VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLELY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, February 5, 2014 1:00 P.M. VTSV VILLAGE OFFICES

AGENDA AND MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The Public Safety Committee had a quorum. Sheila Duffy, Roger Pattison, Kathy Bennett, and the newest member, Jim Woodard were all present. Staff present was Mark Fratrick, Dave Wallace, and John Miller, with a cameo appearance by Don Scheiber.

II. Old Business

A. Check off list of requirements for eligibility as a Firewise Community Final version of Mass Mailing Letter – one sentence deleted; one added. Discussion and final version of ByLaws for Firewise Board of Directors Mark mailed to Dennis Romero for his approval.

Set a date for the "Firewise Community Education Day" – will be sometime in June, and also at the 4th of July festivities. Where depends on the construction.

Order all educational materials from www.firewise.org Kathy will do this.

- **B.** Discussion and consideration to write an e-mail recruitment letter for volunteer members to join the Firewise Board of Directors. Include responsibilities, contact persons, etc. Mark said he would do this. Include Chamber too.
- C. Additional steps we can take to forewarn people of possible fire danger.

1. Siren System Review and consideration (it is budget time) – Dave said the quotation looked good, but we need three sirens not two. Amizette area first.

- Reverse E911 System Not discussed. Won't work anyway.
 - 3. Involve Forest Service and their cleanup.
- E. More we can do to prevent wild land fires. Education Program? Documents? Mass Mailings? State Forestry Assessment document?
- F. Discussion and consideration to pursue available Grant money. Kathy will contact Colfax County Contact person. – She'll call next week.
- III. New Business
 - A. Possible Ordinance for residents to convert from above ground power lines to below ground power lines where it is available to them. This is a Public Safety Issue. Presented at the 2/4/14 Village Council Meeting and will be on the agenda for a vote by the Village Council at the next meeting 3/11/14. Don explained. John to get Red River Fire Ordinance regarding underground power.
 - B. Other Considerations towards being a Firewise Community.
 - C. Any candidates for Director Positions on the Firewise Board of Directors? We could do an election at a Public Safety Committee meeting in early March if this is preferable.
- IV. Miscellaneous Community Action Plan?
- V. Date, Time, Place of Next Meeting Wednesday, February 26, 2014, 1:00 p.m., in Mark's Office.