

FIRE SEASON OUTLOOK

Loretta Benavidez of the U.S. Forest Service Office informed the Council of several upcoming prescribed burn projects. Even though we are facing some of the most severe conditions as far as fire season goes, the Forest Service is still planning on going ahead and implementing a few prescribed burns. The first project is across from the Mimbres Ranger Station in Mimbres and is called the McKnight and Little McKnight project. The burn will take approximately two to three days. The second project is for 4500 acres near the Oak Grove Subdivision off Red Rock Road and is called the Wildhorse-Silverdale prescribed project and will last two to three days. There are qualified burn bosses who are overseeing these projects. Councilor Nupp asked that Forest Service management meet with the Mayor-elect, our Fire Chief and Town Manager assure that good decisions will be made when these projects start. At the request of Councilor Ward, Gary Benavidez gave a report on the Wildland-Urban Interface Program, which helps private land and home owners how to create defensible space on their property.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES—FEBRUARY 28, 2006

Councilor May made a motion to approve the February 28, 2006 minutes as written. Councilor Nupp seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

MARCH 14, 2006

Councilor Nupp made a motion to approve the March 14, 2006 minutes as written. Councilor Clauss seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS—ORDINANCE 1115, AMENDING TITLE IX, CHAPTER 90, SECTION 90.003 OF THE 2005 CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF SILVER CITY (ANIMALS; DEFINITIONS, PUBLIC NUISANCE)

Councilor Clauss made a motion to adopt Ordinance 1115, which was seconded by Councilor Nupp. Councilors Clauss and Nupp voted yes and Councilors Ward and May voted no. Mayor Fortenberry voted yes. Motion passed three to two.

REBID 05/06-7, MAINSTREET LIGHTING, PHASE II

Councilor Clauss made a motion to award the bid to Bixby Electric, Inc. as follows: Base Bid (Kelly to 7th Street) \$93,910.00, Additive Alternate #1 (7th to 8th Street) \$38,675.00, New Mexico gross receipts tax \$9,446.68 for a total of \$142,031.68. Councilor Nupp seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS—RESOLUTION 2006-13, AMENDMENT TO THE DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY OF THE TOWN OF SILVER CITY AS ADOPTED ON JUNE 17, 1992 AND AMENDED SEPTEMBER 21, 1993, JULY 19, 1993, DECEMBER 5, 1994 AND JANUARY 2, 1996

Councilor Nupp made a motion to postpone this Resolution for no longer than 90 days, which was seconded by Councilor May and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2006-12, AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE STATE PARKS DIVISION OF THE NEW MEXICO ENERGY, MINERALS AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT UNDER THE NEW MEXICO RECREATION TRAILS PROGRAM

Councilor Clauss made a motion to adopt Resolution 2006-12, which was seconded by Councilor May and passed unanimously.

NOTICE OF INTENT, ORDINANCE 1116, AMENDING TITLE III, CHAPTER 32, SECTION 32.01 (E) OF THE 2005 CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF SILVER CITY (TOWN ORGANIZATIONS; LIBRARY BOARD, SELECTION OF OFFICERS)

Councilor Nupp made a motion to approve the Notice of Intent, Ordinance 1116, which was seconded by Councilor Clauss and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT—The Council adjourned the meeting at 840 p.m.

/s/ James R. Marshall

James R. Marshall, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Jane Toomajanian

Jane Toomajanian, Town Clerk