

**MORA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION
AUGUST 28, 2023
SPECIAL MEETING**

1. Call to Order

Commissioner G. Trujillo called the meeting to order at 4:30 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 Duran polled the board:

Commissioner George Trujillo - Present

Commissioner Johnny Trujillo - Present

Commissioner Veronica Serna – Present

The majority are present. Quorum has been met.

Interim Manager Montoya stated he would like the opportunity to apologize to both Commissioner Serna and County Attorney Ms. Cruz for his attitude and the way he has acted towards them, he realized that he may have been the one causing the drama that has been part of the problem between everyone. He is asking for forgiveness and wants to move forward with a clean slate.

4. Approval of Agenda

Interim Manager Montoya recommends the board approve the agenda as presented.

Commissioner Serna made the motion to approve the agenda as presented on the recommendation from the Interim Manager.

Commissioner J. Trujillo second the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

5. Discussion/Action – Approval of Contract for Special Audit with Kubiak, Melton & Associates, LLC

Interim Manager David Montoya stated that this contract will be for a forensic audit that will cover the years 2020-2022. At the request of Mr. Cassidy and the State Auditor recommended to investigate the build out of the Complex, Chief Theater and the monies spent during the fire and flooding in the since the 2022 disaster. The cost is estimated at a cap of \$54,000 if there should be extra cost this item would have to be put out to bid for the rest of the contract.

Interim Manager Montoya recommends the board approve the contract as presented.

Commissioner J. Trujillo made the motion to approve the contract as recommended by the Interim Manager.

Commissioner Serna second the motion but would like to be clear that the years of the audit will be 20 – 22 not 19 – 22, and that it is a special audit not a forensic audit.

Interim Manager Montoya stated that he had to change the years because if they went with 19 - 22 it would exceed the \$54,000. His mistake he did state it wrong it is a special audit not a forensic audit.

All in favor, motion carried.

6. Discussion/Action – Approval of Addendum No. 1 to Consultation Agreement for Professional Services with Alexander Tafoya of JJ Consulting, LLC

Interim Manager Montoya recommends the board approve the addendum with Alex Tafoya, he has been the one over seeing the build out of the Complex and how the County is 2 months behind on reporting to DFA.

Commissioner J. Trujillo made the motion to approve the Addendum as recommended by the Interim Manager.

Commissioner Serna second the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

7. Discussion: Proposed Consulting Services Agreements with (1) Alarid Consulting, LLC and (2) Frank L Sanchez for governmental relations and lobbying services

Commissioner G Trujillo stated that he pulled this item from being an action because he feels the County only needs one consultant to do the lobbying for us. He stated that this item be present as an action item in the next meeting given to either one.

8. Discussion/Action: Resolution regarding Reclassification of Transport Officer Position to Deputy Position within the Mora County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Padilla requests that the board agree to reclassify the Transport Officer Position to a full time Deputy Position to help service the public efficiently this will allow them to have a 6-day coverage instead of the 5-day coverage they have in place now.

Interim Manager Montoya recommends the board approve the resolution as presented.

Commissioner Serna made the motion to approve as recommended by the Interim Manager.

Commissioner J Trujillo section the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

9. Discussion/Action: Resolution regarding Budget Adjustment Request Pertaining to Deputy Position

Finance Director Ms. Sena stated that this Resolution is an adjustment to cover the salary for the Deputy Position as requested by Sheriff Padilla. She stated that it would be from the LATCF fund to Law Enforcement fund in the amount of \$11,920.00.

Interim Manager Montoya recommends that the board approve the adjustment.

Commissioner J. Trujillo made the motion to approve the Resolution as recommended by the Interim Manager.

Commissioner Serna second the motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

10. Executive Session: Limited Personnel Matter Involving the Hiring of the County Manager, to include discussion of background investigation by the County and W. Dennis Maez, the interview process, and Scott Aaron's propose role in the interview and hiring process.

Commissioner J. Trujillo made the motion to convene into executive session at 4:49 pm.

Commissioner Serna second the motion with a roll call vote.

Deputy Clerk Duran polled the board.

Commissioner G. Trujillo – Yes

Commissioner J. Trujillo – Yes
Commissioner Serna – Yes

Commissioner Serna made the motion to reconvene from executive session at 5:05 pm.
Commissioner J. Trujillo second the motion with a roll call vote.

Deputy Clerk Duran polled the Board.

Commissioner G. Trujillo – Yes
Commissioner J. Trujillo – Yes
Commissioner Serna – Yes

Commissioner G. Trujillo advised no decisions were not made while in executive session, only the items listed were discussed.

11. Discussion/Action: Approval of fee Agreement for Contact Legal Services with Scott Aaron relating to County Manager Application Interview process and Manger Hiring.

Commissioner Serna made the motion to approve the Agreement as presented.

Commissioner J. Trujillo second the motion.


Two of the three voted yes, Commissioner G. Trujillo was a nay, motion carried.


12. Adjournment

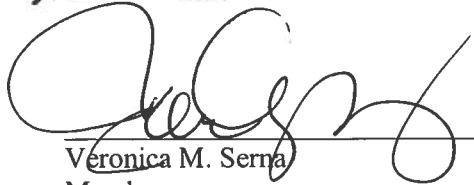
Commissioner Serna made the motion to adjourn at 5:06 pm.

Commissioner J. Trujillo second the motion.


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Vice-Chairman


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