

**Cibola County Commission  
Regular Meeting  
January 13, 2010**

The Cibola County Commission held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 13, 2010. County Chairman, Edward Michael called the meeting to Order at 5:30 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, and Prayer. All Commissioners were present.

**I. Commission Convenes**

**Elected Officials Present**

**Staff Present**

**Edward Michael, Chairman  
Antonio Gallegos, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman  
T. Walter Jaramillo, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman  
Lloyd F. Felipe, Commissioner  
Patrick Simpson, Commissioner  
Elisa Bro, County Clerk  
John Valdez, Sheriff**

**Scott Vinson, County Manager  
Amanda Montoya, Receptionist  
Randy Collins, County Attorney  
Susie Gallegos, Chief Deputy Clerk**

**A. Approval of the Agenda**

Commissioner Simpson made the Motion to approve the Agenda and Commissioner Gallegos seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**B. Election of Chairman of the Cibola County Commission**

Commissioner Gallegos nominated Edward Michael and Commissioner Simpson seconded the Motion. Motion Passed 4-1 (Commissioner Michael abstained).

**C. Election of Vice Chairman**

Commissioner Simpson nominated Commissioner Gallegos and Commissioner Jaramillo seconded the Motion. Motion passed 4-1 (Commissioner Gallegos abstained).

**D. Election of Second Vice Chairman**

Commissioner Gallegos nominated Commissioner Jaramillo and Commissioner Simpson seconded the Motion. Motion passed 4-1 (Commissioner Jaramillo abstained).

**E. Approval of the Minutes: December 9, 18, and December 28, 2010**

Commissioner Simpson made the Motion to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Gallegos seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**II. Commission Adjourns as Board of County Commissioners and Reconvenes as IHCB**

Commissioner Jaramillo made the Motion to Adjourn as Board of Commissioners and Convene as Indigent Hospital Claims Board and Commissioner Simpson seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**A. Glenna Chavez-Indigent Hospital Claims**

Glenna submitted seven (7) claims from Cibola General Hospital and one (1) from Presbyterian Hospital. She also submitted a summary of previous disbursements. She submitted two (2) denied claims from Cibola General Hospital.

Commissioner Jaramillo made a Motion to Approve the Claims and Commissioner Felipe seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**III. Commissioner Reconvenes as Board of Commissioners**

Commissioner Gallegos made the Motion to Reconvene as Board of Commissioners and Commissioner Jaramillo seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**A. New Business**

**1. Action-Appointment of Hospital Board**

This was moved up from Action item #11. Commissioner Michael stated that the County would honor all Contracts. Commissioner Simpson made a Motion to Table appointment of the Hospital Board and Commissioner Gallegos seconded the Motion. He stated that the Letter of Apology from CEO, Ken Cochran was self explanatory. 5-0 Affirmative

Commissioner Gallegos also made a Motion to Table the Hospital Waiver of Annual Lease until **next month. It was scheduled for Executive Session tonight. Commissioner Jaramillo seconded** the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**2. Presentation-Cibola General Hospital Annual Report**

This Presentation was moved up from item #12 on the Agenda. Mr. Ken Cochran, CEO made the Presentation. He began with an apology to the County Commission for the lack of communication. He also gave a brief history of his background. He stated that growth has occurred due to the increased number of Community Physicians and Expanded Services.

Commissioner Simpson said that the Hospital and Staff were doing a good job. They need to work together with the Commission. Commissioner Felipe commented that he appreciated the Letter of Apology, it shows a Strong Individual. Native Representation on the Hospital is a big concern to him. Commissioner Jaramillo commented on the good Management Plan. Commissioner Gallegos had No Comment.

**B. Citizens to Address the Commission**

Because of the large crowd this item was moved up also. Several Employees of the Hospital and a few Community Members addressed the Commission concerning the Sole Provider Funds, which have already been released at this time.

Don Webb	Pamela Akin	Jesse James
Brenda Curtwright	Romalita Jaramillo	Mr. Vitale
Mr. Tony	Mary Blandford	Terry Smith
Felicia Casados	Walter Lee Meech	
Jeffery Mattila	Jana Roupa	
Genevieve Robran	Jenny Jensen	

Commissioner Michael said that they were only looking for Accountability from the Hospital Board. The Commission has been trying to negotiate for 9 months with no progress. They are not trying to shut the Hospital down. All they want is Accountability and for the Hospital Board to follow the Sunshine Laws.

**A. New Business (continued )**

**3. Presentation-Lara Malaj, County Health Improvement Plan**

4. Ms. Malaj explained that "The County Health Improvement Plan" is a four year Community Wide Plan that identifies Health priorities. The plan can be used by Agencies to write Grants and Organizations to apply for funding based on County priorities.

**5. Action-Approval of Resolution 10-01, Open Meetings**

Commissioner Simpson made the Motion to Approve Resolution 10-01 and Commissioner Gallegos seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**6. Action- Approval of Resolution 10-02, Designation of Financial Institutions for County Funds.**

Manager Scott commented that this is a Resolution to use all four Banks in the County. Commissioner Gallegos made the Motion to Approve Resolution 10-02 and Commissioner Simpson seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**7. Action/Approval of Resolution 10-03, Cibola County Policies**

Manager Scott met with the Elected Officials and they will be working on County Policies. They are all very cooperative. Commissioner Simpson made the Motion to approve Resolution 10-03 and Commissioner Felipe seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**8. Action/Approval of Resolution 10-04 , Cibola County Holiday Schedule**

Manager Scott commented that there is no change. Commissioner Gallegos questioned if Columbus Day is Observed November 26, 2010 or November 27, 2010. Scott will make the correction to the Schedule.

Commissioner Simpson made the Motion to approve Resolution 10-04 and Commissioner Gallegos seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**9. Action/Appropriation Request, Milan Auditorium**

Manager Scott spoke with Village Manager Marcella Sandoval and Operations are fine. She needs a onetime investment of \$35,000.00 to repair the pool and assist in concrete repairs. Commissioner Jaramillo made the Motion to Approve the Appropriation and Commissioner Simpson seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**10. Action /Approval of 2008-2009 Audit Report**

Commissioner Simpson made the Motion to Approve the Audit Report and Commissioner Felipe seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**11. Action/Approval of Contract , Preferred Tank and Tower**

This is a Contract for the Installation of a 80,000 Gallon Storage Tank Contract #PW100924600E. Commissioner Simpson made the Motion to Approve the Contract and Commissioner Felipe seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**12. Action/Consideration of RFP for lobbying services**

Manager Scott explained that the Commission is accepting qualifications based competitive Sealed Proposals from Lobbyist Consultants with offices in Washington D.C. and New Mexico for Cibola County.

Manager Scott said there is no commitment, Lobbyist more than pay for themselves. Commissioner Simpson made a Motion to Approve the RFP and Commissioner Gallegos seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**13. Action/Approval of one Commissioner to the Grants Mainstreet Steering Committee**

Randy Hoffman from Main Street commented that since Mainstreet partners with Cibola County it is important to have a Commissioner represent the County. Commissioner Felipe nominated Commissioner Gallegos and Commissioner Simpson seconded the Motion. Commissioner Michael will serve as Alternate. 5-0 Affirmative

**14. Action/Appointment of Ramah Voting Rights Coordinator**

County Clerk, Elisa Bro asked the County Commission to appoint a Voters Right Coordinator from Ramah/Pinehill. The names were submitted by Rolland Ellsworth, Community Service Coordinator, Michael Eriacho, and Lucinda Lee with the Tribal Office. They came up with eight names. Four of the eight declined. The following names were submitted: Effie Martine, Doreen Muskett, Rose Maria, and Victoria J. Yazzie.

Commissioner Simpson made the Motion to appoint Effie Martine as VRC for the Ramah/Pinehill area and the other three will serve as alternates in case Ms. Martine cannot serve or there are other problems. Commissioner Felipe seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**B. Citizens to Address the Commission**

Was moved up earlier in the meeting

**C. Comments**

**1. Staff**

NONE

## **2. Commission**

Commissioner Felipe commented that the input from tonight's meeting was well taken. The Public is not privy to a lot of the information that the Commission is. The biggest issue is fairness, and honesty. The CEO should not have been the issue tonight. It is only fair to the General Public to render all issues. He stated that he stands his ground. He did not see anything that would change his mind tonight.

Commissioner Michael commented that it is hard when the public does not understand. We want to do the right thing and do what is in the best interest for the Hospital. The Hospital will not close. He expressed his gratitude for the nomination to continue as County Chairman.

Commissioner Felipe commented that Governor Chandler Sanchez is very supportive of the Commission. Commissioner Michael said that Mark Thompson conveys the same.

### **D. Reports**

Manager Scott said there would be no Reports tonight.

### **E. EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION to discuss Litigation Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H) , NMSA, 1978 Comp. and Limited Personnel Matters Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H) (2), NMSA, 1978 Comp.**

#### **1. Consider Waiver of Hospital Annual Lease (Tabled)**

Commissioner Felipe made a Motion to go into Executive Session and Commissioner Gallegos seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

Commissioner Jaramillo made the Motion to Exit Executive Session and Commissioner Simpson seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

Commissioner Michael stated that No Votes were taken, No Decisions were made. Only discussion was held.

### **F. Announcements**

The Next Regular Meeting will be held Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at 5:30 P.M.

Cibola County will be closed Monday, January 18, 2010 in Observance of Martin Luther King Day.

Commissioner Felipe made the Motion to Adjourn and Commissioner Simpson seconded the Motion. 5-0 Affirmative

**CIBOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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