

**SIERRA COUNTY COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
June 10, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 am

The Sierra County Board of County Commissioners met in Special Session at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at the Sierra County Commission Chambers, 1712 N Date, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

ROLL CALL:

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

Clerk of Board: Amy Whitehead

County Attorney: Dave Pato

County Manager: Amber Vaughn

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG PLEDGE:

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

**Tim Kudrowski, Sheriff Baker, Ryan Williams, Patrice Love, Jessica Pena,
Monica Zepeda**

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

III. PUBLIC COMMENT-LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES

IV. NEW BUSINESS

**A. Emergency Ordinance/Proclamation 2025-004 Restricting the sale and use
of fireworks in the Unincorporated areas of Sierra County.**

Ryan Williams Emergency Manager presented US Drought Monitor showing extreme drought conditions and said that there is not enough precipitation and none to be expected until after July 4, 2025. He stated that conditions are just too risky and that almost all counties in NM have full burn bans because Public safety is the #1 priority.

Sheriff Baker proposed that the Commission consider removing ground audible fireworks from the ordinance-stating that they don't pose a threat and would increase calls to the Sheriff's department.

Attorney Pato agreed and stated that there are a few fireworks permitted such as sparklers and ground fireworks as long as you have access to water.

Commission Vice-Chair Paxon MOVED to clarify Section 6 and add an amendment to say "arial" fireworks as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioners District 1-2-3 voting yes.


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

ADJOURNMENT: 10:10 AM

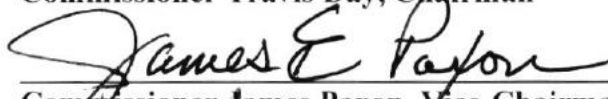
There being no further business to come before the Board, Commission Chair Day adjourned the meeting.

Dated this 10th day of June, 2025.


SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Commissioner Travis Day, Chairman



Commissioner James Paxson, Vice-Chairman



Commissioner Hank Hopkins, Member

ATTEST:



Amy Whitehead, County Clerk