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**VILLAGE COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
DRAFT MINUTES
VIA ZOOM
TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021 2:00 P.M**

1. CALL TO ORDER & NOTICE OF MEETING

The Special Meeting of the Village of Taos Ski Valley Council was called to order by Mayor Brownell at 2:00 p.m. The notice of the Special Meeting was properly posted.

2. ROLL CALL

Ann Wooldridge, Village Clerk, called the role and a quorum was present.

Governing Body Present

Mayor Christof Brownell
Councilor Jeff Kern
Councilor Neal King
Councilor Chris Stagg
Councilor Tom Wittman, Mayor Pro Tem

Village Staff Present

Village Administrator John Avila
Village Clerk Ann Wooldridge
Finance Director Nancy Grabowski
Building Official Jalmar Bowden
Planning Director Nicholson

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the agenda with the addition of Miscellaneous after item 5.

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

4. REGIONAL REPORTS

TSVI CEO David Norden made a presentation on a public private partnership proposal for a Clean Energy Transportation and Recreation Corridor. The four components of this initiative would be focusing on Clean Energy Transportation, Outdoor Equity on trails, campgrounds, and bike paths, Watershed Management and Land Stewardship, and on Roadways. The transportation element would focus on an electric vehicle public bus system, and electric gondola within the Village, electric charging and super charging stations, and on a new scenic Village arrival and public transit drop-off. The outdoor equity element would involve new bike paths and bike lanes connecting towns to and from outdoor recreation, new USFS trail upgrades, new bus shelters to provide access to all, and a new pedestrian trail network. The watershed management and land stewardship element would involve protection of the Rio Hondo, infrastructure improvements to enhance water quality as well as forest health and sustainability. For roadway improvements the focus would be to upgrade Route 64 from town to the OBL, to upgrade Route 150 from OBL to Arroyo Seco, and to create a "Scenic Byway" along Route 150. Partners involved in the initiative would be Kit Carson Electric, NCRTD, NMDOT, the NM Outdoor Recreation Division, the State

of New Mexico, Local entities such as Taos County, Town of Taos, and Village of Taos Ski Valley, the Rocky Mountain Youth Corps, TSVI, the Nature Conservancy, Trout Unlimited, and the USFS. Mr. Norden explained that the benefits include clean water and air for all, outdoor access for all, to be a prototype project for regional expansion, to obtain private investment along with public funding, and to be an economic driver for rural norther New Mexico. In addition, such a project would align with the federal infrastructure bill and with State initiatives. He said that the total costs of this project would total \$150 million, with the State to put in one half of the funds. It will be important to move quickly to accomplish such an initiative.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration to Approve Application No. 1208909 for a Restaurant B Liquor License by Taos Brewing Company, LLC dba Door 38 Pizza @ Taos Ski Valley

The Village received notification on October 26, 2021 from the NM Regulation and Licensing Department that Taos Brewing Company applied for a Restaurant B Liquor License. The application has preliminary approval from the Director of the NM Regulation and Licensing Department. The Governing Body shall hold a Public Hearing in the question of whether the NM Regulation and Licensing Department should approve the proposed issuance. All posting and publishing requirements had been met. The applicant's address will be 105 Sutton Place, the location of the former Stray Dog Cantina.

PUBLIC HEARING: Applicants Justin Lea and Rick Martin both spoke in favor, as well as TSVI CEO David Norden. No one spoke against. The Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION: To Approve Application No. 1208909 for a Restaurant B Liquor License by Taos Brewing Company, LLC dba Door 38 Pizza @ Taos Ski Valley

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

B. Consideration to Approve Village Staff Recommendation of the Design Drawing and Review for the Proposed TIDD-Eligible Project: Core Arrival Road Planned by Taos Ski Valley Inc.

MOTION: To Approve Village Staff Recommendation of the Design Drawing and Review for the Proposed TIDD-Eligible Project: Core Arrival Road Planned by Taos Ski Valley Inc.

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

C. Review of March 1, 2022 Municipal Officer Election Key Dates Calendar

The Secretary of State will issue the Election Proclamation on December 1, 2021. Candidate declaration day is January 4, 2022 9-5 at the office of the Village Clerk, 7 Firehouse Road. Early and absentee voting will begin February 1, 2022 through the office of the Village Clerk. Voting on election day will take place on March 1, 2022 from 7-7 at the Inn at Taos Valley.

Positions up for election are for the Mayor and two Councilors.

MISCELLANEOUS

A. Councilor King explained the general concern about the CPU USPS contract apparently ending.

B. Councilor Wittman suggested that he and the Mayor discuss best steps forward for updating P&Z Commission appointments.

C. Clerk Wooldridge said that the last day to register to vote for the March 1, 2022 election is February 1, 2022, although same-day registration will be available during early voting.

6. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL**

The next meeting of the Village Council will be the Council Regular Meeting on December 14 2021 at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom Teleconference.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To Adjourn

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

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Mayor Christof Brownell

ATTEST: _____
Ann M. Wooldridge, Village Clerk