there is anymore to report it will be brought at the next Assembly meeting.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of September Financials

Willy Ryan asked the Administrator to explain the financials.
Administrator Mary Wheeler explained that all classes are within budget. There were three pay periods for the month. There is \$35,000 in unpaid taxes with \$11,000 being back taxes and \$24,000 to be collected for the current year. Raymond James Fund is at \$916,000 with \$95,800 as LCAA money and \$63,000 still owed leaves a balance of \$883,000. Ambulance revenue is up for the month. EMS is applying for a grant for a new ambulance. Fire hall is fully DSL with Qwest.
Willy Ryan moved to approve the financials as presented.
It was seconded by Linda Bradshaw and passed with a 5 to 0 vote.

2. Loon Court Zoning Issue

Ken Kiesling discussed the possibility of some activity that may take place at a house that has been taken over by CCDC. The Assembly has email contact with the Zoning Board Chairman Jim Hamilton talking to him about having the issue go before the Joint Commission. There is mixed information about the issue. All houses in the

Town would be under the current Ordinance of the Town; however there are houses in Town taken over by the Tribe for non payment. As a result there may be some question as to whether houses that they have taken over is within the Ordinance or there could be something that passed by the Tribe that makes an exception to the Ordinance. Ken asked if there were questions or comments relating to the issue at hand. There were concerns that a Montessori School would be going up in the area. Residents that live on Loon Ct. were concerned about the property value going down. There were rumors that Andrew Quintana would be making a presentation on the issue. No facts to the rumors. There is a scheduled Joint Commission meeting with the Loon Ct. Zoning issue on the agenda. Ken Kiesling thanked everyone for their comments.

3. Town Treasurer Posting

Willy Ryan explained that at the September meeting there was talk about the error of over payment to CCDC on the road work that was done. The overpayment was pursued and immediately recovered. The Assembly has had numerous discussions on checks and balances. There was an error that was caught by checks and balances above the Assembly. Therefore the Assembly has decided to post a (part time) Town Treasurer position. The posting was read aloud. Tony Da Silva suggested that the Assembly discuss, at some point, the possibility of looking into the hours that the Town Administrator currently serves. Given the fact that some of the duties of the Administrator will be removed and taken over by the new Town Treasurer. Willy Ryan moved to approve the posting for a new Town Treasurer.

It was seconded by Linda Bradshaw and passed with a 5 to 0 vote.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Assembly meeting was scheduled for November 19, 2009 at 7p.m. in the Fire Hall. December Assembly meeting will be scheduled at the November 19th meeting.

V. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

There were questions raised on the error of checks and balances.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Linda Bradshaw moved to adjourn the meeting.

It was seconded by Willy Ryan and passed with a 5 to 0 vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Kenneth Kiesling, Mayor

Annette Narvaiz, Town Clerk