

season on April 4, 2021. Mr. Norden said that there have been many Covid outbreaks at ski resorts around the country and that they are proud of what the Village community has done to prevent Covid cases. He urges the community to “stay the course” with precautions.

B. Amizette resident Mike Fitzpatrick said that he had some specific comments regarding Amizette. These are: 1. The no-passing zone in Amizette has been a real benefit, 2. Concerns about next steps for electric line undergrounding, 3. Asking about the gate at the lower TSVI parking lot being locked, and 4. He recommended that a river health study be conducted because of lots of growth in the river and possible water temperatures increasing.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Planning and Zoning Commission –Commission Chair Wittman reported that at the February 1, 2021 P&Z meeting, the agenda consisted of several administrative items, including:

- A motion to end the continuance of the Shopoff application for conditional use
- A motion to end the potential requested zone change for the Shopoff property
- A motion to approve adoption of the open meetings act resolution
- A request from Homeowner Ben Cook for the Mayor to form a committee to study Kachina area access. Discussion followed and Mr. Cook agreed to waiting a few months
- Director Nicholson continues to resolve remaining questions about the zoning map
- Next P&Z meeting will take place on March 1, 2021

B. Public Safety Committee – Chair Roger Pattison reported that the Committee had met to discuss the Village GIS programming which could be used for fire rating designations within the Village. A Village-wide fire drill is being planned. The next meeting is scheduled for March 1, 2021.

C. Firewise Community Board of Directors -see report above.

D. Parks & Recreation Committee –there was no report.

E. Lodger’s Tax Advisory Board – there was no report.

F. Capital Infrastructure Advisory Committee – Committee Chair Ben Cook reported that the Committee had met on February 10, 2021 and would meet again on February 24, 2021. The Committee is focusing on land use assumptions for the next ten years and had made recommendations. He said that the Committee had approved the assumptions, with the allowance that it could re-approve in coming months if changes were made.

8. REGIONAL REPORTS

Director Nicholson reported that the NCRTPO had met to prioritize road and bridge projects. The top three projects were bridges in Pilar, the bridge in Ojo Caliente, and Blueberry Hill Road in Taos.

9. MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Brownell said that ski patrol had been doing a great job with the recent snow. At the IGC meeting, discussion items included funds for early childhood development, a repeal of the gas tax, a recent Covid outbreak in Red River, expansion of the Taos Airport, and an upcoming landfill meeting.

10. STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports were included in the Council packet and were posted to the web site. Administrator Avila reported on plans to work with Brad Angst to get Council approval for his company to produce a report on the Village’s fiscal health.

Other Staff reports were included in the Council packet, though Director Nicholson reported on working with the CIAC, on the Twining Road project, and on an upcoming water system study.

11. OLD BUSINESS

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. Introduction: Ordinance No. 2021-09 An Ordinance of the Village of Taos Ski Valley Amending Ordinance 2002-09 to Update and Adopt the New Mexico Uniform Traffic Ordinance

Chief Trujillo said that the purpose of this item is to adopt the current N.M. Uniform Traffic Ordinance (UTO) so that it may become effective within the Village of Taos Ski Valley in March 2021. The UTO changes every several years depending on legislative action. There are a few penalty assessment changes, deleted items and formatting changes in this most recent version, which is the 2019 amendment to the 2010 Uniform Traffic Code. He said that Uniform Traffic Ordinance adoption maintains safety in the community by giving Law Enforcement guidance on revised changes to traffic laws and penalties.

Due to the large number of pages of the document, please see <https://nmml.org/publications/order-forms/> to view the Code by section.

As this is the introduction of this Ordinance, no action is necessary at this time. **Ordinance 2021-09** will be considered for adoption after a Public Hearing at the March 2021 Regular Village Council meeting.

B. Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2021-467, A Resolution Authorizing the Application for Financial Assistance from the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department FY2022 NM LGRF Co-op
The Village Council needs to approve a Resolution for State Highway and Transportation Department application for funding. The LGRF funding would be used for drainage and surface improvements to Village roadways. The Village requests that NMDOT contribute \$75,000 with the Village to match or exceed \$25,000 for a total contract price of \$100,000 which is consistent with recent funding applications with NMDOT.

Project scope of work includes drainage structures, culverts, blading, reshaping, hauling, disposal, placement, and compaction of all materials. The Village also plans to continue applying base course and dust control materials throughout the Village to build up roads due to material loss from erosion.

MOTION: To Approve Resolution No. 2021-467, A Resolution Authorizing the Application for Financial Assistance from the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department FY2022 NM LGRF Co-op

Motion: Councilor King Second: Councilor Kern Passed: 4-0

C. Consideration to Approve Resolution No. 2021-468 A Resolution Authorizing the Application for Financial Assistance from the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department FY2022 NM Municipal Arterial Program (MAP)

The Village Council needs to approve a Resolution for State Highway and Transportation Department application for funding. The MAP funding would be used for the construction of Twining Road that is being engineered under the New Mexico Department of Transportation Local Government Transportation Project Fund Grant, Contract No. D18422. At this point, the estimated construction of Twining Road is \$5,000,000, with a Village match of 25%, or \$1,250,000. This would be a phased project due to the limited building season.

MOTION: To Approve Resolution No. 2021-468 A Resolution Authorizing the Application for Financial Assistance from the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department FY2022 NM Municipal Arterial Program (MAP)

Motion: Councilor Wittman Second: Councilor King Passed: 4-0

D. Consideration to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the NM Department of Public Safety and Taos Ski Valley Police Department

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the NM Department of Safety (DPS) is for the electronic transfer of approved Uniform Crash Report data for agencies using the DPS TraCS Hosted Service to the New Mexico Department of Transportation. It will also facilitate participation in the TraCS Record Management System, which allows agencies to share common information data (person, vehicle, location) with, and received from, other participating law enforcement agencies. The Taos Ski Valley Police Department (TSV PD) has determined that Public Safety and accurate law enforcement data will be enhanced by having DPS provide the TraCS application through the DPS TraCS hosted Service.

MOTION: To Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the NM Department of Public Safety and Taos Ski Valley Police Department

Motion: Councilor Stagg Second: Councilor King Passed: 4-0

13. MISCELLANEOUS

14. CLOSED SESSION

A. Discussion of the Acquisition of Real Property

MOTION: To go to Closed Executive Session

Motion: Councilor Wittman Second: Councilor King Passed: 4-0

MOTION: To return to Open Session

Motion: Councilor King Second: Councilor Stagg Passed: 4-0

No decisions or motions were made during closed session.

12. E. Direction Regarding Acquisition of Real Property

MOTION: To move ahead with new negotiations, to continue with what was already voted on to purchase, and to continue Susan Baker working on the Pattison Trust land donation.

Motion: Councilor Wittman Second: Councilor Kern Passed: 4-0

13. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DATE, TIME & PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Village Council will be the Council Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To Adjourn

Motion: Councilor Wittman Second: Councilor Kern Passed: 4-0

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Christof Brownell, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Ann M. Wooldridge, Village Clerk