



**VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING DRAFT MINUTES
MEETING TO BE HELD VIA HYBRID-IN PERSON AND ON-LINE
MEETING ROOM LOCATED AT 102, 9 FIREHOUSE RD.
TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO
FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025 1:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND NOTICE OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Village Council was called to order by Mayor Chris Stanek at 1:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was properly posted.

2. ROLL CALL

Marlene Salazar, Village Clerk, called the role and quorum was present.

Governing Body Present:

Mayor Stanek

Councilor Caldwell

Councilor Turner

Councilor Stagg

Councilor Wittman

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Turner **PASSED:** 4-0

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 18TH, 2025, REGULAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING AND THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING ON JULY 25, 2025.

MOTION: Councilor Caldwell **SECOND:** Councilor Wittman **PASSED:** 4-0

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. None

6. A. CITIZEN'S FORUM –Discussion of non-agenda items only. Limited to 5 minutes per person. (Please email msalazar@vtsv.org to sign up in advance so that you can be recognized).

B. CITIZEN'S FORUM - Limit of 5 minutes per person related to a specific agenda item. Public comment during consideration of agenda items by the Council is only permitted at the discretion of the Chair and is limited and those directly affected.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Planning & Zoning Commission (Mayor Pro Tem Tom Wittman)

B. Public Safety Committee (Councilman Henry Caldwell)

C. Firewise Community Board (Councilman Henry Caldwell)

D. Parks & Recreation Committee (Joan Woodard)

E. Lodger's Tax Advisory Board (Councilman Chris Stagg)

F. TIDD (Mayor Pro Tem Tom Wittman)

8. REGIONAL REPORTS (Are all included in the attached Administrator's and Department reports)

- A. Enchanted Circle Council of Governments (ECCoG) (No meeting, no report)
- B. Enchanted Circle Marketing Cooperative (Met in June, per Village Administrator's Report)
- C. Taos Regional Landfill (TRF) (Meeting next Thursday, per Village Administrator's Report)
- D. North Central Regional Transit District (NCRTD) (No meeting, no report)
- E. Northern Pueblos Regional Transportation Planning Organization (NPRTPO) (Met 8/8/25, at NCRTD, No report)
- F. North Central Economic Development District (NCEDD) (No meeting, no report)
- G. Rio Hondo Watershed District (RHWD) (Meeting cancelled, no report)
- H. San Juan Chama Water Contractor's Association (SJCCA) (per Village Administrator's Report)
Summer Triannual Convention will be in Taos, with site visit and meetings in VTSV.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT (Mayor Chris Stanek)

10. ADMINISTRATOR AND STAFF REPORTS

Attached. (Rick Bellis, Village Administrator)

11. FINANCE REPORT

Attached. (Carroll Griesedieck, Village Finance Officer)

Financial update presentation. (Carroll Griesedieck, Village Finance Director)

12. CONSENT AGENDA

This item is placed on the agenda so that the Governing Body by unanimous consent can designate those routine agenda items that they wish to be approved or acknowledged by one motion. If any proposal does not meet with the approval of all Governing Body members, that item will be heard when reached under the regular agenda.

A. RESOLUTION 2025-33: AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING SUBMISSION OF A COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND PROJECT APPROVAL TO THE TO THE WATER TRUST BOARD AND NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY.

B. RESOLUTION 2025-34: AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION 2025-32 WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC. FROM 1 YEAR TO 5 YEARS.

C. VTSV CONTRACT 2026-01: PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH THE VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR PROMOTIONAL SERVICES CONSISTENT WITH THE NM LODGERS TAX ACT §3-38-21 and §3-38-21.1 N.M.S.A. 1978 AS FULLY OUTLINED IN EXHIBIT A, FOR THE YEAR JULY 1, 2025, TO JUNE 30, 2026, IN A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$325,000.

D. VTSV CONTRACT 2026-02: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH LISA OLSEN BOOKKEEPING SERVICES FOR ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2025, TO JUNE 30, 2026, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$59,900

E. VTSV CONTRACT 2026-03: RENEWAL OF SERVICES CONTRACT WITH GOOD RIDDANCE ENVIRONMENTAL PEST CONTROL FOR PEST CONTROL SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025, TO JUNE 30, 2026 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000.

F. VTSV CONTRACT 2026-04: RENEWAL OF A SERVICE CONTRACT WITH RAY'S SEPTIC SERVICE FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2025, TO JUNE 30, 2026, FOR THE REMOVAL OF SEPTIC, AS SPECIFIED PER THE CONTRACT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$59,900.

G.VTSV CONTRACT NO. 2026-05: RENEWAL BY THE VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY OF A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES AS MEDICAL DIRECTOR TO VTSV FIRE/EMS/SEARCH AND RESCUE WITH DR. LINDA LYNCH FROM JULY 1, 2025, TO JUNE 30, 2026, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800.00 PER MONTH FOR UP TO FOUR HOURS PER MONTH. ANY ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZED TIME SPENT OVER AND ABOVE THE FOUR HOURS WILL

BE BILLED AT THE RATE OF \$125.00 PER HOUR.

H. VTSV CONTRACT 2026-06: RENEWAL OF A CONTRACT WITH ENSO WILDFIRE SERVICES, LLC FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE (WUI) COORDINATOR AND UPDATING OF THE VTSV WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,999.00.

13. OLD BUSINESS

A. PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration to approve **ORDINANCE 2025-03:** AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, AS AMENDED.

A public hearing will be held, prior to Council action, in order to allow members of the public to provide comments and ask questions with regard to the ordinance under consideration.

Link to view 2024 ICC IPMC: [2024-ICC-IPMC-1.pdf](#)

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Stagg **PASSED:** 4-0

14. NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTION 2025-035: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PUBLICATION OF AND SCHEDULING OF A PUBLIC HEARING FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, CORRECT AND CLARIFY LANGUAGE IN ORDINANCE 2022-17: AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY ESTABLISHING A LOCAL CANNABIS BUSINESS LICENSE; CREATING RULES REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF A LOCAL LICENSE; ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF CANNABIS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND IN PUBLIC PLACES; LIMITING THE SALE, PRODUCTION, MANUFACTURE AND CULTIVATION OF CANNABIS AND CANNABIS INFUSED PRODUCTS TO CERTAIN ZONE DISTRICTS; LIMITING GROWING AND CULTIVATION IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS TO PERSONAL USE ONLY.

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Turner **PASSED:** 4-0

15. OTHER BUSINESS

A. PROCUREMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

RFP interviews for RFP 2025-06, RFP 2025-07 were held by zoom with two finalists for the Comprehensive Plan update and the two finalists for the Utilities Rate Study Wednesday, August 13th at the Village Administrator's Office at 7 Firehouse Rd., 2nd Floor.

RFP 2025-08 for utility trenching for underground electrical service received no responses and will be awarded to AnchorBuilt under state contract for procurement.

The recommendations for award will be brought to Council for approval, along with the respective contracts at a meeting later this month.

16. LEGAL UPDATE/STATUS REPORT

A. 7 Firehouse Rd.: Lawsuit, Removal of title issues.

B. 200 Firehouse Rd., Unit 103, Post Office.

C. 200 Firehouse Rd., Unit 102, Meeting Room

17. POSSIBLE CLOSED SESSION

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Caldwell **PASSED:** 4-0

The following matters may or may not be discussed in closed session under the NM Open Public Meetings Act under exemptions 10-15-1.H (8): meetings for the discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by a public body, 10-15-1. H (7): attorney client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant, and 10-15-1.H (2) limited personnel matters.

MOTION TO RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION:

MOTION: Councilor Stagg **SECOND:** Councilor Wittman **PASSED:** 4-0

18. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION (John Appel, Village Attorney)

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

SEPTEMBER 19, 2025: REGULAR MEETING. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the Village of Taos Ski Valley will be held as a hybrid in-person and on-line meeting on Friday, September 19, 2025, at 1:00 pm in Room 102, 9 Firehouse Rd., Taos Ski Valley, NM and the Agenda, Agenda attachments, and Zoom Meeting link will be available to the public on the Village website at <https://www.vtsv.org>.

20. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Councilor Turner **SECOND:** Councilor Wittman **PASSED:** 4-0