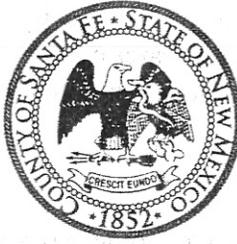


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County Manager

DATE: *January 25, 2019*

TO: *Board of County Commissioners*

VIA: *Katherine Miller, County Manager*

FROM: *Michael K. Kelley, PE, Public Works Department Director MK 2/13/19*

ITEM AND ISSUE: *BCC Meeting February 12, 2019*

**Reappointment of One Member to the Santa Fe County Water Policy Advisory Committee
(County Manager's Office/Tony T. Flores)**

SUMMARY:

The term for one of the members of the Water Policy Advisory Committee (WPAC) will expire in April of 2019. Currently, there are six members that are actively appointed to the WPAC. The Public Works Department recommends the reappointment of Mr. Bryan Romero to the District 1 seat based on his extensive civil engineering experience.

BACKGROUND:

On April 30, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution 2013-42, establishing a Water Policy Advisory Committee. The Water Policy Advisory Committee consists of 12 volunteer members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). The current makeup of the Board consists of the following:

- A member from a Mutual Domestic Water Consumer's Association.
- A member from a Soil and Water Conservation District.
- A member from an Acequia Association.
- A member from the Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee.
- A member from the Central Water Planning Area.
- A member from the Northern planning area
- A member that is a public member of the Buckman Direct Diversion Board
- The remaining membership will be a balance chosen by the BCC from their respective districts.

Committee tasks pursuant to Resolution 2013-42 include the following:

- Make recommendations related to water policies in the Sustainable Land Development Code
- Make recommendations related to county water and wastewater utility growth
- Assist the county in addressing proposed aquifer storage and recharge activities

- Explore the concept of a regional water authority
- Recommend updates to the 40 year water plan and the Conjunctive Management Plan
- Other water related topics and issues as directed by the BCC

DISCUSSION:

Staff recommends the reappointment of Mr. Romero based on the following:

- extensive experience in wastewater management;
- served as interim wastewater management division director and engineering supervisor for the City of Santa Fe from 2009-2014;
- worked as the Executive Director of the City-County Regional Planning Authority (2006-2009);
- worked as an engineer for development for the City of Santa Fe from 1998-2001;
- worked as a traffic engineer for the City of Santa Fe from 1995-1998; and
- lives in the Nambe, Pojoaque, Tesuque area and has been involved in the Aamodt Settlement.

We believe the committee will benefit from Mr. Romero's background.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve the reappointment of Mr. Romero as a District 1 Member.

Attachments:

Mr. Romero's letter of interest and resume
Resolution 2013-42

Date: January 9, 2018

RE: Letter of Interest for Utility Committee for the Pojoaque Valley

Dear Committee Members:

I have been a member of the WPAC for the last three years and would like to continue to serve another term. This letter will provide some insight to my interest, skills and abilities that I would bring to the Utility Committee.

Why am I interested in being a member of the committee?

I am a current and life long resident of Cuyumungue. My immediate/extended family and friends live in the Valley. I am a 1985 graduate of Pojoaque High School. My interest is to bring the best possible infrastructure improvements to Valley in the most cost effective manner. I understand that there are many factors, steps and processes that will occur in providing utility service to the Pojoaque Valley.

Experience

I have pursued a career in Civil Engineering, and have gained many skills through education and experience that I would bring the Committee. I am a utility consultant. Prior to consulting, I worked for state and local governments for over 25 years as Civil engineer. Please refer to my resume for more detailed information. I can meet with the committee to answer any questions.

I would like to thank the committee for considering me as a member. If you have any questions I can be reached at 455-2212.

Sincerely,



Bryan Romero
Resident

Bryan J. Romero
77A Feather Catcher Road
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87506
(505)455-2212
bronzeskybr@gmail.com

Career Summary: Civil Engineer with twenty eight years of varied work experience that includes consulting and governmental work experience such as environmental, utilities, roads, bridge and traffic engineering. Proven ability in project development, procurement, contract administration, development review, project management, construction management and oversight, budgeting, supervising and customer service. Experience accompanied with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering and Professional Engineering License in the State of New Mexico (#13303).

Work Experience:

Bronze Sky Consulting

Owner of a Utility Consulting Company, Bronze Sky Consulting – Established January 2016 to provides advisory services to Utility Companies.

City of Santa Fe

Interim Wastewater Management Division Director and Engineering Supervisor, June 2009 to November 2014 – Director of the City's Wastewater Facilities. The Wastewater Facility serves a population of about 80,000 people with a customer base of about 35,000 commercial and residential sewer accounts.

- Supervised a staff of 60 to 65 that incorporated professional and blue collar employees.
- Administered an annual operating budget of over \$10 million dollars.
- Ensured compliance with federal, state and local requirements.

Engineering Supervisor, May 2001 to December 2015

Supervisor of Engineering and Industrial Pretreatment Sections.

- Supervised and lead a staff of 7 that includes engineers, inspectors and a GIS analyst.

- Initiated and completed numerous large scale projects from inception to operations. Some notable projects were a 12 million dollar compost/dewatering facility, an 11 million dollar wastewater treatment plant improvement project, a 2 million dollar large diameter interceptor sewer project, several sewer rehabilitation projects, and an effluent water line project.
- Successful in obtaining, renewing and retaining multiple environmental permits (i.e. NPDES Permit, Compost Registration, Ground Water Discharge Permits, SWPP).
- Created multiple data bases for several different business applications.
- Initiated and created new business practices and processes.
- Developed the Industrial Pretreatment Program -Obtained EPA approval of the Industrial Pretreatment Program.
- Managed the Industrial Pretreatment Program.
- Developed standard development review procedures.
- Provided technical support to other sections and to other city departments.
- Responded to citizen requests.
- Represented Division at public meetings (i.e. City Council, Finance Meetings, Public Utility Meetings) relating to a variety of topics/issues.

Engineer, December 1998 to May 2001

- Reviewed plats, plans, and specification for all new developments. Prepared staff reports for Planning Commission. Provided signatory approval for all plan and plats related to development.
- Prepared technical evaluation reports for customer connection outlining infrastructure requirements.
- Provided project administration and oversight.

Traffic Engineer August 1995 to December 1998

- Reviewed plats, plans, and specification for all new developments. Prepared staff reports for Planning Commission. Provided signatory approval for all plan and plats related to development.
- Designed traffic signals and road improvements for several intersections.
- Reviewed all traffic impact studies for new developments.

- Responded to customer service requests, which at times required conducting a traffic study.

New Mexico Department of Transportation

Engineer Associate (Traffic Design), July 1994 to July 1995

- Prepared traffic control plans.
- Designed geometric layouts for intersections, medians, detours and parking lots.
- Reviewed Traffic Impact Studies.

Engineer Associate (Bridge Design), April 1994 to July 1994

- Involved in designing the Eubank Bridge over I-40 Bridge.

State Engineers Office – Interstate Stream Commission

Engineer Associate - February 1994 to June 1994

- Worked with different counties on their water plans.
- Assisted in an erosional mitigation project for Ute Reservoir dam.

New Mexico Department of Transportation

Engineer Assistant, May 1992 to November 1993

- Engineer Rotation Program- Rotated through all NMDOT Engineering Section's to gain overall experience of entire Department.

California Transportation Department

Engineer Associate, September 1991 to April 1992

- Worked in permit section and highway design section.

Education	Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from New Mexico State University, 1991
Licensing	Professional Engineering License (New Mexico) - Lic # 13303
Computer Skills	Microsoft Word, Access, PowerPoint, Excel ESRI- ArcMAP 10.1

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO. 2013- 42

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A WATER POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners seeks to create and maintain a coherent water policy that encompasses the full spectrum of water use and meets, to the extent possible, the needs of all water users;

WHEREAS, the County's Sustainable Growth Management Plan identifies water as an important County matter and in particular lists seven key water issues and eight keys to sustainability that will require a full community effort to address or implement;

WHEREAS, the County has numerous existing water policy documents that require occasional updating and cross-referencing;

WHEREAS, Resolution 2011-88 requires that a water focus group be convened to discuss aquifer storage and recharge (ASR) when the County begins to address this issue;

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of all residents of Santa Fe County to address water issues in a regional manner, including utility water service, source of supply, irrigation, and water reuse;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the County Commissioners (BCC) that:

1. A Water Policy Advisory Committee (the Committee) is hereby created for the express purpose of providing factual information to the BCC regarding water, wastewater, and water management within the County and regionally.
2. The Committee shall be comprised of 12 voting members appointed by the BCC.
3. Six members of the Committee will be appointed for an initial term of two years and six members shall be appointed for an initial term of three years. Thereafter Committee members shall serve terms of three years. In the event of a vacancy, the BCC shall appoint a member to serve out the remainder of the departing member's term, taking into consideration any recommendation from the Committee and Public Works staff to fill that vacancy. There shall be no limitation on the number of consecutive terms that a member may serve. Members may be removed by the BCC with or without cause.

4. Committee members shall annually elect a chair and a vice-chair by majority vote of the quorum.
5. The Committee shall meet as often as necessary to carry out its work, but no less than quarterly. The meetings of the Committee shall be held in the County Public Works facility and such other locations as may be conducive to visible and publicly accessible meetings. Meetings shall be held in accordance with all relevant County policies with regard to public notice, open meetings, and rules of order.
6. All matters coming before the Committee shall be resolved by majority vote of the quorum.
7. All Committee members shall reside within the exterior boundaries of Santa Fe County.
 - a. One committee member shall be from a mutual domestic water consumers' association;
 - b. One committee member shall be from a soil and water conservation district;
 - c. One committee member shall be a member of an acequia association;
 - d. One committee member shall be from the Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee;
 - e. One committee member shall be from the central water planning area;
 - f. One committee member shall be from the northern water planning area;
 - g. One committee member shall be the public member of the Buckman Direct Diversion Board;
 - h. The balance of the committee members shall be chosen by commissioners from their respective districts.

Membership should span a wide range of expertise and experience not limited to water. Expertise may be demonstrated by membership in an established community water group; by professional practice in the field of water, wastewater, hydrology, agriculture, or similar; or by other documented relevant professional or volunteer experience. Individuals with expertise in the water policies and practices of other governmental entities in the region are also qualified to serve on the Committee. Interested residents must submit a letter of interest and documented qualifications. In the event more than one individual seeks appointment to a position on the Committee, the Public Works Department will be asked to rank the competing applicants.

8. The County Manager shall appoint a member of the County Staff to serve as liaison to the Committee.
9. The scope of duties of the Committee shall include the following:
 - a. To make recommendations related to water policies in the County land development code, with focus on making recommendations in areas such as: land restoration practices and techniques that lead to water collection, restoration, and conservation; implementation of grey water and closed re-circulating systems; agricultural land

restoration; protection of waterways such as the Santa Cruz River, within existing water resource allocations; etc.

- b. To make recommendations related to County water and wastewater utility growth;
 - c. To assist the County in addressing proposed aquifer storage and recharge activities, design plans, and projects;
 - d. Explore the concept of an independent regional water authority or authorities, including interfacing with the City of Santa Fe, the City of Espanola, the Town of Edgewood, mutual domestic water consumer associations, and other regional water users regarding a regional water authority or authorities;
 - e. Recommend updates to the current 40-year Water Plan, the Conjunctive Management Plan, or other plans;
 - f. Such other water related topics and issues as directed by the BCC.
 - g. Identify and flag applications for appropriations that affect the County.
10. Within two months of the creation of the Committee and at the second BCC meeting in January of each year thereafter, the chair of the Committee shall present to the BCC for approval a draft work plan for the upcoming calendar year or portion thereof. The work plan shall include a list of tasks or topics to be addressed by the Committee over the year along with a delivery schedule of updates, reports, and other deliverables. The chair may from time to time amend this work plan with approval from the BCC. The BCC can amend this work plan at any time. The chair shall update the BCC in accordance with this work plan.
11. The Committee may be incorporated into other County standing committees or otherwise dissolved at any time.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of April, 2013.
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY**

By: Kathy Holian
Kathy Holian, Chair

Attest: Geraldine Salazar 4/30/13
Geraldine Salazar, Santa Fe County Clerk



Approved to form:

[Handwritten Signature]

Stephen C. Ross, Santa Fe County Attorney

SEP. CLERK RECORDED 05/01/2013



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Geraldine Salazar
County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

<u>Current WPAC Members:</u>	<u>Committee Representation</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Appointment Date</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
1 Mary Helen Follingstad	Northern Planning Area	1	1/29/2019	3/30/2022
2 Denise Fort- automatic	BDD Board	4	Automatic appointment	Automatic appointment
2 J.C. Helms	BDD Alternate	4	Automatic appointment	Automatic appointment
3 Bryan Romero	District I	1	4/1/2016	4/1/2019
4 Steve Rudnick	District V	5	2/14/2017	2/14/2020
5 Mr. Shann Stringer	Soil and Water Conservation	4	3/28/2017	3/28/2020
6 Ken Kirk	District II	2	11/1/2017	11/1/2020
WPAC Vacancies:	<u>Committee Representation</u>			
7 Vacant	Small water system/ MDWCA			
8 Vacant	Estancia Basin WPC	3		
9 Vacant	Central Planning Region	5		
10 Vacant	Acequia Association			
11 Vacant	District IV	4		
12 Vacant	District III	3		

