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2 **VILLAGE OF QUESTA**  
3 **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
4 **TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023**  
5 **VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
6 **6:00PM**

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8 **I. CALL TO ORDER**

9 Mayor Ortega called the meeting to order at 06:00 pm.  
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12 **II. ROLL CALL**

13 Valerie Vigil, Village Clerk, called roll; Quorum was present  
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15 **Governing Body Present**

16 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos

17 Councilman Jason Gonzalez

18 Councilwoman Katrina Gonzales  
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20 **Governing Body Absent**

21 Councilman Brent Jaramillo  
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23 **Others present were:**

24 Jacob LaFore, Project Manager

25 Elizabeth Roberts, Village Receptionist

26 Dylan Crabb, Del Rio News  
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28 **Those present virtually were:**

29 Sharon Nicholson, Librarian for Questa Public Library

30 Chris DeFillippo, Village Attorney

31 Kelly Romero  
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33 **III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

34 Mrs. Karen Quintana Shannon led the pledge.  
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36 **IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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38 **Motion:** Councilwoman Louise Gallegos

39 **Second:** Councilwoman Katrina Gonzales  
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41 To approve the agenda as presented. Majority voted yes. Motion carried.  
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43 **V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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45 Regular Council Meeting December 27, 2022  
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47 Motion to approve the minutes with no corrections.  
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49 **Motion:** Councilwoman Louise Gallegos

50 **Second:** Councilman Jason Gonzalez

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Majority voted yes. Motion carried.

Special Council Meeting January 3, 2023

Motion to approve the minutes with no corrections.

**Motion:** Councilwoman Louise Gallegos

**Second:** Councilman Jason Gonzalez

Majority voted yes. Motion carried.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *(It is the policy of the Governing Body to accept public comment. Because your 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.)*

Public comments opened at 06:02 pm and ended at 06:03 pm. No one for public comment

**VIII. ACTION ITEMS**

A) Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Resolution 2023-02, Amending Resolution No 2022-21 ICIP

Motion to approve the Resolution 2023-02, Amending Resolution No 2022-21 ICIP

**Motion:** Councilwoman Louise Gallegos

**Second:** Councilwoman Katrina Gonzales

**Roll Call:**

Councilwoman Louise Gallegos YES

Councilwoman Katrina Gonzales YES

Councilman Jason Gonzalez YES

Majority voted yes. Motion carried.

**VIII. DISCUSSION ITEM**

A) Planning and Zoning Board and Ordinance - Council Members and Mayor Ortega discussed the next steps for the purposed Planning and Zoning Board as well as changes that may be proposed for the new zoning ordinance. Appointment of Planning and Zoning Board member will be tentatively scheduled for the first meeting in February 2023.

**IX. 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) Limited Personnel Matters (Section 10-5-1 (11)(2))

- Village Administrator

102 Into Executive Session at 06:10 pm

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104 **Motion:** Councilwoman Katrina Gonzales

105 **Second:** Councilman Jason Gonzalez

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107 **Roll Call:**

108 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos YES

109 Councilwoman Katrina Gonzales YES

110 Councilman Jason Gonzalez YES

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113 Out of Executive Session at 6:24 pm

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115 **Motion:** Councilman Jason Gonzalez

116 **Second:** Councilwoman Louise Gallegos

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118 **Roll Call:**

119 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos YES

120 Councilwoman Katrina Gonzales YES

121 Councilman Jason Gonzalez YES

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123 **X. ACTION ITEM**

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125 A) Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Village of Questa Administrator Position; Mayor Ortega  
126 made the recommendation to the Council for Mrs. Karen Quintana Shannon to be appointed Village of  
127 Questa Administrator.

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129 Motion to approve Mrs. Karen Quintana Shannon as Village Administrator

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131 **Motion:** Councilman Jason Gonzalez

132 **Second:** Councilwoman Louise Gallegos

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134 **Roll Call:**

135 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos YES

136 Councilwoman Katrina Gonzales YES

137 Councilman Jason Gonzalez YES

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139 Majority voted yes. Motion carried.

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141 Congratulations Mrs. Karen Quintana Shannon

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144 **X. MATTERS FROM THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

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146 Mr. DeFillippo did not have any updates at this time. Councilor Gonzalez asked on the status of the water  
147 rate increase, Mr. DeFillippo stated he will have the draft ready for the next meeting for review.

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149 **XI. MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS**

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151 Councilwoman Gallegos asked about the status of the Library roof, CPO Valerie Vigil updated the Council  
152 letting them know that a roofer has been contacted to work on the Library roof. Sharon Nicholson, Questa

153 Library Director shared with the Council and Mayor Ortega about the approval of the \$56,000.00 grant for  
154 landscaping in the back of the Library including a trail from the Questa High School to the Library.  
155 Mayor Ortega asked that discussion be made at the next Council Meeting regarding La Cienega/ Senior  
156 Center. Mayor Ortega stated there will be a new Questa Police Officer that will be starting the week of  
157 1/18/2023.

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159 **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

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161 There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 06:43 pm

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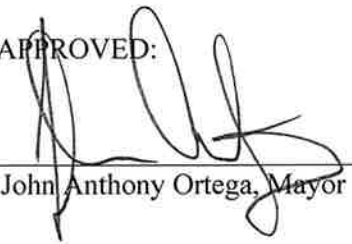
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Valerie Vigil, Clerk

APPROVED:  
  
John Anthony Ortega, Mayor

