

1 **VILLAGE OF QUESTA**
 2 **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**
 3 **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2017**
 4 **VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS**
 5 **6:00PM**

7 I. **CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK L. GALLEGOS**

8 Mayor Gallegos called the meeting to order at 6:09pm.
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10 II. **ROLL CALL**

11 Mayor Gallegos asked Village Clerk Renee Martinez to take roll.
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13 Present:

- 14 Councilor John Ortega
- 15 Councilor Lawrence Ortega
- 16 Councilor Brent Jaramillo

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 18 Not Present:

- 19 Councilor Julian Cisneros

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 21 Also Present:

- 22 Village Clerk Renee Martinez
- 23 Attorney Marcus Rael
- 24 Attorney Lance Hough

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 26 III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

27 Attorney Marcus Rael led the Pledge of Allegiance.
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29 IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

30 Attorney Marcus Rael requested Item V be moved to Executive Session. Councilor John Ortega asked the Attorney
 31 why Item V needs to be discussed in Executive Session. Attorney Marcus Rael stated that he always has given the
 32 quarterly update in Executive Session for the reason that there are decisions the Governing Body needs to make
 33 and strategies that need to be discussed regarding the cleanup and pending litigation that is currently ongoing. The
 34 people present from Chevron have kindly agreed to participate in Executive Session to assist him with the briefing
 35 that the Council needs to be aware of.
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37 Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked that for clarification, that this is pending litigation concerning the consent
 38 decree? Attorney Rael stated yes, it is all pending litigation that is currently ongoing.
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- 40 Motion: Councilor Brent Jaramillo
- 41 Second: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

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- 43 In Favor: All
- 44 Opposed: None

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 46 To approve the agenda as amended. All voted yes. Motion carried.
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48 V. **UPDATES**

- 49 A. Quarterly Review of Chevron Projects – Attorney Marcus Rael, Attorney Lance Hough
- 50 ** Moved to Executive Session.

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VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – (The Governing Body may convene into Executive Session at this time pursuant to the NM Open Meetings Act NMSA 1978 10-15-1)

A. Pending or Threatening Litigation - (§ 10-15-1(H) (7))

Meeting with the Village Attorney pertaining to threatened or pending litigation relating to Chevron and the Village of Questa in which the Governing Body is or may become a participant.

A motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Councilor Brent Jaramillo, seconded by Councilor Lawrence Ortega.

Roll Call:

- Councilor John Ortega YES
- Councilor Lawrence Ortega YES
- Councilor Brent Jaramillo YES

Mayor Gallegos stated that the Governing Body will go into Executive Session to discuss only the items listed. The Governing Body entered into Executive Session at 6:15pm.

A motion was made to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:03pm by Councilor John Anthony Ortega, seconded by Councilor Brent Jaramillo.

Roll Call:

- Councilor Lawrence Ortega YES
- Councilor Brent Jaramillo YES
- Councilor John Anthony Ortega YES

Mayor Gallegos stated that only the item listed were discussed during closed session. There was no action taken.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

Second: Councilor John Ortega

In Favor: All

Opposed: None


There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm.

ATTEST:


Renee Martinez, CMC



APPROVED:


Mark Gallegos, Mayor