

**VILLAGE OF CLOUDCROFT NM
OTERO COUNTY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
January 02, 2024**

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of the Governing Body for the Village of Cloudcroft, held on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 8:00 a.m., in the Village Council Chambers, 201 Burro Avenue, Cloudcroft, NM.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order at 8:14 a.m. with the following Council members providing a full Quorum:

- Mayor Vincent C. Turner – present
- Trustee / Mayor Pro-Tem Maynard - present
- Trustee – Gail McCoy – present
- Trustee – Tabitha Foster – absent
- Trustee – Timothy King – present

The following Village staff and guests were present: Shaela Hemphill; Chief Deputy Clerk, Michael Testa; Police Officer, David Sanchez; Police Officer, Chris Swanson; Police Officer, Crystal Menezes; Utility Clerk, Melissa Yates; MVD Clerk, Vyanca Vega; Project Coordinator, Laura Robertson; P&Z/Court Clerk, Joe John Carrizal; Maintenance Supervisor, Erich Wuerschling; CCVFD, Abby Wuerschling, Geroge Mitchell, M. Ware, Amy & Dana Dunlap, Scott McCoy, and Phyllis Turner.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge of allegiance to the United States and New Mexico flags was led by Mayor Turner.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Trustee Maynard made a motion to approve the agenda of the January 2, 2024, Special Council Meeting as presented. Trustee McCoy seconded. Vote as follows: Trustee McCoy, for; Trustee Maynard, for; Trustee King, for; Trustee Foster, for. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Confirmation of Mayor Pro-Tem Appointment, James R. Maynard

Trustee McCoy made a motion to confirm the appointment of James R. Maynard as Mayor Pro-Tem. Trustee Foster seconded. Vote as follows: Trustee McCoy, for; Trustee Maynard, abstained; Trustee King, for; Trustee Foster, for. **Motion carried with 3 votes and 1 abstention.**

Confirmation of Planning & Zoning Commissioner, Susan Difani

Trustee Foster made a motion to confirm the appointment of Susan Difani to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Trustee King seconded. Vote as follows: Trustee McCoy, for; Trustee Maynard, for; Trustee King, for; Trustee Foster, for. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Confirmation of Lodger's Tax Committee Member, Bri Jonnes

Trustee Foster made a motion to confirm the appointment of Bri Jonnes to the Lodger's Tax Board. Trustee Maynard seconded. Vote as follows: Trustee McCoy, for; Trustee Maynard, for; Trustee King, for; Trustee Foster, for. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Confirmation of Appointed and Regular Employees Per NMSA §3-11-5

Trustee McCoy made a motion to confirm the following appointed and regular employees as presented:

Appointed Employees: Shaela Hemphill, Clerk/Treasurer/CPO; Michael Testa, Chief of Police; Erich Wuerschling, Fire Chief; Julie Johnson, Library Director.

Regular Employees: Crystal Menezes, Utility Billing Clerk; Vyanca Vega, Project Coordinator; Melissa Yates, MVD Manager; Laura Robertson, Planning & Zoning Clerk; Joe John Carrizal, Public Works Supervisor; Scott Powell, Wastewater Operator; Tony Courvoisier, Water Operator; Sean O'Connor, Public Works; Byron Yeager, Public Works; Jerry Baczik, Public Works; Rebecca Melendez-Turner, Part Time Library Aide; Ayla Yarbrough, Part Time Library Aide; Deputy Chief of Police David Sanchez; Police Officer Chris Swanson; Laura Robertson, Court Clerk.

Trustee Maynard seconded. Vote as follows: Trustee McCoy, for; Trustee Maynard, for; Trustee King, for; Trustee Foster, for. **Motion carried unanimously.**

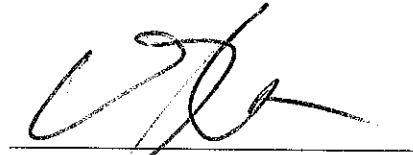
ADJOURN:

Trustee Maynard made a motion to adjourn the Special Council Meeting of January 2, 2024, at 8:24 a.m. Trustee McCoy seconded. Vote as follows: Trustee McCoy, for; Trustee Maynard, for; Trustee King, for; Trustee Foster, for.

Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST


Shaela Hemphill
Village Clerk/Treasurer


Vincent C. Turner
Mayor

