

**MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF SNOWFLAKE
HELD 08/04/2026**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL at 7:00 PM; Present: Reid Stinnett, Travis Kay, Mark Sheen, Byron Lewis, Cory Johnson, Greg Brimhall, Joe Bjornn; Staff: Brian Richards, Katie Melser, r, Chief Martin, Chief Nelson**
- 2. PRAYER/PLEDGE Sheen/Bjornn**
- 3. CALL TO PUBLIC**

Josh Cadwell- addressed the council as the VP of the STP Association; there have been staffing challenges. Leadership and elected officials addressed the issue by recruiting and retaining officers. The department is in a strengthened position because of hiring and retention, made possible by the councils of Snowflake and Taylor and the Shared Services Committee. Our communities deserve this. Express sincere appreciation.

Trenton Lucas- East of town is a bridge that has had issues, including flooding over the years. It needs to be maintained to prevent flooding. There needs to be a plan for cleaning it up. There's only one roadway to the east of town. Need another road to the east side of town, it has grown rapidly and continues to grow.

Ken Hales- Don't want to be thought of as always complaining; appreciate the work done by the council. Acceptance of maintenance for the roadway has not happened according to the town. There is a need for an alternate route to the east side of town. He cited the General Plan that discusses roadways addressing town growth. Thought needs to be put into this and the process needs to be underway.

Marvin Howard- spoke to Mr. Hatch this afternoon and appreciate the work done for clean-up. Concerned that there is a well within 200 ft of the house demo site. The property is a potential waste disposal site. He referenced the demolition permit required by the town, including permits from ADEQ as required. It includes that no debris remain or be buried on the site. Mr. Hatch claims that the town has given him permission to do what he has done; request the town to rectify the situation.

Jack Babb- representing Navajo County Jr. Livestock; the county fair is less than 45 days away. He left flyers with schedules of events. Jr. Livestock is always looking for additional funding to help make the fair and livestock show better. There are buckle sponsorships, and he has the form for it. He mentioned several ways to help with the funding. Reach out with any questions.

Brent Meyer- Please uninstall the flock cameras in the community. This is not an anti-law enforcement position, he is supportive of first responders. He gave an instance of a case being solved without the aid of the cameras, just skilled police work. Free people should not have their data tracked and stored for no reason.

Louise Liggett- Thank you. Agree with Brent, the flock cameras are insane. They take normal citizen's information and store it. Read for the 4th Amendment; "secure in their persons... against unreasonable search and seizures... probable cause." This is goofy and communism, it is the opposite of freedom.

Russell Hayes- Moved here to get out of the valley to raise kids in a safe and free place. He is a

software engineer and knows about data for things like this. Flock cameras are a real issue. It would be wise to recognize how people feel about these cameras. You don't understand technology. Flock is a 3rd party private company. They can sell their data to any person they want. Has heard many arguments for it.

Heidi Howcroft- Surveillance throughout the towns is on the promise of safety and security; at what cost? Freedom is fragile (quoting Pres. Reagan); Liberty once lost is lost forever (quoting John Adams); it is this idea of what's the problem? Who determines what is illegal one day? How do we know these will not be turned against us?

Tom Reed- These others have stolen my thunder; the data collected by the cameras don't stay local, to be queried across the country, often without a warrant. They track more than crime. We have seen the risks, including innocents being stopped erroneously. The cost is a quiet shift towards continuous suspiciousness. Scaling it back is hard. A free society does not require this constant tracking. Government powers should be limited. Flock camera systems should be removed. This is the same as China monitoring their people.

Jarem Hatch- response to complaint about the project from Marvin Howard; as far as landfilling the house, he spoke to Mr. Meyer about it and given the green light. Happy to share what has been done and what they are trying to get to. Try to be a good citizen.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A July Check Register

B Council Meeting Minutes dated July 7, 2026

C Consideration of Waiver and Informed Consent to Joint Representation among the Little Colorado Water Conservation District, the Town of Snowflake, and the Town of Taylor.

D Consideration of first amendment to option and land lease agreement with VB-S1 Assets, LLC to renew the ground lease on a cell phone tower at well site number two.

E Consideration of acceptance of parcel 202-35-004D; 170 S Country Club Dr., Snowflake, approximately .10 acres from the Boardwalk Snowflake LLC.

Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Sheen to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed; unanimous

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A Nexus Coalition Update

Vicky Solomon addressed the council and gave an update on their Junior Leadership Academy; 5th year in Snowflake/Taylor. Building resiliency and life skills in a fun and exciting way. It is a great success. They provide all of their services for free through grant funding.

Thank you from the council.

- B Consideration of approval of scrivener's correction of error in portion of map originally approved as part of the current Town of Snowflake General Plan on February 1, 2022; Resolution 2022-01. The scrivener's error resulted in a portion of parcel 303-01-603 being erroneously marked as Commercial and another portion of the same parcel being erroneously marked as Industrial. The entirety of parcel 303-01-603 should have been marked as Low Density Residential (LDR). Council's approval of this item will authorize Town staff to correct this mistake and amend the map to reflect the entirety of parcel 303-01-603 marked as LDR. This correction will bring the map into conformity with the General Plan.

Brian- this recently came to our attention. Gave a brief history of the general plan update procedure. Nothing on the erroneous map is legislation. The parcel in question is owned entirely by the state. It's official zoning is AG for the whole section. It is an obvious error in the general plan. In discussions with others that worked on the general plan and none of them

Stinnett- don't remember this exact part; the map maker agrees it was an error?

Brian- they made the update, so they agree that it was an error

Motion by Sheen, 2nd by Johnson to approve the scrivener's correction of error in portion of map originally approved as part of the current Town of Snowflake General Plan on February 1, 2022 by Resolution 2022-01. Motion passed 6-1 with Kay, Sheen, Lewis, Bjornn, Johnson, and Brimhall in favor and with Stinnett opposed.

- C Consideration of Resolution 2026-15 Designating several street names.

Brian- This name is requested by the developer because it is a family name.

Motion by Kay, 2nd by Johnson to approve Resolution 2026-15. Motion passed; unanimous

- D Consideration of Resolution 2026-16 designating several street names.

Brian- These names are suggested based on other road names in the area.

Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Sheen to approve Resolution 2026-16. Motion passed; unanimous

- E Consideration of Resolution 2026-17, Canvassing the Returns and Declaring and Adopting the Official Results of the Primary Election held on July 21, 2026.

Brian explained the election results within the resolution, provided by the county. The swearing in will take place in November.

Motion by Sheen, 2nd by Bjornn to approve Resolution 2026-17. Motion passed; unanimous

- F Financial report and update on various capital projects within the Town.

Brian gave a presentation on some selected financial data. Report included information on revenues and expenditures, salaries and benefits, and total expenditures. We could operate for an entire year if we didn't get any revenue.

Lewis- says a lot that we fund a town this size without a property tax

Johnson- why did the revenue go down this year?

Brian- we had several big grants in previous years

Kay- can you discuss the Rodeo Rd. project?

Brian- it closes tomorrow, administered by ADOT; the last 2 days there have been some questions to clear up; they'll do approvals for it at their board meeting, whenever it is. Then we'll find out if we get it.

Lewis- timeline on Tractor Supply?

Brian- agreement with Taylor; the water and sewer line extension will begin next month

6. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Stinnett- Pioneer Days was phenomenal; appreciate the effort that went into it

Kay- Love July in Snowflake and our small town life; Pioneer Days turned out great

Sheen- witnessed the storm on the 20th and drove around the next morning to survey the damage; the community members the next morning working at Pioneer Park and neighbors all over town cleaning up was incredible; this community is awesome and steps up when something needs to be done; thank you for sharing your convictions with us as community members

Brimhall- after the storm drove down the parade route and it was so bad, but there were neighbors already working on it that night; may be some drainage issues; Pioneer Day floats were great and the theme was amazing; great time to be a part of the community

Johnson- great celebration; damage from the storm clean-up was great; shout out to rodeo committee; 3 fireworks shows; blessing to have the rain over the celebration

Bjornn- echo what's been said; we underestimate the amount of people behind the scenes, and we sometimes take for granted the amazing people in this community; it is a wonderful place to come visit, to live, and to associate with each other

Lewis- memories make us rich; with sadness we note the passing of Hazel Brimhall and Judy Ballard; recognize P&Z and the 250 committee; shout out to Jerom Hatch for donating dumpsters during the clean-up; thanks to Mark for handling town matters during his absence; shout out to staff members in all the departments; thank you for support during his family's health challenges; this is where we belong, this is home.

7. ADJOURNMENT at 8:13 PM