



**SIERRA COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION NO. 110-137**

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES AND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

WHEREAS, the Sierra County Commission met at a duly noticed regular County Commission meeting on January 6, 2023, at 10:00 A.M. in the Sierra County Administration Building, 1712 N. Date Street, Truth or Consequences, NM 87901; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners will conduct their meetings using Robert's Rules of Order (10th ed.) as a guide to parliamentary authority, except as modified by this document; and,

WHEREAS, collectively, the Board of County Commissioners, through simple majority, elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson from among themselves, whose terms last until the first meeting of the next year; and,

WHEREAS, the Board has deemed it appropriate to adopt special rules modifying Robert's Rules of Order to give reflect that, under New Mexico law, the Board of County Commissioners are equal in their authority and responsibility to represent not only their own district but the entire of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County that it adopts the following "Special Rules" modifying Robert's Rules of Order for the purpose of conducting business during the meetings of the Board:

1. The Chairperson may make motions and shall have the same voting rights, no less and no more, as any other member of the Board.
2. The Chairperson shall not have any administrative, procedural, contractual or similar authority different than any other member of the Board, except as provided by statute.
3. Should the Chairperson vacate the office of Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson shall serve the remainder of the term, and a new Vice-Chairperson shall be selected by a simple majority of a quorum of the Board.
4. Members of the Board are required to obtain the floor (i.e., must be recognized by the Chairperson) before making motions or speaking.
5. Any and all motions need to have a second before a vote may be taken.

6. Items appearing on the agenda of meetings of the Board shall be those necessary for the proper consideration and management of County business, as determined by the County Manager. Additionally, the County Manager shall place any item necessary for the proper consideration and management of County business requested by any individual member of the Board of County Commissioners on the agenda for the next meeting of the Board.
7. Items may only be reconsidered or placed again on the agenda by a commissioner who voted on the prevailing side.
8. Each matter voted on by the Commission will be by "yes" or "no" unless a member of the Board requests a roll call vote or if clarification is needed. In the case of a roll call vote the Chairperson called upon to vote last.
9. The presiding Chairperson at a meeting of the Board is declared to be the lawful custodian of the building where the meeting is conducted pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 30-20-13 (C) (1981).

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED on this 6th day of January, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



TRAVIS DAY



HANK HOPKINS



JAMES PAXON

ATTEST BY:



SHELLY TRUJILLO, COUNTY CLERK