

**SIERRA COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 15, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 A.M.

The Sierra County Board of County Commissioners met in Regular Session at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, December 15, 2020, at the Sierra County Commission Chambers, 855 Van Patten, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Travis Day, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Frances Luna, Member
Commissioner James Paxon, Chairman

Clerk of Board: Shelly Trujillo

County Attorney: Dave Pato

County Manager: Bruce Swingle

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG PLEDGE:

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Chuck Wentworth-Sentinel, Glenn Hamilton, Travis Atwell, Jocelyn Holguin, Candace Chavez, Amy Whitehead, Cindy Rodriquez, Dora Miranda

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commission Vice-Chair Day **MOVED** to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Luna **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried with Commissioners District 1-2-3 voting yes.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. Special Meeting-November 10, 2020
- B. Regular Meeting-November 17, 2020
- C. Special Meeting-November 30, 2020

Commissioner Luna **MOVED** to approve the minutes as presented.
Commission Vice-Chair Day **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried with
Commissioners District 1-2-3 voting yes.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT: LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES

IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Resolution No. 109-032- Account Payables

B. Resolution No. 109-033-Budget Adjustments

**C. Resolution No. 109-039-Budget Adjustment Transferring Monies from
401 to 507 Funds**

D. Resolution No. 109-034-Indigent Claims

E. Indigent Burial B2020-10

F. Indigent Burial B2020-011

G. Claim of Exemption 20-007 Porch/Anglin

Commission Vice-Chair Day **MOVED** to approve Consent Agenda as
Amended, removing Item C. Commissioner Luna **SECONDED** the motion.
Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

V. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:

- A. Terri Copsin Recognition**
- B. Frances Luna Recognition**
- C. Restrictive Housing Act Quarterly Report**
- D. 2020 Sierra County Accomplishments**
- E. Scott McLaughlin-Spaceport Update**

VI. BOARD OF FINANCE:

- A. November Reconciliation**

Commission Vice-Chair Day **MOVED** to approve October Reconciliation
as presented. Commissioner Luna **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried
with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Letter of Support for Senator Elect Crystal Diamond to be appointed to Senator Smith's Vacant Seat

Commissioner Luna MOVED to approve Letter of Support for Senator Elect Crystal Diamond to be appointed to Senator Smith's Vacant Seat as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. Letter Concerning Proposed Initial Release and Translocation Plan for 2021 for the Mexican Grey Wolf

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Letter Concerning Proposed Initial Release and Translocation Plan for 2021 for the Mexican Grey Wolf as presented. Commissioner Luna SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

IX. CONTRACTS – AGREEMENTS – PROCUREMENT:

A. MOU between County of Sierra and the City of Elephant Butte-Administration and Enforcement of the City's Floodplain Management Regulations

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to TABLE MOU between County of Sierra and the City of Elephant Butte-Administration and Enforcement of the City's Floodplain Management Regulations as presented. Commissioner Luna SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. SCRDA Loan Agreement-Sierra County and the New Mexico Finance Authority

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve SCRDA Loan Agreement-Sierra County and the New Mexico Finance Authority as presented. Commissioner Luna SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

C. SCRDA General and No Litigation Certificate

Commissioner Luna MOVED to approve SCRDA General and No Litigation Certificate as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

D. SCRDA Arbitrage and Tax Certificate

Commissioner Luna MOVED to approve SCRDA Arbitrage and Tax Certificate as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

E. SCRDA Delivery, Deposit and Cross-Receipt Certificate

Commissioner Luna MOVED to approve SCRDA Delivery, Deposit and Cross-Receipt Certificate as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

F. SCRDA Intercept Agreement

Commissioner Luna MOVED to approve SCRDA Intercept Agreement as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

G. RFP#2020-06-00 Hillsboro Community Center Phase 1-Smithco AIA Agreement

Commissioner Luna MOVED to approve RFP#2020-06-00 Hillsboro Community Center Phase 1-Smithco AIA Agreement as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

H. Project Participation Agreement with Sierra County and Spinlaunch

This is for information only and will be presented on the January meeting.

I. Intergovernmental Agreement between the New Mexico Economic Development Department and Sierra County New Mexico

This is for information only and will be presented at the January meeting.

X. RESOLUTIONS – ORDINANCES – PROCLAMATIONS:

A. Resolution No. 109-031-Declaration of Emergency Drought Disaster

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 109-031-Declaration of Emergency Drought Disaster as presented. Commissioner Luna SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. Resolution No. 109-035-SCRDA Loan-PP RF-5391

Commissioner Luna MOVED to approve Resolution No. 109-035-SCRDA Loan-PP RF-5391 as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

C. Resolution No. 109-036-Establishing Calendar Year 2021 Hours of Business and Legal Holidays

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 109-036-Establishing Calendar Year 2021 Hours of Business and Legal Holidays as presented. Commissioner Luna SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

D. Resolution No. 109-037-Spinlaunch Economic Development Project

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 109-037-Spinlaunch Economic Development Project as presented. Commissioner Luna SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

E. Resolution No. 109-038-Adoption of Master Drainage Plan

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 109-038-Adoption of Master Drainage Plan as presented. Commissioner Luna SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION (11:54 A.M.) SECTION (10-15-1E THRU H):

At 11:54 A.M. Commissioner Luna MOVED to go into Executive Session for Personnel, Real Estate, Pending and Threatened Litigation. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Roll call vote was taken with all Commissioners present voting yes.

**District 1 – Yes
District 2 – Yes
District 3 – Yes**

PENDING AND THREATENED LITIGATION:

**A. J. Simms
B. D. Caouette**

PERSONNEL:

REAL ESTATE:

XII. OPEN SESSION ACTIONS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to come back into Regular Session. Commissioner Luna SECONDED the motion. Roll call vote was taken, with all Commissioners present voting yes.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT REGULAR SIERRA COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING: December 15, 2020

The date and time of the next Regular Sierra County Commission Meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 10:00 A.M. at the Sierra County Commission Chamber at 855 Van Patten, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

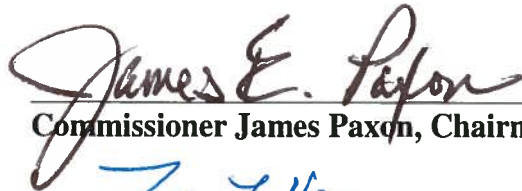
Commissioner Luna MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT: (12:44 P.M.)

There being no further business to come before the Board. Commission Chair Paxon adjourned the meeting at 12:44 P.M.

Dated this 15th day of December, 2020.

SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Commissioner James Paxson, Chairman

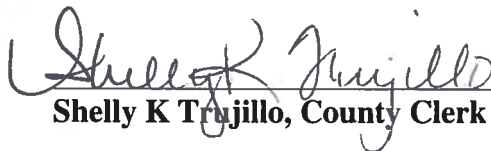


Commissioner Travis Day, Vice-Chairman



Commissioner Hank Hopkins, Member

ATTEST:



Shelly K Trujillo, County Clerk

