



VILLAGE OF HATCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

Tuesday, July 14, 2026 at 6:00 pm

Attendees: Mayor Pro Tem Atencio, Trustee Martinez, Trustee Chairez, Trustee Olvera, Elizabeth Soto, Angel Soto, Alfredo Holguin, Bernadette Acosta, Mike Castillo, Trey Gimler, 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 Pro Tem Atencio, asked the Clerk Treasurer for roll call as follows: Mayor Torres-Absent, Mayor Pro Tem Atencio-Present, Trustee Martinez-Present, Trustee Chairez - Present, Trustee Olvera - Present. There being a quorum, Mayor Pro Tem Atencio called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Trustee Martinez led all in attendance in the pledge of allegiance and Trustee Olvera gave the opening prayer.

2. * Approval of Agenda

Minutes:

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

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

3. * Consent Agenda (Police, Museum, Planning & Zoning, Parks & Rec, Library, Cemetery, Court Reports, Approved Bills List, Delinquent Bill List, Utility Applications, Celebration Liquor Permit, Travel & Training, Regular Meeting Minutes June 9, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes June 18, 2026).

Minutes:

Trustee Chairez 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, President of the Chamber of Commerce, reported that the Fourth of July Electric Parade, fireworks display, and Cash Party were all successful. She also reported that booth rentals for the Chile Festival are selling quickly, and due to the high demand, additional booth spaces have been made available.

5. Bohannon Huston Report

Minutes:

Alfredo Holguin, Senior Project Manager provided a status update for all ongoing services provided by Bohannon Huston.

6. *Resolution No. xxx - A Resolution approving participation in the Local Government Road Fund Program and Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Cooperative Agreement CN L100694, including Exhibit C.

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve Resolution No. 1124 approving participation in the Local Government Road Fund Program and Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Cooperative Agreement CN L100694, including Exhibit C. 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

7. *Resolution No. xxx - Participation in Local Government Road Fund Program and Request for Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation.

Minutes:

Trustee Chairez moved to approve Resolution No. 1125 approving participation in Local Government Road Fund Program and Request for Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation. 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. *Resolution No. xxx - A Resolution approving participation in the Local Government Road Fund Program and Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Cooperative Agreement CN L100662, including Exhibit C.

Minutes:

Trustee Olvera moved to approve Resolution No. 1129 approving participation in the Local Government Road Fund Program and Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Cooperative Agreement CN L100662, including Exhibit C. 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

9. Wilson & Company Report

Minutes:

There was no representative from Wilson & Company in attendance at this month's meeting.

10. *Resolution No. xxx - Approving Participation in the Program of the South Central Council of Governments, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve Resolution No. 1126 approving participation in the program of the South Central Council of Governments, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. 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

11. *Resolution No. xxx - A Resolution Adopting a Budget Adjustment for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Minutes:

Trustee Olvera moved to approve Resolution No. 1127 Adopting a Budget Adjustment for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. 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

12. *Resolution No. xxx - 2026 Final Quarter Financial Report Year Ending June 30, 2026.

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to approve Resolution No. 1128 approving the 2026 Final Quarter Financial Report Year Ending June 30, 2026. 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

13. *Personnel

a. *Accept the resignation of Manuel Hernandez, effective June 27, 2026.

Minutes:

Trustee Martinez moved to accept the resignation of Officer Manuel Hernandez, effective June 27, 2026. Seconded by Trustee Olvera. Motion carried.

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

14. Department Head Input

Minutes:

Mike Castillo, Public Works Director, reported that the Public Works Department has been maintaining operations at the wastewater treatment plant during the absence of Juan Duran, Sewer Operator. He reported that two mixers are currently out of service, and staff are working to repair them. Mr. Castillo also reported that operations at the swimming pool are going well.

Trey Gimler, Police Chief, reported that operations at the Police Department are going well. He informed the Board that one officer recently retired, resulting in a vacancy. At this time, there are no qualified applicants. He noted that one individual expressed interest in the position but is not certified. Chief Gimler stated that, despite the staffing shortage, the department continues to work hard to provide services.

15. Mayor & Trustees Input

Minutes:

Mayor Pro Tem Atencio thanked everyone for attending the meeting and expressed his gratitude to all Village of Hatch departments for their hard work.

16. * Adjourn

Minutes:

In the absence of further business, Trustee Martinez moved to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Olvera, and it carried.

Signed: _____

ATTEST: _____

Date: _____

Vote results:

Ayes: 4 / Nays: 0 / Abstains: 0

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION to discuss limited personnel matters; threatened or pending litigation, as authorized by the Open Meetings Act 10-15-1(H) (2), 10-15-1 (H) (7) and 10-15-1 (H) (5) respectively.

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Next Regular Meeting: August 11, 2026.