



# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MORA COUNTY

Special Meeting – November 18, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.

Mora Independent School District Board Room – #10 Ranger Drive, Mora, NM

**1. Call to Order**

**Chairman George Trujillo** called the meeting to order at 4:00 a.m.

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

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

**3. Roll Call**

**Deputy Clerk Elena Duran** polled the board: **Commissioner George A. Trujillo** – Present; **Commissioner John H. Trujillo** – Present; **Commissioner Veronica M. Serna** – Present. A quorum is present.

**4. Approval of Agenda**

**Manager Weathers** stated, request approval of the agenda as presented.

**Commissioner J. Trujillo** made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

**Commissioner V. Serna** seconded the motion.

**All in favor. Motion carried.**

**5. Discussion/Action: Acceptance of Termination Letter from Thompson Consulting**

**Attorney Cruz** stated Thompson Consulting through its president, John Boyle, has tendered a termination letter to Mora County indicating that effective November 22, this upcoming Friday, it will be exercising the right to terminate the contract for what was referenced as convenience. The item before you is essentially acceptance of that termination letter.

**Commissioner J. Trujillo** made a motion to approve item 5.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** seconded the motion.

**Commissioner V. Serna** stated just for the record, I didn't vote in favor to begin with when it first came on, so I'll go ahead and abstain from this.

**Two in favor. One abstains.**

**Motion carried.**

**6. Discussion/Action: Authorization to proceed with procurement for Disaster Recovery Consultant**

**Attorney Cruz** stated, Chairman, essentially with Thompson Consulting, opting to step away, it would seem prudent to have authorization provided to your management team to utilize a procurement tool for purposes of identifying an alternate consultant. It's identified as procurement because I know that there's been thought and conversation about what options are available.

Conversation about whether the County might be able to piggyback on an existing contract if there's an option by way of CES. This particular item is crafted in a way to essentially allow for whatever procurement tools are available to your management.

**Commissioner J. Trujillo** made a motion to approve.

**Commissioner V. Serna** seconded the motion.

**Commissioner Serna** stated that is a cost that is reimbursable by FEMA. I don't know that CES would be allowable, since it's already pre vetted, and it's, for the most part, strictly New Mexico vendors. Another thing I was going to ask is if we could include that they administer it as well, because that's also covered by FEMA?

**Attorney Cruz** stated these are all things that can be considered by the management team, in consultation with, and I think the point that the Commissioner is making as it relates to procurement is essentially that you need to, and I'm glad that you pointed this out, because it is Federal procurement. You can't limit it to a state vendor. It would have to be something that would be open to any vendor throughout the Country. In that regard, CES would be a limiting factor.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** asked, not even through emergency procurement? Because we have to move on this.

**Attorney Cruz** stated that emergency procurement is different so that's something Adelita could work on in working with the management team on an option related to emergency procurement, but CES would become problematic.

Further discussion took place.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** called for a motion. **Commissioner G. Trujillo** stated, I'll oppose. **Two in favor. One opposes. Motion carried.**

**7. Discussion/Action: Approval of Contract with Vendor for Pit Run Material (Tabled on 11/15/2024)**

**Procurement Officer Adelita Encinas** stated the contract for the pit run was already awarded to LJ Pacheco Gravel, we just need the contract signed today.

**Discussion took place.**

**County Manager** stated that Mr. LJ Pacheco has a purchase agreement with Ms. Ledoux and is making payments and recommends approval.

**Commissioner Serna** made a motion to approve.

**Commissioner J. Trujillo** stated I abstain.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** stated there is no second to the motion, motion dies.

**Commissioner Serna** stated Tina, were there any legal issue with it?

**Attorney Cruz** stated I did not see any legal issues with regard to the purchase agreement.

**Commissioner J. Trujillo** stated the reason I abstained is because I used to work for Mr. Pacheco.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** stated I'll go back to item 7 again and I will second the motion.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** asked that all those in favor signify by stating aye. All oppose?

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** stated **they ayes have it, one to zero in favor. One abstains. Motion carried.**

**8. Closed session: Pending litigation involving John Paul Vigil matter**

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** asked for a motion to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation, John Paul Vigil matter.

**Commissioner J. Trujillo** made a motion to go into closed session. **Commissioner V. Serna** seconded the motion. *All in favor on a roll call vote:* Commissioner G. Trujillo – yes.

Commissioner J. Trujillo– yes. Commissioner V. Serna - yes. The Commission entered Closed Session at 4:10 p.m.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** asked for a motion to reconvene regular session.

**Commissioner V. Serna** made a motion to reconvene regular session. **Commissioner J. Trujillo** seconded the motion. *All in favor on a roll call vote:* Commissioner G. Trujillo – yes.

Commissioner J. Trujillo – yes. Commissioner V. Serna - yes. The Commission entered regular session at 4:18 p.m.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** stated no action was taken or decisions made in executive session.

**9. Discussion: Other Informational Items**

**Manager Weathers** stated, I have a question of the Commission or perhaps attorney, how long was the disaster declaration? How long was that for? The one the Governor declared.

**Commissioner G. Trujillo** stated 30 days. Maybe she could have done 60.

**Additional discussion regarding CES and procurement issues took place.**

**10. Signing of Approved Documents**

The Commission signed the approved documents

**11. Adjournment**

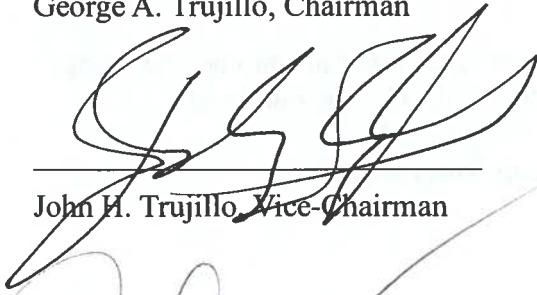
**Commissioner G. Trujillo** asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Commissioner J. Trujillo** made a motion to adjourn. **Commissioner V. Serna** seconded the motion. *All in favor. Motion carried.* The meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

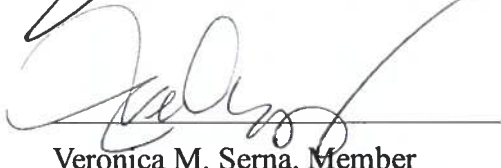
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Carlos J. Arellano, County Clerk