



VILLAGE COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES VIA ZOOM  
TELECONFERENCE TAOS SKI  
VALLEY, NEW MEXICO  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2025 1:00 P.M.

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Special Meeting of the Village 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, Acting Village Clerk, called the roll and quorum was present.

**Governing Body Present:**

Mayor Stanek

Councilor Caldwell

Councilor Stagg

Councilor Wittman

**Absent:**

Councilor Turner

**3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stanek amended the agenda to include a citizens' forum before agenda item #4.

**MOTION:** To approve the agenda as amended to add a Citizens Forum before agenda item (4. New Business)

**MOTION:** Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Caldwell **VOTED: PASSED: 3-0**

**A. CITIZEN'S FORUM --for non-agenda items only. Limit to 5 minutes per person (please email [msalazar@vtsv.org](mailto:msalazar@vtsv.org) to sign up)**

**B. CITIZEN'S FORUM - Public comment on agenda items. Limit of 5 minutes per person. This is an opportunity for the public to comment on items appearing on the meeting agenda, except for Public Hearing items. Subsequent public comments by persons not directly affected will generally be permitted only at the discretion of the presiding officer during discussion of agenda items by and among the Council members and persons and entities who are directly affected.**

**Resident Mike Fitzpatrick** requested to speak to the Village Council in reference to a referendum that was submitted in Feb of 2023. The referendum was in reference to the proposed lease and purchase of the new Firehouse from TSVI.

Mr. Fitzpatrick also commented with regards to 7 Firehouse Rd. and the reversionary clause, the 1977 and 1978 special warranty deeds, the respective use restrictions, and the version that is filed with the Taos County Clerk.

4. **NEW BUSINESS:** Mayor Stanek stated the special meeting today will be dedicated to discussing and voting with regards to releasing a reversionary clause on the title of the Village Administration Building at 7 Firehouse Rd.

5. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An executive session may be held by the Council under NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1(8) meetings for the discussion regarding the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body.

**MOTION:** To enter into closed executive session.

**MOTION:** Councilor Wittman **SECOND:** Councilor Caldwell **VOTED: PASSED: 3-0**

**MOTION:** To return from executive session to the special meeting.

**MOTION:** Councilor Stagg **SECOND:** Councilor Caldwell **VOTED: PASSED: 3-0**

It was reported by the Mayor that only the matter identified on the agenda was discussed, that no other matters were discussed and that no action was taken during the closed session.

6. **A. Discussion, consideration and approval of Resolution No. 2025-004 an agreement to release a reversionary clause against the title for 7 Firehouse Rd., a property owned by the Village of Taos Ski Valley, in exchange for consideration in the amount of \$125,000.00**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stanek explained and updated meeting viewers stating the discussion is in regard to the Village trying to remove the reversionary interest held by Twining Associates on the title for 7 Firehouse Rd.

Village Administrator Bellis reported the property has an assessed value of \$338,820.00 with a taxable value of \$112,940.00. The property is under the Village of Taos Ski Valley and the Hondo Canyon Fire Protection District, in which the Village is the successor.

A motion to approve was made by Councilman Caldwell with the following conditions added:

**MOTION:** To approve Resolution No. 2025-004 an agreement to release a reversionary clause against the title for 7 Firehouse Rd., a property owned by the Village of Taos Ski Valley, in exchange for consideration in the amount of \$125,000.00 **upon receipt of an acceptable title insurance policy and without the survey exception.**

**MOTION:** Councilor Caldwell **SECOND:** Councilor Wittman **VOTE: PASSED 2-0**

**ABSTAIN:** Councilor Stagg

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

The next meeting of the Village Council will be the regular meeting on Friday February 21, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. via zoom.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** To adjourn the meeting

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

  
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Mayor Chris Stanek

Attest:

  
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Acting Village Clerk, Marlene Salazar