# MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

# HJDAIGO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS August 14, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Hidalgo County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on August 14, 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 elected officials, staff, and public were present:

Tisha Green, Manager Priscilla Maxwell, Dispatch Jennifer Medina, Animas Foundation Warren Walter, HCSO Tracy Chavez, HCSO Martin Neave, HCA Alex Ramirez, HCSO

Bret Jensen, NM State Police

Dennis Massey, Self Kimberly Gee, Sky Island Alyssa Esquivel, Chief Clerk Joseph Guilliam, Road Scott Richins, OEM Marsha Hill, LHC COC Tommy Chavez, HCFD

Bill Fraley, Self Joseph Marquez, Self

Dave Tarango, NM State Police

Jeff Gee, Sky Island Grill

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

Roll Call: Chairperson Anthony J. Mora, Present Commissioner John Hatch, Present Commissioner Joel Edwards, Present

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Edwards moved to approve the agenda that presented. Commissioner Hatch seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Hatch moved to approve the minutes for the special meeting of July 29, 2019. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Dennis Massey mentioned that he would like to see this liquor license approved.

Restaurant Beer / Wine Liquor License Application No. 1127115, Sky Island Grill & Grocery, LLC

i. Approval of Issuance of Restaurant Beer/ Wine Liquor License Application No. 1127115, Sky Island Grill & Grocery, LLC- discussion/ action Commissioner Hatch moved to approve the Beer and Wine liquor license for Sky Island. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### RESOLUTIONS and AGREEMENTS

# Resolution 2019-33 Ena Mitchell Senior Center ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan)- discussion/ action

Tisha Green stated that this is a resolution for the Ena Mitchell Senior Center. Ms. Green said that are four items requested for the ICIP this year. The first item is a vehicle purchase, second item is kitchen equipment for Senior Center, the third item is air conditioning units, and the fourth item is solar panels. These are the items that need to be replaced and that's why they are on the list. Commissioner Edwards moved to approve Resolution 2019-33. Commissioner Hatch seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

### Fairgrounds improvements- discussion

Commissioner Mora expressed that Freeport McMorran donated \$6,000 and with that money the County was able to put sound panels for the arena. Commissioner Mora thanked the Road Department for all they did at the fairgrounds. Commissioner Edwards stated that the fairgrounds look good and he also thanked the Road Department for the work they done. Tisha Green said that with the funds received from Freeport the County was able to focus on the safety aspect.

## Communication project update- discussion

Commissioner Mora stated that they County was able to establish radios for Animas Schools, and Lordsburg Schools. Scott Richins mentioned that the radios have been set up and completed for both Lordsburg and Animas Schools. Mr. Richins stated that Playas Fire also has radio coverage and they have received their first call. Commissioner Mora asked about the Verizon Towers. Mr. Richins said he is trying to see and connect with Verizon to see who dropped the ball on the tower. Mr. Richins said that he will be asked on Friday about the Verizon tower.

## Hidalgo County ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan) potential projects-discussion

Tisha Green stated to the Board of County Commission that they need to submit a request for projects to have on the ICIP. Ms. Green mentioned that there will be a public hearing without the County Commission for the public to request any projects they would like to see accomplished. Ms. Green mentioned that the ICIP needs to be approved in September 2019.

#### **Roundtable Discussion**

**Bill Fraley**- asked why the archives haven't been updated on the County website. He said he would like to see passed projects, and passed meetings where he spoke at and wanted to see if he was quoted right on the minutes. Tisha Green stated that she will look into this matter.

**Joseph Marquez**-requested a special meeting with the County Commissioners and the County Manager on policy and procedures.

**Dennis Massey**-mentioned that it was brought to his attention that the County no longer has an OMI. He recently lost his father and the process took four hours for an OMI to come to his father's home. Recently, there has been tragedies where people have died on the interstate and the families are put in a situation that is hard for them to stay so long waiting at that moment. Mr. Massey is requesting for the County to have a least have two OMIs in the area. Tisha Green mentioned EMS Director had brought this item to her attention and she has been working on this for about a month. She has been in contact with the Health Secretary and working with other OMIs. Ms. Green has said that it is in process.

### **FINANCIALS**

## **Certification of Accounts Payable**

Commissioner Edwards moved to approve accounts payable. Commissioner Hatch seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **Certification of Payroll**

Commissioner Hatch moved to approve payroll. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Edwards moved to adjourn. Commissioner Hatch seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:02 P.M.

ATTEST:

Alyssa Esquivel, Chief Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: 9 11 19

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Anthony J. Mora, Chairman

John Hatch Member

Joel Edwards, Member