SANDOVAL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
LOCATION: ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING COMMISSION CHAMBERS
1500 IDALIA ROAD, BUILDING D.
BERNALILLO, NM 87004
AUGUST 19, 2021 - 6 P.M.

Under the provisions of Center of Disease Control individuals who are not fully vaccinated at the time of the meeting
are required to wear masks and social distance while in attendance. The meeting may be viewed online at
www.sandovalcountynm.gov.

Public comment will be taken in person and online at:
http://sandovalcountynm.gov/commission/public-comment/

1. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Heil called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Chair Heil, Vice Chair Mekk, Commissioner Bruch,
Commissioner Block and Commissioner Eichwald.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND NEW MEXICO PLEDGE
Pledge of allegiance and the New Mexico pledge were led by Chair Heil.

3. INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS
Commissioner Bruch announced the COVID-19 vaccine will be available at the Church of Christ in Rio Rancho on August
28, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and encouraged everyone to get vaccinated. Commissioner Block spoke about an
officer involved shooting earlier today and he asked for prayers for those officers. Commissioner Block spoke about the current
situation in Afghanistan and asked for prayers. Chair Heil spoke about the Sunday is Funday event in Rio Rancho on August
22, 2021 and he mentioned the COVID-19 vaccine will be available at that event.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Commissioner Eichwald made a motion to approve the agenda with the exclusion of item 10A. Second by Vice Chair Mekk.
Commissioner Bruch, Commissioner Block, Commissioner Eichwald, Vice Chair Mekk and Chair Heil voted yes. Motion
passed unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS & PROCLAMATIONS
UNM Sandoval Regional Medical Center Quarterly update
(Jamie Silva-Steele, President and CEO)
UNM Sandoval Regional Medical Center President and CEO, Jamie Silva-Steele presented the quarterly update.
Commissioners asked questions and made comments. President and CEO, Silva-Steele answered accordingly.

6. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
Due to the COVID-19 Emergency, Sandoval County Commissioners shall receive public comment regarding Agenda items
in person or by email at HTTP://WWW.SANDOVALCOUNTYNM.GOV/COMMISSION/PUBLIC-COMMENT/
No public comments.

7. CONSENT AGENDA
A. Regular Meeting Minutes of July 29, 2021
B. Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2021

Commissioner Block made a motion to approve. Second by Commissioner Eichwald. Commissioner Bruch,
Commissioner Block, Commissioner Eichwald, Vice Chair Mekk and Chair Heil voted yes. Motion passed
unanimously.

8. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER
(Wayne Johnson, County Manager)
A. Request for a motion to Amend the Sandoval County Road Ordinances No.6-17-21.9 Code Article II, Section 32-23.
Commissioner Eichwald made a motion to approve. Second by Commissioner Bruch. Commissioner Bruch,
Commissioner Block, Commissioner Eichwald, Vice Chair Mekk and Chair Heil voted yes. Motion passed
unanimously.
B. Request a motion to Adopt Ordinance No. 8-19-21.8B Approving Issuance of a gross receipts tax revenue loan in the
amount of up to $6,750,000 for Public Safety and Animal Shelter Buildings and Road and Sheriff's Department
Vehicles and Equipment
(Rob Burpo, County Financial Advisor and Daniel Alsup, County Bond Counsel)
Vice Chair Mekk made a motion to approve. Second by Commissioner Eichwald. Commissioner Bruch,
Commissioner Block, Commissioner Eichwald, Vice Chair Mekk and Chair Heil voted yes. Motion passed
unanimously.
9. SANDOVAL COUNTY COMMISSION
Request for a Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 8-19-21.9 Supporting the Proposed KNeW Company Project in the Village of Cuba, New Mexico.
(F. Kenneth Eichwald, District 5 Commissioner)
Commissioner Eichwald introduced Jason Griego and Tom Salazar who spoke about the project. Commissioners asked questions and made comments. Vice Chair Meek made a motion to approve. Second by Commissioner Eichwald. Commissioner Bruch, Commissioner Block, Commissioner Eichwald, Vice Chair Meek and Chair Heil voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.

10. SHERIFF’S OFFICE
(Allen Mills, Sandoval County Sheriff’s Office Captain)
A. Request for a Motion to Approve the Sandoval County Sheriff’s Office Use of Force Policy. Item Removed
B. Request for a Motion to Approve the Sandoval County Sheriff’s Office Vehicular Pursuits Policy.
Commissioner Bruch made a motion to approve. Second by Commissioner Eichwald. Commissioner Bruch, Commissioner Block, Commissioner Eichwald, Vice Chair Meek and Chair Heil voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.
C. Request for a Motion to Approve the Sandoval County Sheriff’s Office Hiring & Promotional Policy.
Vice Chair Meek made a motion to approve. Second by Commissioner Eichwald. Commissioner Bruch, Commissioner Block, Commissioner Eichwald, Vice Chair Meek and Chair Heil voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.

11. COMMISSION VOTE ON USE OF DIGITAL SIGNATURES AND SIGNING OF DOCUMENTS
None required.

12. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS
Commissioner Block asked Captain Mills to thank all of the officers for their hard work and for responding to the officer involved shooting earlier in the day.

13. ADJOURN
Vice Chair Meek made a motion to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Bruch. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

DONE IN BERNALILLO, NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF SANDOVAL, THIS 2 DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2021

COUNTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

VICE CHAIR

MEMBER

MEMBER

MEMBER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COUNTY ATTORNEY