

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC HEARING - BUSINESS MEETING

OCTOBER 20, 2021

Valencia County Commission Chambers, 444 Luna Ave., Los Lunas, NM 87031

PRESENT	ABSENT
Gerard Saiz, Chairman	
Jhonathan Aragon, Vice-Chair	
David A. Hyder, Member	
Troy Richardson, Member	
Joseph Bizzell, Member	
Danny Monette, County Manager	
Dave Pato, County Attorney	Adren Nance, County Attorney
Mike Milam, County Clerk	
Press and Public	

1) The meeting was called to order by Chairman Saiz at 5:00 P.M.

2) Ms. Sylvia Serna led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3) Approval of Agenda

Chairman Saiz stated that it has been requested that the 1st quarter financial report under item #5 be tabled and item #18 moved to after executive session. Mr. Monette stated that items #12-#17 all have to do with capital appropriations and they can be approved all at one time after Mr. Silva presents if the commission wishes.

Commissioner Bizzell moved for approval of the agenda as amended. Seconded by Commissioner Richardson. Roll call vote. Commissioner Richardson voted yes. Commissioner Bizzell voted yes. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Aragon voted yes. Chairman Saiz voted yes. Motion carried 5-0

4) Approval of Minutes: *October 6, 2021- Public Hearing/Business Meeting*

Commissioner Aragon moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Richardson. Roll call vote. Commissioner Richardson voted yes. Commissioner Bizzell voted yes. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Commissioner Aragon voted yes. Chairman Saiz voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

County Clerk Milam announced that early voting is now in progress for the local election. He requested a special meeting between November 10th-12th to canvass the election results.

DISCUSSION (NON-ACTION) ITEM(S):

5) Commissioners, Committees and Reports.

Mr. Silva updated the commission on the small business grant that the county will be releasing utilizing ARPA funds. As of yet the final rule from the Treasury department has not been released, the county is waiting for the ruling before the application is released to small businesses. He also reported that Facebook reached out to the county three weeks ago regarding funding for IT related projects, the county submitted an application to Facebook for broadband wireless internet to be supplied to the county's disadvantaged communities. Today the county was informed that they were awarded \$225,000.00 to support the effort. Next Wednesday Mr. Silva along with Mr. Monette and Ms. Mast will represent the county at a press release and presentation regarding the project and award.

Ms. Benavidez stated that Employee Appreciation has been rescheduled for November 4th so the Bureau of Elections can attend. County offices will close at 11:00 and the gathering will take place from 12:00 PM- 3:00 PM and employees will be given two hours of administrative leave. On October 28th the Treasurer is holding an office decorating contest.