

ORIGINAL

**RIO ARRIBA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024, 10:00 AM
1122 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD
ESPANOLA, NEW MEXICO 87532**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Rio Arriba County Board of County Commissioners was called to order by Commission Chair Naranjo, at 10:00 AM, on Tuesday, October 16, 2024, at the County Administration Offices, in the Commission Chambers, Espanola, New Mexico.

II. ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Commissioner Alex M. Naranjo, Chair
Commissioner Moises A. Morales
Commissioner Brandon M. Bustos.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Jeremy Maestas, County Manager
Sarah Archuleta, County Clerk
Sheila Garcia, Rio Arriba County
Adan Trujillo, City Attorney
Diahann Jacquez, Finance Director
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Naranjo.

IV. INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Commissioner Morales

V. COMMISSIONER GREETINGS AND OPENING REMARKS

The Commissioners welcomed everyone to the meeting.

VI. COUNTY MANAGER GREETING AND OPENING REMARKS

None.

VII. APPROVAL OF TODAY'S AGENDA

Mr. Maestas recommended approval of the agenda.

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Morales, seconded by Commissioner Bustos, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed on a voice vote.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. ACTION ITEMS

1. RESOLUTIONS

**A. RESOLUTION NO. 2025-024
BUDGET INCREASE DECREASE**

Ms. Jacquez presented the resolution.

Mr. Maestas recommended approval of the Resolution.

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Bustos, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to approve Resolution No. 2025-024.

VOTE The motion passed on a voice vote.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

**A. PER ARTICLE 15, SECTION 10-15-1 OF THE NEW MEXICO STATE
STATUTES OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

Mr. Maestas said an Executive Session is not necessary for this meeting.

XI. COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Maestas said he would like to have an update on where we are currently with the audit situation. We have to submit the 23/24 audit by December 1st.

Ms. Jacquez said we are working with Cordova CPAs. We are submitting information to them as required. She has a meeting today, after this meeting, with Bobby Cordova. She will find out more at the meeting, but we are moving along. The critical deliverables have been submitted. We are down one staff member, but are making due.

Mr. Maestas said we have not received a status update from DFA as to if the County is going to be required to have a fiscal agent to receive our funds. The penalty of requiring a fiscal agent is based on our late 22/23 audit and late submittals of our quarterly reports. We should be penalized, but not to the extent of having to have a fiscal agent. We have not been told, as of today, that we need a fiscal agent. He has reached out to Senator Jaramillo for support on this. DFA bases their decision for requiring a fiscal agent on an Executive Order from former Governor Susanna Martinez.

Chair Naranjo said we will leave it in your hands.

Ms. Jacquez said everything has been submitted for 22/23 at this time.

Mr. Maestas said he has nothing else to report today.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

None.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. REGULAR COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING FOR OCTOBER 2024 WILL BE HELD IN TIERRA AMARILLA ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, AT 10:00 AM.

Chair Naranjo added that the Canvas Special Meeting will be held on November 12th, in Tierra Amarilla, at 1:00 pm.

XIII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Bustos, seconded by Commissioner Morales, to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE The motion passed on a voice vote.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:13 am.

Alex M. Naranjo, Chairman, District II

Brandon M. Bustos, Commissioner District I

Moises Morales, Commissioner, District III

ATTESTED TO BY:

Sarah Archuleta, County Clerk