



VILLAGE OF HATCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 6:00 pm

Attendees: Mayor Whitlock, Mayor Pro Tem Torres, Trustee Atencio,
Trustee Martinez, Marcia Nordyke, Alfredo Holguin, Tim Thornton, David
Shields, Jorge Au, JoAnn Au, Lisa Neal, Elizabeth Porras

Trustees Chambers - 133 North Franklin St, Hatch New Mexico

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call/ Pledge of Allegiance/ Moment of Silence

Minutes:

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hatch was held in the Trustees Chambers located at 133 N. Franklin Street, Hatch, NM, on the above date. Mayor Whitlock, asked the Clerk Treasurer for roll call as follows: Mayor Whitlock – Present, Mayor Pro-Tem Torres – Present, Trustee Atencio – Present, Trustee Crist – Absent, and Trustee Martinez – Present. There being a quorum, Mayor Whitlock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Torres led all in attendance in the pledge of allegiance and Trustee Atencio gave the opening prayer.

2. * Approval of Agenda

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Trustee Atencio. Motion carried.

3. * Consent Agenda (Police, Fire, Museum, Planning & Zoning, Parks & Rec, Library, Cemetery, Court Reports, Approved Bills List, Delinquent List, Utility Applications, Regular Meeting Minutes October 10, 2023).

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Torres moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Trustee Martinez. Motion carried.

4. Public input

Minutes:

During the meeting, Marcia Nordyke inquired about the progress of the new Library construction and sought clarification on the Village's position. Mayor Whitlock provided an update, explaining that the Village has actively been searching for suitable property. The initial choice, priced at

\$490,000, proved to be financially unfeasible for the Village. Consequently, the Village is now exploring an alternative piece of property owned by Hatch Grain, situated near the railroad tracks.

5. Wilson & Company Report

Minutes:

Alfredo Holguin provided a status update for all ongoing services provided by Wilson & Company.

6. Bohannon Huston Report

Minutes:

Dave Shields provided a status update for all ongoing services provided by Bohannon Huston.

7. Consideration and approval of Resolution No. xxx - A Resolution Concerning Governing Body Meetings and the Public Notice Required

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve Resolution No. 1067 A Resolution Concerning Governing Body Meetings and the Public Notice Required. Seconded by Trustee Atencio. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro-Tem Torres-aye, Trustee Atencio-aye, Trustee Crist-Absent, Trustee Martinez-aye. Motion carried.

8. *Consideration and approval of Resolution No. xxx - Designating Village of Hatch Holiday Schedule for 2024.

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Torres moved to approve Resolution No. 1068 Designating Village of Hatch Holiday Schedule for 2024. Seconded by Trustee Martinez. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro-Tem Torres-aye, Trustee Atencio-aye, Trustee Crist-Absent, Trustee Martinez-aye. Motion carried.

9. Personnel

a. *Accept the resignation of Maria L. Hernandez De Rodriguez effective November 17, 2023.

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to accept the resignation of Maria L. Hernandez De Rodriguez as custodian effective November 17, 2023. Seconded by Trustee Atencio. Motion carried.

b. *Accept the resignation of Francisco Lucero effective November 26, 2023.

Minutes:

Trustee Atencio moved to accept the resignation of Francisco Lucero as utility worker effective November 26, 2023. Seconded by Trustee Martinez. Motion carried.

10. Department Head Input

Minutes:

Jorge Au, Fire Chief, provided a concise update on the ongoing activities at the Fire Department, including the November schedule for fire extinguisher servicing. He also reported a successful grant application, securing \$150,000 for radios.

Following this, Lisa Neal, Library Director, presented a brief report covering the current programs

and services at the Library.

Chief Thornton shared that operations at the police department are running smoothly.

Interestingly, the month began with zero applicants for vacant positions at the police department.

Chief Thornton also mentioned upcoming plans for finishing installation of radios and computers within a month.

11. Mayor & Trustees Input

Minutes:

Mayor Whitlock informed the Board that it's time to consider potential projects for the Village, especially given that this year's Legislature will only have a 30-day session.

12. * Adjourn

Minutes:

There being no further business Trustee Martinez moved to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Atencio. Motion carried.

Signed: _____, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Date: _____

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