



**MINUTES**

**Special Meeting  
December 8, 2022  
10:00 am**

**Virtually on Zoom at:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89487211821?pwd=MUHVY2hUN0xET2hpYUthdUJnb2RHdz09>

**Members Present**

Christie Ann Harvey  
Carlos Romero  
Lupita Hernandez  
Randy Hernandez  
Art Malot  
Joni Taylor  
Alex Brown  
Lori Ortiz  
Jessica Etcheverry  
Misty Pugmire  
Nancy Ketcham

**Others Present**

Priscilla Lucero  
Emily Gojkovich  
Cerisse Grijalva  
Jessie St. Clair

**Members Not Present**

Alan Berg  
Stan Brown  
Agatha King  
Johnny Coburn  
Vicki Chavez  
Eric McSpadden  
Hilda Keller  
Major Salas  
Aaron Sera  
Howard Hutchinson  
Tisha Green  
Haydn Forward  
Jeff Spaletta  
Joseph Shepard  
Gilbert Cruz  
Ron Belanger  
Tom Lovett  
Elmo Gomez

Luna County  
Playas Training Center  
Luna County  
Grant County  
Hidalgo County  
Village of Virden  
Town of Silver City  
Town of Hurley  
Deming Public Schools  
El Grito Head Start  
Casas Adobes MDWC

SWNMCOG  
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Tyrone WWA  
Catron County  
Quemado Lake Assoc.  
Casas Adobes MDWA  
Deming Schools  
Hidalgo SWCD  
Village of Reserve  
Village of Columbus  
City of Deming  
San Francisco SWCD  
Hidalgo County  
Catron County  
Cobre Schools  
WNMU  
Hanover MDWCA  
Arenas Valley MDWCA  
New Model Ditch Assoc.  
Rosedale MDWCA

Deming, NM  
Socorro, NM  
Deming, NM  
Silver City, NM  
Lordsburg, NM  
Virden, NM  
Silver City, NM  
Hurley, NM  
Deming, NM  
Silver City, NM  
Mimbres, NM

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Tyrone, NM  
Reserve, NM  
Quemado, NM  
Mimbres, NM  
Deming, NM  
Lordsburg, NM  
Reserve, NM  
Columbus, NM  
Deming, NM  
Glenwood, NM  
Lordsburg, NM  
Reserve, NM  
Bayard, NM  
Silver City, NM  
Hanover, NM  
Arenas Valley, NM  
Virden, NM  
Silver City, NM

Southwest  
New Mexico  
Council of Governments

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|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Gerald Moss         | Rancho Grande MDWCA         | Reserve, NM      |
| Diana Jiron         | Lake Roberts MDWCA          | Lake Roberts, NM |
| Mayor Richard Bauch | City of Bayard              | Bayard, NM       |
| Linda Farnsworth    | City of Lordsburg           | Lordsburg, NM    |
| JoAnn Holguin       | GRMC                        | Silver City, NM  |
| Ty Bays             | Grant SWCD                  | Silver City, NM  |
| Hollis Vaughn       | Hidalgo SWCD                | Lordsburg, NM    |
| Dora Gonzales       | SW Solid Waste Authority    | Silver City, NM  |
| Shelia Hudman       | Village of Santa Clara      | Santa Clara, NM  |
| William Hawkins     | Silver Consolidated Schools | Silver City, NM  |

- I. Vice-Chair Alex Brown called the Regular Board Meeting of the Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments to order on Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 10:00am.
- II. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Jessie St. Clair roll called members; quorum was present.
- IV. Vice-Chair Brown asked for the approval of the agenda, Randy Hernandez made the motion to approve the agenda, Christie Ann Harvey seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.
- V. No Introductions
- VI. Vice-Chair Brown asked for the approval of Consent Agenda items, Randy Hernandez made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda items, Misty Pugmire seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.
- VII. New Business
  - A. Approval/Disapproval New Mexico Association of Regional Council JPA- Priscilla explained that \$500,000 from the New Mexico Economic Development Department was to be used for formation of a state association of councils of governments and to include a staff person. She explained that this formation is useful because federal and state agencies would rather contract out with one state association rather than the individual seven regions. The JPA for a regional council would make the association formal. This association would ultimately bring in more dollars to the region. Randy asked if there was a fee and Priscilla explained that there is and that she is the chair of NewMarc to which all the seven regions pay \$1,000.00. Vice-Chair Brown asked for the approval of the New Mexico Association of Regional Council JPA, Randy Hernandez made the motion to approve the New Mexico Association of Regional Council JPA, Misty Pugmire seconded the motion; all in favor, motion carried.



- B. Approval/Disapproval Entering into Annual Agreement with MFA- Priscilla explained that this was an annual agreement with MFA and that this year's agreement includes 1 payment from the previous agreement because of not getting last pay request in on time. Vice-Chair Brown asked for the approval of the Annual Agreement with MFA, Randy Hernandez made the motion to approve entering into Annual Agreement with MFA, Misty Pugmire seconded; all in favor, motion carried.
- C. Approval/Disapproval Entering into Agreement with the Town of Silver City/Vistas de Plata- Priscilla explained that the COG will be doing income verification for applicants for the Vistas de Plata property donation from the Town of Silver City. She further explained that for each application the COG would get \$200 to verify the income of each applicant and notify them by letter of their eligibility. Vice-Chair Brown asked for the approval to enter into Agreement with the Town of Silver City/Vistas de Plata, Randy Hernandez made the motion to approve entering into Agreement with the Town of Silver City/Vistas de Plata, Misty Pugmire seconded; all in favor, motion carried.

VIII. Old Business:

No Old Business

IX. Next Regular Board Meeting to be held March 2, 2023.

- X. Misty Pugmire made the motion to adjourn, Randy Hernandez seconded; all in favor, motion carried.

  
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Alex Brown, Vice Chairman

**Attest:**

  
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Priscilla Lucero, Secretary