

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC HEARING- BUSINESS MEETING

FEBRUARY 1, 2023

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

PRESENT	ABSENT
Gerard Saiz, Chairman	
Jhonathan Aragon, Vice-Chair	
Morris Sparkman, Member	
	Troy Richardson, Member
Joseph Bizzell, Member	
Danny Monette, County Manager	
Adren Nance & Dave Pato, County Attorneys	
Kevin Knight, Chief Deputy Clerk	Mike Milam, County Clerk
Press and Public	

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

2) Ms. Trujillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3) Approval of Agenda

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

Mr. Monette stated that item #22 has verbiage change, there is no resolution just a MOA for consideration.

**4) Approval of Minutes: *12/21/2022- Special Meeting*
12/21/2022- Public Hearing/Business Meeting
*1/04/2023- Reorganizational Meeting***

Commissioner Bizzell moved for approval of all three sets. Seconded by Commissioner Aragon. Roll call vote. Commissioner Bizzell voted yes. Commissioner Sparkman voted yes. Commissioner Aragon voted yes. Chairman Saiz voted yes. Motion carried 4-0

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

DISCUSSION (NON-ACTION) ITEM(S):

5) Commissioners, Committees and Reports.

Undersheriff Noah gave a report on calls for service that the sheriff's department has received. He also reported that the contract between the county and the City of Rio Communities for law enforcement will be significantly changing. (See Exhibit A)

Commissioner Aragon stated that Valencia County had a great presence at the recent NMC conference. At the conference Jessica Blanton graduated from the NM EDGE program; the county also received several awards at the conference. Chairman Saiz stated that Commissioner Aragon is the president of NMC and he does an excellent job of representing the counties; he has a lot of influence, works hard and deserves credit for his role as president.

**Employee of the Month. Presenter: *Human Resources Director, Orlando Montoya;*
*Sponsor: County Commission***

Mr. Montoya introduced Patrick Jojola as the employee of the month. He stated that Mr. Jojola went above and beyond his job duties while coming across some loose cattle on the road one night. Mr. Jojola warned drivers of the cattle and got ahold of the livestock board, the cattle were returned to the owner.

Mr. Monette stated that the county received several awards at the NMC conference including the Risk Awareness Program (RAP) award. Mr. Luna stated the county has been participating in the RAP program for 14 continuous years.