

THE VILLAGE OF TIJERAS NEWSLETTER

"With pride in our past, and faith in our future."

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LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Jake Bruton

I hope 2021 is off to a great start for all of our residents and neighbors. I am pleased to kick off the first newsletter of the new year with an exciting update about our Village Council.

It is with a heavy heart that I announce the resignation of beloved Village of Tijeras Councilperson Don Johnson. Don began his service to the Village as a Planning and Zoning Commissioner in 1990 and was appointed to a vacant position on the Village Council in 1991. We are so grateful to Don for his more than 30 years of dedicated service to the Village, and I was honored to present Don with an honorary proclamation and award at our Council meeting on Tuesday, January 19. He will be greatly missed and we wish him all the best.

I am pleased to inform you that Jonathan Ortiz has been appointed to fill the vacant Council seat. Jonathan is a pillar of the community and has served the Village as a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for about a year now. He is straightforward, level-headed, and exactly the sort of person we want representing our community. I have the utmost faith Jonathan will do great things during his time on Council. Be sure to congratulate Councilor Ortiz the next time you talk to him!



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WATCH OUT FOR FROZEN PIPES

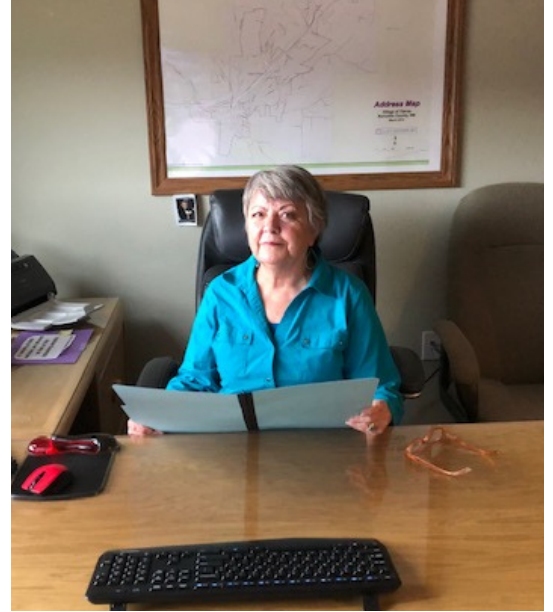
Councilor Maxine Wilson, Mayor Pro Tempore

These last few weeks the Village has seen its share of winter storms. While many of us enjoy a snow day by the fire, the cold weather can also pose challenges to residents of the East Mountains, particularly in the form of frozen water pipes.

There are several warning signs of a frozen water pipe. The first is simply turning on your faucet to find no water comes out or the pressure is very low. A frozen pipe can also result in blockages that create unusual noises or unpleasant odors. The most obvious sign, of course, is the presence of frost on your water line.

If you discover you have a frozen water pipe, turn off the water to that portion of the house (or the entire house, if that is the only option). Next, open the faucet to the frozen pipe. Doing so will both relieve pressure and help to melt the ice. Finally, apply heat to the frozen section of pipe with a space heater or hair dryer.

If the problem does not resolve or if you need additional assistance, contact a professional.



Village-wide Tree Trimming Completed

During its regular meeting on December 7th, 2020 the Village Council approved a quote from Sammy's Tree Service for Village-wide tree trimming. Sammy and his team visited just about every street in the Village, trimming foliage away from the road and removing trees that posed a safety risk to residents and motorists. The project was completed on Tuesday, January 19th and the Village is looking great. Thank you to Sammy's Tree Service for all their hard work!

STATEMENT ON APS BUS DEPOT

As many of you know, Albuquerque Public Schools is planning to develop a school bus depot on the property it owns at the intersection of North Zamora Road and Shady Oak Circle. The depot will include parking for up to 50 school buses and drivers' personal vehicles, an office space for staff, and a shop and bus washing station. APS is still in the development stage of the project and plans to go out for bid in early March.

Many residents of the Rincon Loop neighborhood have understandably expressed concerns about the potential impacts of this project. Mayor Bruton and Village staff are attentive to these concerns and are working with Bernalillo County Commissioner Charlene Pyskoty to schedule a town hall with APS where residents can express their concerns. We will publish the details of this meeting on our website as soon as they are available.

If you are concerned about this project or have questions for APS, we encourage you to reach out to APS staff using the contact information listed to the right.



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Village of Tijeras Calendar FEBRUARY 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Village Council Meeting	2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5
8	9	10 Planning and Zoning Hearing	11	12 Lunar New Year
15 President's Day - Offices Closed	16 Village Council Meeting	17 Ash Wednesday	18	19
22	23	24 Planning and Zoning Hearing	25	26