



**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
EDELWEISS LODGE AND SPA CLUB ROOM
TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012 2:00 P.M.

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VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:
Mark G. Fratrack

CLERK/TREASURER:
Vanessa N. Chisholm

I. CALL TO ORDER & NOTICE OF MEETING

Mayor King called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The notice of the meeting was properly posted.

II. ROLL CALL

Mayor King, Councilors Bennett, Stagg, Wiard, and Wittman were present. Staff members present were: Mark Fratrack, Vanessa Chisholm, Don Schieber and Dave Wallace. Dennis Romero, Village Attorney, was also present.

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the agenda as submitted.

Motion: Councilor Wittman **Second:** Councilor Wiard

Passed: 4-0.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 7, 2012 AND THE AUGUST 15, 2012 VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETINGS

MOTION: To approve the minutes from the August 7, 2012 and the August 15, 2012 Village Council meetings.

Motion: Councilor Wiard

Second: Councilor Wittman

Passed: 4-0.

V. CITIZENS FORUM

Carl Fesler, a board member of the Sierra del Sol Condominiums (SDS), addressed the Mayor and Village Council about his concerns with the new proposed water line along the SDS parking lot. Fesler stated that SDS has lines that need to be replaced and would like to work with the Public Works Department to replace all lines at the same time. Don Schieber said it would take about six weeks to do the lines. Fesler would appreciate earlier notification, the next time there are planned improvements that would affect SDS, not as the project is starting.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Vanessa Chisholm reported that the annual audit of the Village financials will begin on September 10, 2012. The workers' comp audit was on August 28, 2012. Chisholm reported the GRT is down by 26% and Lodgers' Tax is up by 4%.

The Financial reports were accepted into the minutes.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Planning and Zoning Commission

Councilor Wittman reported the Commission will meet tomorrow, September 5, 2012, at 1:00 p.m., at the Edelweiss conference room.

B. Public Safety Committee

No report.

C. Parks and Recreation Committee

No report.

D. Arts and Entertainment Committee

No report.

E. Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board

Councilor Stagg reported the Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board met on August 24, 2012. The Board will meet again on September 24, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., at the Snakedance to discuss surplus money.

VIII. REGIONAL AND STATE REPORTS

Councilor Wiard reported that the IGC and Regional Landfill Board meetings will be held Thursday, September 20, 2012. Wiard attended the NMML Annual Conference held in Las Cruces from August 27 through August 31. The conference was also attended by Mayor King, Councilor Bennett, and Village Administrator, Mark Fratrack. Next year's conference will be held in the Town of Taos. Future meetings that Wiard will attend are the NMML Tax Task Force in Santa Fe, the NMML Board of Directors Meeting, the NMML Advanced Municipal Officials Leadership Institute (MOLI), and the NM Infrastructure Conference to be held in the Town of Taos from October 23-25.

IX. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor King said he attended the NMML Conference in Las Cruces at the end of August.

X. STAFF REPORTS

Mark Fratrack, Village Administrator, said the chlorination station construction has started, but most likely won't be finished before the snow flies. Fratrack received a generic letter from PERA, regarding Representative Gonzales' letter asking for an inquiry to the Village's PERA status, saying that the PERA Board had a good policy in place to present to the State Legislators. Fratrack said he would discuss this with Councilor Wiard. He attended a developers' meeting where they discussed prioritization and funding for their future developments in Taos Ski Valley. Fratrack reported he received about 5 letters requesting condos be changed from commercial to residential. Fratrack has responded to these letters, by stating that this was discussed at the budget workshop by the Mayor and Council and was voted on by the Council. The Council will look into this request at the next budget meeting in the spring. There was no movement or update on the Town Site Act, the optic line trenching, or the Town of Taos 15 passenger van.

Dave Wallace, Public Safety Director, said he had no report for the month regarding the Public Safety Department.

Don Schieber updated the Council on a plumbing problem at the Schnitzer house. It was decided that this problem was not the Village's, but a homeowner problem. There are several projects that are weather related and they will be stopped when the snow flies, and will be completed next summer.

Ray Keen is on a road trip and unable to attend the meeting, therefore there is no report.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

None

XII. NEW BUSINESS –**A. Consideration to Approve Services Contract by and between the Village of Taos Ski Valley and Timothy Q. Peterson, MD, for Medical Director Services for the EMS System Located in the Village of Taos Ski Valley**

This is a renewal of Quigley Peterson's contract. It provides for Quigley to act as the medical director for the EMS system in the Village. This is included in the FY2013 budget under outside contractors. The term of the contract is for three years (July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2015).

MOTION: To approve a services contract between the Village of Taos Ski Valley and Timothy Q. Peterson MD, to provide medical director services for the EMS system located in the Village.

Motion: Councilor Stagg**Second:** Councilor Wiard**Passed:** 4-0**B. Consideration to Approve Resolution #2013-234, a Resolution to Adopt the 2014-2018 Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP).**

A discussion was held regarding the presented ICIP plan. Several questions were asked and it was decided to move item #12 (the construction of the Village wastewater treatment plant) up to #1 on the ICIP. All other items would be moved down one line. This is the Village's number 1 priority and it was decided that the State should know this. Staff was instructed to correct minor errors on the ICIP form that was presented to the Council. Fratrack stated that staff will start to work on the ICIP plan for next year long before it is due for submission to the State. Fratrack further stated that the wording of items such as "Phase II" will have better descriptions indicating what that will cover.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 2013-234, a resolution adopting the 2014-2018 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) as amended.

Motion: Councilor Wittman**Second:** Councilor Wiard**Passed:** 4-0**XIII. MISCELLANEOUS:**

None

XIV. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION – Pending Litigation

MOTION: To go to closed executive session to discuss pending litigation.

Motion: Councilor Wiard**Second:** Councilor Wittman**Passed:** 4-0.

MOTION: To return to open session. Nothing was discussed except pending litigation. No decisions were made and no votes were taken.

Motion: Councilor Wittman**Second:** Councilor Bennett**Passed:** 4-0.**XV. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL.**

The next meeting of the Village Council will be held on Tuesday, October 2, 2012, 2:00 p.m., at the Edelweiss Lodge and Spa Conference Room.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Councilor Wiard **Second:** Councilor Stagg

Passed: 4-0.

Neal King, Mayor

Vanessa Chisholm, Village Clerk