

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC HEARING / BUSINESS MEETING

SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

PRESENT	ABSENT
Jhonathan Aragon, Chairman	
David Carlberg, Vice-Chair	
David A. Hyder, Member	
	Charles D. Eaton, Member
Gerard Saiz, Member	
Danny Monette, County Manager	
Adren Nance & Dave Pato, County Attorneys	
Peggy Carabajal, County Clerk	
Press and Public	

- 1) The meeting was called to order by Chairman Aragon at 5:00 P.M.
- 2) Ms. Samantha Capps led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Aragon introduced Samantha Capps who is the Chief Deputy Assessor for Lea County.

3) Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Saiz moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Carlberg. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

Chairman Aragon stated that Commissioner Eaton will not be present this evening.

4) Approval of Minutes: September 4, 2019- Business Meeting

Commissioner Carlberg moved for approval. Seconded by Chairman Aragon. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

Moment of Silence in Memory of Billy Ray Martinez

Chairman Aragon asked that a moment of silence be held in memory of the passing of former Commissioner Billy Ray Martinez. He was a great friend and an even greater public servant of the county. During his short time on the commission he made waves and did a lot of good; he is greatly missed.

DISCUSSION (NON-ACTION) ITEM(S):

5) Commissioners, Committees and Reports.

Mr. Monette stated that during their recent trip to Washington, DC they had a lot of good meetings. They were able to meet the vice-president, and the chiefs of staff at the White House.

Commissioner Saiz stated that he found the report, in the commissioner's packet, from public works very informative.

Chairman Aragon reported that the trip to Washington, DC was a great trip and they were able to get a lot of good contacts, including the Department of Transportation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Board Convened as Indigent Board

Commissioner Hyder moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Carlberg. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

- 6) Approval of Indigent Report. Presenter: HR Director Orlando Montoya; Sponsor: County Manager for Regular County Business

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Mr. Montoya presented the indigent report and asked for approval in the amount of \$25,474.33 he also reported that the balance of the fund is \$200,000. Mr. Monette stated that he along with Warden Chavez and Ms. Trujillo met with the Human Services Division regarding the grant that the county received for mental health services within the jail. While in the meeting they were also notified about different programs offered through the state that may help cover some of the mental health claims.

Commissioner Hyder moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Carlberg. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0. (See Exhibit A)

Board Reconvenes as BOCC

Commissioner Hyder moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Carlberg. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

ACTION ITEM(S):

7) Approval of Accounts Payable and Payroll Disbursements. Presenter: Finance Director, Loretta Trujillo; Sponsor: County Manager for Regular County Business
Ms. Trujillo presented and asked for approval of accounts payable dated August 24th - September 9th and payroll dated August 30th.

Commissioner Saiz moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Carlberg. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0. (See Exhibit B,C)

8) Acknowledging the DFA/ LGD's certification of VC FY 2019-2020 Final Budget. Presenter: Finance Director, Loretta Trujillo; Sponsor: County Manager for Regular County Business

Ms. Trujillo stated that per state statute the local government division requires that the governing body acknowledges receipt and certification of the fiscal year budget. This is the budget that the board approved on the special meeting held September 29th. Per DFA request there were two minor changes that needed to be made which included the correct amount of the grant awarded in the Law Enforcement Fund needed to be added as well as a column for GF investments needed to be added. Ms. Trujillo stated that in a letter that the county received from DFA it warns that the county's expenditures and transfers out are exceeding revenues. DFA cautions the county that the GF cash balance is being depleted. Ms. Trujillo stated that she predicts that if the county continues with the same pattern, within the next 6 years the county will be in financial trouble. She stated that it is her duty as the Finance Director to make the commission aware of the issue. Commissioner Carlberg asked if there was a problem with having submitted an unbalanced budget. Ms. Trujillo stated that the unbalanced budget raised a red flag with DFA, but now is the time to start being more proactive in managing the money and being prudent with spending, especially those items that are reoccurring costs.

Commissioner Carlberg moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Aragon. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0. (See Exhibit D,E)

9) Acknowledging the Five-Year Strategic Priorities of Valencia County (Final Report). Presenter: County Manager, Danny Monette; Sponsor: County Manager for Regular County Business

Mr. Monette stated that it was brought to his attention that the strategic plan that was done in the workshop was never brought before the commission; it is being presented this evening for acknowledgment and as part of the record.

Commissioner Saiz moved for approval. Seconded by Chairman Aragon. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0. (See Exhibit F)

Commissioner Saiz asked Mr. Monette to list the tier 1 priorities. Mr. Monette stated that the top 5 priorities are the hospital, county administration building, public safety, I-25 corridor and the comprehensive land use plan.

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10) Approval of Resolution 2019-___; Order Setting New Tax Rates 2019 Tax Year. Presenter: Deputy County Assessor, Tonja Hazer, Sponsor: County Manager for Regular County Business

County Assessor Dominguez-Romero presented the new tax rates for the 2019 tax year and asked for approval.

Commissioner Hyder moved for approval Seconded by Commissioner Carlberg. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

County Clerk Carabajal announced Resolution 2019-48. (See Exhibit G)

11) Consideration to Amend Resolution 2019-17 Adopting 2019-2020 County Road Improvement Program. Presenter: Public Works Director, Lina Benavidez, Sponsor: Commissioner David A. Hyder, District III

Ms. Benavidez introduced the county's new project manager Jeremias Silva. Mr. Silva stated that the reason for requesting that resolution 2018-23 be amended is that this year NMDOT is requiring all resolutions reflect the actual roads that were repaired using the CAP, CO-OP and SB funds.

Commissioner Hyder moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Saiz. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

County Clerk Carabajal announced Resolution 2019-49. (See Exhibit H)

12) Consideration of Don Sosteno Road to be added to the County maintained list (District I). Program. Presenter: Public Works Director, Lina Benavidez, Sponsor: County Commissioner Gerard Saiz, District I

Ms. Benavidez stated that she had received a petition from residents of Don Sosteno Rd. asking that it be added to the county-maintained list. A letter from the Governor of Isleta Pueblo was also received asking for the county to maintain the road. It is a boundary road between Valencia county and Isleta Pueblo. Mr. Monette asked if it will stay as status quo and the county not spend the \$94,000. Ms. Benavidez replied, that is correct.

Commissioner Saiz moved for approval as well as waiving the \$94,000. Seconded by Commissioner Hyder. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0. (See Exhibit I)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 the following matters may be discussed in closed session:

- a) administrative adjudicatory deliberation- 10-15-1 (H) (3)
- b) pending or threatened litigation- 10-15-1 (H) (7) Belen School Board v. Valencia County
- c) other specific limited topics that are allowed or authorized under the stated statute

Mr. Nance stated that what was to be discussed is limited to what was presented on the agenda for executive session.

Commissioner Hyder moved to go into executive session. Seconded by Commissioner Saiz. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Hyder moved to return to regular session. Seconded by Commissioner Carlberg. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Nance stated that the matters discussed in executive session were limited to those in the motion for closure and no final action was taken.

Commissioner Hyder moved for approval of the summary as stated by Mr. Nance. Seconded by Commissioner Carlberg. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

NEXT COMMISSION MEETING:

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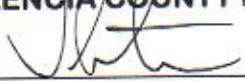
October 2, 2019- Business Meeting @ 5:00 P.M.
Valencia County Commission Chambers, 444 Luna Ave., Los Lunas, NM 87031

October 16, 2019- Public Hearing @ 5:00 P.M.
Valencia County Commission Chambers, 444 Luna Ave., Los Lunas, NM 87031

13) Adjournment
Commissioner Hyder moved for adjournment. Seconded by Commissioner Saiz. Roll call vote. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Saiz voted yes. Commissioner Carlberg voted yes. Chairman Aragon voted yes. Motion carried 4-0. **TIME: 5:57 P.M.**

NOTE: All proposals, documents, items, etc., pertaining to items on the agenda of the September 18, 2019 Public Hearing/Business Meeting (presented to the Board of County Commissioners) are attached in consecutive order as stated in these minutes.

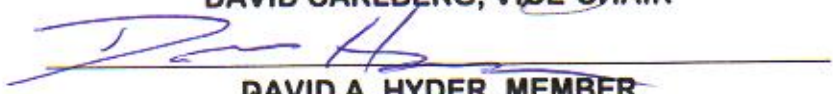
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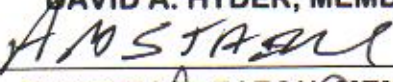
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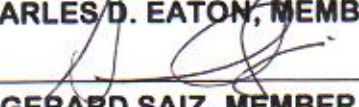
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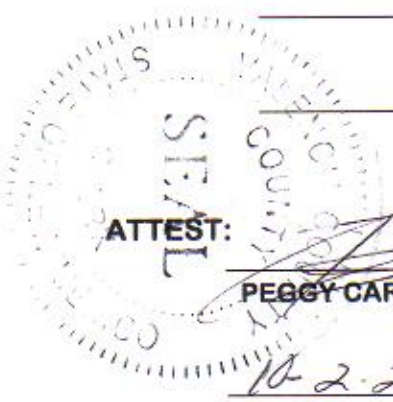
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CHARLES D. EATON, MEMBER



GERARD SAIZ, MEMBER



ATTEST:


PEGGY CARABAJAL, COUNTY CLERK

10-2-2019
DATE