# MINUTES Regular MEETING HJDALGO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

July 10, 2019 at 5:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hidalgo County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on July 10, 2019 at the hour of 5:30 P.M. at the Hidalgo County Chambers at 305 Pyramid Street, Lordsburg, New Mexico, for the purpose of conducting any and all business to come properly before the Board.

The following were present:

Tisha Green, County Manager

Melissa K. De La Garza, County Clerk Priscilla Maxwell, Dispatch Supervisor Tracy Chavez, HCSO Tommy Chavez, HCFD

Carmen Acosta, Probate Judge Scott Richins, Rural Addressor Jennifer Medina, Diamond A Ranch Marsha Hill, LHC, C of C Calista Jensen, LHCL Warren Walter, County Sheriff Joe Guilliam, Road Supervisor Levi Klump, self

Dan Otero-HMS Judy Keeler-self

**CALL TO ORDER:** Commissioner Joel Edwards called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Chairman Anthony J. Mora, Absent

Commissioner Joel Edwards, Present Commissioner John Hatch, Present

**Approval of Agenda**-Commissioner Hatch moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

#### Approval of Minutes

## Regular Meeting, June 12, 2019-discussion/action

Commissioner Hatch moved to approve the minutes of Regular Meeting, June 12, 2019. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

### Guests

## Service plaque-Judy Keeler

County Commission presented Judy Keeler with a plaque for her eighteen years of service on the PLAC.

#### Miller Fire update-SW Incident Management Team

Barry Green, Jason Watson, and Scott Liason updated the Board on the Miller Fire. The fire was caused by lightning and high winds. Approximately 5,772 acres were burned. The team will be in the area until Friday.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

## Transfer of stock ownership liquor license #5512-discussion

County Manager Tisha Green stated this is a public hearing if the audience has any input of the transfer of stock ownership liquor license. This is the Leaping Lizard Brewery doing business as the Rodeo Tavern. No input from the public.

# Approval of transfer of stock ownership liquor license #5512-discussion/action

Commissioner Hatch moved to approve the transfer of stock ownership liquor license #5512. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

# Ordinance 2019-01 NMFA refunding of detention center loan PPRF-2167-discussion

County Manager Tisha Green stated this is the portion where a public hearing is needed. This ordinance has been advertised in the newspaper. No input from the public.

# Approval of Ordinance 2019-01-NMFA Refunding of detention center loan PPRF-2167-discussion/action

Commissioner Hatch moved to approve Ordinance 2019-01NMFA refunding of detention center loan PPRF-2167. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

Resolutions and Agreements

# Claim of Exemption-Scott Lovett-discussion/action

County Manager Tisha Green stated this claim of exemption is for the division of land created to provide security for mortgages, liens or deeds of trust; provided that the division is not the result of a seller-financed transaction. Commissioner Hatch moved to approve the Claim of Exemption for Scott Lovett. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

# 2018 Operation Stonegarden Sub Grant EMW-2018-SS-00056-S01-Hidalgo County-discussion/action

County Manager Tisha Green stated this is the annual grant agreement for Stonegarden for \$800,000. Tracy Chavez stated that the changes are \$60,000 more was received on this grant than previously, and now the fiscal years coincide with the County's fiscal year. Commissioner Hatch moved to approve this agreement for the Stonegarden grant. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

Miscellaneous

# Notice of public hearing date for Liquor License-Sky Island Grill & Grocery, LLC-discussion

County Manager Tisha Green stated the date has been set for this public hearing at the regular meeting on August 14, 2019, at 5:30 PM. This has been put in the paper, which a thirty-day notification period was needed. No action taken.

# Set date of final budget meeting-discussion/action

The Board set the final budged meeting for July 24, 2019 at 4:00 PM.

ROUND TABLE

Dan Otero-HMS CEO stated he wanted to take his update further and provide some clarity regarding HMS. HMS is a true comprehensive community health care system. Within three years, HMS has grown from a \$19 million organization to a \$21.6 million organization between Hidalgo and Grant Counties. This demonstrates growth that the organization has brought in more services to serve the population's needs. The federal government requires a board of directors, which is heavily regulated to ensure high quality, high service and all the regulations, are followed. Mr. Otero recognized the following Board members-Carmen Acosta the chairwoman, Bill Walter is vice-chair, Katy Estrada is treasurer, Barbara Guber is secretary, Bill Rogers-former chairman, Barbara Ann Trujillo, Betsy ward, Frank Chaires, Pam Archibald, Joe Mazurkiewicz, Ron Hall, Priscilla Perea, Arthur Clark Smith. Thirteen board members ensure

that Mr. Otero and everyone including the 237 employees do their job well. In 2016, the multi-year strategic plan was to achieve the National Malcom Baldridge Quality Award. Today, the Road Runner level was submitted which is a fifty-page report a copy was provided to the Board. HMS is a nationally recognized health association and is "Doing it better than Most". Mr. Otero stated HMS is inquiring to provide a vision service soon. Commissioner Edwards asked Mr. Otero about the urgent care center. Mr. Otero stated the numbers are not working yet to meet the requirements but a possible extended hour service is in the works.

**Judy Keeler**-stated the fire discussion held earlier reminded her of a Wildfire Prevention Plan for Hidalgo County in the past. She wanted information if it had been approved and the Commissioner's really need to be involved with this issue. Tisha Green said it had been approved and she would follow up to find the plan.

# Certification of Payroll

Commissioner Hatch moved to approve the certification of Payroll. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

# **Certification of Accounts Payable**

Commissioner Hatch moved to approve Accounts Payable. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

# ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Hatch moved to adjourn. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:12 P.M.

Melissa K. De La Garza, County Clerk

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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HIDALGO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Anthony √. Mera, Chairman

Joel Edwards, Member

John Hatch, Member