

**SIERRA COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 21, 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, June 21, 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

County Attorney: Dave Pato

County Manager: Charlene Webb

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG PLEDGE:

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Kristie Wilson, Ryan Williams, Brett Bewty, Jimmy Craig, Phillip F McCabe, William G Norris, Glenn Hamilton, Virginia Lee, Rudolph Fajardo, M Atwell, Nicholas Wurth, chuck Wentworth-Sentinel, Johanna Tighe, Kimberley Edgmon, Eden Garcia, Ernie Armijo, Chealsey Barnes, Ernestina Montenegro, Gary B, Lisa Daniel-Olive Tree, George Lee, Jon Grant, Couy Griffin Gunner Griffin, Ronald Elmy, Joceylyn Holguin, Dora Miranda, Cary Gustin

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-May 24, 2022

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting and the Special Meeting as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioners District 1-2-3 voting yes

III. PUBLIC COMMENT: LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES

William Norris wants to get rid of the Dominion voting machines. Mr. Norris wants Sierra County to be the trailblazer on getting rid of the machines.

Phillip McCabe agrees with Mr. Norris. He believes the machines have vulnerabilities. Mr. McCabe also believes they are attached to the internet and poll books.

Johanna Tighe stated that Government comes from God. She is okay with the Primary election results but is worried about the General election in November.

Kimberley Edgmon stated she has been researching the voter fraud for 2 ½ years. Ms. Edgmon stated this is a non partisan issue. Ms. Edgmon believes the Dominion machines change votes and are connected to the internet.

Couy Griffin stated he is extremely concerned about potential fraud in our elections.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Resolution No. 110-083- Account Payables**
- B. Resolution No. 110-084- Budget Adjustments**
- C. Resolution No. 110-085- Budget Transfer**
- D. Indigent Burial Claim B2022-012**
- E. Claim of Exemption 22-004**

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

PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:

- A. Employee of the Month Award**
- B. Years of Service Awards**

C. Department Reports

D. John Grant gave a report on how the Wolf Depredation Investigations are done.

E. Cary “Jagger” Gustin gave an update on the film industry in New Mexico, stating the state is doing very well.

V. BOARD OF FINANCE:

A. May Reconciliation

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

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Local Driving While Intoxicated Grant Agreement for the County DWI Program

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Local Driving While Intoxicated Grant Agreement for the County DWI Program as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. Appointment of Sierra County Film Liaison

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Appointment of Sierra County Film Liaison, Cary “Jagger” Gustin, as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

VIII. CONTRACTS – AGREEMENTS – PROCUREMENT

A. CES-Desert West Commission Approved Public Notice

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve CES-Desert West Commission Approved Public Notice as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. WAC/State Price Agreement Accessories for new Sheriff’s Department Units

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve WAC/State Price Agreement Accessories for new Sheriff's Department Units as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

C. Melloy Fleet/State Price Agreement for Three (3) Detention Center Vehicles

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Melloy Fleet/State Price Agreement for Three (3) Detention Center Vehicles as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

D. RFP Awarded-Patillo, Brown and Hill Audit Services

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve RFP Awarded-Patillo, Brown and Hill Audit Services as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

E. RFP Awarded-Wilson & Co Architectural Services

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve RFP Awarded-Wilson & Co Architectural Services as presented. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

X. RESOLUTIONS – ORDINANCES – PROCLAMATIONS:

A. Resolution No. 110-086-Supporting Development of Sunzia High Voltage Transmission Lines

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-086-Supporting Development of Sunzia High Voltage Transmission Lines as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. Resolution No. 110-087-Adoption of Emergency Operations Plan

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to Table Resolution No. 110-087-Adoption of Emergency Operations Plan as presented, until a later date. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

C. Resolution No. 110-088-Participation in Local Government Road Fund Program and Request for Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation \$186,697.00

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-088-Participation in Local Government Road Fund Program and Request for Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation \$186,697.00 as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

D. Resolution No. 110-089-Participation in Local Government Road Fund Program and Request for Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation \$180,866.67

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-089-Participation in Local Government Road Fund Program and Request for Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation \$180,866.67 as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

E. Resolution No. 110-090-Participation in Local Government Road Fund Program and Request for Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation \$213,203.00

Commission Vice-Chair Day MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-090-Participation in Local Government Road Fund Program and Request for Match Waiver Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation \$213,203.00 as presented. Commissioner Hopkins 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: July 19, 2022, 2022

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

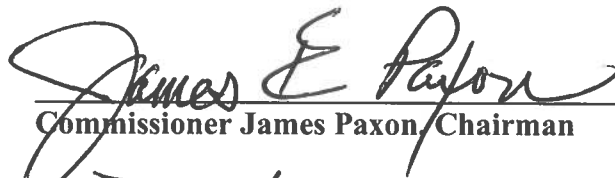
Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Commission Vice-Chair Day SECONDED the motion.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Dated this 21st day of June, 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