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, JUNE 19, 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

Henri Hammond-Paul, Village Administrator, 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 Turner

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. 05/15/2026-Regular Village Council Meeting

MOTION: Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Myers **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.

Dan Vaughn, TSV Chamber of Commerce CEO, announced the upcoming 20th annual Up and Over Trail Race Weekend on August 1st-2nd and requested volunteers, particularly noting the need for CPR-trained ski patrol and EMS support due to Mogul Medical's summer closure. Mr. Vaughn requested residents, guests, etc to email or call him to volunteer for the 20th annual Up and Over Trail Race. dan@taosskivalleychamber.com

Resident Mike Fitzpatrick raised concerns about his rejected CIAC membership application and criticized transparency issues with TIDD meetings and consent decrees.

Mr. Fitzpatrick reported on the recent formation of the Amizette Transparency and Accountability Committee, noting that the group was organized by local residents to address community matters. Mr. Fitzpatrick addressed the Council regarding the pending Water Rate Study, emphasizing its importance to the Amizette Transparency and Accountability Committee and other regional parties. He requested prompt delivery of the results as soon as they become available, noting that the information is currently subject to an outstanding IPRA request.

6. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report (Mayor Chris Stanek)

none

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

1. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF FY2028–FY2032 INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN

Administrator Hammond-Paul presented a comprehensive Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) required by the Department of Finance and Administration, outlining six strategic investment priority areas including public safety, water security, community sustainability, workforce housing, energy resilience, and mobility/recreation. The plan identified five key projects totaling S17.5 million over five years, including a new civic facility combining Village Hall and emergency operations center, water and wastewater infrastructure improvements, public safety vehicle replacement, and recreation access enhancements. The next steps involve advocating to state legislators for capital outlay funding and pursuing specific tailored funding opportunities through various state programs.
A PowerPoint presentation was presented.

Councilor Myers raised a question regarding whether the Village currently utilizes or retains a professional lobbyist to represent its interests. Councilor Stagg responded to Councilor Myers' inquiry and reported on his involvement with the Municipal League board and stated that Joe Thompson has been one of our lobbyists when needed, it's on a project-by-project basis. Administrator Hammond-Paul explained that they revised the ICIP by removing $20 million from the previous year's list to create more realistic and achievable goals for critical infrastructure needs.

The council also noted that some projects like the Water Trust Board might have more available funding and could move forward faster than others.

Staff Reports
Administrator Hammond-Paul reported a presentation is scheduled for June 26th with Stifle Public Finance to discuss various funding mechanisms available to the municipality on exploring general bond obligation schedules for the Village. Administrator Hammond-Paul reported that roof replacement work at the wastewater treatment plant would begin the following week. Hammond-Paul discussed the implementation of paid parking at the Ski Valley hiker parking area, which will cost $5 per day or $10 for a season pass, with a digital payment system through Square.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Wittman stated the minutes for the June 1, 2026, P&Z Commission meeting were attached to the agenda packet and summarized the concurrent Public Hearing that was held during the June 1st meeting. The P&Z Commission unanimously approved TSVI's application for a CUP extension for the Parcel C development. In response to inquiries, TSVI CEO John Kelly stated that construction on Parcel C would begin after the completion of the St. Bernard project. The next P&Z meeting will take place on July 6, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.

D. Public Safety Committee (Henry Caldwell)

Minutes were presented in the agenda packet.

E. Firewise Community Board (Henry Caldwell)

Minutes were presented in the agenda packet.

F. Parks & Recreation Committee (Joan Woodard)

Committee Chair Woodard reported that approximately 110 participants gathered for the annual Spring Cleanup Day on May 26, 2026, clearing trash from Amizette, the village core, and the Kachina Basin. Chair Woodard reported the first input review is underway from ECTA concerning the comprehensive trails and parks plan. The final version of this review will be brought before the Mayor and Council for future evaluation and approval.

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

No Reports

H. TIDD (Mayor Pro Tem Tom Wittman)

No Reports

7. 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. (None)

No Items

8. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. **RESOLUTION 2026-17** A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE VILLAGE'S EXISTING LAND USE ASSUMPTIONS, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN, AND DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE SCHEDULE WHILE THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS RECONSTITUTED AND UPDATED DEVELOPMENT FEES ACT DOCUMENTS ARE PREPARED.

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

B. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CIAC)

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

DISCUSSION: Administrator Hammond-Paul reported receiving nine applications for committee service, with eight recommended for approval. To assist with onboarding new members, three existing members will continue their terms. The proposed structure recommends two-year terms for the returning members and three-year terms for the new members. Mayor Stanek extended his appreciation to all members and participants for their ongoing support, commitment, and volunteer service to the committee.

C. **RESOLUTION 2026-18** A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FY 2028-2032 INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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

D. APPROVAL OF PLANNING, LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR / DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR POSITION AND JOB DESCRIPTION

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

DISCUSSION: Village Administrator Hammond-Paul reported on the operational benefits of hiring a Planning, Land Use, and Development Director / Deputy Administrator. He explained that the position would manage land use and planning responsibilities, provide critical deputy administrative support, and drive municipal expansion. Key focus areas for the new role would include economic development, new business attraction, and oversight of special municipal projects.

E. **RESOLUTION 2026-19** A RESOLUTION DECLARING EXTREME OR SEVERE DROUGHT CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTING THE SALE AND USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY PURSUANT TO NMSA 1978, SECTION 60-2C-8.1

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

9. EXECUTIVE 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.

A. Discussion of limited personnel matters by the Village Administrator with the Mayor and Council.

To enter into closed session

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

To return from closed session

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

10. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

(John Appel, Village Attorney)

Attorney Appel reported on closed session stating the only matters that were addressed were 10-15-1.H (2) limited personnel matters.
MOTION: To approve the financial arrangement for the employee involved as it was for the previous year

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

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

07-17-2026-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 July 17, 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

ATTEST:

Mayor Chris Stanek

Village Clerk, Marlene Salazar