

MORA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION
DECEMBER 21, 2022
SPECIAL MEETING

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Serna called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.

2. Roll Call

Deputy Clerk Duran polled the board:

Commissioner Serna - Present

Commissioner Trujillo – Present

Commissioner Maestas – Present

3. Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag of the State of New Mexico

All in attendance recited the Pledge and saluted the Flag of the State of New Mexico.

4. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Trujillo made motion to approve agenda with changes.

Commissioner Maestas seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

5. Public Comment

Amy Fresquez – Ms. Fresquez stated she is here in support of her father. She stated he did some work for the County and he has not been paid. She stated there is a county employee that keeps ruining the County equipment and he is still being paid.

Tim Fresquez - Mr. Fresquez stated he is here to get paid. He stated he did work for the County back in May and he still has not been paid.

6. Discussion/Action – Consideration of Approval of Request that the St. Vrain Mill Restoration be added to the Mora County ICIP and that Mora County request Capital Outlay Funds for the Mill's restoration in the 2023 Legislative Session

Mr. Arthur Romero presented to the Commission, see attached. Mr. Romero stated he is a member of the St. Vrain Mill, he is here to request for help from the County. Discussion took place. Attorney Cruz recommended tabling this item at this time.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to table this item.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

7. Discussion/Action – First Amendment to Joint Powers Agreement for the Creation of the North Central New Mexico Economic Development District by and Among the Incorporated County of Los Alamos, Santa Fe County, Rio Arriba County, Colfax County, Taos County, Sandoval County, Mora County, San Miguel County and the City of Santa Fe

Mr. DeAzevedo presented to the Commission, see attached. Discussion took place.

Commissioner Trujillo made motion to approve.

Commissioner Maestas seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

8. Discussion/Action – RESOLUTION – Approving the North Central New Mexico Economic Development District (NCNMEDD) to Develop a Hazard Mitigation Plan for the County of Mora

Mr. DeAzevedo presented to the Commission, see attached. Discussion took place.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to approve.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

9. Discussion – Report on Mora Mainstreet/Mora Creative Council Activities

Executive Director of the Mora Creative Council presented a report to the Commission. See attached. Stated in the report there is a list of projects. She stated one of the projects was the mural that is in front of Hatchas, this mural has received a lot of appreciation and praise. They plan on doing more of these murals along highway 518. Further discussion took place.

10. Discussion/Action – Minutes

- a. **September 15, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes**
- b. **October 20, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes**
- c. **November 3, 2022 – Special Meeting Minutes**
- d. **November 16, 2022 – Election Canvass Minutes**
- e. **November 17, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes**
- f. **November 23, 2022 – Special Meeting Minutes**

Attorney Cruz stated the Clerks office is working hard to get their new process in place. The minutes that are ready for approval are C and F. Thee rest are still being finalized. She recommends having Special Meeting should be scheduled for the end of the year to approve the rest of the minutes so the backlog of minutes can be cleared. Further discussion took place.

Commissioner Trujillo made motion to approve c & f and to table a, b, d, & e.

Commissioner Maestas seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

11. Department Head/Elected Official Report(s)

a. Elected Official(s)

Treasure's Report – See attached

Assessor Report – Assessor Trujillo stated the ROE Program is still going on. She stated there are about 50 more close outs that she has not received, she is waiting for the

documentation from the State. She believes about 20 of those are for flood removal but that will not start until the spring. Further discussion took place.

Sheriff's report- Undersheriff Padilla presented the report for the Sheriff's office. He stated they are in the process of installing a flock system in Wagon Mound. There has been a lot of traffic coming in from I25 that involves drugs, stolen vehicles and children trafficking and this system will help to catch the vehicles that are involved. Further discussion took place.

b. Department Head(s)

Bernadette Cowell presented the DWI report to the Commission. She stated Yolanda Medina is still working under her doing day to day operations. She stated there are currently 37 active DWI cases. Further discussion took place.

EMS report- See attached. Commissioner Serna stated they have done well at staying in the black.

Road Department – John Romero presented his report to the Commission. Mr. Romero introduced his new assistant Geraldine Vigil to the Commission. He stated there was an accident with one of the dump trucks, it is repairable. Further discussion took place.

c. County Manager

Interim County Manager Temarah Barela presented her report to the Commission. She stated herself, Edna Sena and Commissioner Serna participated in the Exit Audit with the County Auditor Chris Garner, and they discussed the Audit findings in detail. The Audit was submitted by the due date. There was a total of 7 findings. Further discussion took place.

d. Human Resources

Interim County Manager Temarah Barela presented the Human Resources report to the Commission. She stated interviews were conducted for the Manager Administrative Assistant and for the Road/Solid Waste Administrative Assistant. She stated Kathy Martinez was selected for the assistant manager and Geraldine Vigil was selected for the road/solid waste assistant. Further discussion took place.

e. Announcements

Temarah Barela presented the announcements to the Commission. See attached.

f. County Commission

Commissioner Serna stated they are working diligently with FEMA to get them here. She stated she got a message and their priority is to get more people hired from Mora County. Further discussion took place.

Commissioner Trujillo stated the only concern he has is there are a lot of Contractors from out of state but our people are still waiting to get hired on. He stated he has been getting phone calls. Commissioner Serna stated there was a public meeting and there were a lot of contractors present to meet with DOT. She stated she believes they shared what the requirements are in order to get hired. She stated in order to get reimbursed by FEMA they need to meet certain requirements. She stated Ricky Serna and JP Romero are the point of contact for more information. Further discussion took place.

12. Discussion/Action – Expenditure Report/Budget Report

a. Expenditure Report – November 2022

Edna Sena presented to the Commission. See attached.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to approve.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

b. Budget Report – November 2022

Edna Sena presented to the Commission. See attached.

Commissioner Trujillo made motion to approve.

Commissioner Maestas seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

13. Discussion/Action – Resolutions

a. Budget Adjustment Request

Edna Sena presented to the Commission. See attached.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to approve.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

14. Discussion – Project Status

a. EMS Facility

b. Communication Base Station

c. Design of the Administration Complex Remediation Phase

d. Watrous Community Center

Temarah Barela presented to the Commission. She stated not much has changed.

Further discussion took place.

15. Discussion/Action – Consideration of Approval of the 2023 Holiday Calendar

Temarah Barela presented to the Commission. See attached.

Commissioner Trujillo made motion to approve.

Commissioner Maestas seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

16. Discussion/Action – Ratification of US Government Lease for Real Property – FEMA Space at the Mora County Complex

Temarah Barela presented to the Commission. Attorney Cruz recommended the Commission to table this item at this time.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to table.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

17. Discussion/Action – Ratification of US Department of the Treasury Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund

Temarah Barela presented to the Commission. See attached.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to ratify the signature.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

18. Discussion/Action – Reconsideration of Approval of State of New Mexico Department of Economic Development Fund 89200 Capital Appropriation Project

Attorney Cruz presented to the Commission. See attached.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to approve.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

19. Discussion/Action – CONTRACT for Inmate Confinement between Mora County and San Miguel County Detention Center

Attorney Cruz presented to the Commission. See attached.

Commissioner Trujillo made motion to approve.

Commissioner Maestas seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

Attorney Cruz recommended the Commission to entertain a second motion to propose an amendment to the Contract to include the Civil Rights Act.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to propose an amendment to the Contract.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

Executive Session

Commissioner Maestas made motion to convene into executive session at 12:21 pm.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Duran polled the board:

Commissioner Serna – Yes

Commissioner Trujillo – Yes

Commissioner Maestas – Yes

Commissioner Maestas made motion to reconvene from executive session at 2:41 pm.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Duran polled the board:

Commissioner Serna – Yes

Commissioner Trujillo – Yes

Commissioner Maestas – Yes

Attorney Cruz advised decisions were not made while in executive session, personnel matters and potential & pending litigation were discussed.

20. Discussion/Action – RESOLUTION – Increasing the Salary of the Newly Elected Mora County Assessor, County Sheriff, County Probate Judge and County Commissioner for District 1 and 2 in Mora County, Mora New Mexico

Commissioner Serna stated this was presented in executive session.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to table.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

21. Discussion/Action – RESOLUTION – Law Enforcement Funding

Attorney Cruz presented to the Commission. See attached. Attorney Cruz recommended the Commission approves this resolution.

Commissioner Trujillo made motion to approve.

Commissioner Maestas seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

22. Discussion/Action – Consideration of Approval of Legislative Priorities

Temarah Barela presented to the Commission. See attached.

Commissioner Maestas made motion to approve.

Commissioner Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

23. Adjournment

Commissioner Trujillo made motion to adjourn meeting at 2: 48 pm

Commissioner Maestas seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

MORA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION

X

George A. Trujillo
Chairman

X

John H. Trujillo
Vice-Chairman

X

Veronica M. Serna
Member

ATTEST:

X

Carlos J. Arellano
County Clerk