

Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
February 04, 2016

Chairman Black called the meeting to order at 9:16 a.m. in the Lea County Courthouse

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

Also present was County Manager Michael P. Gallagher II

Vice Chairman Dunlap led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Andrew Hebert.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- Board of County Commissioners
 - Consideration of Approval of the following Minutes:
 - January 14, 2016 Work Session

Vice Chairman Dunlap moved to approve the January 14, 2016 Work Session minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- January 14, 2016 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Fulfer moved to approve the January 14, 2016 regular minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- February 2, 2016 Closed Session Special Meeting Statement: The Lea County Board of County Commissioners met in a Closed Session Special Meeting On February 2, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. at the Lea County Courthouse in the Commission Chambers located at 100 North Main Avenue, Lovington New Mexico The Board discussed threatened or pending litigation in which the county is or may become a participant, involving employment matters, the detention center, the Sheriff's Office, contracts for services, and personal injury claims; and the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the county. The discussion of these matters in closed session was authorized by NMSA 1978 § 10-15-1

Chairman Black stated nothing other than what was announced in notice of closed session was discussed. Commissioner Fulfer moved to approve the February 2, 2016 Closed Session Special Meeting Statement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of Committee Reports

Commissioner Long stated during the legislative session, the New Mexico Association of Counties had a board meeting, and went over several bills. There is a bill coming up concerning minimum wage. We do not want cities to dictate to businesses that they must pay higher than the minimum wage. We all felt like minimum wage jobs should be considered starter jobs. Commissioner Britton stated I also attended the meetings at the legislative session. Chairman Black stated on the first day of the legislative session Lea County always hosts a breakfast, for the members of our legislative delegation, state officials, the governor, the chief of staff, there were a number of people present, it gives Lea County an opportunity to present what items are of interest to Lea County. It was a successful event this year.

- Set/Confirm Next Meetings

- Confirmed

- Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 8:00 A.M. – Work Session
- Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. – Regular Meeting
- Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 8:00 A.M. Work Session
- Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Regular Meeting
- Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 8:00 A.M. Work Session
- Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Regular Meeting

- Suggested

- Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 8:00 A.M. Work Session
- Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Regular Meeting
- Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 8:00 A.M. Work Session
- Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Regular Meeting
- Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 1:00 P.M. Outside Agency Funding Requests

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-016R
Approving Appointments to the Lea County DWI Advisory Council

Commissioner Fulfer reappointed Mauricio Valeriano to the Lea County DWI Advisory Council.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No, 16-FEB-017R
Approving Appointments to the Lea County Environmental Services Advisory Committee

No appointments made

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-018R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Memorial Committee

Chairman Black reappointed Carol Parish to the Lea County Memorial Committee.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-019R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Road Advisory Committee

Commissioner Long reappointed Mark Grainer to the Lea County Road Advisory Committee.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-020R Approving Appointments and/or Confirming Appointments to the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District Council of Governments

After discussion an agreement was reached to reappoint Lisa Hardison, to the private sector, and reappoint Manager Gallagher to the Public sector, of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District Council of Governments.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-021R Approving Appointments to the Southeast Regional Transportation Planning Organization

After discussion an agreement was reached to reappoint Commissioner Dunlap as the Policy Committee member, and reappoint Bruce Reid as the Technical Committee member to the Southeast Regional Transportation Planning Organization. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-016R, 16-FEB-017R, 16-FEB-018R, 16-FEB-019R, 16-FEB-020R and 16-FEB-021R. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

ITEM 02: OUTSIDE ENTITIES

- **Lea County Health Council – Amanda Beauchamp, Chairperson**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-022R Approving Membership Recommendations from the Lea County Health Council

Chairperson Beauchamp requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-022R Approving Membership Recommendations from the Lea County Health Council. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: MANAGER

- **Manager – Michael P. Gallagher II**
- Discussion of Lea County Website

Administrative Coordinator Russell presented a discussion of the Lea County Website by power point.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-023R Supporting the New Mexico Association of Counties Healthcare Policy Committee Resolution on County Indigent Funding

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-023R Supporting the New Mexico Association of Counties Healthcare Policy Committee Resolution on County Indigent Funding. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

ITEM 04: COUNTY DEPARTMENTS

- **Emergency Management – Lorenzo Velasquez, Director**
- Consideration of Approval of Out of State Travel to attend Model Performance in Fire Prevention Symposium as the State of New Mexico's Representative in Fairfax, Virginia on March 9-13, 2016

Director Velasquez requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Out of State travel for Jeff Broom to attend Model Performance in Fire Prevention Symposium, as the State of New Mexico's Representative in Fairfax, Virginia on March 9-13, 2016. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- **Public Works (Airports/Engineering/Roads) – Corey Needham, Director**
- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-024R Award Bid No. 04 2015-2016 Lakeview and Maple Drive Drainage and Roadway Improvements

Director Needham requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-FEB-024R Award Bid No. 04 2015-2016 Lakeview and Maple Drive Drainage and Roadway Improvements. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of Lea County Regional Airport Improvements

Director Needham presented a discussion of the Lea County Regional Airport Improvements by power point. No action taken.

- Administrative Services (Finance/Grant Administration) – Chip Low, Director
 - Discussion of Lea County's Accounts Payable

Director Low presented a discussion of the Lea County Accounts Payable. No action taken.

- Discussion of Lea County's Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget

Director Low presented a discussion of the Lea County's Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget.

ITEM 05 OTHER BUSINESS

- Board of County Commissioners
 - Discussion Consent Agendas

Commissioner Britton explained what a consent agenda is and presented his ideas regarding this item. No action taken.

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

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LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Ron Black, Chairman

Dale Dunlap

Dale Dunlap, Vice Chairman

Rebecca Long

Rebecca Long, Member

James H. Britton

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ATTEST: Pat Chappelle

Lea County Clerk

Kelli Williams

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