

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
April 10, 2015**

Chairman Fulfer called the meeting to order at 9:03 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 26, 2015 Budget Work Session
 - March 26, 2015 Regular Meeting
 - March 26, 2015 Outside Agencies Funding Requests

Vice Chairman Black moved to approve the March 26, 2015 budget work session, March 26, 2015 regular minutes and the March 26, 2015, outside agencies funding requests meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of Committee Reports

Commissioner Long stated I am part of the Environment Energy Land Use Steering Committee, under the National Association of Counties. We had our first phone conference Wednesday with Counties from across the Country, concerning paint care, and the importance of proper paint disposal.

Set/Confirm Next Meeting(s):

- 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 23, 2015 May 7, 2015 and 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 15-APR-081R Approving Appointments to the Lea County DWI Advisory Council

There were no appointments made

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No 15-APR-082R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Environmental Services Advisory Committee

There were no appointments made

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No-15-APR-083R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Memorial Committee

There were no appointments made

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No-15-APR-084R Approving Appointments to the Lovington-Lea County Extraterritorial Zoning Commission

Commissioner Dunlap appointed Zach Wieser and Reappointed, Penny Kitchens to the Lovington-Lea County Extraterritorial Zoning Commission. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-084R Approving Appointments to the Lovington-Lea County Extraterritorial Zoning Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

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

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve Lea County Proclamation Declaring April 18 to be "Ross Black Day" in Lea County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

ITEM: 02 OUTSIDE ENTITIES

- **Town of Tatum – Commissioner Dunlap on Behalf of Marilyn Burns, Mayor**
 - Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-085R Approving Amendment of Funding Request

Commissioner Dunlap requested approval on behalf of the Town of Tatum. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-085R Approving Amendment of Funding Request. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Black and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: MANAGER

- **Manager – Michael P. Gallagher II**

- Discussion of Property Characterization by Pettigrew & Associates for the Lea County EnergyPlex Park

Manager Gallagher introduced the team from Pettigrew & Associates that have been working on the planning for the Lea County EnergyPlex Park. Tres Hicks, PE, PS Executive VP, Charity Benton, Marketing Director, Matt Kneeland, PE, PS, Project Surveyor, and Jonathan Carey. They presented a power point presentation to explain the proposed master plan for the Lea County EnergyPlex Park.

- Discussion of Intrepid HB AMAX Extension Solution Mining Project

Manager Gallagher presented a map and explained the Intrepid HB AMAX Extension Solution Mining Project. There was no action taken.

- Consideration of Approval of Travel

Manager Gallagher requested approval for travel requests to the Association of Counties. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve the travel requests. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 04: COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

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

- Discussion of Student End of Year Prevention Activities

Director Ford, and Preventionist Allie Miles, presented a power point, with this item to discuss the plans for the Student End of Year Prevention Activities.

- **Emergency Management/Environmental Services – Lorenzo Velasquez, Director**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-086R Approving Public Employees Retirement Association for Knowles Volunteer Fire Department Annual Reporting

Director Velasquez requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-086R Approving Public Employees Retirement Association for Knowles Volunteer Fire Department Annual Reporting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-087R Approving Public Employees Retirement Association for Maljamar Volunteer Fire Department Annual Reporting

Director Velasquez requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-087R Approving Public Employees Retirement Association for Maljamar Volunteer Fire Department Annual Reporting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-088R Approving Fire Protection Fund Distribution for Lea County Approved Fire Administration Building

Director Velasquez requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-088R Approving Fire Protection Fund Distribution for Lea County Approved Fire Administration Building. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-089R Approving Fire Protection Fund Distribution for Knowles Volunteer Fire Department

Director Velasquez requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-089R Approving Fire Protection Fund Distribution for Knowles Volunteer Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No 15-APR-090R Approving Fire Protection Fund Distribution for Maljamar Volunteer Fire Department

Director Velasquez requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-090R Approving Fire Protection Fund Distribution for Maljamar Volunteer Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-091R Approving Grant Funds for a Grant Agreement between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Director Velasquez requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-091R Approving Grant Funds for a Grant Agreement between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-092R Accepting Grant Funds for a Grant agreement between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Director Velasquez requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-092R Accepting Grant Funds for a Grant Agreement between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

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

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-093R Accepting Request for Proposal No. 04 Airport Project Design & Engineering Services – Lea County Airports

Director Needham requested approval. Vice Chairman Black moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-093R Accepting Request for Proposal No. 04 Airport Project Design & engineering Services – Lea County Airports. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of Airport Rescue and Fire Fighting Building at the Lea County Regional Airport in Hobbs, New Mexico

Director Needham presented a power point presentation to discuss the airport rescue and firefighting building at the Lea County Regional Airport in Hobbs, New Mexico.

- **Administrative Services (Finance/Grant Administration) – Chip Low, Director**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-094 Ratifying the Payment of Costs and Expenses Incurred and Paid by Lea County during March 2015

Director Low requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-094R Ratifying the Payment of Costs and Expenses Incurred and Paid by Lea County during March 2015. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Black 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 10:51 a.m. Commissioner Britton 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 Long Secretary polled the Commission. Commissioner Dunlap, yes; Commissioner Long, yes; Commissioner Britton, yes; Vice Chairman Black, yes; Chairman Fulfer; yes.

At 12:51 p.m. Vice Chairman Black moved to reconvene. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap.

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. Let the record reflect that only those subjects announced for going into closed session were discussed.

ITEM 06: OTHER BUSINESS

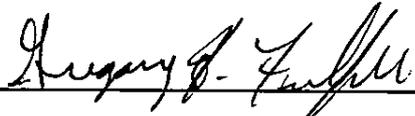
- **Board of County Commissioners**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-095R Approving Modification No. 2 of County Manager Contract.

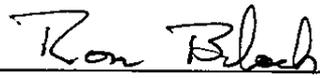
Vice Chairman Black moved to postpone Lea County Resolution No. 15-APR-095R Approving Modification No. 2 of County Manager Contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

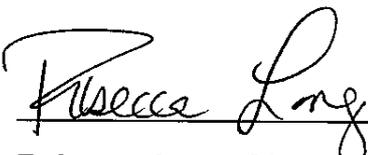
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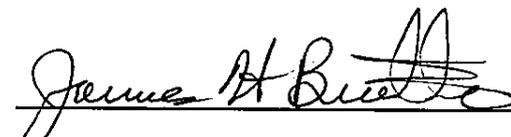
Gregory H. Fulfer, Chairman



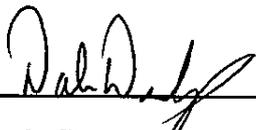
Ron Black, Vice Chairman



Rebecca Long, Member



James H. Britton, Member

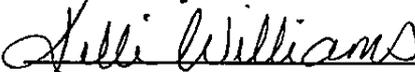


Dale Dunlap, Member



ATTEST: Pat Chappelle

Lea County Clerk



Kelli Williams

