

**MINUTES
WORK SESSION
LUNA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Wednesday, January 25, 2023**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Luna County Board of County Commissioners met at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, in Chambers of the Luna County Courthouse, Deming, New Mexico, for the purpose of conducting a Work Session.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Sweetser called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the salute to the flag of New Mexico.

ROLL CALL: Deputy Clerk Toni Esparza called roll. The following Commissioners constituting a quorum were present:

**Ray J. Trejo, District 1
Colette M. Chandler, District 2
John S. Sweetser Chair, District 3**

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chair Sweetser opened the floor to public comment. There were no Public comments forthcoming.

DISCUSSION ITEM: Solar and Industrial Revenue Bond Training. Luna County Attorney Charles Kretek explained the application process for a company to go through in order to receive a Special Use Permit. Mr. Kretek stated that the County does in fact see the lease between the solar company and the land owner only to make sure that the project complies with Luna County requirements. Mr. Kretek stated that the way the Solar Policy works is that the Planning Department is contacted and a two-page application is then filled out which lists the size, location, and who owns the property that will be used for the project, etc. Mr. Kretek also stated that these types of projects will not decrease the value of any property if anything a project like this may increase its value. Mr. Wesley Light was also a part of this discussion trying to get a better understanding of the solar process. **(*Note: Items were presented for discussion only and no actions were taken.)**

Upcoming Meetings/Events (unless otherwise specified):

County College: Managers/Commissioners Department Jan. 25, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.
Silver Spikes: Santa Fe-January 30, 2023 – January 31, 2023
Regular Meeting: February 9, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.
Luna County offices closed; President’s Day: February 20, 2023

ADJOURN: Chair Sweetser motioned to adjourn. The meeting was Adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

ATTEST:

Berenda McWright
Berenda McWright, Luna County Clerk
by Leslie Tabors

Approved: 2-9-23

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