

**Minutes of Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
May 2, 2019**

Chair Long called the meeting to order at 9:00 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 Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Commissioner Sena.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-MAY-126R Approving the Following Meeting Minutes:
 - April 18, 2019 Special Meeting (Certify Canvass)
 - April 18, 2019 Regular Meeting

Chair Long asked if there were any public comments concerning this agenda item. Commissioner Eidson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-MAY-126R, Approving the April 18, 2019, Special Meeting Minutes. 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, yes. The motion passed. Vice Chair Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-MAY-126R Approving the April 18, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes. 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.

- Public Comments

There were no public comments

- Commissioner and Manager Comments

Commissioner Jones stated, I attended a meeting of the Senior Centers of Lea County this week. A couple of the main concerns that were discussed, is senior housing and transportation.

Commissioner Sena stated, this weekend is Cinco de Mayo. There will be a celebration at Hobbs City Park and a celebration at the Hobbs High School.

Commissioner Eidson congratulated the upcoming graduates, and would like to keep them in our thought and prayers.

Chair Long stated, she will be driving to Farmington to attend her last NMC board meeting as the President.

Manager Gallagher wished Chair Long a safe trip.

- Recognition of County Employees – Professional Achievement Award:
 - Deputy Vivian Martinez (Sheriff's Office) – National Recognition for Excellence in Managing Sex Offender Registry (Corey Helton, County Sheriff)

Sheriff Helton recognized Deputy Vivian Martinez for the National Recognition for Excellence in Managing Sex Offender Registry.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-MAY-127R Approving the Lea County Board of County Commissioners Revised Meeting Dates and Times for the Remainder of 2019

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-MAY-127R Approving the Lea County Board of County Commissioners Revised Meeting Dates and Times for the Remainder of 2019. 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, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Proclamation Proclaiming Thursday, May 2, 2019 as Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities Awareness Day (Commissioner Jonathan Sena, District 4)

Commissioner Sena requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments regarding this agenda item. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Lea County Proclamation Proclaiming Thursday, May 2, 2019 as Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities Awareness Day. 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 Proclamation Proclaiming Saturday, May 4, 2019 as Grupo Barak Day (Commissioner Sena, District 4)

Commissioner Sena moved to postpone indefinitely Lea County Proclamation Proclaiming Thursday, May 2, 2019 as Grupo Barak Day. 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.

ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 19-MAY-128R Authorizing the Donation of Used Gym Equipment to the Tatum Municipal Schools (Corey Helton, County Sheriff)

Sheriff Helton requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments regarding this agenda item. Vice Chair Jackson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-MAY-128R Authorizing the Donation of Used Gym Equipment to the Tatum Municipal Schools. 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-MAY-129R Authorizing and directing the Publication by Title and General Summary of the Subject Matter of the Proposed Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of \$215,000,000.00 Lea County Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds (Tip Top Solar Project) Series 2019 be Published in a Newspaper of General Circulation Within the County (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments regarding this agenda item. Julia Kimerly with Invenergy, made comments explaining this project. Nick Maxwell made comments in opposition of this agenda item. Dan Hardin with New Mexico Junior College, Pat Sims, Bryan Snider Superintendent of Jal Schools, made comments in approval of this agenda item. Commissioner Eidson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-MAY-129R Authorizing and Directing the Publication by Title and General Summary of the Subject Matter of the Proposed Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of \$215,000,000.00 Lea County Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds (Tip Top Solar Project) Series 2019 be Published in a Newspaper of General Circulation Within the County. 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-MAY-130R Adopting Lea County's Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (Michael Gallagher, County Manager)

Manager Gallagher requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments regarding this agenda item. Commissioner Eidson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 19-MAY-130R Adopting Lea County's Preliminary Budget

for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. 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.

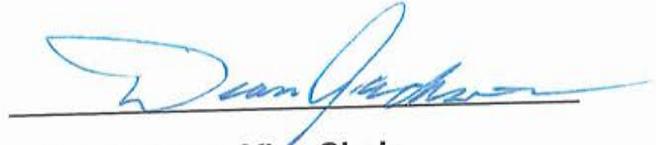
ITEM 03: OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting was adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

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LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO



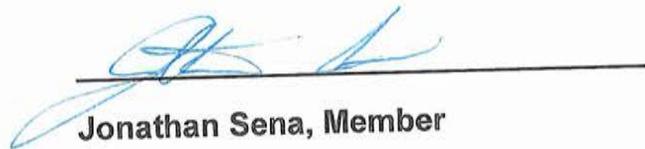
Rebecca Long, Chair



Dean Jackson, Vice Chair



Gary G. Eidson, Member



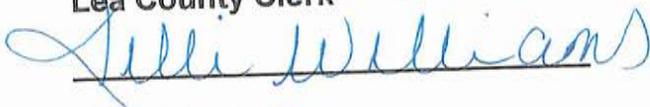
Jonathan Sena, Member



Richard Don Jones, Member

ATTEST: Keith Manes

Lea County Clerk



Kelli Williams

