

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
April 27, 2017**

Chairman Black called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. in the Lea County Courthouse

Commissioners present were, to wit: Commissioner Dean Jackson District 1, Vice Chair Rebecca Long District 2, Chair Ron Black District 3, Commissioner Jonathan Sena District 4, and Commissioner Richard Don Jones District 5.

Also present were Lea County Manager Michael P. Gallagher II, and Lea County Attorney John W. Caldwell.

Commissioner Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Commissioner Sena.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-091R Approving the April 13, 2017 Meeting Minutes.

Vice Chair Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-091R Approving the April 13, 2017 Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-092R Setting and/or Confirming the Lea County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Dates.

Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-092R Setting and/or Confirming the Lea County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Dates. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Long and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-093R Appointing Two Commissioners as Designated Representatives for the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board

Chair Black appointed Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Jackson as representatives for the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board. Vice Chair Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-093R Appointing Two Commissioners as Designated Representatives for the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sean and passed unanimously.

- Public Comments

There were no comments.

- Discussion of the Lea County Memorial Committee

Chair Parish presented a discussion of the Lea County Memorial Committee. No action taken.

- Commissioners and Manager Comments

Commissioner Jones stated, I met with people from Monument concerning the Community Center.

Commissioner Sena stated, I met with Director Velasquez and his staff to get a better understanding of what all they do. He stated, as we move forward with the Veterans Memorial I would like to highlight the possibility of partnering with Hobbs.

ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-094R Approving a Grant Agreement between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Transportation for the Safer New Mexico DWI Grant and Safety Funds for FY 2016-2017 for the End Driving While Impaired and Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Projects (Ron Black, Chief Deputy Sheriff)

Chief Deputy Black requested approval. Vice Chair Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-094R Approving a Grant Agreement between Lea County and New Mexico Department of Transportation for the Safer New Mexico DWI Grant and Safety Funds for FY 2016-2017 for the End Driving While Impaired and Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Projects. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-095R Authorizing In State Travel on June 20-23, 2017 to Taos, New Mexico for the New Mexico Association of Counties Annual Conference (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Vice Chair Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-095R Authorizing In State Travel on June 20-23, 2017 to Taos, New Mexico for the New Mexico Association of Counties Annual Conference. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-096R to Award or Reject Bid No. 06 2016-2017 for One New Wildland Type 3 Apparatus for the Knowles Volunteer Fire Department (Jeff Broom, Deputy Fire Marshal)

Deputy Fire Marshal Broom requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-096R to Award Bid No. 06 2016-2017 for One New Wildland Type 3 Apparatus for the Knowles Volunteer Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-097R Approving Recommendation from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board Establishing Guidelines for the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Junior Livestock Sale (Jim Kemp, General Manager of Fairgrounds)

General Manager of Fairgrounds Kemp requested approval. Vice Chair Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-097R Approving Recommendation from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board Establishing Guidelines for the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Junior Livestock Sale. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-098R Approving Findings and Proposed Disposition of Inventory (Chip Low, Finance Director)

Director Low requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-APR-098R Approving Findings and Proposed Disposition of Inventory. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion of Lea County's Financial Report (Chip Low, Finance Director)

Director Low presented a discussion of Lea County's Financial Report by power point. No action taken.

- Discussion of Lea County's Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 (Chip Low, Finance Director)

Director Low presented a discussion of Lea County's Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 by power point. No action taken.

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

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

ITEM 04: EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **Board of County Commissioners**
 - Pursuant to Section 10-15-1, (H7), of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1978; to Discuss Threatened Litigation in Which the County May Become a Participant, Involving Water Rights, and Property Valuation, as Authorized by the Open Meetings Act.
 - At 10:13 a.m. Vice Chair Long moved to convene in Executive Session pursuant to **Section 10-15-1, (H7), of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA) 1978; to Discuss Threatened Litigation in Which the County May Become a Participant, Involving Water Rights, and Property Valuation; as Authorized by the Open Meetings Act.** The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Black yes; Vice Chair Long, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena; yes; Commissioner Jones, yes.

The meeting reconvened at 12:05 p.m.

ITEM 05: OTHER BUSSINESS

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

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LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Ron Black

Ron Black, Chair

Rebecca Long

Rebecca Long, Vice Chair

Dean Jackson

Dean Jackson, Member

Jonathan Sena

Jonathan Sena, Member

Don Jones

Don Jones, Member

ATTEST: Keith Manes

Lea County Clerk

Kelli Williams

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