



VILLAGE OF HATCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

Monday, March 16, 2026 at 10:00 am

Attendees: Mayor Torres, Mayor Pro Tem Atencio, Trustee Martinez, Trustee Chairez, Trustee Olvera, Trey Gimler, Elizabeth Porras

Trustees Chambers - 133 North Franklin St, Hatch New Mexico

Special Meeting

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call

Minutes:

A special 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 Martinez-Present, Trustee Chairez - Present, Trustee Olvera - Present. There being a quorum, Mayor Torres called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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. *Resolution No. xxx- Support of submission of project application for Local Government Road Fund Municipal Arterial Program Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation.

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Atencio moved to approve Resolution No. 1113 Supporting submission of project application for Local Government Road Fund Municipal Arterial Program Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation. Seconded by Trustee Chairez. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro Tem Atencio — aye; Trustee Martinez — aye; Trustee Chairez — aye; Trustee Olvera — aye. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

4. ***Consideration and approval to award the Library Renovation Project to ESA Construction Inc., through the CES State Contract.**

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve to award the Library Renovation Project to ESA Construction Inc., through the CES State Contract. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Atencio. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

5. ***Resolution No. xxx - Authorizing electronic payments for Village of Hatch expenditures.**

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve Resolution No. 1114 Authorizing electronic payments for Village of Hatch expenditures. Seconded by Trustee Chairez. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro Tem Atencio — aye; Trustee Martinez — aye; Trustee Chairez — aye; Trustee Olvera — aye. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

6. ***Resolution No. xxx - Approving and establishing participation fees for the Village of Hatch Youth League Sports Program.**

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Atencio moved to approve Resolution No. 1115 Approving and establishing participation fees for the Village of Hatch Youth League Sports Program. Seconded by Trustee Martinez. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro Tem Atencio — aye; Trustee Martinez — aye; Trustee Chairez — aye; Trustee Olvera — aye. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

7. ***Resolution No. xxx - Establishing fees for food truck vendors at Village Recreational Facilities.**

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Atencio moved to approve Resolution No. 1116 Establishing fees for food truck vendors at Village Recreational Facilities. Seconded by Trustee Olvera. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro Tem Atencio — aye; Trustee Martinez — aye; Trustee Chairez — aye; Trustee Olvera — aye. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

8. ***Approve filling the Youth Sports Director position with a seasonal stipend of \$3,000 to oversee baseball, soccer, and flag football programs.**

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve filling the Youth Sports Director position with a seasonal stipend of \$4,000 to oversee baseball, soccer, and flag football programs. Seconded by Trustee Olvera. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

9. *Accept the resignation of Officer Isabel Perez Gonzalez effective March 10, 2026.

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to accept the resignation of Officer Isabel Perez Gonzalez effective March 10, 2026. Seconded by Trustee Olvera. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

10. *Consider setting the starting hourly rate for newly hired officers with 10 years of experience to \$24.00 per hour.

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Atencio moved to approve setting the starting hourly rate for newly hired experienced officers at \$26.00 per hour, and unexperienced certified at \$24.00. Seconded by Trustee Olvera.

The Mayor expressed opposition to the approved rate for experienced officers.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

11. *Consideration and approval to reinstate the take-home vehicle for Police Officers.

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to disapprove changes to the take-home vehicle policy or program. Seconded by Trustee Chairez. The Board was polled as follows: Mayor Pro Tem Atencio – nay; Trustee Martinez – aye; Trustee Chairez – aye; Trustee Olvera – nay. The vote resulted in a tie. Mayor Torres voted in favor of the motion to break the tie. Motion carried – no changes are authorized.

Vote results:

Ayes: 3 / Nays: 2 / Abstains: 0

12. * Adjourn

Minutes:

In the absence of further business, Trustee Martinez moved to adjourn at 11:43 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Atencio, and it carried.

Signed: _____

ATTEST: _____

Date: _____

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

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10-15-1 (H) (7) and 10-15-1 (H) (5) respectively.

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Next Regular Meeting: April 14, 2026

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