

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
LUNA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Tuesday, May 27, 2014**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Luna County Board of County Commissioners met in special session at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27, 2013 in the County Commission Chambers of the Luna County Courthouse in Deming, New Mexico for the purpose of conducting any and all business to come properly before the Board.

The following staff and elected officials were present: County Manager Kelly Kuenstler, County Manager Charles "Tink" Jackson, Assistant to the County Manager Glory Johnson, Chief Deputy Clerk Berenda McWright, Deputy Clerk JoAnna Zurinsky, Treasurer Dora Madrid, Chief Deputy Treasurer Gloria Rodriguez, Assessor Delilah Rojo, Chief Deputy Assessor Barbara Cobos, Sheriff Raymond Cobos, Human Resources and Payroll Director Danny Gonzales, Budget and Procurement Director Joanne Hethcox, Detention Director Matthew Elwell, Starmax Facilities Director Ira Pearson, Special Projects and Facilities Management Director Billy Ruiz, Community and Projects Director Jessica Etcheverry, Emergency Services Director Mark Jasso

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Spivey called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the salute to the flag of the State of New Mexico.

**ROLL CALL:** The roll call was conducted by Deputy Clerk JoAnna Zurinsky. The following Commissioners constituting a quorum were present:

Joe L. Milo, Jr., District 1  
J. Jay Spivey, Chairman, District 2  
R. Javier Diaz, District 3

**NEW BUSINESS:**

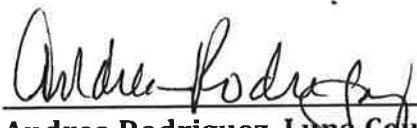
- a. **RFP 3102-05 FOR FISCAL AUDIT SERVICES FOR LUNA COUNTY:** County Manager Kelly Kuenstler recommended of approval of the RFP for Fiscal Audit services for Luna County for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year be awarded to Kreigel, Gray, Shaw & Company as recommended by the evaluation committee. There were three bids submitted for the one-year contract. Commissioner Milo motioned for the approval of RFP 3102-05 for Fiscal Audit Services for Luna County. Commissioner Diaz seconded the motion which carried unanimously.
- b. **RESOLUTION 14-33 INCREASING THE SALARY LIMIT FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS:** Ms. Kuenstler explained to the Board that because the funds are not available in the budget, this item will place a moratorium or suspend the up to fifteen percent pay increase for elected official's salaries (passed in the New Mexico State Legislature as

HB 334 in the 2013 Legislative Session, and supported by the Board of Commissioners) for the 2014-2015 fiscal budget year. The Luna County Board of Commissioners may however, consider an increase of up to fifteen percent in future fiscal years. Commissioner Diaz motioned to approve Resolution 14-33 Increasing the Salary Limit for County Officials. Commissioner Milo seconded the motion which carried unanimously following a roll-call vote.

**c. RESOLUTION 14-32 APPROVING THE PRELIMINARY FISCAL BUDGET:** Ms. Kuenstler reviewed each budget adjustment and recommended changes accordingly. The preliminary budget allows for a zero percent pay increase for elected officials. Luna County Employees will now pay five-percent more on group insurance rates. There is a five-percent cut for all agencies and departments except the Manager’s Office, which took a cut over nine-percent, and the Commissioner’s Budget which took a cut of over eleven-percent. Fund 610 in recapitulation, which shows negative, will be back in the positive once Federal Grant monies are received. Ms. Kuenstler urged the Board to consider a five-percent reduction across the board for all appropriations, including the Deming Senior Center, the Humane Society, and Deming Animal Guardians. Ms. Kuenstler explained that two primary revenue sources were lost from last year (Detention Facility Revenues and Sole Community Provider Funds) that helped fund the appropriations. The increase of two cent per lineal foot of frontage road assessment was discussed, and what must happen to implement the increase. The two-cent increase will stay intact in the budget as presented. Commissioner Diaz motioned to approve Resolution 14-32 approving the Preliminary Fiscal Budget with the amendment of five-percent decrease for all appropriations exempting the Deming Senior Center. Commissioner Milo seconded the motion which carried unanimously following a roll-call vote.

**ADJOURN:** Chairman Spivey adjourned the meeting at 2:48 p.m.

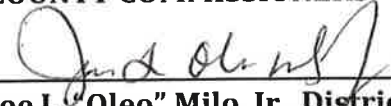
**ATTEST:**

  
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Andrea Rodriguez, Luna County Clerk

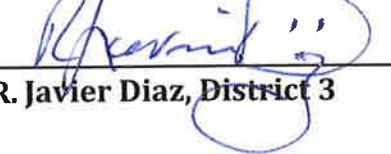
Approved: 06/12/2014



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