

PUEBLO OF ACOMA HOUSING AUTHORITY
Board of Commissioners Meeting
October 8, 1996

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by 1st Lieutenant Governor Juan S. Juanico at 6:38 p.m.

The Lt. Governor welcomed everyone to the first official Board of Commissioners meeting. The Pueblo of Acoma Indian Housing Authority Board of Commissioners was created by the Tribal Council per Tribal Resolution No. TC-SEP-04-96-4. Roll was called and the length of term was announced for the following Board members:

Fermin Martinez Jr.	term expires: September 1997	<i>present</i>
Harold Felipe	term expires: September 1998	<i>present</i>
Marvis Aragon Jr.	term expires: September 1999	<i>present</i>
Edwin Sarracino	term expires: September 2000	<i>present</i>
Geraldine Vallo	term expires: September 2000	<i>absent</i>

One guest was introduced, F. David Garcia, Contract/Grants Officer. Mr. Garcia is coordinating the overall transfer from the All Indian Pueblo Housing Authority (AIPHA) to the Acoma Pueblo Housing Authority.

Since this was the first organizational meeting of the Board of Commissioners, there were no previous minutes or agenda to approve.

The Board proceeded to elect officers. The floor was opened to nominations for Chairman. Fermin Martinez Jr. nominated Marvis Aragon Jr. Seconded by Harold Felipe. Motion to close nominations made by Harold Felipe. Seconded by Edwin Sarracino. Marvis Aragon Jr. elected as Chairman by acclamation. Floor opened to nominations for Vice-Chair. Harold Felipe nominated Edwin Sarracino. Seconded by Fermin Martinez Jr. Nominations closed by Harold Felipe. Seconded by Fermin Martinez. Edwin Sarracino elected as Vice Chair by acclamation. Discussion was held as to the need of both the Secretary and Treasurer positions for the Board. Until a financial system is established and fully functional, the position of Treasurer will be handled by the Secretary. The floor was opened to nominations for Secretary/Treasurer. Fermin Martinez nominated Harold Felipe. Seconded by Marvis Aragon Jr. Motion to close nominations made by Edwin Sarracino. Seconded by Fermin Martinez Jr. Harold Felipe elected as Secretary/Treasurer by acclamation.

There was no old business to discuss.

Under new business the following was discussed:

Lt. Governor provided a brief history on the reasons for the decision of Acoma Pueblo to withdraw as a member of ALPHA and create its very own Indian Housing Authority.

Lt. Governor informed the Board that the position of Executive Director has been recently advertised by the Human Resources Department. This job announcement will remain open until filled. Other positions within the Housing Authority will also be developed. The Acoma Housing Authority is receiving an office building which will be located near the Elderly Center.

The different methods of incorporation for the Board was discussed. Information was disseminated and the Board recognized that it will require more time to study the information before action is taken by the Board. The seeking of legal advice was also recommended. Item tabled.

The two methods of operation of the Acoma Housing Authority were also discussed. The Board has two options for review; 1) Status Quo, or 2) De-conveyance. Option no. 2 is fairly new and relies on the passage of the HR3219 bill in Congress. This will also require more time to study. Item tabled.

The Annual Contribution Consent (ACC) is in the process of being transferred from ALPHA to Acoma Housing Authority. A meeting is scheduled between representatives of both parties to finalize this transfer. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

The development of by-laws are needed for the Board. Harold Felipe, Board Secretary, agreed to take this action item.

No other business was presented to the Board.

A motion to adjourn was made by Edwin Sarracino. Seconded by Fermin Martinez Jr. Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

The next Board of Commissioners meeting is tentatively scheduled for October, 21, 1996.