

**MORA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION
AUGUST 14, 2023
SPECIAL MEETING**

1. Call to Order

Commissioner G. Trujillo called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm.

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

Commissioner G. Trujillo led the audience and Board in the Pledge. All in attendance recited the Pledge and saluted the Flag of the State of New Mexico.

3. Roll Call

Deputy Clerk Garcia polled the board:

Commissioner George Trujillo - Present

Commissioner Johnny Trujillo - Present

Commissioner Veronica Serna – Not Present

Attorney Tina stated, for the record, Commissioner Serna previously indicated she would not be available for today's meeting. Commissioner G. Trujillo asked what our policy is, do we report to the County Attorney or the Chairman or to anyone whether we are going to be excused or not excused. Attorney Tina Cruz stated she doesn't believe there is a stated policy, however, she makes note of that for purposes of the record. She did the same at the last meeting for Commissioner J. Trujillo.

Majority are present. Quorum has been met.

4. Approval of Agenda

Attorney Cruz stated she has one minor revision; it does not speak to the substance of the agenda, but it is a typographical error on her part in the attachment section on Item #6. The agenda reads Martinez when it should read Montoya. Again, doesn't speak to the substance of the agenda itself just the attachment.

Commissioner J. Trujillo made motion to approve the agenda based on the recommendation of Attorney Tina Cruz.

Commissioner G. Trujillo seconds the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

5. Discussion/Action – Approval of Subrecipient Grant Agreement FEMA-4652-DR-NM: Wildfire and Straightline Winds – (Meeting Cancelled due to non-working Zoom Link) **No Action Taken**

Interim Manager David Montoya presented, stated we have received some loan agreements from DFA for Category B, emergency repairs, that have now entered the obligation phase from FEMA. We've had this for some time, last week's delay has had that money sitting in DFA instead of the Treasurer's Office earning interest for us. Attorney Tina Cruz stated she believes Mr. Montoya is speaking to Item #7. Interim Manager Montoya asked if Dr. Klass is on (Zoom), no response. Attorney Cruz stated she had an opportunity to visit with Jeremy Klass with the New Mexico Department of Homeland Security last week. This particular item was brought to her attention in the absence of the county manager by Commissioner Veronica Serna indicating that the item just

needed to have a signature from the Chairman. Mr. Klass indicated to her that this grant agreement is essentially reimbursement for work that was previously done by the county. See Attachment A – Interim Manager Montoya indicated it was not in the packet. Attorney Cruz stated Mr. Klass and the State were hoping Mora County could sign the agreements by Friday so those reimbursements could begin. Attorney Cruz stated all items related to HPCC will be presented to the Commission for review and signature. Attorney Cruz indicated she provided this summary to Mr. Daniel Rubin, Assistant Attorney General, in connection to his inquiry today. The summary read: Jeremy Klass at NM Department of Homeland Security is looking to determine whether there is a notice of funding opportunity, a document requested by Mr. Rubin. The Department of Homeland Security developed a procedure to get the money out faster through this reimbursement process. Jeremy also indicated that he would attend today's meeting and share additional information as needed. Attorney Cruz texted him asking if he could log on and he said he was having difficulty with the link shared, Attorney Cruz stated she is going to try and troubleshoot that real quick. Ms. Frances Muniz stated she was having difficulty with the link as well but when she clicked on it again it popped up. Attorney Cruz stated this is a specialized process that's been instituted by the state. Interim Manager Montoya stated, essentially when you're talking about FEMA funding there is a recipient, which is the State of New Mexico, and then there is a sub-grant recipient, which is us, Mora County. In order for money to flow from the grantee to the sub-grantee we need an agreement. Money is going to start for Category B, emergency road repairs, flowing down from FEMA to the sub-recipient a lot quicker. Interim Manager Montoya and Ms. Clarity Collins submitted all their projects the Friday before last and within a week it is in D.C. for the next phase of approval, which is fast. Money is going to start flowing down. Commissioner G. Trujillo asked if we have a plan to spend the money, Interim Manager Montoya stated yes, we do have a plan. Further discussion took place.

- Attorney Cruz stated she was getting text messages and emails that the link is not working for the meeting. Attorney Cruz tried to log on as well and it reads: 'Unable to join this meeting, the meeting ID is not valid'. Ms. Muniz stated she is logged on now. Attorney Cruz is checking Ms. Muniz computer.
 - **Commissioner J. Trujillo** made motion for 10–15-minute recess to fix IT problems at 4:47 pm. **Commissioner G. Trujillo** seconds the motion.
 - **Commissioner J. Trujillo** made motion to reconvene from recess at 4:59 pm. **Commissioner G. Trujillo** seconds the motion. Commissioner G. Trujillo stated due to an error in the posting of the link on our agenda we need to cancel this meeting. Meeting Cancelled due to non-working Zoom Link.
6. **Discussion/Action – Approval of Second Addendum to Employment Contract with David M. Montoya** – (Meeting Cancelled due to non-working Zoom Link) **No Action Taken**
 7. **Discussion/Action – Approval of SB-6 Loans #23ZH9020-MORAC-05 and #23-ZH9020-MORAC-06** – (Meeting Cancelled due to non-working Zoom Link) **No Action Taken**

8. Adjournment

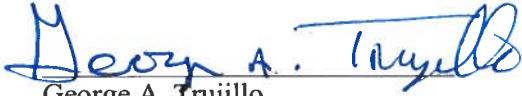
Commissioner J. Trujillo made motion to adjourn meeting at 5:00 pm

Commissioner G. Trujillo seconds the motion.

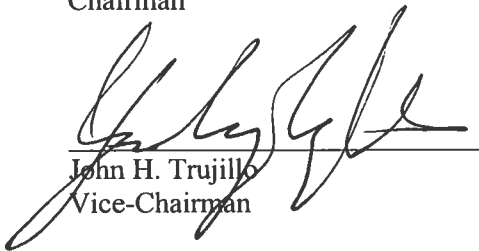
All in favor, motion carried.

- Attorney Tina Cruz stated, for the record, no action was taken as a consequence of today's meeting.

MORA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION



George A. Trujillo
Chairman



John H. Trujillo
Vice-Chairman

Veronica M. Serna
Member



ATTEST:



Carlos J. Arellano
County Clerk