



I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call: Mayor Andres Martinez, Mayor Pro Tem Eldie R. Cruz, Councilor Claudia M. Martinez (Late arrived at 1:04PM) and Councilor Gabriel D. Maestas were present. Councilor Paul A. Miera was absent.

III. *Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mayor Pro Tem Cruz, seconded by Councilor Maestas. (Vote 2-0) Motion carried with all in favor.

IV. Business Matters

1. *Discussion/Approval/Disapproval: Quote to move donated mobile home from recently purchased Village property.

Motion to approve quote to E & D Garza Mobile Home Transport in the amount of \$3,800.00 was made by Mayor Pro Tem Cruz, seconded by Councilor Maestas. (Vote 2-0) Motion carried with all in favor.

- Mayor Martinez stated that a contract is going to be put in place with Michael Romero and Sara Alcon to repay the \$3,800.00 for the transportation of the mobile home. Mayor stated that he wants to get the mobile home out of the property, and get the property cleaned up.

2. *Discussion/Approval/Disapproval: Quote to repair tears in sewer lagoons liner.

Motion to approve Southwest Liner Systems, Inc. quote in the amount of \$8601.66 was made by Councilor Maestas, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cruz. (Vote 2-0) Motion carried with all in favor.

- Utilities Superintendent Gary Sanchez stated that Southwest Liner Systems is going to repair 17 tears in the sewer lagoon liner. This repair is a requirement for our discharge permit to keep the lagoons and everything running, so this doesn't become a safety hazard. These repairs keep wastewater from seeping into the ground water.

3. *Discussion/Approval/Disapproval: Quote to purchase signage for sewer lagoons property.

Motion to approve the San Bar quote in the amount of \$187.20, was made by Councilor C Martinez, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cruz. (Vote 3-0) Motion carried with all in favor.

- Utilities Superintendent Gary Sanchez stated this quote is for signage at lagoons that is also a requirement, and a safety precaution to prevent anybody from the public from trying to use the water from the sewer lagoons.

4. *Discussion/Approval/Disapproval: Accept purchase of portable generator for multi-use.

Motion to approve purchase from Lowe's in the amount of \$2,465.56 was made by Mayor Pro Tem Cruz, seconded by Councilor C Martinez. (Vote 3-0) Motion carried with all in favor.

- Mayor Martinez stated that he made a mistake by using Elite Business Credit Card rather than Lowe's Credit Card for this purchase. It was going to be too expensive to connect electricity to the crow's nest, so we decided to purchase a generator since we only use electricity at the rodeo ground three days out of the year. It is less expensive to go this route instead. It's a nice generator and quiet. It will be set up at the rodeo grounds every day and picked up in the evening. We don't want to leave it there unattended overnight. It can also be used for other purposes.

X. Mayor's Report

- Mayor Martinez stated on Friday August 22, 2025, he was contacted at around 9:20/9:25PM by someone stating that there were individuals up on the water tank. He called the State Police at 9:25PM, and went outside and waited for them, so he could file a report. They never showed up and never called. The Mayor stated that they contacted someone in town around 10:45PM, but he is unaware of who they contacted because it wasn't him. He gave them his phone number so they could reach out when they got here but there was no contact made. On Saturday morning, the

Mayor stated the he went up to the water tank around 6:30AM, and the gate was closed so he figured everything was alright. He waited for Gary to come in so they could make sure all was good with the water tank. They walked up and noticed that were you go up, the lock was broken, so Gary went to the top and the locks up top were also off. He opened the door, looked inside and felt that everything was fine. The Mayor stated that he didn't want to take any chances and would rather be safe than sorry. He said that he was unsure if individuals may have deposited bodily fluids or any other substances into the water tank, he made the decision to notify residents to only use our water for cleaning and bathing, and bottled water was distributed for cooking and drinking, which is what the State Engineer advised. They also advised the Village to run tests on our water at the tank and down at the veteran's park. Gary and the State Engineer coordinated to take the water samples down to Santa Fe, NM to BSN. BSN Santa Fe notified us Monday morning that everything was normal and the water safe for consumption. During the time that the Village was under restrictions, the Mayor, notified the Mora County Commissioners and County Manager, and they brought in water. Also the City of Las Vegas donated water to us. We took water to the school and senior center to avoid any interruptions or closures.

- Mayor has been in contact with Springer Electric line man Ronnie Brashear to get a light pole installed at the water tank. And also having electricity installed around the fence, as an extra precaution to deter people from entering or messing around up by the water tank. He will present any quotes at a future meeting.
- Mayor Pro Tem Eldie R Cruz stated he thinks this is a good idea and we should also consider purchasing motion sensor cameras.
- Clerk Treasurer Amber L Anguiano stated that we currently have game cameras that can be utilized. The game cameras don't require any internet access.
- Councilor Gabriel D. Maestas asked if anyone got a description of who was seen at the tank. The Mayor responded that there were three people up on the water tank, in a dark colored car and that was all the information he had. The Mayor stated that there were a lot of kids out that night and that there was a vehicle that fits the description out riding around that night and some names have been mentioned, but he can't say it was them because he doesn't know for certain, He didn't see them and nobody else saw them up at the water tank, and just because somebody is riding around in a black car doesn't mean it's the same people that were up at the water tank. Councilor Maestas, states that the Sheriff's can possibly check with the flock system if they picked up any vehicles around the time of this incident. The Mayor stated that there was no fence cut and not really any signs of where they could have gotten in except maybe the back area where the overflow is, but that someone really couldn't have fit through there but that was the only place they found footprints. Mayor stated that they purchased new locks and Gary installed them. They are the type of locks that can't be cut, so everything should be good now. Clerk Treasurer Amber asked if the locks were cut or just broken and the Mayor stated that they were broken. Mayor goes on to say that some people may believe we overreacted, but proper precautions were taken for the safety and wellbeing of our community. The Mayor states that while distributing water, that many of the constituents said they were upset that someone would have done this.
- Mayor stated that he was upset about what happened when Deputy Clerk Colleen Engelhardt was sending group text to people to try and spread the word as fast as possible. While Colleen was texting, someone was responding to the text and being extremely vulgar and inappropriate towards Colleen. The Mayor stated that he called Americk the Mora County Sherrif, and the Sherrif would get screenshots of the text, so he could try to find out who was sending the inappropriate texts. The Mayor stated that he wants to file charges against the individual, because it was totally inappropriate given that Collen was just trying to do her job and notify everyone about what was happening. Amber states that we have had two big emergencies and this may be a good time to consider getting a texting system for informational purposes for the community. The Mayor stated that he would like for Amber to look into a mass text system for the Village.
- Mayor Pro Tem Eldie R Cruz states that on behalf of the Council he appreciates what Mayor Martinez, and the team did in time of the emergency and send a thank you note to all the people that helped us at our time of need.

XII. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tem Cruz, seconded by Councilor C Martinez. (Vote 3-0)
Motion carried with all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 1:24PM.

Approved and attested this 9th Day of September 2025.



Andres Martinez, Mayor

Attest:


Amber L. Anguiano, Clerk Treasurer
(SEAL)