

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2007  
COMMUNITY CENTER @ 6:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER** – The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Hascall at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Center.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The Pledge was led by Councilor Baca.

**ROLL CALL** – In attendance were Mayor Hascall, Councilor Baca, Councilor Cordova, Councilor Thompson, Administrator Ketchum, Municipal Clerk Kulhan, *Councilor Perkins arrived at 6:13 p.m.* Also in attendance were: Billie Odum, Craig Kerkman, Melissa Vega, Frank Schmidt, Paul Atzberger, Amanda Porter, Allen Hogenkamp, Ron Hogenkamp, David Courlas, Richard Donley, Eloise Donley, Kim Black, Lee Mills, Thane Hascall, Aaron Greer, Netta Walker, Ron Walker, Byron Wilson, Jim Baca, Kermit Brown, Anna Roth, Johannes Roth, Mark Downs, Rich Donnelly, Mr. & Mrs. Berglund, La Juana Courlas, Rose Follin, and Gabe Toth of the Chronicle.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Councilor Thompson motioned to approve the agenda. Councilor Cordova seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0. At this point, Mayor Hascall informed the audience there will be no audience participation tonight, due to the lengthy agenda items, but it will be resumed next month. There was some objection to this from members of the audience.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR COUNCIL.** Councilor Cordova motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting. Councilor Baca seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> EMERGENCY MEETING.** Councilor Baca motioned to approve the minutes of the December 30<sup>th</sup> Emergency Meeting. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, the motion passed 3-0.

**EMERGENCY DECLARATION** – Mayor Hascall gave a report regarding the snow emergency. It is as follows: “Called a meeting, to be held December 30<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m., for the purpose of declaring a state of emergency in Eagle Nest. Opened the Multi-Purpose Building/Senior Center for Emergency Shelter. Fed and provided overnight lodging at the Multi-Purpose Building for a family of eight from Greenville, TX, fed them an evening meal and early breakfast. Volunteers assisting: Ron Crompton, Red Cross; Mike Felix, EMS; Richard Cordova, Thane Hascall, Jim and Alice Baca (all provided food). Received telephone assistance from Roger Terry, Raton who is the interim Colfax County Emergency Manager and Don Fink, Angel Fire. Both gave great assistance in the process of getting emergency help. Hired contractors Kite Construction and David Denning to assist Jim Baca and Kermit Brown in plowing the streets. Faxed the Emergency Resolution to the county office in Raton and to the State Relief office. Preliminary contact has been made with the State representative and the FEMA representative.”

**NEW BUSINESS** – Councilor Thompson moved to approve Resolution 2007-01 “Open Meetings Act”. Councilor Baca seconded the motion. Roll Call vote is as follows: Councilor Baca, AYE, Councilor Cordova, AYE, Councilor Thompson, AYE. The Resolution passed 3-0.

Councilor Cordova motioned to approve Resolution 2007-02 “Rules and Proceedings”. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. Roll Call vote is as follows: Councilor Baca, AYE, Councilor Cordova, Aye, Councilor Thompson, AYE. The Resolution passed 3-0.

Mayor Hascall stated February’s Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> because Tuesday was Municipal Day at the Legislature.

**SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Lee Mills, Principal of Eagle Nest Elementary School, wanted to say thank you to Kermit Brown and Jim Baca for plowing and keeping the school roads clear for the parents and school buses. *At this time Councilor Perkins arrived.* Mr. Mills presented Kermit and Jim with gift certificates to Kaw-Lijas Restaurant. Thane Hascall had an announcement regarding the School Board election. He stated it would be good for the Village of Eagle Nest to vote in this election to show their support. Mr. Hascall also handed out 6 copies of the school paper called “SCHOOL MADNESS” published by the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class, and would provide more to the audience if needed.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORTS – ICIP** – Mayor Hascall reported on the Capital Outlay Projects as listed on the ICIP. She stated the village is requesting monies for the top three projects: (1) \$300,000.00 for a road grader; (2) \$16,000.00 for village office equipment, and (3) \$400,000.00 match for the road surfacing project from GRIP2. Councilor Perkins asked if it was too late to add to the requests. Councilor Cordova replied it was, and that these have already been submitted. Councilor Perkins asked if the Mayor had requested a back-up sewage ejection pump and backup well pump as mentioned in the previous council meeting. The Mayor replied no.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Paul Atzberger, Streets Committee Chairman, handed out packets that the Streets Committee will be taking to the Legislature. Mr. Atzberger said, “The Village will be asking for \$400,000 which will be used as the match for the Governor’s GRIP 2 Program. This is a 2.5 million dollar program, \$50 million a year over the next five years. We are on the list for \$2 million for road improvements, but we need the \$400,000.00 for our match. Myself and a few other committee members met in Angel Fire with the North Central New Mexico Economic Development people. They explained the process you need to go through to get funds. A few of the Committee members will be going down at the right time to lobby the Senators and Legislators, to try to get these requests passed.”

Mayor Hascall asked if the Emergency Response Plan (ERP) had anything to report. Councilor Perkins stated, “During our last emergency there was a problem with communication, who was stranded, how many etc., trying to find out who had keys to the buildings; wanting certain councilors to have a set of keys, set up some type of protocol,

people stranded with health conditions; can't make a list because of the HIPAA Act." Councilor Perkins asked for an inventory of equipment, what's running, what needs to be repaired, what we can do with the State and the County.

Mayor Hascall requested Councilor Perkins to convene his committee and have a public meeting to critique what happened during this past emergency, stating, "You can advertise this meeting as much as you'd like. It is a public meeting and the people who have various issues can bring them forth to the committee." Councilor Perkins stated the next scheduled meeting of the ERP Committee was February 27<sup>th</sup> because many of the members will not be in town. Mayor Hascall suggested the meeting be held as soon as possible. Councilor Perkins requested Mayor Hascall to appoint Sheriff Pat Casias and new EMS Director Suzy Rose to the ERP Committee to replace out going Sid Taylor and Jerry Moody. He stated George Salazar had volunteered to help with the Fisherman's Lane area. Councilor Perkins stated a need to be able to verify incoming information as to who any how many were stuck where. He stated 20 people snowmobiled into town from Idlewild and 60 people were without food at the Econo Lodge, and they ended up eating at the Lucky Shoe. Councilor Baca stated the Red Cross called the Senior Center and volunteered to send out 50 blankets and 50 pillows and they were trying to get some cots also.

**DISCUSSION ITEM** – Councilor Baca had requested this item be placed on the agenda. She stated we must do something to facilitate the removal of snow from the walkways. Councilor Baca suggested perhaps the Beautification Committee could help with the hiring of some youths, since they hire folks for summer, and asked, "Can they hire kids in the winter?" Councilor Baca stated the shoveling needed to be done in the places without businesses, such as vacant lots, the Library, Senior Center, and our parks. Councilor Thompson stated he had received a couple of calls from concerned people stating they had to walk out in the street because the sidewalks were full of snow and ice. Councilor Perkins inquired about the possibility of getting a Bob Cat with a sweeper or possibly leasing one. Councilor Cordova stated we needed to find out from the state what to do with all of the excess snow, since we can't push it from the sidewalk into the street. Councilor Baca stated we have two village employees who are busy removing snow from the streets. Mayor Hascall informed the Councilors they had been provided with a packet of information from the Village of Angel Fire about their snow removal requirements from local businesses and property owners. The Mayor stated it was her understanding that each business take care of the snow in front of their business. The problem seems to be where to put the snow. Councilor Perkins suggested the Village yard. Councilor Thompson said we would need the equipment to do it. Councilor Perkins suggested some type of an agreement with local businesses to store the extra snow for a short time; a temporary agreement to pile it up. Councilor Baca suggested more research and time are needed and also another meeting to discuss it.

The next item for discussion was the web-site. Mayor Hascall called upon David Courlas to give his presentation. Mr. Courlas handed out a brochure showing the new home page for the Village of Eagle Nest. Mr. Courlas explained the features of the site, such as being able to contact the Clerk or Mayor, each employee being able to have their own E-Mail address, and stated the web-site is interactive. He said it was up to the village how

much they wanted to put on there. Mr. Courlas stated, “Now that it is ready to go, because it’s in the hands of someone else right now, with a contract, we have to move everything at once. We don’t want to have to build the site, once we move it over, we want to be able to put the whole site up at one time, which we could do in a matter of minutes. Now, what we have to do is get the village to contact the person who now has the contract, get him to sign off, get the Mayor to sign off since this web-site domain is owned by the village, so that it can be transferred to the new server. There are a couple of forms to sign, we’ll get that done and upload it, and we’ll be ready to go.” Mayor Hascall asked if we just let the other contract run out and then he take it over now? Councilor Perkins verified that Mr. Courlas was still going to volunteer his time for setup of the web site to which Mr. Courlas replied yes.

**COURT CASES** – Mayor Hascall stated the next items to be discussed were the court cases - *Odum v. Hascall*, and *Dahl & Courlas v. Hascall & Cordova*. At this time, Councilor Cordova made the motion to go into executive session. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. Clerk Kulhan proceeded to take a roll call vote which is as follows: Councilor Baca, AYE, Councilor Thompson, AYE, Councilor Cordova, AYE, Councilor Perkins, AYE. The Clerk then read “We are going into Closed Session under State Statute 10-15-1. The items for discussion are: Litigation - *Odum v. Hascall* and *Dahl & Courlas v. Hascall & Cordova*. The time is 6:35 p.m.

Council went back into session at 7:08 p.m. when Clerk Kulhan read the following “We are back in open session, the time is 7:08 p.m. The only items discussed were: Litigation – *Odum v. Hascall* and *Dahl & Courlas v. Hascall & Cordova*.”

Mayor Hascall stated there was action to take as a result of the closed session. Councilor Cordova motioned to reject to plaintiffs’ settlement offer and to appeal the courts decision in the *Odum v. Hascall* matter. Councilor Thompson seconded. Mayor Hascall stated a motion has been made and seconded to reject the plaintiffs offer and to appeal the final decision on the election. Roll Call vote was as follows: Councilor Baca, AYE, Councilor Thompson, AYE, Councilor Cordova, AYE, Councilor Perkins, AYE. The motion carried 4-0.

**ADJOURN** – Councilor Thompson motioned to adjourn. Councilor Cordova seconded. The motion carried 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Approved this \_\_\_st day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007 by a vote of \_\_ in favor and \_\_  
opposed.

The next meeting of the Eagle Nest Village Council will be February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007 at 6:00  
p.m. at the Eagle Nest Community Center.

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Municipal Clerk

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