Minutes for the Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting  
November 15, 2017 6:00 p.m.  
Village Council Room

1. Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 6:05 by Mayor Wilson. Also in attendance were Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet, Trustees Sanchez, Ryan and Mulgrew, Clerk/Treasurer Dickey, Police Chief Nuñez, and Tanya Struble from the Lodgers’ Tax Advisory Board.

2. Pledge of Allegiance-The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda-Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet moved that the Agenda be approved, but that item 10-Resolution 2017-018 Closing Certain Bank Accounts be removed since that matter was resolved with a previous resolution. Trustee Ryan seconded, and the agenda was approved with the change.

4. Approval of Minutes from the October 18th Meeting-Trustee Ryan moved that the minutes from the October 18 meeting be approved as presented. Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

5. Cody Lewis-Approval of Lease Agreement on Old Fire Station Building-Mr. Lewis was unable to attend. Mayor Wilson did explain that Mr. Lewis is seeking an architect or engineer who can guide him through the Change of Occupancy process. This matter will be revisited during the December 20 meeting.

6. Reports Submitted/Not Submitted
   a. Maintenance-Submitted
   b. Bath House-Submitted-Mayor Wilson explained that although October was very busy this year, it was not as profitable as October of 2016. Ads were placed in the Balloon Fiesta magazine both years, but this year simply didn’t generate as much business. There were no personnel changes to approve.
   c. Library-Submitted
   d. Court-Submitted
   e. Wastewater-Submitted
   f. Police Chief-Submitted-Trustee Ryan asked about Jesse Currie, the fugitive of the month. Chief Nuñez explained that Currie is alleged to be a drug dealer living in Sierra Los Pinos and is wanted in Los Alamos. Trustee Ryan asked about Jana Summers. Chief Nuñez explained that she
allegedly committed fraud and identity theft. She lives near Vista Hermosa and a warrant has been issued for her arrest. There were 25 traffic stop/citations, 5 service calls, 1 nuisance call, and 1 animal call.

g. Planning & Zoning Committee-Not Submitted

h. Fire Department-Submitted. Trustee Ryan asked the Mayor whether the council needs to approve the newly elected Fire Chief. Mayor Wilson explained that the council does not need to do anything. Mayor Wilson explained that Fire Chief Francois, along with two other VFD members, tried to clear storm drains on Sierra Court with some success. In the future, the mayor plans to discuss the problem with engineers as part of a road project. The help from the fire department was greatly appreciated.

i. Lodgers’ Tax Board-Not Submitted.

7. Appoint Sarah Moor to P & Z Committee-Ms. Moor has volunteered to serve on the P & Z Committee. Trustee Mulgrew moved that she be appointed. Trustee Sanchez seconded, and Ms. Moor’s appointment was unanimously approved.

8. Tanya Struble of LTAB-Welcome Signs at Village Limits-Ms. Struble explained that the Lodgers’ Tax Board would like to erect new signs at the Village Limits. The new signs would be consistent with the “brand” that LTAB has created, and Ms. Struble showed renderings of the signs, which could be made for approximately $400.00. She called the DOT to get permission and found that process to be very involved and bureaucratic. She asked the council if anyone on the council had time to help cut through the red tape. Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet suggested that LTAB work with property owners to place the signs on private property. Trustee Sanchez reminded everyone that any signs will have to adhere to P & Z Ordinances. Mayor Wilson said that the council will need to evaluate the signs because the signs will represent the Village as a whole, in addition to the LTAB. Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet suggested use of the 1% for the Arts at the Bridge for a sign at the North end of the Village. Trustee Ryan volunteered use of his land on the south side of the Village. Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet offered his assistance with the “red tape”. A suggestion to refurbish the sign near the sewer plant was also brought up.

Ms. Struble then reported some problems with the website, and asked about the possibility of hiring an event planner. Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet instructed the LTAB to set aside money in their budget if they wanted an event planner. Ms. Struble asked whether the General Fund could pay for an event planner, but Mayor Wilson said the general fund’s budget is too tight.

9. Village Clerk’s Report-Ms. Dickey explained that most departments are well within budget, the MVD office is back in operation and things are going smoothly, and that the on-site audit work has been completed. Mayor Wilson expressed concern because GRT received in the winter is low and we may need to cut costs.

10. Resolution 2017-018 Closing Certain Bank Accounts

11. Resolution 2017-019 Entering into MOA with Sandoval County Tourism-This MOA allows us to pool $1,000 of advertising money and work with the County Tourism Department on marketing. The funds have been set aside in Lodgers’ Tax, now all that is needed is approval of the agreement. Trustee Ryan moved
that the agreement be approved. Trustee Mulgrew seconded, and the MOA was unanimously approved.

12. Resolution 2017-020 Calling the Election-This Resolution is the first step towards holding our election in March. A new Mayor will need to be elected, along with two Trustees for four-year terms, one Trustee for a two-year term, and one Judge. Trustee Ryan moved that the Resolution be adopted. Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet seconded, and the resolution was adopted with no opposition.

13. Mayor’s Report-Mayor Wilson reported that the Village of Jemez Springs was a finalist at the TOP HAT awards for Light Among the Ruins and for our website’s digital campaign. He has met with an engineer to evaluate drainage and road repairs, but has not heard back yet.

a. Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet-Jemez Fine Arts borrowed some chairs from the Village for a concert, which went very well.

b. Trustee Mulgrew-Nothing to report.

c. Trustee Sanchez-We may need to install handrails on the stairs leading up to the gazebo. The American Legion would like to try to enlist Erica’s help for the NO MAS Concert in May. Mayor Wilson suggested that he talk to Erica directly. Ms. Dickey will get Erica’s contact information to Trustee Sanchez. Trustee Sanchez also asked whether the Paracletes will be selling their land, and if so, could that land be subdivided. Mayor Wilson explained that he talked to Marian Wolaver from the Paracletes, and yes, their intention is to sell some of their land. However, she reassured the Mayor that there is no intention of subdivision. Besides, if someone were to purchase the land and try to subdivide it, they would have to seek approval from P & Z first.

d. Trustee Ryan-Nothing to report.

14. Adjournment-At approximately 7:45 p.m. Trustee Ryan moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mayor Pro-Tem Sweet seconded the motion, and the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Approved at the Regular Council Meeting 12/20/2017

Robert M. Wilson, Mayor

Yvonne Dickey, Clerk/Treasurer