



# Albuquerque Lodge No. 60

of Ancient Free & Accepted Mason of New Mexico

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## Albuquerque Lodge No. 60 Minutes: Regular Communication

April 8, 2026

The Lodge was opened, in form, on the Entered Apprentice Degree at 7:10 o'Clock P.M.. The following Officers were in their Stations and Places:

W.:B.: Matt Rader  
*Worshipful Master*

Bro.: Tristian Ortiz  
*Senior Warden*

Bro.: Gil Morales  
*Junior Warden*

R.:W.:B.: Wade Villanueva  
*Treasurer*

W.:B.: Byron Webster  
*Secretary*

Bro.: Antonio Ortega *PT*  
*Senior Deacon*

Bro.: Jeremy Sanchez  
*Junior Deacon*

Bro.: Salomon Aguilar  
*Senior Steward*

Bro.: Antonio Tenorio  
*Junior Steward*

Bro.: Anthony Castillo  
*Chaplain*

W.:B.: Andrew Montoya  
*Tyler*

NA  
*Marshal*

The lodge was opened with 20 brothers present. For a full list of members and visitors, please see the register.

The Worshipful Master led the lodge in the Pledge of Allegiance and then asked for a moment of silence for all those serving in harm's way.

**Sickness and Distress: N/A**

**Blessings and Boons: N/A**

### Approval of Minutes

The Woshshipful Master mentioned the minutes of the Regular Communication held on March 11, 2026 had been distributed via email and asked if anyone else had noted any changes.

Bro.: Senior Warden moved that the minutes be accepted as amended. The motion waa seconded by R.:W.:B.: Villanueva

The minutes were approved by vote of the lodge.

### Standing Committees

The Worshipful Master asked for reports from the standing committees.

**Building Committee** - Brother Senior Warden provided an update on the status of the building. It

looks like it will be sold to the City. He had participated in a committee of all the tenant lodges which appeared to be an airing of grievances. Everyone has agreed to work together. Best case - it looks like the building will remain available until December - but everything is tentative until a formal offer is received..

The Worshipful Master asked Brother Senior Warden about timelines, and Brother Senior Warden suggested that we should plan to vacate in June/July. There are conversations underway to work with Temple Lodge No. 6 for a short term solution.

**Treasurer's Report - R·W·B·.** Treasurer distributed his report via email prior to the meeting. Please see the report, appended to these minutes. R·W·B·. Treasurer offered additional printed copies for any brothers who were interested in reviewing the report. The Lodge has \$7,886 in the Bank of Albuquerque with a check for \$1,500 outstanding - leaving 5,911.11 in the account.

Brother Senior Warden also shared there is an additional \$1,300 which has been submitted from Gala Tickets.

**MCPPF -** Most Worshipful Johnson informed the lodge that it should be ready and willing to help in finalizing the work on the property in Malpais. There is a hearing on April 20. The expenses will likely exceed what the Grand Lodge of New Mexico has agreed upon. There are currently 14 horses managed by a lady - and there have been conversations to extend a loan of \$100,000 to \$200,000 to Attemsa (A horse rescue).

Brother Senior Warden asked for details about the terms of the loan.

Most Worshipful Johnson suggested that there will be expenses to finish probate. Examples given included \$20k to \$30k in attorney fees, fees for oil and gas lease (\$5k), lots of little things and operational things. Within about 6 months, the oil and gas should produce ongoing revenues. There is an offer of \$325k in a signing bonus for this contract. He forecasted that within one year we could get paid back, and that there would be approximately \$2.2M in annual income.

A motion was made to offer a term of 1 year with an interest rate of 10%.

Brother Jones suggested the lodge should consider keeping it to a 2 year term, and provide some flexibility in working out the terms of the loan. Perhaps 15% over two years.

Worshipful Brother Cummings assured the lodge that it was a nice transaction and needed to be wrapped up by the end of May - and that would leave the question of what needs to happen to get the proceeds out to help the community.

He suggested that 10% is not unreasonable. There could also be an annual fee, like points, and there is no risk of the principle getting lost. We should help them get this over the finish line and this property will help many generations in the future.

He recommended a modification to a term of 10% per year, with a 5% origination fee, and 5% for

each year the loan is still outstanding. This provides the flexibility for it to be available for as long as it is needed.

The Worshipful Master called for a vote and the amendment and amended motion were both passed.

**Charity Committee Report** - Bro. Junior Warden informed the lodge that there were not a lot of transactions at the moment. The Worshipful Master asked Brother Junior Warden to put together some thoughts for a proposal and present them to the lodge.

The Worshipful Master asked Brother Senior Warden if there were any plans for a gala.

Brother Senior Warden reported that Julian Mora is happy to help again, it is a good relationship. He shared that he is thinking a Masquerade would be a great idea, but encouraged the brethren to submit ideas. He also suggested that it is important that we need to get more people involved with and attending the event. By working with Julian, we are able to save as much as \$8,000 in space rental fees, which would require a minimum of 80 tickets to cover. The timeline should be sometime in November. We also need to consider additional strategies to sell tickets - and it is unlikely we can lower the ticket cost below \$100.

### **Education**

The Worshipful Master then called Bro. Castillo before the lodge to present an educational discussion.

Bro. Anthony Castillio presented a moving discussion on the three great lights in Masonry, involving most of those attending in the discussion.

### **Closing**

Prior to closing, the Worshipful Master asked if anyone had anything to bring before the Lodge.

Brother Leon Alderette presented an informative presentation on his involvement with and needs in helping the DeMolay chapter. The local chapters meet on Tuesday at 5:30p in Rio Rancho, Sundays from 1p to 3:30p in Albuquerque, and on Fridays from 6p to 8:30p in Edgewood.

There being nothing further to bring before this Entered Apprentice lodge, the Worshipful Master closed this Regular Communication of Albuquerque Lodge No. 60 at 8:38 o'Clock PM, with the same Officers in their Stations and Places, peace and harmony prevailing.

By:

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Worshipful Master

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Secretary