

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
SAN MIGUEL COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,  
HELD FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2015, BEGINNING AT 10:30 A.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

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Chairman Arthur J. Padilla called the special meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., at the Commission chambers on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the San Miguel County Administration Building. Upon a call of the roll by the Clerk, all five County Commissioners were present, and a quorum was duly established and noted as follows: Chairman Arthur J. Padilla, Vice Chairman Gilbert J. B. Sena, and Commissioners Nicolas T. Leger, Marcellino A. Ortiz and Rock G. Ulibarrí.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND SALUTATION OF THE NM FLAG**

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Joined by staff and all in attendance, the Commissioners pledged allegiance to the U.S. flag and offered their salutation to the NM state flag.

**DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF A PERSON TO GOVERNOR SUSANA MARTINEZ FOR APPOINTMENT TO STATE SENATE POSITION, DISTRICT 39**

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Chairman Padilla informed all in attendance that the purpose of the special meeting was to entertain applications for the State Senate position vacated by Phil Griego, and to make a recommendation to Governor Susana Martinez. Padilla then invited any interested persons to address the Commission.

Whereupon, applicant Michael Vigil addressed the Commission and stated the reasons he was seeking the County Commission's recommendation to the Governor. J. Emilio Aragon, another applicant, also addressed the Commission, stating his reasons for seeking the vacant senate position. Chairman Padilla asked if any other applicants desired to address the Commission, and no person sought recognition.

Chairman Padilla then recognized the following persons: Francisco Apodaca, who addressed the Commission in support of applicant Liz Stefanics; Robert Vigil, who

addressed the Commission in support of applicant Michael Vigil; and Eric Roybal, who addressed the Commission in support of applicant Hugh Ley.

No other person sought recognition, and Chairman Padilla informed the Commission and all in attendance, that applicant Hugh Ley telephoned Padilla and to say that a prior family commitment prevented Ley from attending today's special meeting.

Whereupon, at 11:14 a.m., Chairman Padilla asked fellow Commissioners to state their pleasure, and Commissioner Leger made a motion that Liz Stefanics be recommended to the Governor to fill the state senate vacancy for District 39. No Commissioner offered a second to Leger's motion, and Chairman Padilla ruled that the motion dies for lack of a second.

Thereafter, at 11:22 a.m., Commissioner Ortiz moved that the Commission recommend Hugh Ley to Governor Martinez, for appointment to the State Senate, District 39, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Ulibarri. Upon a call of the roll, all five Commissioners voted in favor of the motion to recommend Hugh Ley, and the motion was approved by unanimous vote of all five County Commissioners. (Commissioner Leger reminded staff that the Commission's recommendation of Hugh Ley should be transmitted to the Governor immediately, and Finance Supervisor Melinda Gonzales said she would do so.)

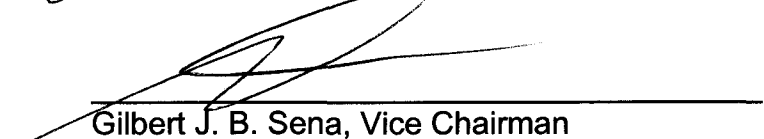
## **ADJOURNMENT**

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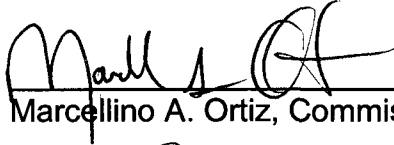
There being no other business to come before the Commission, at 11:25 Commissioner Ortiz moved and Vice Chairman Sena seconded, that the special meeting be adjourned, and the motion carried by unanimous voice vote of all Commissioners.

**MOVED, SECONDED AND ADOPTED** this 14th day of April, 2015, by the Board of County Commissioners of San Miguel County, New Mexico, as the official minutes of its special meeting held March 20, 2015.

  
Arthur J. Padilla, Chairman

  
Gilbert J. B. Sena, Vice Chairman

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Nicolas T. Leger, Commissioner

  
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Marcellino A. Ortiz, Commissioner

  
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Rock G. Ulibarri, Commissioner

  
ATTEST

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Geraldine E. Gutierrez  
San Miguel County Clerk

(SEAL)



# Board of County Commissioners

*Nicolas T. Leger*  
Chairman - District 5

*Rock G. Ulibarri*  
Commissioner - District 1

*Marcellino A. Ortiz*  
Commissioner - District 2

*Arthur J. Padilla*  
Commissioner - District 3

*Gilbert J. B. Sena*  
Commissioner - District 4

*Les W. J. Montoya*  
County Manager

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of San Miguel County, New Mexico, will hold an special meeting on Friday, March 20, 2015, at 10:30 a.m. at the Commission Chambers, San Miguel County Administrative Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 500 West National Avenue, Las Vegas, New Mexico 87701

The purpose of this emergency meeting is to recommend a person to Governor Susana Martinez, for appointment to the State Senate position vacated by Phil Griego.

Issued and dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

Les W. J. Montoya  
San Miguel County Manager

Faxed to radio stations KNMX and KFUN and local newspaper the Las Vegas Optic on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March.

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## AGENDA

### CALL TO ORDER

### ROLL CALL

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### SALUTATION TO THE NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG:

"I salute the flag of the State of New Mexico and the Zia Symbol of perfect friendship among United Cultures."

### REGULAR ORDER

1. **DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION OF A PERSON TO GOVERNOR SUSANA MARTINEZ FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE STATE SENATE POSITION VACATED BY PHIL GRIEGO**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Phil Griego vacated his seat in the State Senate.

**ACTION REQUESTED OF COMMISSION:** Discuss and recommend a person to Governor Martinez for appointment to the vacated State Senate seat.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Same as above

**PRESENTER:** Les W. J. Montoya, SMC Manager

Adjournment

