

**SIERRA COUNTY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 17, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 am Regular Meeting

The Sierra County Board of County Commissioners met in Regular Session at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at the Sierra County Commission Chambers 1712 N. Date St. T or C NM 87901.

ROLL CALL:

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

Clerk of Board: Shelly Trujillo

County Attorney: David Pato

County Manager: Amber Vaughn

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG PLEDGE:

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

**Josh Baker, Billy Neeley, Ruben Lucero, Mickey Atwell, Ryan Williams,
Candace Chavez, Mery Tim Kuzdrowski, Cary Jagger Gustin, Isaac Rivers**

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**Commissioner 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:

A. Regular Meeting-November 15, 2024

Commission Vice-Chair Paxon MOVED to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Hopkins 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. 110-288- Accounts Payable

B. Resolution No. 110-289- Indigent Claims

C. Claim of Exemption No. 24-012 (McDonald)

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

V. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:

A. Years of Service award

B. Department Reports

C. Copper Flat Mine

VI. BOARD OF FINANCE:

A. November Reconciliation

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

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Direction to Staff to publish amendment to Animal Control Ordinance

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

B. Reappointment of Cary “Jagger” Gustin as the Sierra County Film Liaison

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

IX. CONTRACTS – AGREEMENTS – PROCUREMENT

A. ITB# 2024-11-023- Sierra County Fairgrounds Improvements-Contract Award/Notice to Proceed- (Vendor TBD)

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve the Sierra County Fairgrounds Improvements Contract Award as presented. Commission Vice Chair Paxon SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. MOU Between the County of Sierra and the County of Catron regarding funding for the CLLA Administration.

Commission Vice Chair Paxon MOVED to approve MOU between the County of Sierra and the County of Catron as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

C. Inter-Governmental Service Agreement between Sierra County Board of Commissioners, Sheriffs Office, and NM Spaceport Authority

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve the Inter-Governmental Service Agreement as presented. Commission Vice Chair SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioners District 1-2-3 voting yes.

D. CLLA JPA Agreement

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

X. RESOLUTIONS – ORDINANCES – PROCLAMATIONS

A. Resolution No. 110-290-Budget Adjustment

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-290-Budget Adjustment as presented. Commission Vice Chair SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

B. Resolution No. 110-291-Elected Official Salaries

Commission Vice Chair Paxon MOVED to approve Resolution No. 110-290-Elected Official Salaries as presented. Commissioner Hopkins SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

C. Resolution No. 110-292-Establishing Calendar Year 2025 Hours of Business and Legal Holidays

Commissioner Hopkins MOVED to approve Resolution 110-292 as presented. Commission Vice Chair SECONDED the motion. Motion carried with Commissioner Districts 1-2-3 voting yes.

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

Commission Vice-Chair Paxon 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. Ramirez v. BoCC

XII. OPEN SESSION ACTIONS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT REGULAR SIERRA COUNTY
COMMISSION MEETING:**


**The date and time of the next Regular Sierra County Commission Meeting
has been scheduled for Tuesday, Tuesday January 28, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. at
the Sierra County Commission Chambers at 1712 N Date, Truth or
Consequences, New Mexico.**

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

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

Dated this 17th day of December, 2024.

SIERRA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Commissioner Travis Day, Chairman

James E Paxon

Commissioner James E Paxon, Vice/Chairman

Hank Hopkins

Hank Hopkins (Jan 29, 2025 12:19 MST)

Commissioner Hank Hopkins, Member



ATTEST:

Amy Whitehead

Amy Whitehead, County Clerk






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Final Audit Report

2025-01-29

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