

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
LUNA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, July 14, 2016**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Luna County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 14, 2016 in the County Commission Chambers of the Luna County Courthouse, 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:

Assistant County Manager Glory Juarez, Executive Administrative Assistant Yossie Nieblas, County Clerk Andrea Rodriguez, Chief Deputy Clerk Berenda McWright, Deputy Clerk JoAnna Zurinsky, Treasurer Dora Madrid, Chief Deputy Treasurer Gloria Rodriguez, Assessor Delilah Rojo, Sheriff Jonathan Mooradian, Captain Kelly Gannaway, Lieutenant Richard Cowles, Lieutenant Michael Brown, Lieutenant Luis Malina, Sergeant Donnie Daniels, Community Projects Director Jessica Etcheverry, Special Projects and Facilities Management Director Billy Ruiz, Code Road Director Marty Miller, Dispatch Supervisor Lauree Sanchez, Community Projects Director Jessica Etcheverry, Budget and Procurement Director Joanne Hethcox, Human Resources Director Danny Gonzales, Community Health and Wellbeing Director Jessica Moreno, Detention Director Matt Elwell, DWI Program Director Edith Vazquez, IT Technician Manny Armendariz, Grant and Compliance Officer Palmira Valentine, Public Information Officer Matt Robinson, Safety Director Mark Jasso.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Diaz called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Deputy Clerk JoAnna Zurinsky called roll. The following members of the Board constituting a quorum were present:

Joe L. Milo, Jr., District 1
Linda M. Smrkovsky, District 2
R. Javier Diaz, Chairman, District 3

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda for today's Regular Meeting was presented to the Board for approval. Commissioner Smrkovsky motioned to amend and approve the agenda, tabling items *O* and *P* on the Consent Agenda, per Assistant County Manager Glory Juarez's recommendation, as discussed in the Work Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Milo which carried unanimously.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS: County Clerk Andrea Rodriguez reported that her office is in the middle of collecting for Business Registrations, and was also busy conducting a recount for the Primary Election. Ms. Rodriguez thanked her Staff, and especially Elections Administrator Leslie Nabours for their hard work and efforts in coordinating a successful election, and reported that there were no changes in all three counties that had to participate in the recount. Ms. Rodriguez also stated that her office is busy preparing for the all mail-in ballot election for ambulance services for Luna County.

County Treasurer Dora Madrid reported that her office has finished their end-of-year, which went smoothly.

County Assessor Delilah Rojo reported that 150 protests were received by her office, and that these protests were mostly the result of one subdivision. Her office is also busy working on the reappraisals for 2017. Ms. Rojo also explained that the State has pushed the protest hearings out until the dates of November 7, 8, and 9th.

Sheriff John Mooradian reported that mail theft and burglaries are down, and reported on recovery statistics. Sheriff Mooradian and Captain Kelly Gannaway presented Sergeant Donnie Daniels with a recognition plaque for his life saving efforts to an incident that happened at the end of his shift on May 11th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Community Projects Director Jessica Etcheverry announced that through a partnership grant through a Rural Business Development grant through the USDA, that the county will be hosting Hump Day Academy classes. The series of training classes teach leadership skills, computer, customer service and social media skills. Ms. Etcheverry also announced that she was appointed by the state to represent the southwest part of New Mexico for the Rural Economic Development Committee.

Chairman Diaz announced that he attended a board meeting for the Arizona Water Settlement Act (AWSA) on June 21st. At the meeting, proposals were given for which projects were more feasible for this area (especially financially). Chairman Diaz stated that he would like to have a presentation or update given in August of September by the Executive Director Anthony Gutierrez on his perspective of the AWSA and the CAP Entity.

SERVICE AWARDS: There were no Service Awards presented at today's Regular Meeting.

PRESENTATIONS: There were no presentations given at today's Regular Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING: There was no Public Hearing held at today's Regular Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Diaz opened the floor to Public Comment: Lauri Findley came before the Board and thanked them for their continued support for the Main Street program.

Christie Ann Harvey also thanked the Commission for their support and funding for the Main Street program.

Ben Etcheverry thanked the Board for their support for the Southwestern New Mexico State Fair Association, and stated that the Fair Board has recently completed the Facility Master Plan.

Barbara Rios also thanked the Commission for their continued support of the Senior Center.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT: Assistant County Manager Glory Juarez reported on the following items:

- County Manager Ira Pearson is attending an important conference in regards to labor relations. Ms. Juarez stated this conference is imperative to the County right now.
- The County Manager will be presenting to the Transportation Infrastructure Revenue subcommittee pertaining to the recurring funding for road improvements.

- The Manager's Office attended the New Mexico Association of Counties (NMAC) conference. The manager's affiliate meetings mainly focused on economic development, DWI program funding, E911, and GRT (gross receipts tax) tax reform.
- Both the County Manager and the Assistant County Manager met with Village of Columbus on the discussion of the Joint Powers Agreement.
- The Heart of Columbus group was also met with. The goal of the group is to improve the quality of life in the Village.
- An audit-prep meeting was held with the auditors and Treasurer to assure cash balances and other potential audit issues are taken care of prior to audit.
- City meetings have been held to assure that each entity works together on community projects.
- Starting the 19th of July, County Manager Ira Pearson will have a radio show every other Tuesday at 7:30 a.m.
- The State Board of Finance has approved the property transfer for the Port of Entry project.

CONSIDER MINUTES: Upon motion of Commissioner Smrkovsky, seconded by Commissioner Milo, the minutes of the May 24, 2016 Special Meeting were unanimously approved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Smrkovsky, seconded by Commissioner Milo, the minutes of the May 26, 2016 Special Meeting were unanimously approved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Smrkovsky, seconded by Commissioner Milo, the minutes of the June 1, 2016 Special Meeting were unanimously approved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Smrkovsky, seconded by Commissioner Milo, the minutes of the June 6, 2016 Special Meeting were unanimously approved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Smrkovsky, seconded by Commissioner Milo, the minutes of the June 9, 2016 Work Session were unanimously approved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Smrkovsky, seconded by Commissioner Milo, the minutes of the June 9, 2016 Regular Meeting were unanimously approved.

Upon motion of Commissioner Smrkovsky, seconded by Commissioner Milo, the minutes of the June 17, 2016 Special Meeting were unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion of Commissioner Smrkovsky, seconded by Commissioner Milo the following items on the Consent Agenda were unanimously approved following a roll-call vote.

- Accounts Payable:** Accounts Payable Registers totaling \$1,020,932.56.
- Payroll Registers:** Payroll Registers totaling \$1,040,901.74.
- Resolution 16-35 Luna County Road Department CAP Project**
- Resolution 16-36 Luna County Road Department SB Project**
- Resolution 16-37 Luna County Road Department SP Project**
- Juvenile Adjudication Fund Agreement**
- Agreement between Deming Public Schools and Luna County**
- Agreement between Deming Animal Guardians and Luna County**
- Agreement between Deming-Luna County Commission on Aging and Luna County**
- Agreement Deming Art Council and Luna County**

- k. Agreement between Deming/Luna County Mainstreet Program and Luna County**
- l. Agreement between Luna County Historical Society and Luna County**
- m. Proclamation on Recognizing Bueno Foods and Celebrating 65th Anniversary**
- n. Agreement between Southwestern NM State Fair Association and Luna County**

NEW BUSINESS: The items pulled from the Consent Agenda were submitted as New Business.

- o. Memorandum of Agreement Deming-Luna County Humane Society and Luna County:** Assistant County Manager Glory Juarez advised to the Board the following changes and amendments to the Memorandum: The fee schedule (*Item number 15*) will be added. On *Item 10*, the amount of \$105,000 will be amended to correct the original amount of \$100,000. Commissioner Smrkovsky motioned to amend and approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Deming-Luna County Humane Society and Luna County as recommended with the changes to Items 15 and 10. Commissioner Milo seconded the amended motion which carried unanimously.
- p. Multi-Services Agreement between the Village of Columbus and Luna County:** Assistant County Manager Glory Juarez recommended the following amendment and changes to the Multi-Services agreement: *Section 2* shall be added, which states: The Luna County Sheriff's Office provides law-enforcement within the incorporated limits of the Village. The Village of the Columbus will provide funding to the county to offset the expenses of law enforcement services. The total amount of \$20,000 will be changed to \$30,000. Ms. Juarez also requested that the resolution shall be assigned the number 16-38 to the agreement. Commissioner Smrkovsky motioned to amend and approve the Multi-Services Agreement between the Village of Columbus and Luna County (Resolution 16-38) as presented by Glory Juarez. Commissioner Milo seconded the motion, which carried unanimously following a roll-call vote.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUESTS: Assistant County Manager Glory Juarez requested consideration of the following Travel Request: Travel for County Manager Ira Pearson (*date and location of Dallas, New York, or San Francisco to be determined*) to attend the Bond Insurance Rating meeting. Commissioner Smrkovsky motioned to approve the travel request for County Manager Ira Pearson to attend the Bond Insurance Rating presentation. Commissioner Milo seconded the motion which carried unanimously

INDIGENT CLAIMS REPORT: Upon motion of Commissioner Milo seconded by Commissioner Smrkovsky, the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was unanimously recessed and the meeting of the Indigent Hospital Claims Board convened. Budget and Procurement Director Joanne Hethcox recommended approval of zero claims dated July 14, 2016 in the amount of zero dollars and zero denials. The monies received for June 2016 totaled \$45,499.27. The balance in the Indigent Funds Accounts as of June 30, 2016 is \$701,851.72, with an Encumbered Balance of \$20,113.45. Commissioner Smrkovsky moved to approve zero claims dated July 14, 2016 in the amount zero dollars and zero denials. Commissioner Milo seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Commissioner Milo moved to recess as claims board and to reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Smrkovsky seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

ANNOUNCE NEXT MEETING: Chairman Diaz announced that a Special Meeting will be held on July 26, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. A Work Session will be conducted on August 11, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. and the next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: There were no requests submitted.

ADJOURN: Chairman Diaz adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

ATTEST:

**LUNA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS**



ANDREA RODRIGUEZ, LUNA COUNTY CLERK

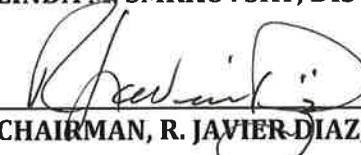


JOE L. MILO, JR., DISTRICT 1

APPROVED: 08/11/16



LINDA M. SMRKOVSKY, DISTRICT 2



CHAIRMAN, R. JAVIER DIAZ, DISTRICT 3

