



GAMERCO WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT MEETING
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7TH, 2024 AT 6:00 PM
207 RAY AVE, GAMERCO NM.
MINUTES

Proof of posting: Website, Community Boards located at the Gamerco Water and Sanitation Office and the Gamerco Post Office Community Board.

1. Call Meeting to Order: Neal called to order at 6:05pm.

2. Invocation

3. Director roll call:

- **Neal Eastridge** **President-** Present
- **Jacob Day** **Vice President** -Present
- **Antonia Estrada** **Director-** Present
- **Mayna Benally** **Director-** Absent
- **Rosa Garcia** **Director-** Present

4. Introduction of Board Members:

Members of the board introduced themselves.

5. Guidelines for meeting:

Neal explained the guidelines. The board would talk, residents would have the opportunity to address the board. Each resident would have a total of 3 minutes to address the board.

6. Overview of covenants:

Jason gave an overview of the covenants. The covenants are put in place to protect the residents. Renters are subject to covenants and their input on covenants are valued, however renters are not eligible to vote as they are not property owners. Sheriff James Maiorano III gave an overview of who has the responsibility to enforce violations of covenants and ordinances in Gamerco. Gamerco Water Board is responsible for enforcing covenants, the way that Gamerco enforces such violators is through suing individuals. McKinley County Sheriff's Department is responsible for individuals violating ordinances, such as noise, animal, firearm ordinances.

7. Open floor:

Resident Kenny Carbajal voiced concern about the cars parked in the roadways of streets. His suggestion is to write unregistered cars cannot be parked into the covenants. Sheriff Maiorano addressed the fact that writing needs to be in an ordinance for the sheriff's department to enforce.

Resident expressed concerns about individuals walking through streets and alleys late at night and early in the mornings. Sheriff Maiorano took street names and stated he would have deputies patrol said streets.

Resident expressed concerns over the smell of burning chemicals and oil. Jason and Neal addressed this issue. The asphalt plant being responsible for the smell. Jason shared the fact that the plant was cited for running their equipment outside of allowable times and the plant has since limited their running time.

Resident asked if Gamerco would be annexed into Gallup in the future. Neal stated that Gallup is unlikely to annex Gamerco because Gamerco is unwanted.

Resident expressed concern about individuals running businesses in Gamerco in lots specified to be residential lots. Sheriff Maiorano questioned whether it is known if said individuals have obtained County business licenses. He then stated that it was something he could investigate. He stated the lack of business licensing is an issue that the Sheriff's Department can address.

Residents expressed their concern for properties that have burnt houses and hoarding. Sheriff Maiorano stated a report can be made to the New Mexico Environmental Department to address the health hazards that may exist on properties. Photos and a letter need to be sent in a report. If deemed a health hazard measures would be taken to elevate the health hazard.

Resident expressed concern about the safety of Chino Loop in the winter as a bus route, as well as the darkness of the street at night. Neal addressed this

concern stating that Chino Loop is a county road and as such if GWSD does maintenance on it GWSD would become liable for the road. He would contact McKinley County Road Superintendent Rodney Skersicks and let him know about the issues on the road. Residents questioned whether streetlights could be installed on Chino Loop. Jason and former board member Kenny Carbajal shared that each streetlight would cost GWSD \$7,000 each to install. The board noted the concern.

A spokesperson from Hozho Center on Chino Loop introduced himself and shared the center's intentions to help in the community.

8. McKinley County Sheriff James Maiorano III:

Sheriff Maiorano stated that ordinances could be made for county communities if a few communities joined together in a need for ordinances. He also stated that in order for that to happen the communities would need to come out and vote.

9. Comments from the Board:

10 . Adjournment: Neal adjourned meeting at 7:18pm