

**SIERRA COUNTY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 9, 2021**

**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, November 9, 2021, at the Sierra County Commission Chambers, 855 Van Patten, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

**ROLL CALL:**

Commissioner James Paxon, Chairman  
Commissioner Travis Day, Vice-Chair  
Commissioner Hank Hopkins, Member

Clerk of Board: Shelly Trujillo

County Attorney: Dave Pato

County Manager: Charlene Webb

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG PLEDGE:**

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Kristie Wilson, Randall Ashbaugh, Michelle Atwell, Chuck Wentworth-Sentinel, Ernie Armijo, Travis Atwell, Glenn Hamilton, Sherry Willits, Marc Willits, Roger Long-SVH Community EMS, Sheila Adams-SVH CNO, Virginia Lee, Billy Neeley, Brad Spencer, Ryan Williams

**I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. Regular Meeting-October 19, 2021



Commissioner Hopkins **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**

Randy Ashbaugh asked that the new County building be named the Amin  
Complex.

Sherry Willits spoke about some of the voting issues encountered during the  
2021 Regular Local Election.

Marc Willits spoke about some of the voting issues encountered during the  
2021 Regular Local Election.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. Resolution No. 110-030- Account Payables**

**B. Resolution No. 110-031- Indigent Claims**

**C. Resolution No. 110-032- Budget Adjustments**

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

**V. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:**

**A. Years of Service Awards**

**B. Retirement Award-Ronnie Chavez**

**C. Department Reports**

**D. Roger Long-Community EMS Program**

**VI. BOARD OF FINANCE:**

**A. October Reconciliation**

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

**VII. OLD BUSINESS:**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Canvassing of Votes for the 2021 Regular Local Election**

Commissioner Hopkins **MOVED** to approve Canvassing of Votes for the 2021 Regular Local Election as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

**B. Transfer of Dodge M886 4X4 Military Ambulance to the New Mexico Museum of Military History**

Commission Vice-Chair Day **MOVED** to approve Transfer of Dodge M886 4X4 Military Ambulance to the New Mexico Museum of Military History as presented. Commissioner Hopkins **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

**C. Appointment of LaNeer Wrye, Sharon Luna and Byron Wilson as Freeholders to View Oak Street and Cedar Street in Kingston**

Commissioner Hopkins **MOVED** to approve Appointment of LaNeer Wrye, Sharon Luna and Byron Wilson as Freeholders to View Oak Street and Cedar Street in Kingston as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

**D. Transfer of 1996 Ambulance from Hillsboro Fire/Rescue to Poverty Creek Fire Department**

Commissioner Hopkins **MOVED** to approve Transfer of 1996 Ambulance from Hillsboro Fire/Rescue to Poverty Creek Fire Department as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

**IX. CONTRACTS – AGREEMENTS – PROCUREMENT**

**A. 21-F2904 Capital Appropriation Project between DGA and Sierra County \$150,000 to Purchase and Equip Vehicles and Shuttle Buses for Sierra County**

Commission Vice-Chair Day **MOVED** to approve 21-F2904 Capital Appropriation Project between DGA and Sierra County \$150,000 to Purchase and Equip Vehicles and Shuttle Buses for Sierra County as presented. Commissioner Hopkins **SECONDED** the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

- B. 21-F2905 Capital Appropriation Project between DFA and Sierra County \$100,000 to plan, design, construct , extend, resurface and pave a parking lot for Sierra County Offices**

**Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve 21-F2905 Capital Appropriation Project between DFA and Sierra County \$100,000 to plan, design, construct, extend, resurface and pave a parking lot for Sierra County Offices as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

- C. 21-F2906 Capital Appropriation Project between DFA and Sierra County \$180,000 to Purchase and Equip Ambulances for Sierra Vista Hospital**

**Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve 21-F2906 Capital Appropriation Project between DFA and Sierra County \$180,000 to Purchase and Equip Ambulances for Sierra Vista Hospital as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

- D. Contract for Services between Center for Health Innovation and Sierra County**

**Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Contract for Services between Center for Health Innovation and Sierra County as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

- E. State Price Agreement to Purchase SCBA System and Accessories between Artesia Fire Department and Sierra County on Behalf of Las Palomas Fire Department**

**Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve State Price Agreement to Purchase SCBA System and Accessories between Artesia Fire Department and Sierra County on Behalf of Las Palomas Fire Department as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

- F. Invitation to Bid #2021-10-015 Road Materials**

**Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Invitation to Bid #2021-10-015 Road Materials as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

- G. Management Agreement between Hospital Services Corporation and Sierra County for Unemployment Compensation Claims**

**Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Management Agreement between Hospital Services Corporation and Sierra County for Unemployment Compensation Claims as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

**H. Participating Entity Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with CES**

**Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Participating Entity Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with CES as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

**X. RESOLUTIONS – ORDINANCES – PROCLAMATIONS:**

**A. Resolution No. 110-033-Supporting the Use of the Emory Pass Electronics Site to Improve County Emergency Communications**

**Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-033-Supporting the Use of the Emory Pass Electronics Site to Improve County Emergency Communications as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

**B. Resolution No. 110-034-Supporting NMSU Approval of County Extension Agent COVID-19 Vaccination Request**

**Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-034-Supporting NMSU Approval of County Extension Agent COVID-19 Vaccination Request as amended. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.**

**XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION SECTION (10-15-1E THRU H):**

**Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to go into Executive Session for Personnel, Real Estate, Pending and Threatened Litigation. Commissioner Hopkins 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. BOCC v. FWS**

**B. Notice of Tort Claim-Tracy Palladino on behalf of Janet K Tracy**

**PERSONNEL:**

**REAL ESTATE:**

**XII. OPEN SESSION ACTIONS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to come back into Regular Session. Commissioner Hopkins 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 23, 2021**

**The date and time of the next Regular Sierra County Commission Meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 10:00 A.M. at the Sierra County Commission Chamber at 855 Van Patten, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.**

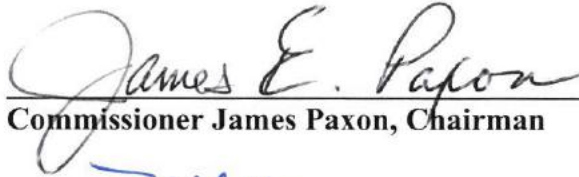
**Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion.**


**ADJOURNMENT:**

**There being no further business to come before the Board, Commission Chair Paxon adjourned the meeting.**

Dated this 9th day of November, 2021.

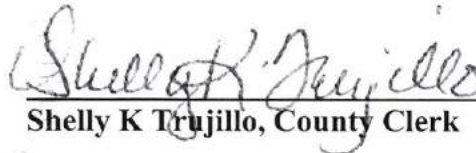
**SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

  
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Commissioner Travis Day, Vice-Chairman

  
Commissioner Hank Hopkins, Member

**ATTEST:**

  
Shelly K Trujillo, County Clerk