

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SILVER CITY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Grant County Administration Center, 1400 Hwy 180, Silver City, NM
October 18, 2011, 2:00 P.M.**

Present:

James R. Marshall, Mayor
Cynthia A. Bettison, District 1
Jamie K. Thomson, District 2
Jose A. Ray, Jr., District 3
Michael S. Morones, District 4

Also Present:

Alex C. Brown, Town Manager-Finance Director
Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk
Robert L. Scavron, Town Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Marshall called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m., and Councilor Morones read the Town’s Mission Statement.

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PROJECTS FOR THE 2011 QUALITY OF LIFE BONDS – The Town's bonding attorney, Chris Muirhead of Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A. presented the details of the preliminary official statement for the issuance and sale of bonds. He stated that the Town was given an A+ rating by Standard and Poor's which was very good. He said the final official statement would be completed at the closing and the potential projects would be included for the purpose of identifying what might be done with the proceeds of the sale of the bonds. Councilor Bettison commented that the Town's Mission Statement should be included in the official statement. There was further discussion.

Mayor Marshall read the list of projects and asked for public comment. The project list read by the Mayor included the following 6 items: 1) 32nd Street Tennis Court upgrades for \$565,088; 2) Silver City Golf Course Club House for \$450,000; 3) Swimming pool upgrades for \$316,077; Recreation Center upgrades for \$331,105; Facilities/Parks Maintenance Building roof for \$221,125; and 4 new baseball fields and improvements at Scott Park for \$2,500,000 for a grand total of \$4,383,395. Public input was received on the projects, and there was further discussion between the Council and Manager Brown.

Councilor Thomson made a motion for a short break at 3:17 p.m. Councilor Bettison seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Mayor Marshall called the meeting back to order at 3:32 p.m. Discussions resumed and further public input was received on the list of projects. Councilor Bettison made a motion to approve the list as presented. Councilor Ray seconded the motion. There was further discussion. All were in favor, motion passed.

3. ADJOURNMENT – Councilor Bettison made a motion to adjourn at 4:04 p.m. Councilor Ray seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

/s/

James R. Marshall, Mayor

Attest:

/s/

Ann L. Mackie, Town Clerk