

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
September 01, 2016**

Chairman Black called the meeting to order 9:10 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.

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

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-166R Approving the August 18, 2016 Regular Minutes

Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-166R Approving the August 18, 2016 Regular Minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-167R Approving the Lea County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Dates

Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-167R Approving the Lea County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Dates. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Dunlap and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-168R Approving Appointments to the 2017 Lea County Centennial Planning Committee

There were no appointments made.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-169R Approving Appointments to the Memorial Committee

There were no appointments made.

- Discussion of Committee Reports

Commissioner Fulfer stated, Manager Gallagher and I went to the Oil Rally in Roswell, yesterday. They both gave a speech at the function.

- Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the Public.

- Discussion of the General Obligation Bond C for Higher Education for the November 8, 2016 General Election (Dr. Kelvin Sharp, President of New Mexico Junior College)

Dr. Kelvin Sharp, President of New Mexico Junior College, presented a discussion of the General Obligation Bond C for Higher Education for the November 8, 2016 general election. No action taken.

- Discussion/Update in the Lea County Judicial Complex (Erich Francke, Director of Facilities)

Director Francke introduced the representatives from RMKM. Don May, Lead Architect and Miles Cook, Project Manager with RMKM presented an update on the Lea County Judicial Complex by power point. There was considerable discussion regarding this topic.

ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-170R Ratifying In State Travel on August 23, 2016 to Albuquerque, New Mexico for the New Mexico Association of Counties Tax Policy Committee Meeting (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-170R Ratifying In State Travel on August 23, 2016 to Albuquerque, New Mexico for the New Mexico Association of Counties Tax Policy Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-171R Approving In State Travel to attend the New Mexico Association of Counties – County Manager’s Retreat in Ruidoso, New Mexico on September 21-23, 2016 (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Vice Chairman Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-171R Approving In State Travel to attend the New Mexico Association of Counties – County Manager’s Retreat in Ruidoso, New Mexico on September 21-23, 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-172R Approving a Lease/Operating Agreement between Lea County and Nor-Lea Hospital District for the South Hobbs Clinic (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Vice Chairman Dunlap moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-172R Approving a Lease/Operating Agreement between Lea County and Nor-Lea Hospital District for the South Hobbs Clinic. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-173R Authorizing Inmate Housing Agreements with Entities Outside of Lea County for the Lea County Detention Center (Ruben Quintana, Interim Warden)

Interim Warden Quintana requested approval. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-173R Authorizing Inmate Housing Agreements with Entities Outside of Lea County for the Lea County Detention Center. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-174R Memorandum of Understanding between Lea County and Urenco USA related to Emergency Cooperation and Coordination in Accordance with Urenco USA Emergency Plan (Jeff Broom, Deputy Fire Marshal)

Deputy Fire Marshal Broom requested approval. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-174R Memorandum of Understanding between Lea County and Urenco USA related to Emergency Cooperation and Coordination in Accordance with Urenco USA Emergency Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-175R Approving Freeholders Committee Recommendations to Vacate Alford Avenue Roadway Right of Way (Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager – Operations)

Assistant County Manager of Operations Needham requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-175R Approving Freeholders Committee Recommendations to Vacate Alford Avenue Roadway Right of Way. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fulfer and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No 16-SEP-176R Approving Freeholders Committee Recommendations to Vacate DeBaca Avenue Roadway Right of Way (Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager – Operations)

Assistant County Manager of Operations Needham requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-176R Approving Freeholders Committee Recommendations to Vacate DeBaca Avenue Roadway Right of Way. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-177R Approving Freeholders Committee Recommendations to Vacate Alleyway Right of Ways located in the Woodville Acres Subdivision (Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager – Operations)

Assistant County Manager of Operations Needham requested approval. He presented a power point with this item. Commissioner Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-177R Approving Freeholders Committee Recommendations to Vacate Alleyway Right of Ways located in the Woodville Acres Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Britton and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-178R Authorizing Budget Adjustments (Chip Low, Director of Finance)

Director Low requested approval. He presented a power point presentation with this item. Commissioner Britton moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 16-SEP-178R Authorizing Budget Adjustments. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Long and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion of Proposed Joint Meeting with Other Municipality Boards (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher presented a discussion of the proposed joint meeting with other municipality boards. There was considerable discussion concerning this item. No action taken.

- Discussion of the Lea County Travel Policy (John Caldwell, County Attorney)

Lea County Attorney Caldwell and Director Low presented a discussion of the Lea County Travel Policy. No action taken.

- Discussion of Lea County Vision Insurance Coverage (Craig Bova, Director of Human Resources)

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Director Bova presented a discussion of the Lea County Vision Insurance Coverage by power point. No action taken.

ITEM 04: OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other Business.

The meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

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Dale Dunlap, Vice Chairman

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ATTEST: Pat Chappelle

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