

**SIERRA COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2022**

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, March 15, 2022, at the Sierra County Commission Chambers, 1712 N Date, 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-Absent

County Attorney: Dave Pato

County Manager: Charlene Webb

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG PLEDGE:

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Ryan Williams, Chuck Wentworth-Sentinel, Virginia Lee, Ernie Armijo, Jocelyn Holguin, Candace Chavez, Janet Godfrey, Keith Whitney, Michelle Atwell, Klaus Wittern, Billy Neeley, Josh Baker, Amy Whitehead

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commission Chair Paxon asked to amend the Agenda by moving Resolution No. 110-064 to the end of Presentations/Reports.

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

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Regular Meeting-February 15, 2022

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting 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. 110-061- Account Payables**
- B. Resolution No. 110-062- Budget Adjustments**
- C. Resolution No. 110-063- Indigent Claims**
- D. Indigent Burial B2022-004**
- E. Indigent Burial B2022-005**
- F. Indigent Burial B2022-006**

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. Anthony James stated this fire season does not look good. We are only at 40-45% snow pack.
Mr. James also stated there will be smoke in the air throughout the Gila from now through the summer
There will be PSA's sent out as much as possible to the radio station.**

- B. Years of Service Awards**
- C. Department Reports**
- D. Resolution No. 110-064-Acceptance and Approval of the FY2021 Audit**

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-064-Acceptance and Approval of the FY2021 Audit as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

VI. BOARD OF FINANCE:

- A. February Reconciliation**

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve the January 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. Policy 22-001 Repealing Policy 15-003 to Update the Purchasing Policy and Implement Changes

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Policy 22-001 Repealing Policy 15-003 to Update the Purchasing Policy and Implement Changes as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. Grant Award Agreement between the State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department and Sierra County

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Grant Award Agreement between the State of New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department and Sierra County as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

IX. CONTRACTS – AGREEMENTS – PROCUREMENT

A. Agreement between Bassam Al-Homsi, MD and the County of Sierra

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Agreement between Bassam Al-Homsi, MD and the County of Sierra as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

X. RESOLUTIONS – ORDINANCES – PROCLAMATIONS:

A. Ordinance No. 22-001-County Burn Ordinance

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Ordinance No. 22-001-County Burn Ordinance as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. Resolution No. 110-065—Sierra County Emergency Vehicle Permit Standards for Privately Owned Vehicles

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-065—Sierra County Emergency Vehicle Permit Standards for Privately Owned Vehicles as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

C. Resolution No. 110-066-Sierra County Road Mileage Certification

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-066-Sierra County Road Mileage Certification as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

D. Resolution No. 110-067-Execution of Contracts; Grant Agreements; Memoranda of Understanding; Joint Powers Agreements; Settlement Agreements; Purchases

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-067-Execution of Contracts; Grant Agreements; Memoranda of Understanding; Joint Powers Agreements; Settlement Agreements; Purchases as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

E. Resolution No. 110-068-Approval of FY 2023 DWI Grant Application Documents

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-068-Approval of FY 2023 DWI Grant Application Documents as presented. 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

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: April 19, 2022

The date and time of the next Regular Sierra County Commission Meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at 10:00 A.M. at the Sierra County Commission Chamber at 1712 N Date, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.


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

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Dated this 15th day of March, 2022.

SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Commissioner James Paxon, Chairman



Commissioner Travis Day, Vice-Chairman



Commissioner Hank Hopkins, Member

ATTEST:



Shelly K Trujillo, County Clerk

