

MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING

of the BOARD of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

of SAN MIGUEL COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022 AT 12:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Harold Garcia called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM at the SMC Commission Chambers at 500 W. National Avenue, Suite 201, Las Vegas, New Mexico 87701.

2. ROLL CALL

Sr. Deputy Clerk Jacob Gonzales administered Roll Call: Chairman Harold Garcia present, Vice-Chairman Janice Varela present, Commissioner Max Trujillo present, Commissioner Martin Sena present, and Commissioner Kenneth Medina present.

A quorum is present.

EXECUTIVE / CLOSED SESSION

Limited Personnel Matters, as permitted by NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(2) (as amended) of the Open Meetings Act, more specifically personnel matters regarding specific county Departments:

Certain Purchases, as permitted by NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1(H)(6) (as amended) of the Open Meeting Act, and Section 13-1-116 of the Procurement Code:

Attorney-Client Privilege Pertaining to Threatened or Pending Litigation, as permitted by NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7)(as amended) of the Open Meetings Act. More specifically:

Motion to adjourn Regular Session and convene Executive Session made by Commissioner Max Trujillo. Second by Commissioner Martin Sena. Motion carried. Executive Session began at 12:07 PM.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene Regular Meeting made by Commissioner Martin Sena. Second by Commissioner Kenneth Medina. Regular Meeting reconvened at 2:10 PM.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deputy County Manager Jesus Romero led the Chambers in the pledge, and:

4. SALUTATION TO THE NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG:

"I salute the flag of the State of New Mexico and the Zia Symbol of perfect friendship among United Cultures".

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Harold Garcia asked to remove item "g" Update on NMHU Golf Course operations. Deputy Manager Jesus Romero asked to remove item Probate Court Quarterly Report and have item "b" Department Head Updates become item "c". Item "j" Detention Officers to Receive Oath of Office will become item "aa", and Item "k" Contract for Convict Confinement will become item "b."

Motion made by Vice Chairman Janice Varela to approve the agenda with changes indicated. Second by Commissioner Kenneth Medina. Motion carried.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for approval are RM-11-08-2022, and SM-11-14-2022 General Election Canvass.

Motion to approve minutes of RM-11-08-2022 and SM-11-14-2022 General Election Canvass made by Commissioner Kenneth Medina. Second by Commissioner Max Trujillo. Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC INPUT FORUM

No taxpayer or concerned person signed up for Public Input.

NEW BUSINESS

8. REGULAR ORDER

a. COUNTY AND DEPUTY MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Joy Ansley informed the Commission on the following: * The County received the first PILT payment of \$50K, \$27,110 distributed to SMC, and \$22,890 distributed between the four school districts: Las Vegas City, West Las Vegas, Pecos ISD, Santa Rosa Consolidated. * The County received \$150K payment from the NM Opioid Settlement Litigation. * Epi Duran Drug Treatment Center state and county architects are meeting on finalizing plans then Request for Bids in January with construction deemed to begin mid-February. * U.S. Forest Service requested SMC enter into a cooperation agreement on construction for roads and drainage

structures impacted by the Fire & Floods Disaster. * Ameren Energy revisited their interest in Transmission Lines construction in San Miguel County and informed there is interest in utilizing this power transmission for use in New Mexico through a participation agreement with PNM. * Hermit's Peak Watershed Restoration Alliance would like a letter of commitment for training protocols on disaster relief construction. Should HPWRA receive the funding they will conduct a presentation for the Commission. * North Central NM Economic Development and the Disaster Relief Coordinator met with the Manager's Office to discuss ongoing construction and funding issues related to Fire/Flood disaster. SMC is advertising for the position of Finance & Grant Specialist (SMC/Mora) which will be funded by NCNMED.

Deputy Manager Jesus Romero informed the Commission on the following: * Attended the County Manager's Conference. * Safety Committee meetings will resume in the new year. * KFUN radio show is on-going and informing the public on issues benefitting and of concern to SMC. * P&Z has been assisting on a property in the Camp Luna area overrun with squatters – although this is a civil issue, code enforcement is working with the property owner to reach a settlement on condemnation of property or reaching a civil agreement on dispersion. * Crows on building: Deputy Manager Romero is seeking advice from local pesticide companies and what the city is doing to minimize the impact of the crows on infrastructure, one idea is installing spikes on the roof to discourage roosting. * Awaiting word on the grant request for the Rodeo Arena Feasibility Study. * Regarding the wood pile at PWD off Airport Road, Northland gave the wood to Barela Timber and indicated the County does not have jurisdiction to tell Barela what to do with the wood. Continued conversations will be had between Old Wood Products, Northland and Barela Timber to ascertain citizen concerns. * Discussion was had with the Office of the Medical Investigator regarding unclaimed corpses. Rogers Mortuary is involved in finding a solution. * Training on NM Capital Outlay Requests will be held on January 4.

Manager Ansley answered the Commissions concern about the 2023 Capital Outlay Request by stating the due date is Thursday, 12 January 2023 before 3:00PM.

aa. DETENTION CENTER OFFICERS OATH OF OFFICE

Warden Antonio Padilla asked for Oath of Office to be administered by Chairman Garcia for new detention officers: Felix Griego, Jose Trujillo, and Leroy Ortega. Officers are sworn in.

b. CONTRACT FOR INMATE CONFINEMENT

Warden Antonio Padilla asked for a contract renewal approval with Mora County to house inmates with a charge of \$95/day and a \$20 booking fee.

Motion to approve Mora County Contract for Inmate Confinement made by Commissioner Max Trujillo. Second by Vice-Chairman Janice Varela. Motion carried.

c. DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES*

Road Foreman Johnny Trujillo informed the Commission that the project in Pendaries has begun with 30 loads delivered daily. Also, the county is down a blade and a big equipment driver is out sick. The County continues blading and repairing roads, etc., throughout the county. A technician has submitted a bid for repair of the crusher.

Commissioner Martin Sena requested a blade be sent to Sabinoso.

Commissioner Kenneth Medina asked for an update on CR 23; the project is complete, however, the lip on the cattle-guard was not balanced. The contractor is returning to repair.

d. PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE JPA w/North Central NM Econ Development

Manager Joy Ansley stated proposed amendment will allow the NCNM Econ Dev District to purchase real property.

Motion to approve Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the JPA/NCNM Econ Development District to allow the District to purchase real property made by Commissioner Max Trujillo. Second by Vice Chairman Janice Varela. Motion carried.

e. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE NEW MEXICO COUNTIES 2023 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Chairman Harold Garcia stated the NM Council of Counties lobbies concerns of Counties in NM.

Motion to support the Resolution of NEW MEXICO COUNTIES 2023 Legislative Priorities made by Commissioner Kenneth Medina. Second by Commissioner Martin Sena. Motion carried.

f. RESOLUTION SMC-HR-12-13-2022 GOVERNING HOLIDAYS FOR 2023

Human Resources Director Eileen Sedillo presented the Holiday Calendar for SMC Employees. This year will be 12.5 Holidays due to addition of Juneteenth. Vice Chairman Janice Varela inquired as to why Columbus Day is still indicated as a holiday when it should be read as Indigenous People's Day.

Motion to approve Resolution SMC-HR-12-13-2022 Governing Holidays 2023 made by Commissioner Max Trujillo. Second by Commissioner Martin Sena. Motion carried.

g. RATIFICATION OF ELECTION WORKER PROCLAMATION

County Manager Joy Ansley asked for ratification of the Election Worker Proclamation presented to the public at the November 08, 2022 meeting which coincidentally was the day of the General Election. The presentation of the Proclamation read on 11/08/2022 is considered the Public Hearing for the Proclamation, and now the Commission must ratify.

Motion to Ratify Proclamation of Election Officials 2022 made by Vice Chairman Janice Varela . Second by Commissioner Kenneth Medina. Motion carried.

h. PETITION TO ADOPT SANTO ISIDRO LANE AS A COUNTY ROAD

Deputy Manager Jesus Romero presented the Commission a Road Adoption packet for this road which is located in Gonzales Ranch.

Motion to approve the Road Viewing of Santo Isidro Lane in Gonzales Ranch to designate as a County Road made by Vice Chairman Janice Varela. Second by Martin Sena. Motion carried.

i. NM DENTAL ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION – REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR FREE DENTAL – MEDICAL – VISION CLINIC

Ms. Patricia Ruhl of the Dental Association informed the Commission the Association is hosting a Free Dental – Medical - Vision Clinic March 11 and 12, 2023 at the WLVHS Cafeteria and Gymnasium. Dr. Katrina Collins and Collins Dental will assist in coordinating the event. Doctor members of the Association will provide services, and Remote Area Medical provides the equipment and truck that manufactures the glasses. Funding was approved for the Clinic which was to be held in April 2020 but cancelled due to covid-19 public health emergency. The Association is requesting \$10K from SMC.

Motion to approve \$10K in funding for Free Dental – Medical – Vision Clinic made by Commissioner Martin Sena. Second by Vice Chairman Janice Varela. Motion carried.

j. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RODEO FEASIBILITY STUDY*

Deputy Manager Jesus Romero presented the Commission with an 85-page study conducted by Bohannon-Houston. The County applied for a \$3.5M grant for Outdoor Recreation. The Commission will review the study and act on the matter in upcoming meetings.

*For Informational Purposes

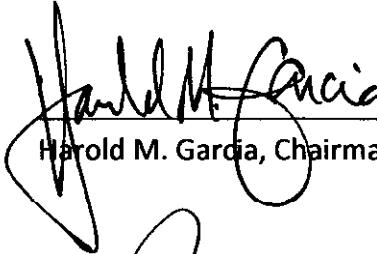
9. BOARD OF FINANCE

No presentation or actions needed this month.


10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Kenneth Medina. Second by Commissioner Max Trujillo. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:02 PM.

Approved this 10th day of January, 2023 as the Official Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners of San Miguel County New Mexico, of its Regular Meeting held December 13, 2022.



Harold M. Garcia, Chairman District 1




Janice C. Varela, Vice-Chairman District 2

~~Telephonically Approved~~

Max O. Trujillo, Commissioner District 3




Martin Sena, Commissioner District 4



Kenneth C. Medina, Commissioner District 5

ATTEST:



Geraldine E. Gutierrez, San Miguel County Clerk



Minutes submitted by Jacob P. Gonzales

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