

1 **VILLAGE OF QUESTA**
 2 **WORK STUDY MINUTES**
 3 **TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2017**
 4 **VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS**
 5 **5:30PM**

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 7 I. **CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK L. GALLEGOS**
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9 Mayor Gallegos called the meeting to order at 5:52pm.

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 11 II. **ROLL CALL**
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13 Mayor Gallegos asked Village Clerk Renee Martinez to take roll.

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16 Councilor John Ortega
 17 Councilor Brent Jaramillo

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 19 Not Present:

20 Councilor Julian Cisneros
 21 Councilor Lawrence Ortega

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 23 Also Present:

24 Village Clerk Renee Martinez
 25 Village Attorney Randy Autio

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 27 III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
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29 Councilor Brent Jaramillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 31 IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
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33 Motion: Councilor Brent Jaramillo
 34 Second: Councilor John Ortega

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 36 In Favor: All
 37 Opposed: None

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 39 To approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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 41 V. **DISCUSSION ITEMS** – Mr. Joe Moore and Mr. Mario Juarez-Infante – Wilson & Co.
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43 A. Project Status Updates
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45 Mr. Joe Moore stated if possible, they would like to postpone Item B until a later date.

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- 47 • Mr. Moore updated the Governing Body on the Cabresto Road MAP Project. Mr. Moore stated there a
- 48 couple of issues he would like to bring to the Council's attention. There is an issue on the right of way on the south end of the project just north of 38 and the 522 intersection. Councilor Jaramillo stated that

coincidentally, our Attorney has looked into an issue at the same area and may be able to answer some questions.

Mr. Infante specified the property on the map that the roadway runs through belonging to Mr. Manuel Medina. The concern is with the right of way clearance through the DOT; to be able to get the right of way certification, we need to show that the Village does indeed own the right of way or have the permanent roadway easement. The roadway is on the property parcels. He stated it would be a lot simpler and a lot cleaner to work with these property owners to dedicate the right of way. He suggested that communication begin with these property owners to look at establishing this right of way and dedicate it to the Village. The second issue is that the intersection is too close. They suggested establishing a right of way further away from the intersection. A discussion was held regarding the property the QEDF building sits on. A discussion was also held regarding the Historic Preservation Trail and how it could possibly be incorporated in this project. Councilor John Ortega asked if there was a way to check on how many people are actually accessing this portion of road. Mr. Infante stated that he believes they may have dropped some traffic counters to identify the ADT classification and speed; he will verify that. Attorney Randy Autio explained the right of way issue regarding Mr. Medina. Councilor John Ortega would be open to the discussion of closing the road. Councilor Jaramillo stated that now would be the time to decide what we are going to do in the future. It was decided that Wilson & Co. go out and talk to these residents or make it part of their community meetings. Mr. Infante stated that time is an issue. A discussion was held regarding where to start the project; on Cisneros or closer to Mr. Medina's.

- 2017 Coop Project – Plan approval from the State should come next week. Abra is part of the 3 roads included in this project, and we are waiting on Chevron for a firm date. Should we get the road patched or wait for the pavement overlay from Chevron. The line was relocated 3 feet which increases the amount of pavement removal and patching. Councilor Jaramillo asked if Adame Construction was going to sub that work out. Mr. Moore stated that they will, but they are waiting on direction from the engineers on whether to do it. If Chevron was going to do the work we didn't want to have to spend the money on it. A discussion was held regarding the letter from Chevron. Councilor John Ortega stated he has a bit of a problem with not patching the road; if we wait for Chevron we will be leaving the residents using a bad road, which was already bad, for another year or two. Mayor Gallegos stated that he agrees with Councilor John Ortega that we should have the contractor do the patchwork and then look at the Coop Project and do the rest.

Councilor John Ortega asked if it was the gas company's mistake that the line was not spotted, or whose mistake was it. Mr. Moore stated that he doesn't know that it is anybody's mistake; they were told by the gas company that they did not know the line was there. He doesn't know if anyone is to blame, but thinks it is just one of those conditions that when they put the plans together, they coordinate with all of the utility companies and take all the available information they have and put that on the plans. The next thing that is done is that the contractor has to call before he goes out to trench. Mr. Infante stated that the tickets can be requested. Councilor John Ortega stated that Embargo Road is very bad. Mr. Moore suggested that we do the minimum amount of work on Cabresto, expend the remaining monies in the CDBG project to do the pavement patching, if we run short we use the remaining amount of the coop monies we need to, to complete that and dedicate the rest to Embargo. Mayor Gallegos stated we need to get on the contractors schedule before it gets too late in the year.

Mr. Moore stated that Mr. Adame will be present for the upcoming meeting to answer any questions regarding the change order.

B. Owner/ Engineer Design & Construction Contracts

*Postponed for a later date.

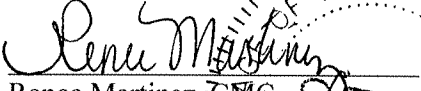
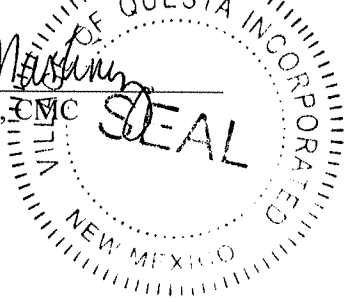
VI. ADJOURNMENT

102 Motion: Councilor Brent Jaramillo
103 Second: Councilor John Ortega

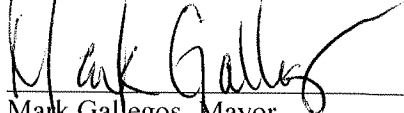
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105 In Favor: All
106 Opposed: None
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108 There being no further business to discuss, the work study was adjourned at 6:52pm.
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111 **ATTEST:**

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114 Renee Martinez, CMC
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APPROVED:



Mark Gallegos, Mayor