

**REGULAR MEETING  
Taos Town Council  
Town Council Chambers  
120 Civic Plaza Drive  
Taos, New Mexico**

**\*Amended Agenda**

**March 20, 2008  
6:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE HONORABLE MAYOR BOBBY F. DURAN**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - A. Staff Briefing & Special/Workshop Meeting**
    - February 5, 2008 *No minutes for Staff Briefing because meeting was cancelled*
    - February 12, 2008 Special/Workshop Meeting
  - B. Regular Meeting**
    - February 19, 2008
  - C. Special Meetings**
    - February 4, 2008
    - February 11, 2008
    - February 27, 2008
- 6. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**
  - A. Employee Appointments, Brenda Cordova, Human Resources Director**
    - ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR THE NEW GOVERNING BODY**
      - Presentation of Certificates of Election to Newly Elected Officials
      - Appointment and Reappointment of Appointed Personnel
      - Appointment of Interim Town Manager

**NEW HIRES:**

Clinton "Lawrence" Hahn  
Executive Department  
Airport Maintenance Specialist  
Full Time  
2/11/08

Valerie Romero  
Buildings and Grounds  
Administrative Assistant  
Full Time  
2/25/08

Veronica Lopez-Gonzales  
Police Department  
Evidence Technician  
Full Time  
2/11/08

Abigail Adame  
Executive Department  
Assistant Town Manager  
Full Time  
2/26/08

**PROMOTIONS:**

Manuel L. Pacheco  
Planning and Zoning Department  
From Building Official  
To Chief Building Official  
1/26/08

Eric E. Thomas  
Police Department  
From Police Officer III  
To Police Sergeant  
2/9/08

Sandra Olonia-Rivera  
Police Department  
From Records Technician  
To Records Supervisor  
1/28/08

John Wentz  
Police Department  
From Police Detective  
To Police Sergeant  
2/9/08

**B. Star Department Presentation**

Mayor Duran will recognize Joaquin Cantu, Chair of the Employee Awards Team, to assist in the presentation of a trophy to the Star Department – Landfill Division.

- C. Recognition of Hannah Jensen and Dakota Swinehart for their outstanding performances in the NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass & Kick Competitions.
- D. Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to Erlinda Gonzales and Meliton Struck for their outstanding service to the community.
- E. Presentation of Memorial Certificate for Roberto Medina

**7. CITIZENS FORUM**

- A. Herich Kuerschner regarding the impact of Los Alamos National Lab and the Town of Taos

**8. MAYOR’S YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL**

*\*The Council will break for a reception in honor of the outgoing Councilmembers and newly elected Councilmembers.*

*The items in the Consent Agenda below have been reviewed and discussed in detail by the Mayor and Council at their Monthly Workshop Meeting on March 11, 2008. By consensus the Governing Body agrees to place these items on the Consent Agenda for the purpose of voting on all items with one vote.*

**9. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Eric Montoya, Administrative Fire Chief**

- 1. Request for consideration and approval to enter into 36 month lease agreement, and/or purchase, with Xerox for a Print/copy/scan/ and Fax Multifunction machine. The cost monthly will be \$80.69 + \$.1145 for all color. This lease, and/or purchase, includes all parts, service and all consumable supplies, excluding paper and staples. This lease with Xerox will be taken care by Account Manager Brian Estes.
- 2. Mayor and Council consideration and approval of Joint Powers Agreement No. 08-521-2300-0067 Between Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (ENMRD) and The Town of Taos for the purpose of documenting

our commitment to wildland fire suppression, and management assistance and cooperation. Approval authorizes the Mayor or his representative to sign agreement.

**B. Francella Garcia, Grants Administrator**

Approval authorizing acceptance of grant agreement from the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Housing Services in the amount of \$15,750.00 for police equipment. Total estimated project cost of \$45,000.00.

**C. Francisco “French” Espinoza, Public Works Director**

Review and discussion of Simpson Street roadway easement. Simpson Street is located off Kit Carson Road in Canon. The property at the end of this roadway identifies an easement on their survey plat. Staff requests council review of this easement to determine whether or not to abandon or retain this easement.

**D. Amos Torres, Public Utilities Director**

Request Consideration and Approval per Resolution 02-20 to allow Patrick Larkin owner of property located in Cuchilla Rd to connect to the Town of Taos wastewater collection line located within their property. Property is located outside of Town limits.

**E. Cathy Connelly, Public Relations Coordinator**

Approval of Street Closure - Lighting of Ledoux 2008; Saturday, December 6, 12-8 p.m.

**10. MATTERS FROM STAFF**

**A. Amos Torres, Public Utilities Director**

Request Consideration and Approval per Resolution 02-20 to allow the Blackstone Ranch to connect to the Town of Taos wastewater collection line located adjacent to their property line. Property is located outside of Town limits.

**B. Reuben Martinez, IT Manager**

1. Approval for Mat Hollingshead to travel to Phoenix, AZ for Symantec training Symantec Backup Exec 12.x for Windows Servers: Administration Instructor-Led April 21 – 25, 10087 in Phoenix, Arizona. Total estimated cost of trip: \$4,555.56.
2. Approval for Reuben Martinez to travel Out of State for IT Mgr training, April 14-16, 2008 AMA Chicago Center, Chicago, IL **OR** May 14-16, 2008 AMA San Francisco Cen. San Francisco, CA. Total estimated cost of trip: \$3,353.56 for either location.

**C. Abigail Adame, Assistant Town Manager**

Approval to extend the Parking Meter Program through the end of December, 2008.

**D. Cathy Connelly, Public Relations Coordinator**

1. Approval of Resolution 08-15 - Town of Taos Fiscal Agent Policy
2. Approval of the Fair Trade Steering Committee

**E. Matt Foster, Long Range Planner**

Approval of Resolution 08-13 - approving the grant application to the New Mexico Historic Preservation Division.

**11. PUBLIC HEARINGS****A. Renee Lucero, Town Clerk**

Consideration and approval of Transfer of Ownership of Liquor License #696/Application No. 532575 for Albertson's, LLC located at 1100 Paseo del Pueblo Sur.

**B. Rudy Perea, Planner**

1. Approval of Ordinance 08-03 07. The Town of Taos Planning and Zoning Department is requesting a hearing before the Town of Taos Town Council for consideration of an approval of a zone change. The 1.07+- acre property which is the subject of the proposed zone change is currently zoned RA (Residential-Agricultural) within the town limits of the Town of Taos. At the regularly scheduled February 6, 2008 Planning & Zoning Commission meeting the commission approved the property to be rezoned to R-4 Residential. The subject property is located at 124 Upper Ranchitos Road.
2. Approval of Ordinance 08-02 08. The Town of Taos Planning and Zoning Department is requesting a hearing before the Town Council to request an approval of a proposed Planned Unit Overlay Development Zone for property located at the intersection of Morgan and Roy Roads. Additionally, the property owner is requesting that the Town of Taos officially accept approximately 4.037+- acres of arroyos that are running through his property as open space.

**C. Renee Barela-Gutierrez, Town Attorney**

1. Approval of Ordinance 08-04 an Ordinance enacting regulations for licensing of carnivals, circuses, menageries, caravans and amusements.
2. Approval of Ordinance 08-05, an Ordinance amending Article XII; of the Uniform Traffic Ordinance, providing for an additional penalty assessment for speeding in a school zone.
3. Approval of Ordinance 08-06 an Ordinance granting to Kit Carson Electric Cooperative, Inc., permission to use the town streets, alleys, public thoroughfares, and public way of the town for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating its facilities needed and necessary to provide electrical service to its consumers in Taos, New Mexico, under specified conditions; prescribing the term; providing for conditions use; providing for relocation of facilities; providing for indemnifications; and providing for the payment of franchise fees.

**12. MATTERS FROM THE TOWN ATTORNEY**

Acceptance of Deed of dedication of 6.416 acres+-, Salazar Road Extension from Chamisa Road to Paseo del Canon West.

**13. MATTERS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER**

Approval of Resolution 08-08 - Council Rules of Procedure.

**14. MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**A.** Mayor's appointment of Franchise Committee

**B.** Approval of Resolution 08-16 amending Resolution 08-01 – Open Meetings Act changing the meeting dates for Staff Briefing Meetings from monthly to quarterly.

C. Approval of FINAL Draft of the Taos Regional Water Plan and Public Welfare Statement.

D. Approval of Resolution 08-17 authorizing signature authority for designated bank accounts of the Town of Taos.

**15. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**The Council will adjourn to go into executive session to discuss limited personnel matters regard the Economic Development Director and the Planning & Zoning Director. Pursuant to NMSA 1978 10-15-1-H.2**

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

**APPROVED:**

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**Bobby F. Duran Mayor**

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