



**VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING DRAFT MINUTES
MEETING TO BE HELD VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE
TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2022 2:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND NOTICE OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Village of Taos Ski Valley Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Wittman at 2:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was properly posted.

2. ROLL CALL

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

Governing Body Present:

Councilor Henry Caldwell

Councilor Brent Knox

Councilor Chris Stagg

Councilor Tom Wittman, Mayor Pro Tem

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the agenda with item 4 postponed

Motion: Councilor Stagg Second: Councilor Caldwell

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 25, 2022 VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

(Item postponed)

5. CITIZEN'S FORUM –for non-agenda items only. Limit to 5 minutes per person (please email awooldridge@vtsv.org to sign up)

John Kelly with TSVI reported that the ski area was ready to open on November 24, 2022. The recent cold temperatures allowed for successful snowmaking efforts. Lift #1 will be open with skiing on Powderhorn and Whitefeather.

Homeowner and Public Safety Committee Chair Trudy DiLeo offered several suggestions for changes to the Village's mission statement and website and urged the Council to provide better communication and transparency in general.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Planning & Zoning Commission

Councilor Wittman reported on the November 14, 2022 P&Z meeting. The Record of Decision document was approved for the previously approved Conditional Use Permit at 3 Coyote Lane. Presentation of this Record of Decision proved to be a confusing matter for the public and so Director Nicholson will look into whether this practice should continue.

Other meeting items were consideration to sell a piece of Kachina Open Space property to TSVI for placement of a tower for the proposed Gondola, which failed by a vote of 3-4. The Village and TSVI will now work together on a possible easement for the tower. A Public Hearing was conducted on a variance request for the roof of a new house at 6 Coyote Lane. Two people spoke in favor and none against. The request for variance was approved by a vote of 5-2. The next meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2022.

B. Public Safety Committee

Chair DiLeo reported that the fire engine that was not performing at the Village's elevation was being traded out for a new engine. The four sirens are up and working. The Village Evacuation Plan will

be reviewed each year after ski season. Package lockers are apparently in the works by the USPS. The Committee and Board will be sending out a letter about firewise safety around the holidays, as well as a reminder to homeowners to pick up red reflective E911 addressing numbers at the Village office.

- C. Firewise Community Board
- D. Parks & Recreation Committee
- E. Lodger's Tax Advisory Board

7. REGIONAL REPORTS

Administrator Avila reported that the Landfill Board was going to make a Legislative Request for funding. There was a discussion of creating a regional film office.

8. MAYOR PRO TEM'S REPORT: No Reports

9. STAFF REPORT

Staff reports were included in the meeting packet and were reviewed as necessary at this meeting.

- A. Administrator Avila
- B. Finance Director Griesedieck
- C. Public Safety Director Vigil
- D. Building Official Bowden
- E. Planning Director Nicholson
- F. Public Works Director Martinez
- G. Clerk Wooldridge

10. OLD BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration to Approve **Resolution No. 2023-520** Requesting Recognition of the State of New Mexico Cannabis Excise Tax Revenue and Expenses and Creating a New Fund 07/28000

Finance Director Griesedieck reported that the Village received unexpected Cannabis Excise Tax Revenues in August 2022. The gross revenues minus the associated fees resulted in net revenues not accounted for in the original 2022/2023 budget. To add these revenues and corresponding expenses, a State BAR is needed. Additionally, the Village will create a new fund 07 (28000) Cannabis Regulation Act, as required by DFA, to accommodate the revenues and expenses. The DFA requires that this fund be created. The projected revenue minus expenses is budgeted at \$485.00

MOTION: To Approve Resolution No. 2023-520 Requesting Recognition of the State of New Mexico Cannabis Excise Tax Revenue and Expenses and Creating a New Fund 07/28000

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

B. Consideration to Approve **Resolution 2023-521**, Consideration to Approve New Mexico Finance Authority Local Government Planning Grant Application for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update

MOTION: To Approve Resolution 2023-521, Consideration to Approve New Mexico Finance Authority Local Government Planning Grant Application for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update

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

C. Consideration to Approve **Resolution No. 2023 522** Approving the Village of Taos Ski Valley 2022 Legislative Priority Request

The Village's 2023 legislative capital improvement project priorities, in rank order are:

- 24.1 Water Line Upgrades and Expansion,
- 24.2 Renovate and Expand Primary Fire Station #1,

-- Providing infrastructure & services to a World Class Ski Resort Community --

24.4 New Village Hall Complex,

24.5 Twining Rd. Improvements Planning Engineering, Design and Construct

MOTION: To Approve Resolution No. 2023 522 Approving the Village of Taos Ski Valley 2022 Legislative Priority Request

Motion: Councilor Caldwell Second: Councilor Knox Passed: 4-0

D. Council Acknowledgement of the FY2023 1st Quarter Financial data submitted to the Department of Finance, Local Government Division by October 31, 2022

MOTION: To Acknowledge the FY2023 1st Quarter Financial data submitted to the Department of Finance, Local Government Division by October 31, 2022.

Motion: Councilor Caldwell Second: Councilor Knox Passed: 4-0

E. Discussion and Consideration to Approve Out-of- State Travel by Building Official Bowden for ICC Continuing Education Credits for Recertification

The Council expressed concern about the expense of out-of-state travel.

MOTION: To Approve Out-of- State Travel by Building Official Bowden for ICC Continuing Education Credits for Recertification.

Motion: Councilor Stagg Second: Mayor Pro Tem Wittman Failed: 2-2

(Councilor Caldwell and Councilor Knox voting nay)

12. CLOSED SESSION

A. Discussion of Limited Personnel Matters. This matter may be discussed in closed session under Open Meetings Act exemption 10-15-1(H) (2)

MOTION: To go into executive session to discuss limited personnel matters

Motion: Councilor Caldwell Second: Councilor Knox Passed 4-0

MOTION: To return to open session

Motion: Councilor Caldwell Second: Councilor Knox Passed 4-0

Mayor Pro Tem Wittman said that no decisions were made while in executive session.

13. MISCELLANEOUS

14. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DATE, TIME & PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE

VILLAGE COUNCIL: The next meeting of the Village Council will be the Regular Meeting on December 27, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Via Zoom.

15. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: To Adjourn

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

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

ATTEST: _____

Tom Wittman, Mayor Pro Tem

Ann M. Wooldridge, Village Clerk

-- Providing infrastructure & services to a World Class Ski Resort Community --