



VILLAGE OF HATCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Attendees: Mayor Torres, Mayor Pro Tem Atencio, Trustee Crist, Trustee Martinez, Trustee Franzoy, Matt Thompson, Mike Castillo, Gary Tindal, Gary Tindal Jr., Tiffany Goolsby, Aurora Hernandez, Jorge Au, Bernadette Acosta, Lisa Neal, Annette Morales, Randy Lopez, 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 Torres asked the Clerk Treasurer for roll call as follows: Mayor Torres-Present, Mayor Pro Tem Atencio-Present, Trustee Crist-Present (via phone), Trustee Martinez-Present, Trustee Franzoy-Present. There being a quorum, Mayor Torres called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Trustee Martinez led all in attendance in the pledge of allegiance and Trustee Franzoy gave the opening prayer.

2. * Approval of Agenda

Minutes:

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

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

3. * Consent Agenda (Police, Fire, Museum, Planning & Zoning, Parks & Rec, Library, Cemetery, Court Reports, Approved Bills List, Delinquent List, Utility Applications, Travel & Training, Regular Meeting Minutes April 8, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes May 8, 2025).

Minutes:

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

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

4. Public input

Minutes:

Bernadette Acosta, representing the Chamber of Commerce, gave a brief report on ongoing fundraising activities for this year's Chile Festival. She noted that the recent rock hunt was a success and well received by participants. The next scheduled activity is the Cash Party at the Icebox, for which additional security has been hired to assist the police department.

Tiffany Goolsby, AICP, Senior Planner with the South Central Council of Governments, presented the draft FY 2027–2031 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP). She invited public input, noting that the plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees for action by resolution, and that now would be an appropriate time for public comment.

5. *Consideration and approval to Tindal & Son to sell fireworks at Lot East of 612 Franklin St., Hatch, NM from June 20, 2025 thru July 6, 2025.

Minutes:

Trustee Franzoy moved to approve Tindal & Son to sell fireworks at the lot east of 612 Franklin Street, Hatch, New Mexico, from June 20, 2025, through July 6, 2025. Seconded by Trustee Martinez. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

6. *Resolution No. xxx - Adopting the FY 2027-2031 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP)

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Atencio moved to approve Resolution No. 1090 Adopting the FY 2027-2031 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP). Seconded by Trustee Martinez. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro Tem Atencio-aye, Trustee Crist-aye, Trustee Martinez-aye, Trustee Franzoy-aye. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

7. Bohannon Huston Report

Minutes:

Matt Thompson, Senior Vice President provided a status update for all ongoing services provided by Bohannon Huston.

8. *Approval of Aviation Grant Agreement No. AVA1669 between the New Mexico Department of Transportation and the Village of Hatch for the purpose of RWY 11-29 and Apron Rehabilitation.

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Atencio moved to approve Aviation Grant Agreement No. AVA1669 between the New Mexico Department of Transportation and the Village of Hatch for the purpose of RWY 11-29 and Apron Rehabilitation. Seconded by Trustee Martinez. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

9. *Authorizing the submittal of an application for the 2026-2027 New Mexico Department of Transportation's (NMDOT) Transportation Project Fund (TPF)

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Atencio moved to approve Resolution No. 1091 Authorizing the submittal of an application for the 2026-2027 New Mexico Department of Transportation's (NMDOT) Transportation Project Fund (TPF). Seconded by Trustee Crist. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro Tem Atencio-aye, Trustee Crist-aye, Trustee Martinez-aye, Trustee Franzoy-aye. Motion carried

[Original wording recorded in action items: "Authorizing submittal of an application for the 2026-2027 New Mexico Department of Transportation's (NMDOT) Transportation Project Fund (TPF)."]

Corrected to reflect formal resolution number: "Resolution No. 1091- Authorizing the submittal of an application for the 2026-2027 New Mexico Department of Transportation's (NMDOT) Transportation Project Fund (TPF)."]

Clerk's Note: The resolution title was amended to include the resolution number for accuracy. No change was made to the substance or intent of the approval.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

10. Wilson & Company Report

11. Personnel

- a. ***Approval to hire lifeguards for the 2025 summer season, effective immediately, at the following hourly rates and contingent upon obtaining lifeguard certification: Re-hires at \$15.00 per hour: Jaidyn M. Rodriguez, Shealin Gomez, Aishe Zuniga, Justin Castillo, Priscilla Ramirez Escalante. New hires at \$14.00 per hour: Leslie S. Porras, Sophia G. Holguin**

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve the hiring of lifeguards for the 2025 summer season, effective immediately, at the following hourly rates, contingent upon obtaining lifeguard certification:

Rehires at \$15.00 per hour: Jaidyn M. Rodriguez, Shealin Gomez, Aishe Zuniga, Justin Castillo, Priscilla Ramirez Escalante

New hires at \$14.00 per hour: Leslie S. Porras, Sophia G. Holguin

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Atencio. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

12. Department Head Input

Minutes:

Fire Department Jorge Au, Fire Chief, provided a brief report on ongoing matters within the Fire Department. The department is preparing for the upcoming Fire Marshal's audit. Fire extinguishers have been serviced, and the trucks have been inspected and tested as part of the department's annual maintenance routine.

Public Works Mike Castillo, Public Works Director, reported that a sand barrier has been installed at the Municipal Pool to help prevent sand from entering the pool—a recurring issue due to the frequent dust storms this year. The pool has passed inspection and is scheduled to open on Memorial Day weekend. The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) has been completed and posted on the Village website. Fence installation at the baseball fields is underway, with the contractor on site and expected to complete the work soon. Plans are also in place to plant sod grass at the baseball fields. Additionally, the SCADA system is functioning properly. Police Department Aurora Hernandez, Chief of Police, reported a total of 255 citations issued, including 30 penalty assessments, 58 court appearances, and 167 warnings. There were 14 arrests—2 felonies, 12 misdemeanors, and 2 warrants served. Planning has begun for the upcoming Chile Festival. Interviews for a vacant officer position have been conducted, and one candidate is currently undergoing a background check. In observance of Memorial Day for fallen officers, one officer from the department will attend a ceremony scheduled for tomorrow to represent the Village of Hatch. Library Lisa Neal, Library Director, gave a brief report on ongoing activities at the Library. She noted that the State is expected to award additional funding in the upcoming fiscal year, which may be used for various purposes, including the planned renovation of the Library, a project that is already in the early stages.

13. Mayor & Trustees Input

Minutes:

Mayor Torres reported that a meeting was held with the Doña Ana County Fire Department to discuss what would be in the best interest of the Village of Hatch. A follow-up meeting is pending to further evaluate potential future developments

14. * Adjourn

Minutes:

In the absence of further business, Trustee Martienz moved to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Franzoy, and it carried.

Signed: _____, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Date: _____

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

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