

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
October 19, 2017**

Chairman Black called the meeting to order at 9:00 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-OCT-225R Approving the October 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-225R Approving the October 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena and passed unanimously.

- Disclosure of Executive (Closed) Session Meeting Held on Monday October 16, 2017.

Let the record reflect that on October 16, 2017 the board met in closed session that had been previously noted. All five Commissioners attended. Nothing was discussed other than the items identified in the notice of the closed session.

- Public Comments

There were no comments

- Discussion of Veterans Memorial Located in Downtown Lovington, New Mexico. (Carol Parish, Chair, Lea County Memorial Committee)

Chair Parish presented a discussion concerning the Veterans Memorial being located in downtown Lovington, New Mexico. Representative Wooley made comments concerning the Veterans Memorial. Robert Lujan a veteran made comments concerning the location of the Veterans Memorial.

- Recognition of County Employees (Craig Bova, Human Resources Director)

Sheriff Wester recognized Deputy Kennedy for 1 year of service, and Deputy Parra for 1 year of service.

Clerk Manes recognized Angela Beauchamp for 5 years of service.

Assistant County Manager of Operations Needham recognized Randy Robertson, James Owen, Larry Castleman and Shalana Rodriguez for one year of service.

Director Ford recognized Amy Rodriguez for one year service. Warden Quintana recognized Shannon Colvin for 5 years of service.

Event Center Manager Russell recognized Sylvia Ortiz for 15 years of service.

Manager Gallagher recognized Rebecca Tabor for one year of service, Christopher McCart for 10 years of service, and Mitchell Tuckness for 5 years of service.

Manager Gallagher recognized Robert Lathrop for 15 years of service.

- Consideration of Approval of Proclamation Recognizing Thursday, October 26, 2017 as Paint the County Pink Day (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. He read the Proclamation to the Commission. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Proclamation Recognizing Thursday, October 26, 2017 as Paint the County Pink Day. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-226R Approving \$1,000.00 Added Purse Money to Each Nine (9) PRCA/WPRA Rodeo Events Beginning August 7, 2018 (Jim Kemp, Fairgrounds General Manager)

Manager of the Fairgrounds Kemp requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-226R Approving \$1,000.00 Added Purse Money to Each Nine (9) PRCA/WPRA Rodeo Events Beginning August 7, 2018. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones and passed unanimously.

Manager of the Fairgrounds Kemp announced that Lea County received the award for number 1 Rodeo of the year of the turquoise circuit.

- Commissioners and Managers Comments

Commissioner Jones stated, we cooked the pig that we purchased at the fair to honor the volunteer fire departments located in Maljamar, Knowles, and Monument.

Commissioner Sena thanked Mike Gallagher, Craig Bova and the staff, for recognizing our employees.

Commissioner Jackson stated we enjoyed cooking for the volunteer fire departments. We would like to continue this tradition every year.

Vice Chair Long stated she went to Silver City, for the INMAC Board of Directors meeting. They were making plans for the legislative session, the conference with the NMAC that happens in January.

Chair Black thanked, Commissioners Jackson, Jones, and their wives for cooking Saturday night. He stated last week he went to Dallas for three days with the EDC, to meet with energy related companies that have interests in Lea County.

ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-227R Approving Amendment to Real Estate Purchase Agreement between Lea County and Love's Truck Stops (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Commissioner Jones moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-227R Approving Amendments to Real Estate Purchase Agreement between Lea County and Love's Truck Stops. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No 17-OCT-228R Approving Lea County's Participation/Membership in the National Association of Counties for 2018 (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Vice Chair Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-228R Approving Lea County's Participation/Membership in the National Association of Counties for 2018. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-229R Approving the 2nd Option to Renew Agreement between Lea County and Securus Technologies Inc, for the Lea County Detention Center Inmate Telephone Equipment and Service (Ruben Quintana, Detention Center Warden)

Warden Quintana requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-229R approving the 2nd Option to Renew Agreement between Lea County And Securus Technologies Inc, for the Lea County Detention Center Inmate Telephone Equipment and Service. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-230R Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between Lea County and the Lovington Municipal School District for Services at the Lea County Detention Center (Ruben Quintana, Detention Center Warden)

Warden Quintana requested approval. Vice Chair Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-230R approving a Memorandum of Understanding between Lea County and the Lovington Municipal School District for Services at the Lea County Detention Center. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution 17-OCT-231R Approving the 2018 Lea County Employee Calendar. (Craig Bova, Human Resources Director)

Director Bova requested approval. Vice Chair Long moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-231R Approving the 2018 Lea County Employee Calendar. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena and passed unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval of Lea County Resolution No. 17-OCT-232R Approving Purchase of OpenGov Software Program. (Chip Low, Finance Director)

Director Low requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 17-232R Approving Purchase of OpenGov Software Program. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed unanimously.

ITEM 03: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion of Historic Lea County Courthouse Remodel (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher and Director Francke presented a discussion of the Historic Lea County Courthouse Remodel. No action taken.

- Discussion of Lea County Employee Classification and Compensation Study (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher and Director Bova presented a discussion of Lea County Employee Classification and Compensation Study. No action taken.

- Discussion of the 2017 Lea County Fair & Rodeo Financial Report (Chip Low, Finance Director)

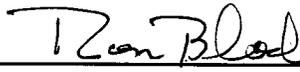
Director Low and Director Francke presented the 2017 Lea County Fair & Rodeo Financial Report. No action taken.

ITEM 04: OTHER BUSINESS

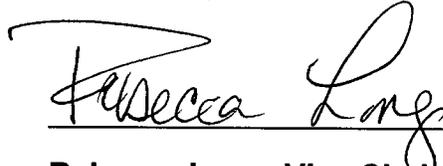
There was no other business.

- The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



Ron Black, Chair



Rebecca Long, Vice Chair



Dean Jackson, Member



Jonathan Sena, Member



Don Jones, Member

ATTEST: Keith Manes

Lea County Clerk



Kelli Williams

