



**VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MEETING TO BE HELD VIA HYBRID - IN PERSON AND ONLINE
MEETING ROOM LOCATED AT 102, 9 FIREHOUSE RD.
TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO
FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2026 AT 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 pm. Notice of the meeting was properly posted.

2. ROLL CALL

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

Governing Body Present:

Mayor Chris Stanek

Councilman Matt Myers

Councilman Chris Stagg

Councilman Tom Wittman

Not Present:

Councilman Doug Turner

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Myers **PASSED:** 3-0

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. 04/17/2026-Regular Village Council Meeting

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Stagg **PASSED:** 3-0

B. 04/24/2026- Special Village Council Budget Workshop

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Stagg **PASSED:** 3-0

5. CITIZEN'S FORUM

A. Limit of 5 minutes per person related to a specific agenda item or non-agenda items. Please email msalazar@vtsv.org to sign up in advance so that you can be recognized.

Resident Mike Fitzpatrick spoke on behalf of the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee regarding project equity and funding priorities. Mr. Fitzpatrick requested to place on official record that the Committee maintains oversight over public infrastructure and prioritizes projects based on community benefit. Mr. Fitzpatrick expressed concerns regarding fiscal equity, objecting to the allocation of \$2.6 million in interest for a second Tax Increment Development District (TIDD) trench dedication while the underground project remains unfunded. Mr. Fitzpatrick noted that the Master Development Agreement (MDA) allows for an immediate pause of TIDD contributions, which would secure the necessary funding to complete the priority underground project.

6. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report (Mayor Chris Stanek)

Mayor Stanek expressed appreciation for the new results-based approach used in the budget workshop format and thanked Finance Director Griesedieck and Village Administrator Hammond-Paul for the recent budget workshop that was held on April 24, 2026. Mayor Stanek also highlighted the recognition of VTSV local firefighters for their wildfire response efforts.

B. Administrator and Staff Reports (Henri Hammond-Paul, Village Administrator)

Village Administrator Hammond-Paul provided updates on the current FY 26-27 budget process, the refinement of the ICIP, and recent public safety initiatives, including microgrid and wildfire preparedness presentations. Village Administrator Hammond-Paul also mentioned a significant plumbing and septic bill at the municipal complex, prompting discussion about the facility's future use and potential underutilization. All staff reports were presented in the Village Council Packet.

1. Review with Mayor and Council of red-lined post-workshop FY 2026-27 preliminary budget changes.

Finance Director Griesedieck presented the updated budget, highlighting changes in payroll and related expenses across various funds. Finance Director Griesedieck discussed the impact of the change in the cost of living adjustment from 5% to 7%, which resulted in a \$34,000 difference in the budget. The council confirmed that the COLA adjustment figure was consistent with previous presentations.

C. Public Safety Committee (Henry Caldwell)

No Reports

D. Parks & Recreation Committee (Joan Woodard)

Committee Chair Joan Woodard provided updates on the Parks & Recreation Committee, mentioning a Spring Cleanup Day scheduled on May 26th, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. and expressing gratitude for the Public Works Dept's improvements to the hiker parking lot. Committee Chair Woodard also announced the approval of a Village adopted trail pilot program that is fully volunteer covered.

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

No Report

7. PUBLIC HEARING

All members of the public are invited to ask questions and offer comment on the following items of business before the Council:

- A. Consideration to Approve Application No.BLA-0000015244 for a Restaurant B Liquor License for Daleee Productions LLC, DBA: Daleee at TSV

Spoke For: Christoph Brownell, resident/former mayor, spoke in favor of the application, highlighting the location's history as a community hub and Daleee's commitment to the community.

Ricky Carlini, Daleee Productions LLC/ business owner, expressed thanks and gratitude at having a Public Hearing for the Liquor license. Carlini stated he has been in business for about 3 years, and also worked for Taos Ski Valley Inc. in 2011 and just recently became a U.S. Citizen in 2024. He thanked the Mayor & Council for the opportunity to bring people together with music, food and a general overall good environment for guests, residents and families to relax.

Spoke Against: 0

MOTION: Councilor Myers **SECOND:** Councilor Wittman **PASSED:** 3-0

8. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Lease Agreement for Temporary Village Office Space at Neal King Memorial Firehouse

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Myers **PASSED:** 3-0

9. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Approval of the revised FY 2026-27 Village of Taos Ski Valley Budget and permission to submit the budget to NM DFA for consideration and approval.

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Myers **PASSED:** 3-0

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(None)

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

06/19/2026-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 June 19, 2026, 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>.

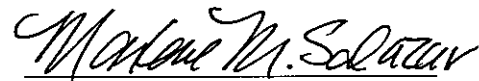
12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Myers **PASSED:** 3-0



Mayor Chris Stanek

ATTEST:



Village Clerk, Marlene Salazar