

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO
May 19, 2009**

The City Council of the City of Artesia, New Mexico met in the City Council Chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. in special session with Mayor Phillip Burch presiding, and the following present to wit:

Manuel Barragan	Raul Rodriguez	Antonio Torrez
Terry Hill	J.B. Smith	
George Holmes	Nora Sanchez	

The following were absent:
Raye Miller

Also present:

Aubrey Hobson, City Clerk-Treasurer
Bill Thalman, Human Resource Director

It was determined that a quorum was present.

Mayor Burch informed the Council that this was an Employee Termination/Suspension Hearing for a Finance and Administration employee, Sarah Kidd. Ms. Kidd was asked if she would like the hearing to be open or closed to which she replied-"closed".

After closing the meeting, discussion was held concerning certain allegations.

Motion to go into executive session at 6:50 pm to discuss employee discipline was made by Councilor Torrez with a second by Councilor Hill. Upon vote, the motion passed.


Motion to come out of executive session at 7:23 pm stating that only personnel items were discussed and no action was taken was made by Councilor Torrez with a second by Mayor Pro Tem Holmes. Upon vote, the motion passed.

A motion was made by Councilor Hill with a second by Councilor Smith to terminate employee Sarah Kidd effective immediately. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.


Phillip S. Burch, Mayor

ATTEST:



Aubrey Hobson, City Clerk