

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
May 12, 2016**

Chairman Black called the meeting to order 9:06 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 were 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 Dean Jackson.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**

- Consideration of Approval of the following Minutes:
 - April 28, 2016 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Long moved to approve the April 28, 2016 regular meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- April 28, 2016 Outside Agencies Funding Requests Meeting

Commissioner Long moved to approve the April 28, 2016 Outside Agencies Funding Requests meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- Discussion of Committee Reports

Commissioner Long stated, I attended the New Mexico Association of Counties Board of Directors meeting in Los Alamos.

- **Set/Confirm Next Meetings**

- Confirmed
 - Thursday, May 26, 2016 at 9:00 A.M Regular Meeting
 - Friday, June 10, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Special Meeting Canvass Primary Election
 - Thursday, June 16, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Regular Meeting
 - Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Regular Meeting
 - Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. Regular Meeting

- Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-071R Appointments to the 2017 Lea County Centennial Planning Committee

Commissioner Long appointed Ruth Brunson, and Commissioner Britton appointed Gene Gunderson to the Lea County Centennial Planning Committee. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-071R Appointments to the 2017 Lea County Centennial Planning Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration of Approval to Adopt Lea County Ordinance No.88 – Approving The Sale of Real Property By Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance, LLC, A New Mexico Limited Liability Company Formed Pursuant to The New Mexico Joint Power Act by Eddy County, Lea County, The City of Carlsbad and the City of Hobbs (ELEA); Authorizing Elea to Execute and Deliver A Land Purchase Option Agreement With Holtec International A Delaware Corporation; And Authorizing And Directing Elea to Submit the Agreement to the State Board of Finance for Approval Pursuant to Section 13-6-2.1 NMSA 1978 (Attorney John Caldwell)

Chairman Black swore Lea County Attorney Caldwell in. Attorney Caldwell requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Ordinance No.88 – Approving The Sale of Real Property By Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance, LLC, A New Mexico Limited Liability Company Formed Pursuant to The New Mexico Joint Power Act by Eddy County, Lea County, The City of Carlsbad and the City of Hobbs (ELEA); Authorizing Elea to Execute and Deliver A Land Purchase Option Agreement With Holtec International A Delaware Corporation; And Authorizing And Directing Elea to Submit the Agreement to the State Board of Finance for Approval Pursuant to Section 13-6-2.1 NMSA 1978. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration of Approval to Adopt Lea County Ordinance No. 89 Repealing Ordinance Number 49 and Establishing A Merit System For Hiring, Promotion, Discharge, and General Regulation of County Employees, Volunteers, and County Agents (Attorney John Caldwell)

Chairman Black swore Lea County Attorney Caldwell in. Attorney Caldwell requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Ordinance No. 89 Repealing Ordinance Number 49 and Establishing A Merit System For Hiring, Promotion, Discharge, and General Regulation of County Employees, Volunteers, and

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County Agents. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-072R Approving a Professional Services Proposal from Pettigrew & Associates (County Manager Mike Gallagher)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-072R Approving a Professional Services Proposal from Pettigrew & Associates. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-073R Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between Lea County and New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department regarding the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Transportation Safety Program (Emergency Management Director Lorenzo Velasquez)

Director Velasquez requested approval. Commissioner Fulfer moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-073R Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between Lea County and New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department regarding the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Transportation Safety Program. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-074R Award Request for Proposal No. 05 2015-2016 Care & Maintenance of Sick & Indigent, Including Food; Alcohol/Substance Abuse; Child/Youth/Domestic Abuse Protection (Finance Director Chip Low)

Director Low requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Commissioner Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-074R Award Request for Proposal No. 05 2015-2016 Care & Maintenance of Sick & Indigent, Including Food; Alcohol/Substance Abuse; Child/Youth/Domestic Abuse Protection. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-075R Award Request for Proposal No. 06 2015-2016 Economic Development Services (Finance Director Chip Low)

Director Low requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Commissioner Fulfer moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-075R Award Request for Proposal No. 06 2015-2016 Economic Development Services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-076R Approving Funding of Governmental Agencies (Finance Director Chip Low)

Director Low requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-076R Approving Funding of Governmental Agencies. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-077R Award or Reject Bid No. 06 2015-2016 Contract Labor (Finance Director Chip Low)

Director Low requested approval. He presented a power point presentation with this item. Commissioner Long, moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-077R Award Bid No. 06 2015-2016 Contract Labor. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion of the City of Hobbs Housing Incentive Proposal (City of Hobbs Mayor Sam Cobb & Manager J. J. Murphy)

Hobbs City Manager; J. J. Murphy, City Engineer; Todd Randall, and Hobbs Mayor Sam Cobb presented a discussion of the City of Hobbs housing incentive proposal by power point. No action taken.

- Discussion of Radio Memorandum of Understanding and Update on the P25 Project for the Lea County Communication Authority (Communication Authority Director Angela Martinez)

Director Martinez presented a discussion of radio memorandum of understanding and update on the P25 project for the Lea County Communications Authority. No action taken.

- Discussion of Lea County's Centennial (Community Engagement Director Lyn Edwards)

Director Edwards presented a discussion of Lea County's Centennial Celebration by power point. No action taken.

- Discussion of the New Mexico Association's Annual Conference (Community Engagement Director Lyn Edwards)

Director Edwards presented a discussion of the New Mexico Association's Annual Conference by power point. No action taken.

- Discussion of Lea County Department Reports

Director Edwards presented the Community Engagement activity report by power point. No action taken.

Sheriff Ackerman presented the Lea County Sheriff Department activity report. No action taken.

Director Francke presented the Lea County Facilities activity report by power point. No action taken.

General Manager Crumb presented the Lea County Event Center/Fairgrounds activity report. No action taken.

Director Velasquez presented the Lea County Environmental report. No action taken.

Director Velasquez presented the Lea County Emergency Management report. No action taken.

Director Velasquez presented the presentation by power point regarding the ISO ratings for the Knowles, Maljamar and Monument Fire Departments. No action taken.

Director Low presented the Lea County Finance Department activity report. No action taken.

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

Director Low presented a discussion of Lea County's Fiscal Year 2016-2017 preliminary budget. No action taken.

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

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

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 limited personnel matters and threatened or

pending litigation in which the County is or may become a participant, involving contracts for services, and utility services, as Authorized by the Open Meetings Act

- At 12:07 p.m. Commissioner Dunlap moved to convene in Executive Session Pursuant to **Section 10-15-1, (H7), of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1978; to discuss limited personnel matters and threatened or pending litigation in which the County is or may become a participant, involving contracts for services, and utility services, 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 1:01 p.m.

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

ITEM 05: EMPLOYMENT

- **Board of County Commissioners**
 - Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-078R Approving Recommendations to fill County Vacancies (Human Resources Director Craig Bova)

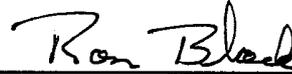
Director Bova requested approval for Jared Waechter, DWI Preventionist; Cody Vardeman, Environmental Tech; and Travis Hobbs, Court Compliance Officer. Commissioner Fulfer moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-MAY-078R Approving Recommendations to fill County Vacancies. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 06: OTHER BUSINESS

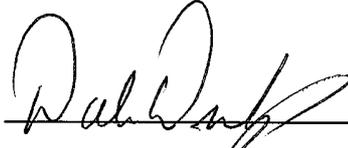
There was no other business

The meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



Ron Black, Chairman

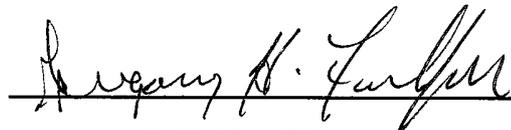


Dale Dunlap, Vice Chairman

Rebecca Long, Member



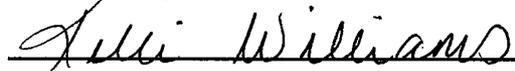
James H. Britton, Member



Gregory H. Fulfer, Member

ATTEST: Pat Chappelle

Lea County Clerk



Kelli Williams



**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LEA
RESOLUTION NO. 16-MAY-079R**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
TO AMEND MEMBERSHIP AND MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THE
2017 LEA COUNTY CENTENNIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the County of Lea was created on March 17, 1917 and will be celebrating its Centennial in 2017; and

WHEREAS, this important milestone provides an opportunity to focus attention on the growth and progress of Lea County; and

WHEREAS, the Lea County Board of County Commissioners recognized the need to create/establish a committee to prepare for this event at their April 28, 2016 Regular Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Lea County Board of County Commissioners expressed concern at their May 12, 2016 Regular meeting that District 1 and District 5 should have 2 appointees each instead of 1 to include representation from all municipalities; and

WHEREAS, there is currently a need to fill vacancies to the Lea County Centennial Planning Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lea County Board of County Commissioners that the 2017 Lea County Centennial Planning Committee membership be amended to include 12 members; the Chair of the Lea County Board of County Commissioners, the County Manager, the County Assessor, the County Community Engagement Director; Lea County Historian, District 1/Tatum Representative, District 1/Lovington Representative, District 2 Representative, District 3 Representative, District 4 Representative, District 5/Eunice Representative, District 5/Jal Representative; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED by the Lea County Board of County Commissioners that the following individuals be appointed, re-appointed or confirmed to the 2017 Lea County Centennial Planning Committee:

2017 LEA COUNTY CENTENNIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

1. Confirm Lea County Board of County Commissioners Chair: Ron R. Black
2. Confirm Lea County Manager: Michael Gallagher
3. Confirm Lea County Assessor: Sharla Kennedy
4. Confirm Lea County Community Engagement Director: Lyn Edwards
5. Confirm Lea County Historian: David Minton
6. **Appoint LCBCC D1/Tatum Representative:** _____
7. **Appoint LCBCC D1/Lovington Representative:** _____
8. Confirm LCBCC D2 Representative: Ruth Brunson
9. **Appoint LCBCC D3 Representative:** _____
10. Confirm LCBCC D4 Representative: Gene Gunderson

- 11. Appoint LCBCC D5/Eunice Representative: Pat McCasland
- 12. Appoint LCBCC D5/Jal Representative: Randy Hensley

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 26th day of May, 2016, by the Lea County Board of County Commissioners in an open meeting in Lovington, New Mexico.

LEA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Ron R. Black
 Ron R. Black, Chair
 Voted: Yes No Abstain

Dale Dunlap
 Dale Dunlap, Vice Chair
 Voted: Yes No Abstain

James H. Britton
 James H. Britton, Member
 Voted: Yes No Abstain

Rebecca Long, Member
 Voted: Yes No Abstain
 Via: Telephone.

Gregory H. Fulfer
 Gregory H. Fulfer, Member
 Voted: Yes No Abstain

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ATTEST: Pat Chappelle
 Lea County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By: Kelli Williams
 Kelli Williams, Deputy

John W. Caldwell
 John W. Caldwell, County Attorney

