

**Cibola County Commission  
Special Meeting  
Thursday January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The Cibola County Commission held a Special Meeting on Thursday January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5:00 pm in the Cibola County Commission Chambers

**Elected Officials Present Staff**

Daniel Torrez, Chairman  
Robert Windhorst, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman  
Martha Garcia, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman  
Christine Lowery, Commissioner  
Ralph Lucero, Commissioner

Kate Fletcher, County Manager  
Wendy Self, Procurement Officer  
Natalie Grine, Chief Deputy  
Denise Salcido, Filing/Recording

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Torrez called the meeting to Order at 5:00 pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Chairman Torrez does roll call 5-0 Commissioners in attendance.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance** Recited by all.

**4. Prayer** Commissioner Windhorst led us in prayer.

**5. Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve agenda made by Commissioner Lucero, second by Commissioner Lowery 5-0 affirmative

**6. Commissioner's Report**

**Commissioner Lucero-**

No new County business. Has been receiving a lot of calls about the property taxes being implemented with the City bond question.

**Commissioner Lowery-**

Voting has been the top priority. We have two MOU's between the County and the Pueblo of Laguna to help recruit interpreters and poll workers for the six precincts there. We do have an opening for a new Voting Rights Coordinator which will help us out.

### **Commissioner Garcia-**

The community of Fence Lake and also Candy Kitchen need to reserve a date and place for residents to meet in regards to the Census. Fence Lake going to meeting here in the beginning of February. Candy Kitchen has asked if they can add some roads to the County inventory. Many of the residents have moved into the area, there are five or more residents on the roads that could be improved in the area. The water system within the community which provides not only for Ramah. Candy Kitchen and Pine Meadows go to haul their water from one of the wells went out. They are working on it but it is taking a while because they don't know what the problem is. The weather has not been cooperating with them. We only have one well that is providing the water it goes up and down. They are having an emergency meeting on Monday. Might be needing a water truck to help out the communities.

### **Commissioner Windhorst-**

A couple of weeks ago we had a family that lost their home in Cubero. The people all gathered in that small community and they worked to clean up that property. Also been working with Bluewater and NM Rural water. There's a problem in our state with small communities that have water systems, they cannot afford to keep up with the state's stringent regulations. Some of these communities like Bluewater are going into debt trying to keep up with them. We are working and trying to get the state to put more money into that organization so they can help these smaller communities. Last week we had a cleanup in Bluewater and wants to thank Wayne Vigil to helps with all the cleanups for his hard work. There was a great turnout it was cold. Also been fielding a lot of calls from families who are about to be displaced.

### **Commissioner Torrez-**

Wants to thank the Road Department and the Road Review for the signs that they put up, the cutting of the trees and all of the little things that the County Road Department does that gets overlooked.

## **7. Public Comment**

No Public Comment

## **8. Minutes**

a) **Minutes from December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 Special Commission Meeting Minutes**

b) **Minutes from January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Special Commission Meeting Minutes**

Motion to Approve both Minutes for December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 Special Commission Meeting and Minutes from January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Special Commission Meeting made by Commissioner Garcia, Second made by Commissioner Windhorst 5-0 Affirmative

## **9. Reports**

a) **Manager Report- Kate Fletcher-County Manager-**

b) **Finance Report- Kate Fletcher-Finance Director-**

Last week in Santa Fe we had the 2020 New Mexico Legislative Conference. It was extremely busy, there's a lot of learning. Thanks all the Commissioners that attended. Very

proud to represent the County, we had a lot of people out there that represented the County very well. We did a lot of training New Mexico Edge classes take place Monday and Tuesday a lot of our people took those classes. We had affiliate meetings that are put on by other Counties. We had three graduates from NM Edge, they were Kathy Gonzales with her CPS, Dolores Vallejos and Michael Dodds. Our audit was released last week. We had four findings and they are unmodified/qualified. The hospital is a component unit, so the findings are combined. We still have some work to do, we have some findings we need to address. Have been working on our initiating and vacating roads. We put the signs out last Friday, they have to be on the roads for five days. After that is the last process, we got the review to meet all together so Saturday they will be going and reviewing for the last time the roads and recommendations. Want to discuss and recommend the action item for the approval for payroll increase for our Road Department employees. We need to recognize our employees that work hard. Recommending a 15% increase to the employees. The DFA reporting for the second quarter Paul has worked with Wendy to get it reconciled and its ready to go after approval of the final budget adjustments. Secured NFA loan for radios for the Sheriff's office. Started the reestablishment process for the bond rating by the end of this year we should be reestablished. We put a new fund into our budget and audit, it is the Census Fund. We are borrowing from the NFA and will use our Law Enforcement Protection Fund for that. Reporting from outside agencies is going well. Everyone is on track with their budget.

**10. Presentation**

- a) **Update on Economic Development Project at Milan Industrial Park- Ronny Pynes**

**11. Public Hearing**

- a) **Proposed Ordinance 20-01 Cibola County Environment and Safety Ordinance**  
b) **Proposed Ordinance 20-02 Regulating the Burial on Private Property**

**12. New Business – Action May Be Taken**

- a) **Consideration of Ordinance 20-01 Cibola County Environment and Safety Ordinance**  
Motion to Approve Ordinance 20-01 Cibola County Environment and Safety Ordinance made by Commissioner Windhorst, Second made by Commissioner Lucero 5-0 Affirmative

- b) **Consideration of Ordinance 20-02 Regulating the Burial on Private Property**  
Motion to Approve Ordinance 20-02 Regulation the Burial on Private Property made by Commissioner Windhorst, Second made by Commissioner Lowery 5-0 Affirmative

- c) **Consideration of Resolution 20-16 Budget Adjustment #6**  
Motion to Approve Resolution 20-16 Budget Adjustment #6 made by Commissioner Lucero, Second made by Commissioner Lowery 5-0 Affirmative

**d) Consideration of Resolution 20-17 Recognizing as First Responders 911 Public Safety Telecommunicators of the Cibola Regional Communications Center**

Motion to Approve Resolution 20-17 Recognizing as First Responders 911 Public Safety Telecommunicators of the Cibola Regional Communications Center made by Commissioner Windhorst, Second made by Commissioner Garcia 5-0 Affirmative

**e) Consideration of Resolution 20-18 FY 20 Second Quarter Financial Report- Year Ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Motion to Approve Resolution 20-18 FY 20 Second Quarter Financial Report- Year Ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 made Commissioner Windhorst, Second made by Commissioner Lucero 5-0 Affirmative

**f) Consideration of Mt. Taylor Winter Quad Alcohol Permit Application**

Motion to Approve Mt. Taylor Winter Quad Alcohol Permit Application made by Commissioner Lucero, Second made by Commissioner Windhorst 5-0 Affirmative

**g) Consideration of a Payroll Increase for all Road Department Employees**

Motion to Approve Payroll Increase for all Road Department Employees made by Commissioner Lucero, Second made by Commissioner Garcia 5-0 Affirmative

**13. Executive Session**

Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (H) (2) & (7) the following matter may be discussed in closed session:

- Motion and roll call vote to go into executive session and that, pursuant to New Mexico State Statute Section 10-15-1, only the following matters will be discussed in closed session: made by Commissioner Windhorst Second made by Commissioner Lowery at 6:15 p.m. 5-0 Affirmative

**Real Property**

**a) Cibola General Hospital and Medical Office Property- 1016 E. Roosevelt Ave and 1423 E. Roosevelt Ave. Grants, NM 87020**

- Motion and Roll Call to Return to Regular Session made by Commissioner Lucero, Second made by Commissioner Windhorst 5-0 Affirmative at 6:30p.m..
- Motion and Roll Call Vote that Matters Discussed in Closed Session were Limited to those Specified in Motion For Closure, and that no Final Action was taken, as per New Mexico Statutes Section §10-15-1, made by Commissioner Garcia, Second made by Commissioner Lucero 5-0 Affirmative.

**14. New Business- Action May Be Taken**

**a) Direction to Staff regarding CGHC and Medical Office Property**

No action taken

**15. Announcements**

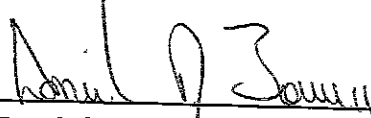
The next Regular Commission Meeting will be February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5:00p.m. in the Cibola County Commission Chambers. Cibola County Offices will be closed Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in observation of President's Day Holiday.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Torrez called to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 pm.

**PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020

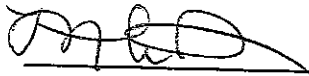
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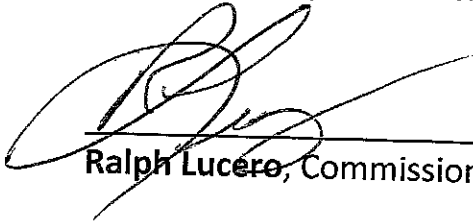
**Daniel Torrez, Chairman**



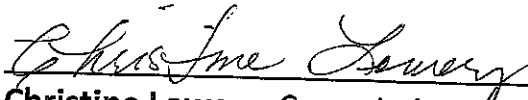
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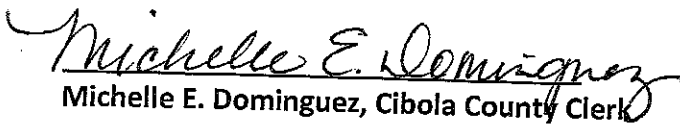


**Ralph Lucero, Commissioner**



**Christine Lowery, Commissioner**

**ATTEST:**



**Michelle E. Dominguez, Cibola County Clerk**

Date: 02/27/20

