

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
March 03, 2016**

Chairman Black called the meeting to order at 9:18 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 and Lea County Attorney John W. Caldwell.

Vice Chairman Dunlap led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Zac Zimmerman.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**
 - Discussion of Committee Reports

Commissioner Fulfer stated, I did a speech at the Business Bureau of Economic and Research in Albuquerque. They provide a forecast for the Legislative Finance Committee for the State. Commissioner Long stated, there will be a town hall meeting at 6:00 at the Lea County Event Center. Commissioner Britton stated I attended the National Association of Counties in Washington D.C. Vice Chairman Dunlap stated, I attended the National Association of Counties in Washington D.C. as well, and met some lobbyists for the County. He also attended the Lea County Fair Board meeting.

- Consideration of Approval of the following Minutes:
 - February 4, 2016 Work Session

Commissioner Long moved to approve the February 4, 2016 Work Session minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- February 4, 2016 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Long moved to approve the February 4, 2016 regular minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- February 24, 2016 Special Meeting

Commissioner Long moved to approve the February 24, 2016 special meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Set/Confirm Next Meetings
 - Confirmed
 - Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 8:00 A.M. Work Session
 - Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Regular Meeting
 - 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
 - Suggested
 - Thursday, May 12, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.
 - Thursday, May 26, 2016 at 9:00 A.M

- Comments from the public

There were no comments from the public

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-026R Approving Appointments to the to the Lea County Environmental Services Advisory Committee

Commissioner Fulfer reappointed Van Myrick and appointed Dan Lord to the Lea County Environmental Services Advisory Committee. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-026R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Environmental Services Advisory Committee. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-027R Approving Appointments to the Lea County Road Advisory Committee

No appointments made

- Consideration of Approval of the Lea County Indigent Claims Burial/Cremation Report (Indigent Claims Specialist Mary Lamb)

Commissioner Britton moved to approve the Lea County Indigent Claims Burial/Cremation Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 02 ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-028R Approving Grant No. G15SN0017A Modification No.3 between Lea County and

the Office of National Drug Control Policy Decreasing Funds for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Awarded 01/01/2015 to 12/31/2016 (Region Commander Wm Robert Sullivan – HIDTA Region VI DTF)

Region Commander Sullivan requested approval. Commissioner Fulfer moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-028R Approving Grant No. G15SN0017A Modification No.3 between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Control Policy Decreasing Funds for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Awarded 01/01/2015 to 12/31/2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-029R Approving Grant No. G15SN0017A Modification No.4 between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Control Policy Decreasing Funds for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Awarded 01/01/2015 to 12/21/2015 (Region Commander Wm Robert Sullivan – HIDTA Region VI DTF)

Region Commander Sullivan requested approval. Commissioner Fulfer moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-029R Approving Grant No. G15SN0017A Modification No.4 between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Control Policy Decreasing Funds for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Awarded 01/01/2015 to 12/21/2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-030R Reallocation of Funding of \$450,000.00 to the City of Jal for Housing (Manager Michael Gallagher)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-030R Reallocation of Funding of \$450,000.00 to the City of Jal for Housing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consider of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-031R Allocating Up to \$100,000.00 for Recreational and Open Space Upgrades for the City of Eunice. (Manager Michael Gallagher)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Mayor White made comments concerning the proposed upgrades for the City of Eunice. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-031R Allocating Up to \$100,000.00 for Recreational and Open Space Upgrades for the City of Eunice. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-032R Approving Professional Services Contract with the National Group (Manager Michael Gallagher)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-032R Approving Professional Services Contract with the National Group. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-033R Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Colonias Infrastructure Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement by and Among the New Mexico Colonias Infrastructure Board ("CIB") and the New Mexico Finance Authority ("Finance Authority," and Collectively with the CIB, the Lenders/Grantors) and Lea County (the "Borrower/Grantee"), for the Benefit of the Colonia of the Community of Bennett, in the Total Amount of Three Hundred Twenty Thousand Six Hundred Two Dollars (\$320,602.00) (Manager Michael Gallagher)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. He stated that the Chairman will sign all the necessary documents. Commissioner Long moved to approve Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-033R Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Colonias Infrastructure Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement by and Among the New Mexico Colonias Infrastructure Board ("CIB") and the New Mexico Finance Authority ("Finance Authority," and Collectively with the CIB, the Lenders/Grantors) and Lea County (the "Borrower/Grantee"), for the Benefit of the Colonia of the Community of Bennett, in the Total Amount of \$320,602.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Travel

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Commissioner Fulfer moved to approve the Travel request to the NACo Western Interstate Region Conference for Manager and Commissioner for District 2, and the NACo Annual Conference for Manager and Commissioners for District 2 and District 4. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-034R to Authorize Notice of Publication to Repeal Ordinance No. 66 – Inspection of Public Records (Attorney John W Caldwell)

Lea County Attorney Caldwell requested approval. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-034R to Authorize Notice of Publication to Repeal Ordinance No. 66 – Inspection of Public Records. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-035R Approving an Agreement between Lea County and Nor-Lea Hospital District for Services at the Lea County Detention Center (Warden Paddy Downey)

Warden Paddy Downey requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-035R Approving an Agreement between Lea County and Nor-Lea Hospital District for Services at the Lea County Detention Center. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-036R Local DWI Grant and Distribution Program for Fiscal Year 2017 (DWI/Probation Director Kelly Ford)

Director Ford requested approval. Vice Chairman Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-036R Local DWI Grant and Distribution Program for Fiscal Year 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-037R Approving 1st Option to Renew Agreement for Airport Engineering Services with Molzen-Corbin & Associates (Public Works Director Corey Needham)

Director Needham requested approval. He presented a power point presentation with this item. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-037R Approving 1st Option to Renew Agreement for Airport Engineering Services with Molzen-Corbin & Associates. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-038R Approving Task Order with Constructors, Inc for 2015-2016 Roadway Improvements regarding Delaware Basin Phase 3. (Public Works Director, Corey Needham)

Director Needham requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Resolution No. 16-MAR-038R Approving Task Order with Constructors, Inc for 2015-2016 Roadway Improvements regarding Delaware Basin Phase 3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-039R Accept Bid No. 05 2015-2016 Aggregate for Surface Treatment with Constructors, Inc (Public Works Director, Corey Needham)

Director Needham requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-039R Accept Bid No. 05 2015-2016 Aggregate for

Surface Treatment with Constructors, Inc. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-040R Budget Adjustments (Finance Director Chip Low)

Director Low requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAR-040R Budget Adjustments. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion of Lea County Department Reports

Director Needham presented the Lea County Public Works activity report by power point.

General Manager Crumb presented the Lea County Event Center/Fairgrounds activity report.

Director Francke presented the Lea County Facilities activity report.

Chairman Black called a break at 10:47 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 11:02 a.m.

- Discussion of Lea County's Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget (Finance Director Chip Low)

Director Low presented the Lea County Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget

Director Velasquez presented the Lea County Environmental Services Budget report by power point.

Director Velasquez presented the Emergency Management Budget report by power point.

Director Needham presented the Public Works budget report by power point.

Director Francke presented the Lea County Facilities budget report by power point.

Warden Downey presented the Lea County Detention Facility budget report by power point.

- Discussion of Lea County Accounts Payable (Finance Director Chip Low)

Director Low presented the Lea County Accounts Payable.

ITEM 04: EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**

- Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (H7), of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1978; to discuss threatened or pending litigation in which the County is or may become a participant and the Acquisition and Disposal of Real Property of Real Property in Southern Lea County and Lovington, New Mexico, as Authorized by the Open Meetings Act
- At 12:48 p.m. Vice Chairman Dunlap moved to convene in Executive Session pursuant to **Section 10-15-1, (H7), of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1978; to discuss threatened or pending litigation in which the County is or may become a participant involving the Lea County Detention Center, Law Enforcement, Water Rights, Taxes, Environment and Employment, as authorized by the Open Meetings Act.** The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long Secretary polled the Commission. Vice Chairman Dunlap, yes; Commissioner Long, yes; Commissioner Britton, yes; Chairman Black, yes; Commissioner Fulfer; yes.

The meeting reconvened at 2:13 p.m.

Let the record reflect that only those matters announced in the motion to go into closed session were discussed.

ITEM 08: OTHER BUSINESS

- **Board of County Commissioners**

There was no other business

The meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Ron Black, Chairman

Dale Dunlap

Dale Dunlap, Vice Chairman

Rebecca Long

Rebecca Long, Member

James H. Britton

James H. Britton, Member

Gregory H. Fulfer

Gregory H. Fulfer, Member

ATTEST: Pat Chappelle

Lea County Clerk -

Kelli Williams

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