

**MINUTES OF THE
SANTA FE BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

December 19, 2006

A special meeting of the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners was called to order by Chair Harry Montoya at 2:00 p.m. in the Legal Conference Room at the County Administration Building.

Roll call indicated a quorum was present as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Harry Montoya, Chair
Commissioner Mike Anaya
Commissioner Virginia Vigil

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Paul Campos
Commissioner Jack Sullivan

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Ross, Attorney
Valerie Espinoza, County Clerk
Roman Abeyta, County Manager
Julie Ann Grimm, The New Mexican
Erica Cordova, Journal North
Carl Boaz, Stenographer

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes requested to the Agenda.

Commissioner Anaya moved to approve the agenda as published. Commissioner Vigil seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

STAFF AND ELECTED OFFICIALS' ITEMS

A. Matters from the County Attorney

Executive Session

Limited Personnel Issues

Related to Possible Termination of Employment Agreement by and Between Gerald T. E. Gonzalez and the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County.

Commissioner Vigil moved to go into Executive Session to consider limited personnel issues related to possible termination of employment agreement by and between Gerald T. E. Gonzalez and the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County in accordance with the New Mexico Open Meetings Act. Commissioner Anaya seconded the motion and it passed by roll call vote as follows:

**Commissioner Vigil – yes,
Commissioner Anaya – yes,
Commissioner Montoya – yes,
Commissioner Campos – not present,
Commissioner Sullivan – not present.**

The Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners went into Executive Session.

The public returned to the meeting room at the conclusion of the executive session.

Commissioner Vigil moved to return to public session from executive session where the Commission discussed limited personnel matters related to the termination of agreement between Gerald T. E. Gonzalez and the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Anaya seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

B. Consideration and Possible Action of the Termination of Employment Agreement by and Between Gerald E. E. Gonzalez and the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County.

Commissioner Vigil moved to authorize the County Attorney and the County Manager to move forward on the separation agreement and release by and between Gerald Gonzales and Santa Fe County in the amount not to exceed \$75,000 that actually includes all the termination clauses of his current contract plus an additional compensation for early termination.

Commissioner Anaya seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

Commissioner Anaya commented that Mr. Gonzalez did an excellent job while here. County employees doubled in number under his leadership and the County took over the jail, for both youth and adults. He increased the staff of the health department from 4 to 50. He was well respected by staff by state and local governments. Commissioner Anaya said he would miss Mr. Gonzalez and he did a lot for the County.

Commissioner Vigil said the Commission recognized the value of him as an employee. She said they would try to create a resolution for all the changes.

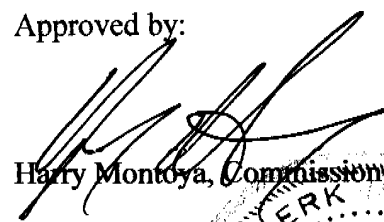
Commissioner Montoya said Mr. Gonzalez was the only Manager he worked with while on the Commission. He said Mr. Gonzalez took them through a time of growth and expansion. He thanked Mr. Gonzalez for what he did for Santa Fe County and said this in no way reflected on anything other than positive things in the early termination. He said they needed to move forward now to re-organize and that was all in the plan.

ADJOURNMENT

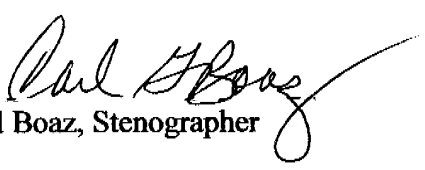
Having completed the agenda and with no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Commissioner Vigil, second by Commissioner Anaya and unanimous voice vote.

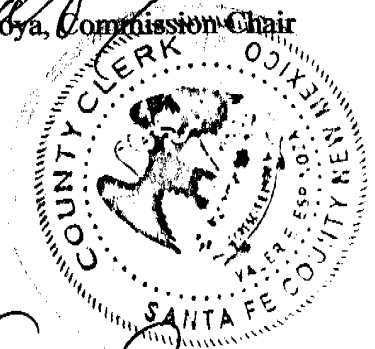
The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:45 p.m.

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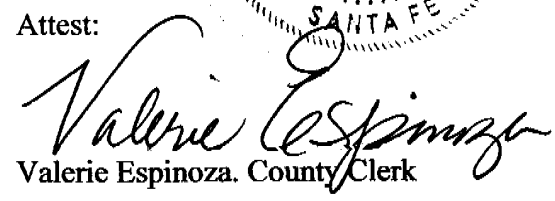

Harry Montoya, Commission Chair

Submitted by:


Carl Boaz, Stenographer



Attest:


Valerie Espinoza, County Clerk