

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
March 26, 2015**

Chairman Fulfer called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m. in the Lea County Courthouse

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

Also present were County Manager Michael P. Gallagher II and County Attorney John W. Caldwell.

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

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**
 - Consideration of Approval of the following Minutes:
 - March 12, 2015 Budget Work Session
 - March 12, 2015 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve the March 12, 2015 budget work session, and March 12, 2015 regular minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Black and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of Committee Reports

Set/Confirm Next Meeting(s):

- Friday April 10, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. Budget Work Session
- Friday, April 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

The next meetings will be on; **April 10, 2015, and April 23, 2015 May 7, 2015 May 21, 2015** in the Lea County Commission Chambers.

- Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-068R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board

Commissioner Britton appointed Kathy Wellbourn to the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-068R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-069R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Environmental Services Advisory Committee

There were no appointments made.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-070R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Environmental Services Advisory Committee

There were no appointments made

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-071R Approving Appointments to the Lovington – Lea County Extraterritorial Zoning Commission

There were no appointments made

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Proclamation Declaring April 18 to be “Ross Black Day” in Lea County

Manager Gallagher stated we had a request to post pone this to the April 10th, 2015 meeting to coincide with the NMJC proclamation. Vice Chairman Black moved to post pone Lea County Proclamation Declaring April 18 to be “Ross Black Day” in Lea County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM: 02 OUTSIDE ENTITIES

- **New Mexico Department of Transportation**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-072R Approving a Maintenance Agreement between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Transportation for Roadway Lighting

New Mexico Department of Transportation, Technical Support Engineer, Louis Matta III requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved not to approve Lea County

Resolution No.-15-MAR-72R Approving a Maintenance Agreement between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Transportation for Roadway Lighting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: LEGAL/RISK MANAGEMENT

- **Attorney – John W. Caldwell**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-073R Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent of Adoption of Proposed Lea County Ordinance on Rules and Policies on Right-of-Way Permits

Lea County Attorney Caldwell requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No.15-073R Authorizing Publication of Notice of Intent of Adoption of Proposed Lea County Ordinance on Rules and Policies on Right-of-Way Permits. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

ITEM 04: COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

- **Communications Authority – Manager Mike P. Gallagher II, on Behalf of Angela Martinez, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County Communications Authority Activity Report

Manager Gallagher presented the Lea County Communications Authority activity report. There was no action taken

- **Community Engagement – Lyn Edwards, Director**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-074R Approving a Letter of Support for the Lea County Detention Center Grant Application for Safety and Justice Challenge

Director Edwards requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-074R Approving a Letter of Support for the Lea County Detention Center Grant Application for Safety and Justice Challenge. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Black and passed unanimously.

- **Detention Center – Ruben Quintana, Chief of Security**

- Discussion of Lea County DWI/Probation Activity Report

Chief Quintana presented the Lea County Detention Center activity report. There was no action taken.

- **DWI/Probation – Kelly Ford, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County DWI/Probation Activity Report

Director Ford presented the Lea County DWI/Probation activity report. There was no action taken.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-075R Approving Amendment No. 01 to Grant Agreement No. 15-690-17340-1 between Lea County and State of New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department

Director Ford requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-075R Approving Amendment No. 01 to Grant Agreement No. 15-690-17340-1 between Lea County and State of New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- **Facilities – Erich Francke, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County Facilities Activity Report

Director Francke presented the Lea County Facilities activity report. There was no action taken.

- **Human Resources – Mike P. Gallagher II on Behalf of Jill Dennis, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County Human Resources Activity Report

Director Dennis presented the Lea County Human Resources activity report. There was no action taken.

- **Information Technology – Robert Lathrop, Administrator**

- Discussion of Lea County Information Technology Activity Report

Director Lathrop presented the Lea County Information Technology activity report. There was no action taken.

- **Public Works (Airports/Engineering/Roads) – Corey Needham, Director**

- Discussion of Lea County Public Works Activity Report

Director Needham presented the Public Works activity report with a power point. There was no action taken.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No.15-MAR-077R Granting Easement to Southwestern Public Service Company dba Xcel Energy for Installation of Electrical Service Line at Lea County Regional Airport in Hobbs, New Mexico

Director Needham requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-077R Granting Easement to Southwestern Public Service Company dba Xcel Energy for Installation of Electrical Service Line at Lea County Regional Airport in Hobbs New Mexico. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-078R Approving Cost Sharing Agreement between Lea County and Federal Aviation Administration for the Lea County Regional Airport in Hobbs, New Mexico Tower Cost Sharing Program

Director Needham requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-078R Approving Cost Sharing Agreement between Lea County and Federal Aviation Administration for the Lea County Regional Airport in Hobbs, New Mexico Tower Cost Sharing Program. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-079R Supporting the Jal Airport to be Included in the National Plan of Integrated Airport System Asset Category

Director Needham requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-079R Supporting the Jal Airport to be Included in the National Plan of Integrated Airport System Asset Category. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- **Administrative Services**

- Discussion of Lea County Finance Activity Report

Director Low presented the Lea County Finance activity report with a power point. There was no action taken.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-080R Ratifying the Payment of Costs and Expenses Incurred and Paid by Lea County during March 2015

Director Low requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-MAR-080R Ratifying the Payment of Costs and Expenses Incurred and Paid by Lea County during March 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 05: EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Board of County 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 11:24 a.m. Commissioner Long moved to convene in Executive Session pursuant to **Section 10-15-1 (H2) (H7) of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1978; to discuss limited personnel matters and threatened or pending litigation concerning water rights, contracts, and taxes, in which the County may become a participant as authorized by the Open Meetings Act, .** The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton Secretary polled the Commission. Commissioner Dunlap, yes; Commissioner Long, yes; Commissioner Britton, yes; Vice Chairman Black, yes; Chairman Fulfer; yes.

The meeting reconvened at 12:00 p.m.

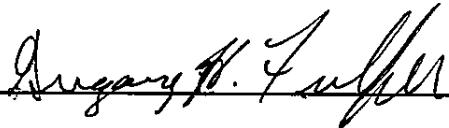
Chairman Fulfer stated the Commission convened in closed session to discuss limited personnel matters, threatened or pending litigation, concerning water rights, contracts and taxes which the public body is or may become a participant. No action was taken by the Commission during closed session.

ITEM 06: OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Fulfer stated, House Bill 560, is going to take forfeitures away from the drug task force. They asked for a letter to be drafted from the Commission to the governor to veto that bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



Gregory H. Fulfer, Chairman



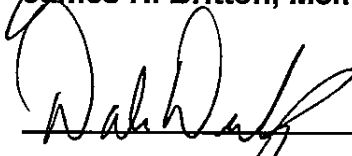
Ron Black, Vice Chairman



Rebecca Long, Member



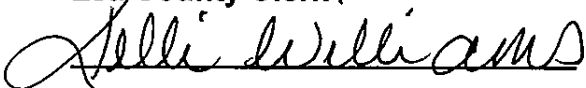
James H. Britton, Member



Dale Dunlap, Member

ATTEST: Pat Chappelle

Lea County Clerk.



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