



**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, SEPTEMBER 19, 2025 1:00 PM**

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 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 AUGUST 15, 2025, REGULAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

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

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Oath of Office Scott Freeman (New Fire Chief) & Evan Perry (Lt. Fire Fighter)

Mayor Chris Stanek performed the Oath of Office

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 August, per Village Administrator's Report)
- C. Taos Regional Landfill (TRF) (Meeting Thursday, per Village Administrator's Report)
- D. North Central Regional Transit District (NCRTD) (Met in August, 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) (Met in September re: wildfire efforts, no report)
- H. San Juan Chama Water Contractor's Association (SJCCA) (per Village Administrator's Report)
Summer Triannual Convention met in Taos, with site visit, meetings in and presentation by 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 2025-36: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT TO THE FY2026 BUDGET (BAR) INCREASING BUDGETED EXPENSES IN THE CANNABIS REGULATION ACT FUND TO REFLECT ANTICIPATED FY26 CANNABIS ADMINISTRATIVE FEES CHARGED.

B. VTSV CONTRACT 2026-07: MUNIBILLING UTILITY BILLING SOLUTIONS SOFTWARE: REQUESTING APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MUNIBILLING UTILITY BILLING SOLUTIONS SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE PERIOD OF 5 YEARS, AS SPECIFIED PER THE AGREEMENT WITH A SUBSCRIPTION FEE PER INVOICE CYCLE OF \$1278.00 FOR UP TO 275 SERVICE LOCATIONS BILLED, ANY ADDITIONAL SERVICE LOCATIONS WILL BE BILLED AT \$240.00 FOR EACH 50 SERVICE LOCATION INCREMENTS.

C. VTSV CONTRACT 2026-08: WATER AND WASTEWATER RATE STUDY; A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY (VTSV) AND FCS, A BOWMAN COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,620 FOR A WATER AND WASTEWATER STUDY FOR SERVICES AS IDENTIFIED WITHIN THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO TO A PROJECT INITIATION MEETING, DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS, REVENUE REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS, COST-OF-SERVICE ANALYSIS, RATE DESIGN AND PROKJECT REVIEW MEETINGS WITH STAFF, COUNCIL AND THE PUBLIC FOR THE PERIOD 9-2-25 THROUGH 6-30-26.

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

13. OLD BUSINESS

None

14. NEW BUSINESS

STAFF REQUESTS THAT THE BELOW ITEM BE REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA AND THAT STAFF BE PERMITTED PREVIOUSLY APPROVED RESOLUTION 2025-035 (INCLUDED BELOW FOR REFERENCE) TO REPUBLISH AT A LATER DATE WHEN THE ORDINANCE IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.

- A. ORDINANCE 2025-04: 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 Stagg **SECOND:** Councilor Wittman **PASSED:** 4-0

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.

15. OTHER BUSINESS

A. PROCUREMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Negotiations for RFP 2025-06, Comprehensive Plan update, regarding the issue of scope and price are on-going. Consistent with NM State Procurement, the Village may, at the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer, reject all responses and re-RFP or Bid the contract if none of the responses received are within the scope and budget of the original RFP or are otherwise deemed unresponsive or unacceptable.

16. LEGAL UPDATE/STATUS REPORT

17. POSSIBLE CLOSED SESSION

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.

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

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

OCTOBER 17, 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 meetings on Friday, October 17, 2025, at 1:00 pm in Room 102, 9 Firehouse Rd., Taos Ski Valley, NM

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

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Mayor Chris Stanek	Attest: Village Clerk, Marlene Salazar