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MAYOR

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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

January 21, 2026 6:00 P.M.

**609 St Francis Drive
Tularosa, NM 88352**

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

I. Explanation

The New Mexico Statute requires cities to hold organizational meetings each municipal election year after the results of elections are certified. During the organizational meetings, newly elected or re-elected officials are administered the oath of office and other organizational matters acted upon. This being a municipal election year, the Village of Tularosa is holding its organizational meeting this evening.

II. Opening of Meeting

A. Call to Order

B. Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty & justice for all"

C. Salute to the Flag of New Mexico

"I salute the flag of the state of New Mexico, the Zia symbol of perfect friendship among united cultures"

- 1. Consideration of Agenda**
 - a. December 17, 2025 meeting minutes
 - b. Monthly bills listing
 - c. Next Regular Meeting-February 18, 2026

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

All matters listed under Item 1, Consent Agenda, are routine by the Village Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

III. Organization

2. Roll Call of New Council by the Village Clerk.

3. Mayor Deborah Cooksey will appoint the following positions: village clerk, chief of police and village attorney.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

4. Deborah Cooksey, Mayor will appoint a mayor pro-tem.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

IV. Business Session

5. Unscheduled correspondence and public comment (3 minutes) Only items on the agenda can be commented on.

6. Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk is asking to approve Resolution #2025-2026-12 Open Meetings Act.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

Roll Call: _____
 Brusuelas **Otero** **Garwood** **Rupp**

7. Valarie Delgado, Finance Officer is asking to approve Resolution #2025-2026-13 to add funds to various departments including the library for state aide grant funds and also the New Mexico Rural Library grant. The clean and beautiful grant. ACO donations to animal control. Fire protection grant funds.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

Roll Call: _____
Brusuelas Otero Garwood Rupp

8. Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk is asking to approve Resolution #2025-2026-14 to request an amendment to the co-operative agreement with the New Mexico Department of Transportation for an extension of time for HW2L200648 project to terminate on June 30, 2027, to complete the Chris Dr., Darby Ln. and Lucille Ln. – pavement rehabilitation within the control of the Village of Tularosa, Otero County, New Mexico.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

Roll Call: _____
Brusuelas Garcia Garwood Sainz

9. Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk is asking to approve Resolution #2025-2026-14 to enter into an agreement with the New Mexico Department of Transportation for execution of the Que Linda program grant in the amount of \$125,000 for a formal local beautification program.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

Roll Call: _____
Brusuelas Otero Garwood Rupp

10. Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk is asking to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement between the Village of Tularosa and the White Sands Drug & Alcohol Compliance.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

11. Linda Vigil, Librarian is asking to approve the appointment of Michael Finkbeiner to the position of part-time library assistant at a pay rate of \$12.00hr.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

12. Anna Vigil, Senior Center Director is asking to approve the appointment of Matthew Mirabal to the position of part-time program aide at a pay rate of \$15.00hr.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

13. Geraldine Martinez, Chief of Police is asking to approve a pay raise in the amount of \$1.50 for Dean Lester.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

14. Larry Berry, Judge is asking for the village to approve funding for the replacement of carpet and ceiling panels in the courthouse office.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

15. Rusty Helton, planning and zoning is asking for approval of a building site permit for Thomas Estrada of 400 Bosque.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

16. Rusty Helton, planning and zoning is asking for approval of a building site permit for Billie Telles of 615 Hunter Ln.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

17. Rusty Helton, planning and zoning is asking for approval of a building site permit for Nathan Graves of 805 Clayton Ave.

MOTION _____ SECOND _____ ACTION _____

(Only Mayor, Trustees or Staff to talk about old or new business)

18. Old Business:

19. New Business:

20. Adjourn:

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