

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
September 11, 2014**

Chairman Fulfer called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. in the Lea County Courthouse.

Commissioners present were, to wit: Commissioner Dale Dunlap District 1, Commissioner Mike Whitehead District 2, Vice Chairman Ron Black District 3, James H. Britton District 4, and Chairman Gregory H. Fulfer District 5.

Also present were County Manager Michael P. Gallagher II and County Attorney Scotty A. Holloman.

Commissioner Dunlap led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Vice Chairman Black.

Commissioner Britton made comments concerning safety, and the exit strategy in case of an emergency.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**

- Consideration of Approval of the August 21, 2014 Minutes.

Commissioner Britton moved to approve the August 21, 2014 minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitehead and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of Committee Reports

Commissioner Dunlap stated I attended some meetings yesterday in Albuquerque at the NMAC. He stated, I believe the result of these meeting would have been different had Lea County not attended. Chairman Fulfer, Manager Gallagher was also in attendance. Chairman Fulfer stated I attended the meetings yesterday as well I feel it is important for us to attend these meetings when possible.

Set/Confirm Next Meeting(s):

- Thursday, September 25, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the City of Jal
- Thursday, October 16, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, October 30, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, November 7, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. Special Meeting
- Thursday, November 20, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, December 18, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

The next meetings will be on, **September 25, 2014** in the City of Jal, **October 16, 2014; October 30, 2014; November 7, 2014; Special Meeting, November 20, 2014; and December 18, 2014** in the Lea County Commission Chambers.

- Consideration of Approval of Appointments to Lea County Active Boards:
 - Lea County Health Council
 - Amanda Beauchamp
 - Vanessa Galindo
 - Blair Kemp
 - Kelly Brown
 - Lorenzo Velasquez
 - Stephanie Schoen-Orr
 - Rhonda Tyler
 - Jessie Davis
 - Evelyn Rising
 - Jaron Graham
 - Jackie Ford
 - Cathy Beavers
 - Veronica Perry
 - Lea County Memorial Committee
 - Brian Norwood

Vice Chairman Black moved to approve the appointments to the Lea County Health Council and the Lea County Memorial Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

ITEM 02: BOARDS/COMMITTEES

- **Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board – Corey Helton, Chairman**
 - Consideration of Recommendation from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board for the Approval of Out of State Travel to Attend the Global Rodeo Conference in Omaha, Nebraska on September 25-26, 2014

Lea County Fair and Rodeo Board Chairman Helton requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve the out of state travel for Greg Massey and Silvio Cervantes to attend the global rodeo conference in Omaha Nebraska, on September 25-26, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitehead. Vice Chairman Black voted yes, Commissioner Whitehead voted yes, Commissioner Britton voted yes, Commissioner Dunlap voted no. The motion passed.

ITEM 03: OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

- **Lea County Assessor – Sharla Kennedy**
 - Consideration of Approval of Certification of the State of New Mexico Property Tax Rates

Assessor Kennedy requested approval. Commissioner Whitehead moved to approve the certification of the State of New Mexico Property Tax Rates. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- **Lea County Sheriff – Chief Deputy – Steve Ackerman**

- Consideration of Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Lea County and the City of Hobbs for the 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

Chief Deputy Ackerman requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve the memorandum of understanding between Lea County and the City of Hobbs for the 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

ITEM 04: MANAGER

- **Lea County Manager – Michael Gallagher**

- Consideration of Approval to Advertise Request for Proposal for the Management and Operation Services of Certain County Facilities

Manager Gallagher requested approval. He presented a power point presentation in conjunction with this item. Vice Chairman Black asked questions concerning employee benefits, retirement and our employees being moved to comparable positions. Manager Gallagher stated most of these companies retain up to 90% of the employees, if we find the right company. We value our employees and plan to work to minimize any impact on them. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve to advertise request for proposal for the management and operation services of the Lea County Event Center, the Fair Grounds and the future Equestrian Center. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitehead and passed unanimously. Commissioner Britton made comments concerning the RFP; and the staff. Commissioner Whitehead made comments concerning the fair board.

ITEM 05: COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

- **Administrative Services (Finance/Grant Administration) – Sherri Bunch, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County Purchase Card Report

Director Bunch presented a power point presentation to discuss the procurement cards policies and procedures.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 14-Sep-042R Budget Adjustments

Director Bunch requested approval. She presented a power point presentation with this item. She stated overall the budget adjustment is a reduction in cash of \$71,000. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 14-Sep-042R Budget Adjustments. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Whitehead and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Accounts Payable

Director Bunch requested approval. Commissioner Whitehead moved to approve the accounts payable. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

ITEM 06: PUBLIC

- **Public**
 - Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public

ITEM 07: EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
 - Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (H2), (H7) & (H8) of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1978; to discuss limited personnel matters, threatened or pending litigation and the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights.

At 10:01 a.m. Commissioner Dunlap moved to convene in Executive Session pursuant to **Section 10-15-1 (H2), (H7) & (H8) of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1978; to discuss limited personnel matters, threatened or pending litigation and the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights**. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Black. Secretary polled the Commission. Commissioner Britton, yes; Commissioner Dunlap, yes; Commissioner Whitehead, yes; Vice Chairman Black, yes; Chairman Fulfer, yes.

Vice Chairman Black moved to reconvene in regular session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously. The meeting reconvened at 11:14 a.m.

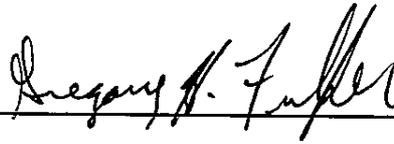
The Commission convened in closed session to discuss items relative to the purchase acquisition or disposal of real property, or water rights. No action was taken by the Commission during closed session.

ITEM 08: OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

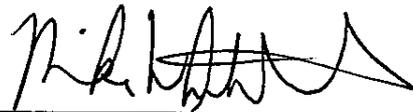
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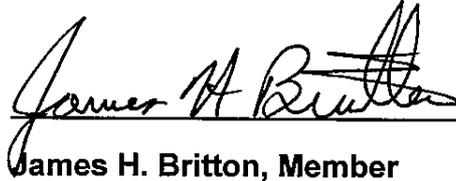
Gregory H. Fulfer, Chairman



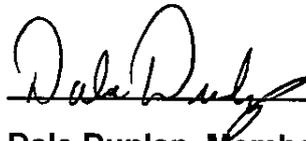
Ron Black, Vice Chairman



Mike Whitehead, Member



James H. Britton, Member



Dale Dunlap, Member

ATTEST: Pat Chappelle

Lea County Clerk



Kelli Williams

