

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
April 4, 2019**

Chair Long called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. in the Lea County Courthouse

Commissioners present were, to wit: Vice Chair Dean Jackson, District 1, Chair Rebecca Long, District 2, Gary G. Eidson, 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 Eidson led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Commissioner Sena.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-104R, Approving the March 21, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Vice Chair Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-104R, Approving the March 21, 2019, Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Jones, yes. The motion passed.

- Public Comments

James Lackey Community Relations for Xcel Energy introduced himself to the Commission.

- Commissioner and Manager Comments

Commissioner Sena thanked everyone for the baby shower, and all the good wishes for his new baby girl. He recognized his brother Matt for being in attendance.

Commissioner Eidson congratulated the Hobbs Cheerleaders for winning the State Championship.

Vice Chair Jackson stated "Wreck em' Tech".

Manager Gallagher asked Monica Russell to give an update on the Event Center. General Manager of the Event Center Russel gave information for the Carnival at the Event Center.

- Recognition of County Employees – Achievement Awards:
 - NMPPA 2019 Buyer of the Year (Chip Low, Finance Director)

- Micha Caldwell – Finance Department

Director Low recognized Micha Caldwell, for being awarded with the NMPPA 2019 Buyer of the year.

- Most DWI Arrest 2018 (Kelly Livingston, DWI/Probation Director)
 - Deputy Travis Hobbs – Sheriff's Office

Natalie Perez Preventionist with the DWI/Probation office in lieu of Director Livingston recognized Travis Hobbs for the most DWI arrest in 2018.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-105R, Approving Appointments and/or Confirming Appointments to the Lea County Road Advisory Committee

No appointments made.

ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-106R, Approving Recommendations from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board Approving an Agreement between Lea County and Mojo Cattle Company as Stock Provider/Bookkeeper for the Lea County Team Roping During the 2019 Lea County Fair & PRCA Rodeo (Chair Larry Wheeler, Fair & Rodeo Board)

Chair of the Fair and Rodeo Board Wheeler requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Vice Chair Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-106R, Approving Recommendations from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board Approving an Agreement between Lea County and Mojo Cattle Company as Stock Provider/Bookkeeper for the Lea County Team Roping During the 2019 Lea County Fair & PRCA Rodeo. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Jones, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-107R, Approving Recommendations from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board Approving an Agreement between Lea County and Lea County Barrel Racing Association as the Provider of Services for the Open 4D Barrel Race During the 2019 Lea County Fair & PRCA Rodeo (Chair Larry Wheeler, Fair & Rodeo Board)

Chair of the Fair and Rodeo Board Wheeler requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Vice Chair Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-107R, Approving Recommendations from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board Approving an Agreement

between Lea County and Lea County Barrel Racing Association as the Provider of Services for the Open 4D Barrel Race During the 2019 Lea County Fair & PRCA Rodeo. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Jones, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-108R, Approving the Donation of Four (4) Chevrolet Tahoe's from the Lea County Sheriff's Office to the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office (Corey Helton, County Sheriff)

Sheriff Helton requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Commissioner Eidson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-108R, Approving the Donation of Four (4) Chevrolet Tahoe's from the Lea County Sheriff's Office to the Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Jackson. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Jones, no. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-109R, Approving an Agreement between Lea County and Hobbs Municipal Schools for the Purchase of New Playground Equipment for Taylor Middle School Not to Exceed \$40,000.00 (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-109R, Approving Agreement between Lea County and Hobbs Municipal Schools for the Purchase of New Playground Equipment for Taylor Middle School Not to Exceed \$40,000, amended to correct the name of the school to Taylor Elementary. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eidson. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Jones, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-110R, Authorizing In State Travel to Attend the New Mexico State Board of Finance Meeting Regarding a Capital Upgrade Project Proposal for the Lea County Communication Authority, April 16, 2019 in Santa Fe, New Mexico (Sandra J. Brito, Executive Coordinator)

Executive Coordinator Brito requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Commissioner Eidson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-110R, Authorizing In State Travel to Attend the New Mexico State Board of Finance Meeting Regarding a Capital Upgrade Project Proposal for the Lea County Communication Authority, April 16, 2019 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Secretary polled the

Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Jones, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-111R, Authorizing Out of State Travel to Attend the 2019 National Emergency Number Association (NENA) Conference, June 13-20, 2019 in Orlando, Florida (Angela Martinez, Communication Authority Director)

Director Martinez requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-111R, Authorizing Out of State Travel to Attend the 2019 National Emergency Number Association (NENA) Conference, June 13-20, 2019, in Orlando, Florida. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eidson. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Jones, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-112R Awarding Request for Proposal No. 10 2018-2019 for the Care and Maintenance of the Sick and Indigent (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Vice Chair Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-112, Awarding Request for Proposal No. 10 2018-2019 for the Care and Maintenance of the Sick and Indigent. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eidson. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, abstain; Commissioner Jones, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-113R Awarding Request for Proposal No. 11 2018-2019 for Economic Development Services (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Mora Salcido from Lovington Main Street made comments. Vice Chair Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-APR-113R Awarding Request for Proposal No. 11 2018-2019 for Economic Development Services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long, yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Jones, yes. The motion passed.

ITEM 03: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion of Lea County's 2019-2020 FY Budget

The department heads presented a discussion of their 2019-2020 FY Budget

- Discussion of Lea County Projects (Erich Francke, Facilities Director)

Director Francke presented a discussion of Lea County Projects.

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 Regarding a Breach of Contract, as Authorized by the Open Meetings Act.

- At 11:32 a.m. Vice Chair Jackson 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 Regarding a Breach of Contract, as Authorized by the Open Meetings Act.** Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Eidson. Secretary polled the Commission. Chair Long yes; Vice Chair Jackson, yes; Commissioner Eidson, yes; Commissioner Sena; yes; Commissioner Jones, yes.

The meeting reconvened at 1:03 p.m.

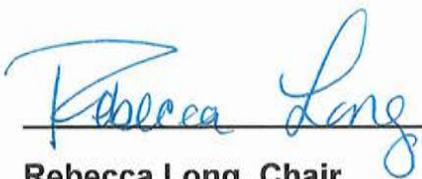
Let the record reflect that only those matters announced in the motion to go into closed session were discussed

ITEM 05: OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

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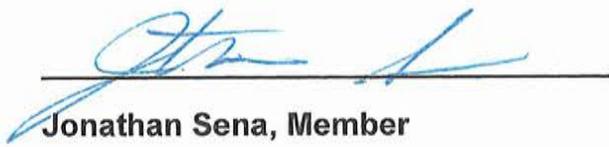
Rebecca Long, Chair



Dean Jackson, Vice Chair



Gary G. Eidson, Member



Jonathan Sena, Member



Richard Don Jones, Member

ATTEST: Keith Manes

Lea County Clerk .



Kelli Williams

