



AGENDA

VILLAGE OF QUESTA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020
VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS
2500 Old State Road 3
Questa, NM
6:00 P.M

~ NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC ~

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

- I. **CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK L. GALLEGOS**
- II. **ROLL CALL**
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – 1) January 28, 2020 – Regular Meeting
- VI. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *(It is the policy of the Governing Body to accept public comment. Because your particular issue is not on the agenda the Governing Body cannot respond immediately but may direct staff to address issues at a future Council Meeting. Public comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes.)*
- VII. **PRESENTATION** - Mr. Chris Cote - Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)
- VIII. **ACTION ITEMS**
 - A) Discussion, Consideration & Decision – Project proposal for FY 2020/2021 Local Government Road Program
 - B) Discussion, Consideration & Decision – Memorandum of Understanding between the Village of Questa and Taos County / Regarding the Questa Senior Center
- IX. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - A) Project Updates
 - B) La Cienega School Project
- X. **MATTERS FROM ATTORNEY**
- XI. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**
- XII. **MATTERS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**
- XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

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1 **VILLAGE OF QUESTA**
 2 **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
 3 **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020**
 4 **VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS**
 5 **6:00PM**

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

8 Mayor Gallegos called the meeting to order at 6:02pm
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10 **II. ROLL CALL**

11 Village Clerk Renee Martinez called roll where a quorum was present.
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13 Those present were:

14 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo

15 Councilman Charlie I. Gonzales

16 Councilwoman Louise T. Gallegos
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18 Councilman John Anthony Ortega called in that he would be running late and arrived at 6:20pm.
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20 **III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

21 Councilman Charlie I. Gonzales led the Pledge of Allegiance.
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23 **IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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 25 Motion: Councilman Gonzales

26 Second: Councilwoman Gallegos
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28 Roll Call:

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 30 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo YES

31 Councilwoman Louise T. Gallegos YES

32 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES
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34 To approve the agenda as presented . All voted yes. Motion carried.
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36 **V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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 38 1) January 28, 2020 – Regular Meeting

39 Motion: Councilwoman Gallegos

40 Second: Councilman Gonzales
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42 Roll Call:

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 44 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES

45 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo YES

46 Councilwoman Louise T. Gallegos YES
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48 To approve the January 28, 2020 minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.
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50 **VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *(It is the policy of the Governing Body to accept public comment. Because*
 51 *your particular issue is not on the agenda the Governing Body cannot respond immediately but may direct*

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52 *staff to address issues at a future Council Meeting. Public comments are limited to a maximum of three*
 53 *minutes.)*
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55 There were no comments from the public.

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 57 Ms. Martinez introduced the new Motor Vehicle Clerk, Samantha Mascarenas. The Mayor and
 58 Councilmembers welcomed Ms. Mascarenas to the Village.

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 60 Mr. John Rael updated the Council about the work that was completed on the plumbing on Well #1 and Well
 61 #4. A valve was also installed at Well #1 in order to isolate the well without shutting down the whole system.
 62 We are now in compliance with NMED.
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64 **VII. PRESENTATION - Mr. Chris Cote - Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)**
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66 Mr. Cote stated that the CWPP for the Village is 12 years old and should be updated every five years. He stated
 67 that the Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update grant is \$15,000.00 with a 10% monetary in-kind match.
 68 The deadline is March 31st and he is offering himself as a contractor to get this done.
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70 Mayor Gallegos asked if the Council would like to support this effort. It was decided to get the information
 71 needed and have it as an action item at a future meeting.
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73 **VIII. ACTION ITEMS**

74 **A) Discussion, Consideration & Decision – Project proposal for FY 2020/2021 Local Government Road**
 75 **Program**
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77 Ms. Martinez stated that the proposals are due in March. Ms. Martinez suggested we look at getting Shirley
 78 Drive worked on. The property owners are having a hard time getting to their homes because of the mud.
 79 The road gets flooded out; there is no drainage.
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81 Councilman Ortega arrived at this time.
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83 Motion: Councilman Jaramillo
 84 Second: Councilwoman Gallegos
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86 Roll Call:
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88 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo YES
 89 Councilwoman Louise T. Gallegos YES
 90 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES
 91 Councilman John Anthony Ortega YES
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93 To approve the Project proposal for FY 2020/2021 Local Government Road Program proposal be submitted
 94 for Shirley Drive. All voted yes. Motion carried.
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96 **B) Discussion, Consideration & Decision – Memorandum of Understanding between the Village of**
 97 **Questa and Taos County / Regarding the Questa Senior Center**
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99 Ms. Martinez stated that this MOU is regarding our senior center and the responsibilities of each entity. This
 100 MOU has been reviewed by legal counsel.
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102 Motion: Councilwoman Gallegos
 103 Second: Councilman Gonzales

104 Roll Call:

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106 Councilwoman Louise T. Gallegos YES
 107 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES
 108 Councilman John Anthony Ortega YES
 109 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo ABSTAIN

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111 To approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Village of Questa and Taos County / Regarding
 112 the Questa Senior Center. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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114 IX. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

115 A) Project Updates

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117 Ms. Martinez updated on the following:

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119 Business Park Project – Met with engineers and contractor in January. The contractors are currently working
 120 on contracts with local contractors. Tentative date for the work to begin is April 1st. We would like to plan a
 121 groundbreaking ceremony and invite all participating entities and government officials.

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123 Library Expansion Project – Contractors are currently reviewing the plans provided by the architect.
 124 Councilman Ortega asked what the timeframe for the project will be. Ms. Martinez stated that she believes it
 125 is 90 days. Councilman Jaramillo requested to see the plans since the request from the library to the Legislature
 126 was high. Ms. Martinez stated that the request was for the parking lot.

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128 Cabresto Water Line Replacement Project – 75% of the plans will be completed by the end of this week for our
 129 review. This project will take us from Mr. Gary Sanchez residence to North Kiowa Road. We will need to
 130 seek more funding for the next phase. Mayor Gallegos stated it will be a 2-year phase. Councilman Jaramillo
 131 stated that there are really bad areas further down Cabresto. Mayor Gallegos stated that the lower part of
 132 Cabresto will have to be on hold. Councilman Ortega asked when the paving grant monies expire. Ms. Martinez
 133 stated that 2 of the MAP projects expire in June; we will be requesting an extension. Councilman Ortega stated
 134 that there are a couple of areas that are of some safety concern. Councilman Gonzales stated that we need to
 135 close the CDBG project by June and apply for another.

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137 B) La Cienega School Project

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139 Mayor Gallegos stated that the Village was awarded \$60,000.00 from Chevron to hire a grant writer to continue
 140 looking for funding, as well as for engineering/architectural design. Mayor Gallegos asked the Council for some
 141 ideas they have for La Cienega. Councilwoman Gallegos would like to see a community kitchen, day car and
 142 senior center as well as to rent out some meeting rooms. Councilman Gonzales suggested a multi-purpose
 143 kitchen. Councilman Jaramillo suggested a classroom/meeting room facility in order for agencies to meet with
 144 the seniors. Councilman Ortega suggested classrooms to have meetings or maybe the gym to be renovated for
 145 this.

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147 Mayor Gallegos and the Council thanked Mr. Christian Isely, who was in attendance for the funding.

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149 X. **MATTERS FROM ATTORNEY**

150 The Attorney was not present.

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152 XI. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

153 Ms. Martinez stated that her report was in the packet and stood for questions. A discussion was held regarding
154 the Red River Aquatic Restoration Project and how far the project will go. Mayor Gallegos stated that we are
155 waiting on some numbers from the selected engineers and they will have more answers for us.
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157 Ms. Martinez stated that early voting is going on until February 29th. A discussion was also held regarding a
158 date for the budget review. It was decided to decide on a date sometime in April.
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160 **XII. MATTERS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**

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162 Councilman Gonzales inquired about the drinking water at the Red River Hatchery. Mayor Gallegos stated
163 that they are using bottled water; it is not the Village's responsibility.
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165 Councilman Ortega apologized for being late.
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167 **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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170 Motion: Councilwoman Gallegos

171 Second: Councilman Ortega

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173 In Favor: All

174 Opposed: None

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176 There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.
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178 **ATTEST:**

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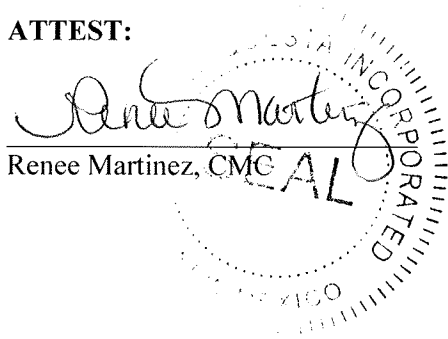
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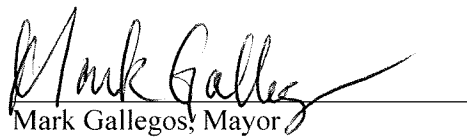
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Renee Martinez, CMC

APPROVED:


Mark Gallegos, Mayor