

**Minutes of Meeting  
Lea County Board of Commissioners  
November 5, 2020**

**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, Commissioner 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.**

**Vice Chair Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Commissioner Sena.**

**ITEM 01: COMMISSION**

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 20-NOV-233R Approving the October 22, 2020 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. 20-NOV-233R Approving the October 22, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. 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.

- Public Comments

There are no public comments.

- Commissioner and Manager Comments

Commissioner Sena thanked the people the people in his district for electing him for another term.

Vice Chair Jackson thanked everyone who got out and voted.

Chair Long congratulated Vice Chair Jackson and Commissioner Sena for being reelected.

Manager Gallagher congratulated Treasurer Susan Marinovich, Clerk Keith Manes, Vice Chair Jackson, and Commissioner Sena on being reelected.

**ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS**

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 20-NOV-234R Approving a Recommendation from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board Authorizing an Agreement Between Lea County and Wright's Amusement (Carnival) Provider During the 2021 Lea County Fair & PRCA Rodeo. *(Larry Wheeler, Chair, Fair & Rodeo Board)*

Fair & Rodeo Board Chair Wheeler 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. 20-NOV-234R Approving a Recommendation from the Lea County Fair & Rodeo Board Authorizing an Agreement Between Lea County and Wright's Amusement (Carnival) Provider During the 2021 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. 20-NOV-235R Approving an Agreement Between Lea County and the City of Eunice for the Transfer of Real Property from Lea County to the City of Eunice and an Allocation of \$25,000.00 for the Purpose of a Convenience/Recycling Center. *(Michael Gallagher, County Manager)*

County Manager Gallagher requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments regarding this agenda item. Commissioner Jones moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 20-NOV-235R Approving an Agreement Between Lea County and the City of Eunice for the Transfer of Real Property from Lea County to the City of Eunice and an Allocation of \$25,000.00 for the Purpose of a Convenience/Recycling Center. 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 Resolution No. 20-NOV-236R Authorizing Lea County's Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Submittal to the Government Finance Officers Association's (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award Program. *(Michael Gallagher, County Manager)*

County 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. 20-NOV-236R Authorizing Lea County's Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget Submittal to the Government Finance Officers Association's (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

Program. 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 Resolution No. 20-NOV-237R Authorizing Out of State Travel December 6 – 7, 2020 to Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas to Attend Annual Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) Training for the Lea County Regional Airport ARFF Fire Department. (*Charles F. Pruitt, Public Safety Administrator*)

Administrator Pruitt 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. 20-NOV-237R Authorizing Out of State Travel December 6 – 7, 2020 to Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas to Attend Annual Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) Training for the Lea County Regional Airport ARFF Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Chair Long. 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. 20-NOV-238R Approving the Publication of Notice of Hearing to Adopt Amendments to Lea County Personnel Ordinance, Number 89. (*Craig Bova, Human Resources Director*)

Director Bova 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. 20-NOV-238R Approving the Publication of Notice of Hearing to Adopt Amendments to Lea County Personnel Ordinance, Number 89. 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.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 20-NOV-239R Appointing a Freeholders Committee to Evaluate the Vacation of Dedicated Right of Way – an Alley in Block 19 in the Payton Addition, Section 29, Township 19, Range 37 East in Monument. (*Bruce Reid, County Planner*)

Planner Reid requested approval. Chair Long asked if there were any public comments regarding this agenda item. Commissioner Eidson moved to approve Lea County Resolution No. 20-NOV-239R Appointing a Freeholders Committee to Evaluate the Vacation of Dedicated Right of Way – an Alley in Block 19 in the Payton Addition, Section 29, Township 19, Range 37 East in Monument. 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**

There was no other business

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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Rebecca Long, Chair

Dean Jackson

Dean Jackson, Vice Chair

Gary G. Eidson

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By Phone

Jonathan Sena, Member

Richard Don Jones

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ATTEST: Keith Manes

Lea County Clerk

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