



**VILLAGE OF TIJERAS
REGULAR COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND ZOOM**

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Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 842 7798 9504

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Dial: (720)707-2699

1. Call to Order

Meeting Called to Order by Mayor Bruton

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bruton

3. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum

M.Armenta	✓	E.Barnes	✓	Y.Garcia	✓	J.Ortiz	✓
Quorum present		Yes	No				

4. Introduction of Guests

Jessica Nixon – Village Attorney

5. Public Comment

None

6. Approval of Agenda for Monday, October 5, 2026

A C T I O N	Motion To:	Approve Agenda for Monday, October 5, 2026.		
	Made by:	Y. Garcia		Councilor Armenta- Yes Councilor Barnes- Yes Councilor Garcia- Yes Councilor Ortiz- Yes
	Second by:	J. Ortiz		
	Motion carried? Yes	PASSED	FAILED	

7. Council to Review and Approve Regular Council Meeting Draft Minutes for September 21, 2026

[Attachment A – Regular Council Meeting Draft Minutes for September 21, 2026](#)

A C T I O N	Motion To:	Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes for September 21, 2026.		
	Made by:	J. Ortiz		Councilor Armenta-Yes Councilor Barnes- Yes Councilor Garcia- Yes Councilor Ortiz- Yes
	Second by:	E. Barnes		
	Motion carried? Yes	PASSED	FAILED	



8. **Executive Session: Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(2) of the Open Meetings Act, Council to Close Session for the Discussion of Limited Personnel Matters and Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the Open Meetings Act and for the Discussion of Attorney-Client Privilege Pertaining to Threatened or Pending Litigation**

A C T I O N	Motion To:	Enter into Executive Session: Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15(H)(7) of the Open Meeting Act, Council to Close Session for the Discussion of Limited Personnel Matters and Section 10-15-1(H)(7) of the Open Meetings Act for the Discussion of Attorney-Client Privilege Pertaining to Threatened or Pending Litigation.		
	Made by:	Y. Garcia		Councilor Armenta-Yes Councilor Barnes- Yes Councilor Garcia- Yes Councilor Ortiz- Yes
	Second by:	J. Ortiz		
	Motion carried? Yes	PASSED	FAILED	

9. **Council to Reconvene in Open Session**

A C T I O N	Motion To:	Reconvene in Open Session.		
	Made by:	E. Barnes		Councilor Armenta-Yes Councilor Barnes- Yes Councilor Garcia- Yes Councilor Ortiz- Yes
	Second by:	Y. Garcia		
	Motion carried? Yes	PASSED	FAILED	

10. **Council to Confirm and Certify for the Record that the matters discussed in closed session were limited only to those specified in the motion to close and no action was taken.**

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Motion To:	Confirm and Certify for the Record that the matters discussed in closed session were limited only to those specified in the motion to close and no action was taken.		
Made by:	J. Ortiz		Councilor Armenta-Yes Councilor Barnes- Yes Councilor Garcia- Yes Councilor Ortiz- Yes
Second by:	E. Barnes		
Motion carried? Yes	PASSED	FAILED	

11. **Council to Review and Approve Income Statement Ending July 31, 2026**

Attachment B – Income Statement as of July 31, 2026

- Councilor M. Armenta – Statements are clear and easy to understand. Thank you, Audrey, as always for the hard work in getting these out timely.

A C T I O N	Motion To:	Approve Income Statement Ending July 31, 2026.		
	Made by:	Y. Garcia		Councilor Armenta- Yes Councilor Barnes- Yes Councilor Garcia- Yes Councilor Ortiz- Yes
	Second by:	J. Ortiz		
	Motion carried? Yes	PASSED	FAILED	



12. Council to Review and Approve Income Statement Ending August 31, 2026

Attachment C – Income Statement as of August 31, 2026

A C T I O N	Motion To:	Approve Income Statement Ending August 31, 2026.		
	Made by:	M. Armenta		Councilor Armenta- Yes Councilor Barnes- Yes Councilor Garcia- Yes Councilor Ortiz- Yes
	Second by:	E. Barnes		
	Motion carried? Yes	PASSED	FAILED	

13. Updates

- a. Prior Meeting Items Discussions - None
- b. Mayor J. Bruton
 - i. Landscaper's – Waiting on quotes to contract professional landscapers to help with the overgrown vegetation.
 - ii. Part-Time Employee- Will be posting for a part-time employee to work the kitchen at the Senior Center.
- c. Councilors
 - Councilor E. Barnes
 - i. Fiber Optic Contractors – Can we ask to set up a meeting so they can update us on progress? (Mayor Bruton – We can reach out to them and see if we can schedule a meeting.)
 - ii. Resident Albert Velasquez is ok with placing boulders but doesn't want additional trees removed.
 - Councilor M. Armenta
 - i. Landscapers vs. 2 Full-Time Employees? (Mayor Bruton – Yes, looking at cost and what would be more cost effective.) Pocket Park? (Mayor Bruton – Yes, if contractor hired, we would get our Pocket Park done.)
 - ii. Fiber Optic Company – Ramon Garcia reached out regarding signs being removed/destroyed by contractors. (Mayor Bruton – Maintenance team will look into this and will address as they should be replacing any and all signs removed to complete work.) (Clerk/Manager A. Caufield – Hector is already in contact with them as they will have to also replace some of the damaged poles/signs.)
 - Councilor J. Ortiz
 - i. East Mountain Celebration attended, and Bernalillo County would like to partner with us next year.
 - ii. Will not be able to attend Trunk or Treat due to event with kids.
 - Councilor Y. Garcia
 - i. Route 66 Celebration/Trippl X – Attendees were asking about possibly purchasing T-Shirts. Pre-Order? (Mayor Bruton – We can look into doing Pre-Orders, we wouldn't order bulk in case they don't sell.)
- d. Clerk A. Caufield
 - i. Bernalillo County – Taking over Council Chambers Friday, October 9 to set up for early voting. Upcoming meetings will be held at Senior Center.
 - ii. Senior Center – Posting for permanent employee for kitchen, working 3 hours per day.
 - iii. Village offices closed Monday, October 12.
 - iv. Clerk's Institute – October 19-23, Maria, and Audrey out of office.
 - v. October 19, Council Meeting Cancelled.
 - vi. Employee Halloween Potluck – October 29 @ 2:00 P.M. at Senior Center.
 - vii. Veterans Day Event – Tuesday, November 10 @ 10:00 A.M. (Councilor M. Armenta – Would like to do a cleanup event before event takes place.)



- viii. Employee Thanksgiving Potluck, Thursday, November 19, not open to the public but you all are welcome to join us.
- ix. Pine Crest – Moving along and ready to get those funds spent.
- x. Los Vallecitos currently in design and also moving along.
- xi. Pine View erosion quotes received, unfortunately we won't have enough funds left from TPF funds for Pine Crest to use.
- xii. Molzen submitted sewer project to Water Trust Board and it was accepted, I will be meeting with the Mayor soon on 90% design to review and advise of any changes before submitting to RFP.
- e. Deputy Clerk M. Martinez
 - i. Trunk or Treat Flyer needs to be updated, Rock Canyon Cider is not available to host our Beer Garden.
- Resident Ramon Garcia

Thank you all, Mayor, Council, Jessica, Audrey, and Maria! Thank you, for putting on the Summer Concerts for the community and for paying tribute to my nephew. Appreciate you with all my heart. Ladies thank you for the monthly newsletter, it helps me with keeping my calendar up to date with what's going on. I like to see if we have events so that I can help out or come volunteer. I'm really grateful to you all especially the hard work you've done throughout the year. Thank God is my witness when I say I'm thankful. Thank you, Mayor.

14. **Time and Place of Next Meeting**

The next Regular Meeting of the Governing Body of the Village of Tijeras will be held on Monday, November 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Tijeras Senior Center.

15. **Adjournment**

Meeting Adjourned at 7:02 P.M.

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