

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC HEARING - BUSINESS MEETING

NOVEMBER 16, 2022

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	
Adren Nance & Dave Pato, County Attorneys	
Mike Milam, County Clerk	
Press and Public	

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

2) Morris Sparkman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3) Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Aragon moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Bizzell. 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: 10/19/2022 Public Hearing-Business Meeting

Commissioner Bizzell moved for approval. Seconded by Chairman Saiz. Roll call vote. Commissioner Richardson voted yes. Commissioner Bizzell voted yes. Commissioner Hyder voted yes. Chairman Saiz voted yes. Motion carried 4-0. Commissioner Aragon abstained as he was not present at the Oct 19th meeting.

Chairman Saiz congratulated all the candidates who ran and those who won in the recent election

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Daniel Jaramillo, a resident of Los Lunas, commented that he is here representing the residents of the 44 households in Gurule Estates, they are requesting that the county pave the roadways in Gurule Estates, there has been temporary grading and paving but it just a band-aid, they need a permanent solution. (See Exhibit A)

Annette Castillo, a Los Lunas resident, expressed her concerns about the 2022 midterm election and the Dominion voting machines used. She commented that the Secretary of State has failed to do her job regarding certification of the machines.

Lisa Chapman, a Albuquerque resident, commented that Valencia County is an oasis compared to where she currently lives. She commented that NM is out of compliance with state law and every election since 2016 has been illegal since it has not complied with state law.

Stephanie Russo-Baca commented that the MRGCD approved the MOU at their board meeting Monday night and they look forward to a positive relationship with the commission.

DISCUSSION (NON-ACTION) ITEM(S):

5) Commissioners, Committees and Reports.

Commissioner Bizzell reported that there was a great turnout at the turkey bingo held at the Belen Senior center, it was a great success. He stated that at the VALEO meeting yesterday Mr. Silva had mentioned that 95% of the bosque fires came from the homeless, where did those number come from and what can be done to stop these fires. Chief Propp stated that 80-85% of the fires that they have seen in the last couple of years have been transient caused. As for stopping them they have run into legalities such as some groups saying that they don't have the power to remove people from the area, part of the solution