

MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 6:00 PM
Eagle Nest Community Center
151 Willow Creek Drive
Eagle Nest, NM 87718

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9 **I. Call to Order**

10 Mayor Richard Cordova called the meeting to order at 6 PM.

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12 **II. Pledge of Allegiance**

13 Mayor Cordova asked Hollie Safko to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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15 **III. Roll Call**

16 Present were Mayor Richard Cordova, Councilor Julie Kulhan and Councilor Fox Guinn. Mayor Pro-
17 tem Jamie McCaslin arrived at 6:02 PM. Councilor Dave Bolsinger was absent. A Quorum was present.
18 Also present were Administrator Mary Berglund, Finance Officer Tanaya Sutliff and Village Clerk Joyce
19 Friedt. Please see attached list for all in attendance.

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21 **IV. Approval of Agenda**

22 Councilor Kulhan made the motion to approve the agenda; Councilor Guinn seconded the motion.
23 Motion carried 3-0.

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25 **V. Approval of Consent Agenda**

- 26 1. Discussion/Action – August 20, 2019, Regular Council Minutes
- 27 2. Discussion/Action – Approval of Hollie Safko to Beautification Committee
- 28 3. Discussion/Action – Approval of Sarah Schkada to Aquaponics Committee
- 29 4. Discussion/Action – Approval of Jo Lynda Thompson/Lopez to Aquaponics Committee

30 Councilor Kulhan made the motion to approve the consent agenda; Mayor Pro-tem McCaslin seconded
31 the motion. Votes were as follow: Mayor Pro-tem McCaslin – aye, Councilor Kulhan – aye, Councilor
32 Guinn – aye. Motion carried 3-0.

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34 **VI. Comments from the Public**

35 • Mr. Loren Marsh addressed the Mayor and Council and stated his property is located where the new
36 water line was installed. Mr. Marsh also stated he is willing to pay the Tap Fee of \$1,300 but will not be
37 hooking his water to the tap and does not understand why he will be billed for the minimum usage of
38 water each month when he will not be using the village water. Mayor Cordova stated if someone
39 chooses to pay the Tap Fee, before the full year of the completion of the project, and requests to have the
40 meter pulled, they will not be billed the monthly minimum for water. He also stated if/when they choose
41 to have the meter reinstalled, since the tap fee has been paid, they will not have to pay the impact fee but
42 will need to pay a reconnect fee. Mayor Cordova stated the project was completed last year in November
43 and the reconnect fee, at this time, is \$685 or \$690.

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45 • Mr. Waddy Pass asked the Mayor and Council if any new Ordinances on water have been passed since
46 last summer. Mayor Cordova stated the only new Ordinance on water was for rate increases. Mr. Pass
47 stated he was told a resident cannot be forced to hook up to the village water line unless the village has
48 an Ordinance stating they do. Mayor Cordova stated there is a section in the Water Service Ordinance
that states residents need to hook up to the village water line if/when it is available. Mr. Pass requested,
last summer, if there was a penalty if a resident chooses not to hook up in the Ordinance. Mayor

Cordova stated there is no penalty if a resident doesn't hook into the water line. Mayor Pro-tem McCaslin stated she understands the issues with hooking up to the new water line, but it all helps with the growth of the infrastructure of the village. In the winter, plowing the snow from paved streets is better. She also stated, in the future the village can look into putting in sidewalks and lights. This is just a first step in the growth of the village. Mayor Cordova also stated, with the new water line there are fire hydrants 500 ft. from the homes and the homeowners need to contact their homeowner insurance. This should help with home insurance.

• Under Sheriff Jeff Montoya addressed the Mayor and Council. He stated the Ford Explorer purchased in 2015, by the Village, through the LEPF (Law Enforcement Protection Fund) will be returned to the Village either November or December of this year. Under Sheriff Montoya also stated he knows the village is frustrated with the coverage it has been receiving lately in regards to speeding. He stated the Colfax County Sheriff's Department has been short staffed since June. He also stated, the deputies cover a large area and not only do traffic control, they also serve warrants and transport individuals to/from jail/court. He stated, when it comes to traffic tickets, the deputies have discretion if they will issue a ticket or warning. The sheriff cannot mandate a quota for tickets written. The goal is public safety.

VII. New Business

1. Discussion/Action – Resolution 2019-28, A Resolution Adopting An Village Of Eagle Nest Senior Center Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) for Years 2021-2025

Mayor Cordova stated the title needs to be fixed. "An" should be "A". Councilor Kulhan made the motion to approve, with the correction, Resolution 2019-28, A Resolution Adopting A Village of Eagle Nest Senior Center Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) for Years 2021-2025; Mayor Pro-tem McCaslin seconded the motion. Votes were as follow: Mayor Pro-tem McCaslin – aye, Councilor Kulhan – aye, Councilor Guinn – aye. Motion carried 3-0.

2. Discussion/Action – Resolution 2019-29, Participation In Call For Projects Fund Program and Request For Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation

Mayor Pro-tem McCaslin made the motion to approve Resolution 2019-29, Participation In Call For Projects Fund Program and Request For March Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation; Councilor Kulhan seconded the motion. Votes were as follow: Mayor Pro-tem McCaslin – aye, Councilor Kulhan – aye, Councilor Guinn – aye. Motion carried 3-0.

IX. Mayor/Administrator Reports

Mayor Cordova stated he received a report from the Eagle Nest Visitor Center/Enchanted Circle Museum on the number of visitors from January 2019 to August 2019. Report attached.

Mayor Cordova also stated this Saturday, September 21, there will be another "Christmas Tree Ornament Decoration Party" at the Community Center from 9 am to 12 noon. The ornaments will be sent to Washington D.C. to be put on the U. S. Capitol Christmas Tree which was chosen from Carson National Forest.

Administrator Report attached.

X. Department Reports

Report attached

XII. Items for Next Agenda

Review equipment to be auctioned.

XIII. Adjourn

Councilor Kulhan made the motion to adjourn at 7:14 PM; Councilor Guinn seconded the motion.
Motion carried 3-0.

Passed, Approved and Adopted this 15th day of October 2019.

ATTEST

Joyce Friedt, Village Clerk



Richard Cordova
Richard Cordova, Mayor