



Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes February 10th, 2026

1. Call the Meeting to Order

Mayor Isabella Salazar called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present were Mayor Isabella Salazar, Councilor Jimmy Atkison, Councilor Mary Jiron, Councilor Amber Hitchcock, Councilor Joe Kalisek, Councilor Leona Wylie, Library Director Crystal Weigel, Finance and Administration Director Arnold Ramirez, Town Clerk Amberlee Olivas, Police Chief Scott Conner, Senior Center Director Whitney Jaramillo, Dennis Merrill, Parker Hitchcock, and Lisa Tupa.

3. Approval/Disapproval of the Agenda

Councilor Leona Wylie moved to approve the agenda. Councilor Mary Jiron seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Jimmy Atkison—Yes, Councilor Mary Jiron—Yes, Councilor Amber Hitchcock—Yes, Councilor Joe Kalisek—Yes, Councilor Leona Wylie—Yes. The motion carried.

4. Approval/Disapproval of the Meeting Minutes from 01/27/2026

Councilor Joe Kalisek moved to approve the meeting minutes from January 27th, 2026. Councilor Jimmy Atkison seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Jimmy Atkison—Yes, Councilor Mary Jiron—Yes, Councilor Amber Hitchcock—Yes, Councilor Joe Kalisek—Yes, Councilor Leona Wylie—Yes. The motion carried.

5. Department Reports

Councilor Jimmy Atkison moved to approve the departmental reports. Councilor Amber Hitchcock seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Jimmy Atkison—Yes, Councilor Mary Jiron—Yes, Councilor Amber Hitchcock—Yes, Councilor Joe Kalisek—Yes, Councilor Leona Wylie—Yes. The motion carried.

6. Public Comments

Dennis Merrill informed the Council of the appropriations through the office of Teresa Leger Fernandez. Congresswoman Fernandez is allotted funding for 15 projects in District Three. Due to the nature of our sewer system, Mr. Merrill believes we should make a case and apply for the funding.

7. Mayor, Councilor, And Department Head Comments

Councilor Jimmy Atkison thanked the Senior Center department. He also expressed appreciation for the exercise class held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Councilor Mary Jiron is questioned the Maintenance department about the sewer plan. Councilor Mary would like to make changes to the community building rental agreement.

Councilor Amber Hitchcock is grateful for the Senior Center upgrades and Library upgrades. Would like to see the continued upgrades extend to the Police Department building and Maintenance building.

Councilor Joe Kalisek questioned where the calendars with citizens birthdays came from.

Mayor Isabella Salazar thanked everyone in attendance.

8. Discussion Items



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A. Discussion on selling town property on Main and 6th plus the back half of Anderson between 5th and 6th street and putting it up for bid. (Mayor Salazar)

Discussion included determining the value before moving forward with this.

9. Action Item

A. Consideration and Approval of the acceptance donation of St. Thomas Catholic Church Mission Building located at 701 E 5th Street to be used as a community food pantry and warming station. (Mayor Isabella Salazar)

Councilor Amber Hitchcock moved to approve the donation of St. Thomas Catholic Church Mission Building located at 701 E 5th Street to be used as a community food pantry and warming station.

Councilor Mary Jiron seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Jimmy Atkison—Yes, Councilor Mary Jiron—Yes, Councilor Amber Hitchcock—Yes, Councilor Joe Kalisek—Yes, Councilor Leona Wylie—Yes. The motion carried.

B. Consideration and Approval of Resolution No. 0023-2526 to apply for the 2026-2027 New Mexico Department of Transportation Municipal Arterial Grant for street and drainage improvements. (Mayor Isabella Salazar)

Councilor Amber Hitchcock moved to approve Resolution No. 0023-2526. Councilor Mary Jiron seconded the motion. Roll Call: Councilor Jimmy Atkison—Yes, Councilor Mary Jiron—Yes, Councilor Amber Hitchcock—Yes, Councilor Joe Kalisek—Yes, Councilor Leona Wylie—Yes. The motion carried.

10. Adjournment

Mayor Isabella Salazar adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Read and Approved February 24th, 2026.

Mayor, Isabella Salazar

Finance and Administration Director, Arnold Ramirez