

VILLAGE OF ANGEL FIRE  
Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012 at the Village Hall

**Call to Order**

Mayor Cottam called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Cottam called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Present were Mayor Cottam, Mayor Pro-tem Howe, Councilor Welker, Councilor Germscheid, Councilor Colenda was absent. Also present Village Clerk Terry Cordova. Village Administrator Tomas Benavidez was absent. A full quorum was present.

**Approval of Agenda**

Mayor Pro-tem Howe made the motion to approve the agenda .Councilor Welker seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. **Approval of the May 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting**
2. **Approval of the May 8<sup>th</sup> Council Work Session Minutes**
3. **Approval of Shauna Cooper to the Lodgers Tax Committee**
4. **Approval to Reinstate Hogan Koesis to the Recreation Committee**

Mayor Pro-tem Howe made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Germscheid seconded motion carried 3-0

**Requests and Responses from the Audience (Limited to 3 minutes)**

None

**Announcements and Proclamations**

None

**Reports**

**a. Governing Reports**

Councilor Welker reported that he had sent out the draft minutes from the roads/public works committee meeting held on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Also that Colfax County received a \$1.2 million dollar grant that will be used for repairs to the airport here in Angel Fire.

**b. Administrators Report**

Administrator Benavidez reported that highway 434 at Black Lake to Mora will start being repaired. Also that some of the roads that had been settling throughout the Village over the winter have been repaired. The issue of the van that has been parked in the wrong place will be towed away. Updated council on the PID

**c. Staff Reports- none**

**1) Old Business –None**

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**3) New Business**

**A. Discussion /Approval of Employee Contract for Warren Morey For Police Chief /Swearing In**

Mayor Pro-tem Howe made the motion to approve employment contract for Warren Morey for Police Chief. Councilor Welker seconded .With no discussion motion carried 3-0. Village Clerk Terry Cordova swore in Warren Morey as police chief

**B. Discussion /Approval of Resolution 2012-15 for the 2012/2013 Holiday Schedule**

Mayor Pro-tem Howe made the motion to approve resolution 2012-15 establishing the fiscal year 2012-2013 holiday schedule to be observed by the Village of angel Fire. Councilor Germscheid seconded. With no discussion the motion carried 3-0 with Mayor Pro-tem Howe –aye, Councilor Germscheid –aye, Councilor Welker -aye

**C. Discussion /Approval of Resolution 2012-16 for the Allocation of Lodgers Tax Revenues for FY2012/2013**

1 Councilor Germscheid asked for an explanation to what the Hound Dog event was.  
2 Michael Martinez event coordinator explained the event by saying that it was a two day  
3 bike event. That they were predicting 500 to 1,000 rides for the 2013 season for a two  
4 day event. We are also hoping that in 3 to 5 years we would be in the 3,000 to 5,000 range  
5 in participants. Mayor Pro-tem Howe made the motion to approve resolution 2012 -16  
6 for the allocation of lodger's tax revenues for FY 2012-2013. Councilor Welker  
7 seconded. Mayor Pro-tem Howe and Councilor Germscheid both disclosed that they were  
8 on the boards of at least one or more of the recipients. Motion carried 3-0 with Mayor  
9 Pro-tem Howe –aye, Councilor Germscheid –aye, Councilor Welker –aye.

10 **D. Discussion /Approval of an agreement with Olguin Landscaping and the Village of**  
11 **Angel Fire for landscaping at the recycling park**

12 Administrator Benavidez went over the agreement by outlining the material and labor  
13 that Olguin Landscaping would provide for the project. The net value of these services is  
14 \$15,750; the total for the project is \$41,980 of that \$26,230 will be donated by Olguin.  
15 The remaining \$15,750 will be in exchange for 350 loads of slash disposed at the Angel  
16 Fire Solid Waste department without charge. Also, for the purposes of this agreement one  
17 load of stumps equals five (5) loads of slash. The Village will provide a letter to Olguin  
18 certifying that they have donated services in the amount stated. Tomas went over the  
19 materials and work that would be provided by the Village. It should be noted that the  
20 Village contacted all the landscaping companies in the village to see if they were  
21 interested in the project, some were not interested at all and some were only willing to  
22 give us a discount on the project. Olguin was the only one willing to donate work and  
23 materials and obtain a credit for slash at the solid waste department. Mayor Pro-tem  
24 Howe made the motion to approve an agreement between Village of Angel Fire and  
25 Olguin Landscaping regarding the Village recycling beautification project. Councilor  
26 Germscheid seconded. With no discussion the motion carried 3-0

27 **E. Discussion /Approval of Resolution 2012-17 Approval of Interim Operating Budget**  
28 **for FY 2012/2013**

29 Mayor asked if anyone had any questions for Finance Director Lupita De Herrera. Mayor  
30 Pro-tem Howe asked about the fire department. Administrator Benavidez stated that there  
31 would be no cuts to the fire department staff at this time as to maintain safety and that  
32 there were some legal issues that needed to be considered as well. Mayor Pro-tem Howe  
33 asked how we were going to handle the resolution that had been approved a week ago or  
34 so. Administrator Benavidez stated that he had worked on reducing their budget by  
35 \$15,000 and would be working towards reducing it an additional \$47,000 to meet the  
36 \$62,000 that was in the resolution and that we may need to amend the resolution at later  
37 date. Mayor Pro-tem Howe went on to ask if we have not done what was in the resolution  
38 can we go ahead and pass this interim budget before we change the resolution.  
39 Councilor Welker stated that this was an interim budget and that we should expect  
40 changes as we go and before we approve a final one. We need to get this in as an interim  
41 basis so we can comply with the DFA requirement to submit it by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Administrator  
42 Benavidez stated that he would be cutting the \$62,000 from the fire department budget  
43 but would be doing that without interfering with the safety and welfare of the community.  
44 Mayor Pro-tem Howe asked about the \$135,000 that was left after budgeted items and what  
45 were the plans for that money. Administrator Benavidez stated that the money would be  
46 used to pay down the accounts payable. Mayor Pro-tem Howe added that he would like to  
47 see it used to replace some of jobs that were being cut. Administrator Benavidez  
48 expressed his concerns in doing that when we have a million dollars in accounts payable  
49 at this time. Councilor Germscheid would like to have an executive session in the next  
50 few weeks to go over some of the issues still pending from the resolution. Mayor Pro-  
51 Tem Howe made the motion to approve resolution 2012-17 approval of interim operating  
52 budget for fiscal year 2012-13. Councilor Welker seconded. Motion did not carry with  
53 Mayor Pro-tem Howe –nay, Councilor Germscheid –aye, Councilor Welker –aye. Village

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Clerk Terry Cordova explained that when voting on a resolution there needed to be a majority of the member of council that needed to vote aye in order for it to pass. Therefore because there was not a majority of members the voted aye the motion failed. Mayor Cottam expressed her frustration in not getting the interim budget passed. Mayor Pro-tem Howe stated that he would be willing to revote as long as it was understood that it was going against the resolution. Administrator Benavidez states that as long as the Mayor approved a revote it could be done. Mayor Cottam gave her approval for a revote. Mayor Pro-tem Howe made the motion to approve resolution 2012-17 approval of interim operating budget for FY 2012-2013. Councilor Welker seconded. Motion carried 3-0 with Mayor Pro-tem Howe –aye, Councilor Germscheid – aye, Councilor Welker – aye.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Cottam adjourned the meeting at 6:06pm

Passed, Approved and Adopted on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

  
Barbara Cottam, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Terry Cordova, Village Clerk