



Town Council
Monday, June 2, 2025
4:00 PM
Regular Meeting
130 Kearns Road
Town Council Chambers
Snowmass Village, CO 81615

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Mayor Shenk called to order the Regular Meeting of the Snowmass Village Town Council on Monday, June 2, 2025, at 4:01 PM.

A complete live recording of this meeting can be found at www.tosv.com under Town Council Meetings. This meeting will be archived indefinitely, allowing you to view it at anytime.

2. Roll Call

Council Members Present: Alyssa Shenk, Tom Fridstein, Britta Gustafson, Cecily DeAngelo and Susan Marolt.

Council Members Absent: none.

Staff Present: Clint Kinney, Town Manager; Jeff Conklin, Town Attorney; Greg LeBlanc, Assistant Town Manager; Brian Olson, Chief of Police; Dave Heivly, Asst Chief of Police; Andy Worline, Parks, Recreation and Trail Director; Riley Bonilla, Asst. Parks, Recreation & Trails Director; Jim Wahlstrom, Senior Planner; and Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk.

Public Present: John Mele, Scott Thompson, Bill Boineau, Tim Malloy, Morgan Fixel, Andrew Wickes, Rebecca Paschal and Darrell Smith.

3. Proclamations and Presentations

3.A. Fire Mitigation Presentation

The presentation by John Mele and Scott Thompson outlined Snowmass Village's efforts to reduce wildfire risk through vegetation management, infrastructure protection,

and community engagement. Key actions include removing dead trees, creating fuel breaks, and hardening homes against fire. Projects from 2013 to 2025 span areas like Ridge Run, Tom Blake Trail, and Oak Ridge Road. A 2019 ordinance supports fire-resistant building practices, while public education, partnerships with fire agencies, and events like chipping days and film screenings help involve residents in mitigation efforts.

4. Public Comment

This section is set aside for the Town Council to LISTEN to comments by the public regarding items that do not otherwise appear on this agenda. Generally, the Town Council will not discuss the issue and will not take an official action under this section of the agenda. (Five Minute Time Limit)

None.

5. Consent Agenda

These are items where all conditions or requirements have been agreed to or met prior to the time they come before the Council for final action. A Single Public Hearing will be opened for all items on the Consent Agenda. These items will be approved by a single motion of the Council. The Mayor will ask if there is anyone present who has objection to such procedure as to certain items. Members of the Council may also ask that an item be removed from the consent section and fully discussed. All items not removed from the consent section will then be approved. A member of the Council may vote no on specific items without asking that they be removed from the consent section for full discussion. Any item that is removed from the consent agenda will be placed on the regular agenda.

5.A. 2025 Draft Agendas

Council decided to cancel the June 9th Work Session.

Council asked to add an update on Community Outreach possibly on July 14th.

The lighting ordinance will come to Council after Planning Commission reviews, late July or early August.

Members would like to discuss Mowers and leaf blowers to talk again about switching all to electric.

5.B. Minutes for Approval

Small edit: line 243 - they are doing the fire break - not maybe.

5.C. Ordinance No. 09, 2025 - Amend 2025 budget for expanded bus service - First Reading

5.D. Resolution No. 19, 2025 - Deerbrook THs Final PUD Application extension

Council Member Fridstein motioned to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Marolt seconded. All in favor.

6. Public Hearings - Quasi-Judicial Hearings

Public Hearings are the formal opportunity for the Town Council to LISTEN to the public regarding the issue at hand. For land use hearings the Council is required to act in a quasi-judicial capacity. When acting as a quasi-judicial body, the Council is acting in much the same capacity as a judge would act in a court of law. Under these circumstances, the judicial or quasi-judicial must limit its consideration to matters which are placed into evidence and are part of the public record. The Council must base their decision on the law and the evidence presented at the hearing.

7. Policy/Legislative Public Hearings

8. Administrative Reports

8.A. Follow-up Discussion with EAB regarding their April Letter to Council

Staff Liaison to the EAB Greg LeBlanc briefly introduced the agenda item and introduced the EAB members present including Morgan Fixel, Darrell Smith, Rebecca Pascal and Andrew Wickes.

The Environmental Advisory Board (EAB) 2025–2026 Recommendations presentation to the Snowmass Town Council outlined a multi-faceted strategy to improve wildfire resilience, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and enhance water conservation. The wildfire section emphasized the growing risk of faster, higher-elevation fires and presented a four-step plan: education and outreach, financial incentives, code changes, and ordinances for existing structures. The EAB highlighted the importance of defensible space and fire-resistant materials, aiming for full implementation within 3–5 years. It also recommended coordination with regional fire authorities and promotion of wildfire insurance certifications. On emissions, the EAB board noted that 74% of the town's emissions came from buildings and proposed increased investment in electrification and energy efficiency, especially for commercial properties, in collaboration with CORE and Holy Cross Energy.

The presentation also addressed water use, noting that 40% of annual consumption was for irrigation, much of it excessive. The EAB recommended evaluating all town-owned properties for irrigation efficiency, replacing non-functional turf, and aligning with state water laws. Additional sustainability initiatives included expanding composting to commercial businesses, reducing construction and demolition waste through tracking and policy, and establishing a centralized trans-loading facility to reduce delivery truck emissions. To coordinate these efforts, the EAB proposed adding a full-time Sustainability Coordinator to implement and manage these initiatives across departments and with regional partners.

Council thanked the EAB for their presentation. EAB will meet again this week to

further discuss the costs associated with these recommendations and possibly develop a matrix for Council to review.

8.B. Entryway Improvement Update

Director Andy Worline and Assistant Director Riley Bonilla from the Parks, Trails & Recreation department presented updates on the Town Park entryway improvements. They reported that the aluminum railing on the bleachers would be replaced with wooden planks to create a softer appearance, with work scheduled to begin next week. Additionally, they discussed planting 18–20 foot spruce trees at the roundabout entrance to enhance screening and esthetics. They also addressed the need for a more visually appealing gate that reflects the character of the rodeo and the town, proposing the hiring of an architect to design a functional and distinctive entry feature. They also explored options for improving the bleachers by replacing aluminum seats with powder-coated ones, with a quote of \$53,400 for the four largest sections. They considered paving the parking lot to improve the appearance and discussed the drainage impacts. The council also addressed the visual impact of the cell tower at the park entrance and considered screening options to improve the overall look of the area.

Town Manager Clint Kinney and the council discussed the architect selection process, agreeing on the importance of establishing design parameters and possibly having the council review the selected architect before finalizing the contract.

9. Town Council Reports and Actions

Reports and Updates

Council Members Fridstein, Gustafson and Marolt had no updates. Council Member DeAngelo attended the Nordic Council meeting where they discussed climate-proofing areas, but no specifics on the Snowmass Village area. Mayor Shenk will attend the NWCOGG meeting in Gypsum on Thursday. Attended the SAAB Meeting last week where they discussed the updated mural design which they will bring to Council later on June 16th. Community paint by numbers is still the plan. Mayor Shenk presented the SAAB scholarship at the Aspen High School event.

10. Executive Session

10.A. Executive Session: Negotiations - potential workforce housing property and lease for provider at Little Red Schoolhouse; Performance Review of Town Manager

Mayor Shenk read the legal language for the Executive Session.

At 7:35 pm Council Member Fridstein motioned to go into Executive Session. Council Member Gustafson seconded. All in favor.

At 8:20 pm, Mayor Shenk moved to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvened the Regular Meeting. Council Member Marolt seconded. All in favor.

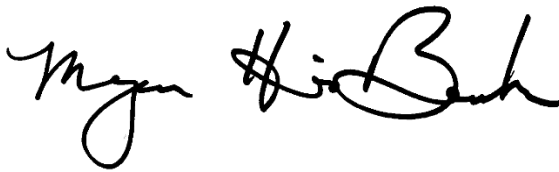
11. Adjournment

Mayor Shenk motioned to adjourn. Council Member Fridstein seconded. All in favor.

Adjourned at 8:20 pm.

The Snowmass Village Town Council approved this set of meeting minutes at their Regular Meeting on Monday, August 4, 2025.

Submitted By,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Megan Harris Boucher". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk