



# **AGENDA**

## **VILLAGE OF QUESTA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2019**

**VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
2500 OLD STATE ROAD 3**

**6:30 P.M**

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Mayor Mark L. Gallegos  
Mayor Pro-Tem Louise T. Gallegos  
Councilmember Brent P. Jaramillo | Councilmember John A. Ortega | Councilmember Charlie I. Gonzales

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK L. GALLEGOS**
- II. **ROLL CALL**
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- V. **PUBLIC HEARING**  
*The Village of Questa Governing Body will hold a Public Hearing in order for the public to provide input to the Village of Questa 2019/2020 annual fiscal budget.*
- VI. **FINANCIALS** – Ms. Karen Shannon, Finance Director  
A) Discussion, Consideration & Decision Review & Approval of Fiscal Year 2020 Interim Budget
- VII. **MATTERS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL**
- VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

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2 **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
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5 **6:30PM**

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

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9 Mayor Pro-Tem Louise Gallegos called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

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11 II. **ROLL CALL**

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13 Village Clerk Renee Martinez called roll where a quorum was present.

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15 Those present were:

16 Mayor Pro-Tem Louise T. Gallegos  
17 Councilman Charlie I. Gonzales  
18 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo  
19 Councilman John Anthony Ortega

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21 Not Present:

22 Mayor Mark Gallegos

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24 III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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26 Ms. Sharon Nicholson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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28 Councilman Ortega requested a moment of prayer for Mayor Gallegos and his family. Mayor Pro-Tem  
29 Gallegos led a prayer for the Gallegos family.

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31 IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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33 Motion: Councilman Ortega  
34 Second: Councilman Gonzales

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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. **PUBLIC HEARING**

42 *The Village of Questa Governing Body will hold a Public Hearing in order for the public to*  
43 *provide input to the Village of Questa 2019/2020 annual fiscal budget.*

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45 Mayor Pro-Tem Gallegos opened the public hearing at 6:36.

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47 Ms. Karen Shannon stated that she set up an interim budget balance recap report.

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49 The General Operating Fund for the new budget will start with a beginning cash of \$466,326.00; Revenues  
50 at \$766,648.00, no transfers-in. The expenditures are \$951,875.00; Transfers-out to other funds are  
51 \$131,730.00. We do have a required 1/12<sup>th</sup> reserve requirement of \$39,322.00 and an ending cash of  
52 \$70,046.64. These numbers are a bit different than what was included in the packet for the reason that the

53 quote for the repair of the roof at the fire department came in much higher than anticipated. Monies from the  
 54 General Fund were taken to cover this expense. Councilman Gonzales asked how much the repair will cost.  
 55 Ms. Shannon stated the quote came in at \$61,942.00. Councilman Ortega asked if we found out if the  
 56 \$50,000.00 we received from the legislature could be used to cover this cost. Ms. Martinez stated she would  
 57 look into it.

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 59 Ms. Shannon went over the changes for each fund.

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 61 A discussion was held regarding money in the grant writer line item. Councilman Ortega asked if this money  
 62 could be used to send a couple employees to a grant writing class. Mr. Christian Isely stated that he believes  
 63 that the money was given from QEDF specifically for Mr. Amalio Madueno; suggested the Village go before  
 64 the QEDF and clarify.

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 66 A discussion was held regarding the gas conversion at the Business Park. Councilman Ortega asked if the  
 67 Village has contacted Kit Carson to see if an energy audit can be done; it might be worthwhile for them to  
 68 come and look at it before we invest money into the conversion.

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 70 Mayor Pro-Tem Gallegos closed the public hearing at 7:06.

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 72 VI. **FINANCIALS** – Ms. Karen Shannon, Finance Director

73 A) Discussion, Consideration & Decision - Review & Approval of Fiscal Year 2020 Interim  
 74 Budget

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 76 Ms. Shannon stood for any questions. She stated that she has not received any changes to the budget from  
 77 the Council. Councilman Ortega stated that he has a hard time approving the budget with the administrator  
 78 position still built into it; for the fact that that money has been taken out and spend elsewhere. He feels that  
 79 if we are approving a budget where money can be moved from one area to be spent elsewhere, there really is  
 80 no point for the Council to vote on it because our approval doesn't matter. A discussion was held.

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 82 Motion: Councilman Gonzales  
 83 Second: Councilman Jaramillo

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 85 Roll Call:

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 87 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES  
 88 Councilman John Ortega NO  
 89 Councilman Brent Jaramillo YES  
 90 Mayor Pro-Tem Louise Gallegos YES

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 92 To approve the Fiscal Year 2020 Interim Budget with a 3-2 vote. Motion carried.

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 94 VII. **MATTERS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

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 96 Councilman Gonzales thanked the staff and everyone who worked on the Healing Field; it was a great success.

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 98 Councilman Ortega thanked the staff, Mayor-Pro Tem Gallegos, Chevron and all volunteers.

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 100 Councilman Jaramillo stated that it went over well; he thanked the staff, volunteers and sponsors. He also  
 101 asked if the staff would be going back to working regular hours since Mr. Maestas is no longer with the  
 102 Village. Ms. Martinez stated that we have not gone back to that schedule and have not really considered it  
 103 since it is still working for everyone and we make sure we are always here for the customers and that our  
 104 work is getting done. Mayor Pro-Tem Gallegos stated that the important thing is that the work is getting done  
 105 and the public is being taken care of; we are public servants. She stated that the staff knows how it is working  
 106 and if it works this way she does not see any reason for it to change. Mayor Pro-Tem Gallegos also thanked

107 the staff for the work on the Healing Field as well as the day to day work. She stated that there is less criticism  
108 out in the public and work is getting done. She stated that we are going to need more volunteers and  
109 organizations involved because so many of the flags need to be replaced as well as the labels.

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111 Councilman Jaramillo asked who the lead person from the Village will be to assist with the library group.  
112 Ms. Martinez stated that between herself, Ms. Coleman and Ms. Shannon, we can work well with the library  
113 group.

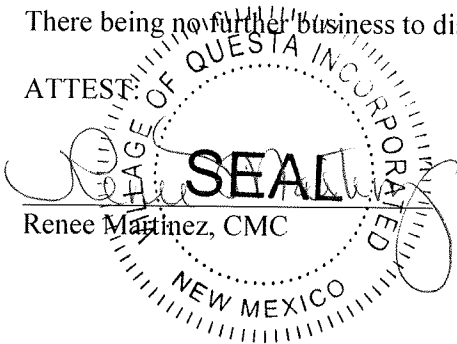
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116 **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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118 Motion: Councilman Ortega  
119 Second: Councilman Jaramillo

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121 In Favor: All  
122 Opposed: None

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124 There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21pm.

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126 ATTEST:



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129 Renee Martinez, CMC  
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APPROVED:

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Louise Gallegos, Mayor Pro-Tem

*Mark Galles*  
*Mayor*