

**VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO  
GOVERNING BODY, REGULAR MEETING  
313 CREE MEADOWS DRIVE, RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO 88345  
JULY 8, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Lynn D. Crawford, called the Regular Meeting of the Governing Body, Village of Ruidoso to order at 1:00 p.m. by calling for a Moment of Silence, the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the State Flag. Councilors Jackson, Salas, Cory, Hooker, Eby and Lutterman were recorded present in person. Municipal employees present were Ronald L. Sena, Village Manager; Michael Martinez, Deputy Manager; Jini S. Turri, Village Clerk; Yvonne Vigil, Deputy Clerk; Adam Sanchez, Public Works Director; Matthew Baird, Parks and Recreation Director; Anthony Montes, Community Center Manager; Zachary J. Cook, Village Attorney; Judi Starkovich, Finance Director; Dick Cooke, Forestry Director; Steven Minner, Police Chief; Jacquelyn Pena, Water Resource Director; David Tetreault, Asst. Parks & Recreation Director; DD Staab, Library Director; Lee Baker, Airport Manager; Isaac Garcia, RWWTP Manager; Amber Word, Community Center Coordinator; Randy Koehn, Water Production Manager; Stephanie Long, Museum Curator; Robin Parks, Staff Accountant II; Cade Hall, Fire Chief; Robin Bryant, Solid Waste Office Manager; Eddie Ryan, Manager of Events and Strategic Partnerships; Chrysanti Jones, Short Term Rental Admin Asst. II; Brian Parker; Katy Simpson, Dispatch Supervisor; Madison Schlotfeldt, Staff Accountant II; Jaime Urban, Police Lieutenant; Stephanie Warren, GIS Coordinator/Planning; and Levi Beaty, Project Manager. There were approximately 3 visitors in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

Councilor Jackson moved to approve the agenda and allow the Mayor to move items as necessary, Councilor Hooker seconded and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all present voting "aye".

**CONSENT REGULAR ITEMS.**

Councilor Cory moved to approve the Consent Regular Items as presented, Councilor Jackson seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all present voting "aye".

1. Approval of Governing Body Minutes  
June 10, 2025 - Regular Meeting  
June 20, 2025 - Special Meeting  
June 27, 2025 - Emergency Meeting  
July 1, 2025 - Workshop Meeting
2. Approval of Adoption of Resolution 2025-21, a Resolution Amending the Village of Ruidoso Personnel Policy Chapter 4 Section 4-2-6 and 4-2-7.
3. Approval of Grant Agreement between the Village of Ruidoso and the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration for the New Mexico E-911 Program

Grant to Fund the Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) at the Village of Ruidoso, for the Period of Time between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026.

4. Approval of Village of Ruidoso Police Department Recruiting Incentive Payments for Recruitment of Entry Level Police Officer Candidates and Lateral Police Officer Candidates.
5. Approval of Amendment No. 001 to Joint Funding Agreement (JFA) #24RGJFA35 with United States Department of the Interior for Geomorphic Survey of North Fork Eagle Creek, from North Eagle Creek Streamgage to Eagle Creek below South Fork Streamgage In the Amount of \$5,769.00 for a Total Amount of \$64,000.00 and to Extend the End Date to September 30, 2026.
6. Approval of the Purchase of a 2025 John Deere 300 P-Tier Skid Steer Loader from 4Rivers Equipment, Utilizing Sourcewell Contract #1637212025 in the Amount of \$87,700.00, for the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport.
7. Approval of Agreement with Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce for Professional Services for Operation of the Ruidoso Visitor's Center, Billy the Kid Visitor's Center and the Wingfield Heritage House Museum for the Village of Ruidoso in an Amount not to Exceed \$227,700.00.
8. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the Village of Ruidoso and the Ruidoso Municipal Schools for the Joint Use of Facilities.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT.**

Bill Hall stated that he was impressed that the Village had already moved 36,000 tons of silt from the rivers; he expressed his concerns about FEMA reform for funding issues and asked that the Village strongly consider building addition disc golf courses in the Village.

#### **MAYORAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS.**

Francisco Sanchez, NM DOT District 2 Engineer updated the Council about mitigating flood issues on Hwy 48 and Hwy 70. He stated that a study regarding drainage issues on the highways will be done in the near future and that NM DOT will do all they can within their control to mitigate flooding issues.

1. Presentation of New Employees and Promotions

Mayor Lynn D. Crawford presented the following:

#### **New Hires**

Jaime Reyes – Water Distribution - Maintenance Tech – DOH 6/16/25

Shyrelle Rushing – PD – 911 Telecommunications Operator – DOH 6/16/25

Jay Gutierrez – PD – Non-Certified Patrol Officer – DOH 6/16/25

Brian Parker – Community Development – STR Inspector – DOH 6/16/25

Layson Powell – Fire Department – Firefighter – DOH 6/20/25

Sebastian Mitchell – Parks & Rec – Maintenance Tech – DOH 6/30/25

Rufas Sago - Parks & Rec – Maintenance Tech – DOH 6/30/25  
Manuel Huber – Parks & Rec – Custodian – DOH 6/30/25  
Michael Weise - Parks & Rec – Maintenance Tech – DOH 6/30/25  
Isaiah Spitty – Forestry – Forestry & Fuels – DOH 6/30  
Dustin Archer - Forestry – Forestry & Fuels – DOH 6/30  
Michael Smith - Water Distribution - Maintenance Tech – DOH 7/1/25

**Promotion**

Ezekiel Alvarez - Solid Waste - Operator/Driver Supervisor-Effective 6/16/25

2. Presentation of Retirement Plaque to Jaime Newsome for his Service to the Village of Ruidoso as a Water Distribution/Sewer Collections Inspector from August 2000 through July 2025

Mayor Crawford presented a retirement plaque recognizing Jaime Newsome for his service as a water distribution/sewer collections inspector from August 2000 through July 2025.

3. Presentation on the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce 2025 Beautification Award to the Wingfield Heritage House Museum

Stephanie Long, Wingfield Heritage House Museum Curator, stated that the Museum received the 2025 Beautification Award from the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

4. Presentation on the 2025 American Association of State and Local History Award of Excellence to the Wingfield Heritage House Museum for Ruidoso Rewind

Stephanie Long, Wingfield Heritage House Museum Curator, stated that the Museum received the Local History Award of Excellence from the American Association of State and Local History for the Museum's "Ruidoso Re-Wind" radio show.

5. Presentation on Integrated Resource Plan for Zia Natural Gas - Leslie Graham

Leslie Graham, representing Zia Natural Gas presented their yearly Integrated Resource Plan.

6. Presentation on Altumint Speed Cameras - Sam Crawley

Sam Crawley, representing Altumint Speed Cameras presented to Council a proposal for use of speed cameras for the Ruidoso Police Department.

**VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT.**

1. Village Manager's Report

Ronald L. Sena, Village Manager, gave his monthly managers report.

2. Update on 603 Mechem

Michael Martinez, Deputy Manager and Levi Beaty, Project Manager updated Council that home and electrical inspections should be done within the next couple of weeks.

3. Update on Cree Meadows Culvert Project

Adam Sanchez, Public Works Supervisor, updated Council that culverts have been ordered for the project for Rymarc to install once received.

4. Update on Innsbrook Paving Project

Adam Sanchez, Public Works Supervisor updated Council that crews have had to pull off the project due to flooding and will continue when able.

5. Update on McDaniel Bridge

Adam Sanchez, Public Works Supervisor, updated Council that although designs are in place to make repairs to the bridge, the Village hasn't been able to secure a contractor to do the work.

6. Update on Starlite Rd. Project

Adam Sanchez, Public Works Supervisor, stated that repairs on Starlite are being done and will be complete soon, weather permitting.

7. Update on Clean and Lien Properties

Michael Martinez, Deputy Manager and Stephanie Warren, GIS Coordinator/Planning, presented to Council a list of residential properties that have been identified as being effected by the floods. They stated some have begun the cleanup process but not all as of date.

**REPORTS FROM MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS.**

Councilor Cory stated that he had attended the Chamber of Commerce Banquet which was well attended. Councilor Jackson gave a shout out to the Fire, Police and Parks & Recreation Dept. for their work during the busy holiday weekend. Councilor Hooker seconded all comments made and stated that he wanted the public to know that the Council always has the Village's interest foremost in their minds. Councilor Salas stated that the Convention Center project looks great. Councilor Lutterman stated that she attend the drone show and that it was impressive. Councilor Eby stated the drone show was better than the ones in the past and thanked Parks & Recreation for their work on the event.

**REGULAR ITEMS.**

1. Discussion and Possible Action on Adoption of Resolution 2025-22, a Resolution Adopting the Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) for Fiscal Years 2027-2031.

Councilor Jackson made a motion to adopt the resolution, Councilor Cory seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote of all in attendance voting "aye" the motion passed.

2. Discussion and Possible Action on Resolution 2025-20, a Resolution Approving the Acquisition of Real Property Located in Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Councilor Cory made a motion to adopt the resolution, Councilor Jackson seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote of all in attendance voting "aye" the motion passed.

3. Discussion and Possible Action to Rename Fire Station #1 to Virgil Reynolds Main Fire Station.

Councilor Hooker made a motion to approve renaming of the fire station, Councilor Jackson seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote of all in attendance voting "aye" the motion passed.

4. Discussion and Possible Action on Acceptance of Invitation from the XTERRA World Championship Committee to the Village of Ruidoso Mayor and Manager of Events and Strategic Partnerships to Participate in the Official Closing Ceremony at the 2025 Xterra World Championship in Molveno, Italy from September 25-28, 2025.

Councilor Eby made a motion to approve the invitation for the Mayor and Eddie Ryan to attend the ceremony, Councilor Cory seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote of all in attendance voting "aye" the motion passed.

5. Discussion and Possible Action on Task Order No.03 with Souder, Miller & Associates for Preliminary and Final Design Services for Tank Rehabilitation Phase II ITB #2022-00-SMA-03, In the Amount of \$91,857.68, Including NMGRT.

This item was removed from the agenda.

6. Discussion and Possible Action on Task Order #9 with Souder Miller and Associates RFP-2024-04P-09 for Design and Bid of Wingfield 2 Water Line Improvements, for Approximately 5,635 Linear Feet of 6-inch Waterline Replacement Including Appurtenances and Associated Roadway in the Amount of \$161,299.99 Including NMGRT.

Councilor Lutterman made a motion to approve the task order, Councilor Eby seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote of all in attendance voting "aye" the motion passed.

7. Discussion and possible action on AMENDMENT #2 to Amend Section IV, Grant Amount, to increase the agreement by \$221,960.00 from \$137,250.00 to \$359,210.00. The increased amount is necessary to allow modeling and analysis of three additional watersheds, in addition to the two watersheds specified in the original scope following the 2024 fires and flooding in the Ruidoso area and to decrease the Match requirement from 40% of the total Project cost to 10% of the total project cost.

Councilor Salas made a motion to approve amendment #2, Councilor Lutterman seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote of all in attendance voting "aye" the motion passed.

### **CLOSED SESSION.**

Councilor Jackson made a motion to recess into:

- Discussion of limited personnel matters. § 10-15-1.H.2, NMSA 1978.

- Discussion subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the Village of Ruidoso is or may become a participant. §10-15-1.H.7, NMSA 1978.
- Discussion of the purchase, acquisition, and/or disposal of real property and/or water rights by the Village of Ruidoso. § 10-15-1.H.8, NMSA 1978.

Councilor Salas seconded and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all "ayes".

Mayor Lynn D. Crawford recessed the Regular Meeting and entered into Closed Session at 3:25 p.m.

Present in closed session were members of the Governing Body, Ronald L. Sena, Village Manager; Michael Martinez, Deputy Manager; Zach Cook, Village Attorney; Jini S. Turri, Village Clerk.

Mayor Lynn D. Crawford adjourned the Closed Session and reconvened the Regular Meeting at 4:34 p.m.

Councilor Jackson moved to certify that matters discussed in the closed session were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure, Councilor Hooker seconded and the motion carried with a roll call vote of all "ayes".

Any action taken as a result of the closed session will be brought back into open session.

**ADJOURN.**

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body, Mayor Lynn D. Crawford adjourned the Regular Meeting at 4:35 p.m.

**MINUTES ARE DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED:**

Minutes were passed and approved on this 12th day of August, 2025.

**APPROVED:**

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Lynn D. Crawford, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Jini S Turri, Village Clerk