

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Business Meeting

March 5, 2008

PRESENT	ABSENT
Pedro G Rael, Chairman	
Georgia Otero-Kirkham, Vice-Chairman	
David R Medina, Member	
Ron Gentry, Member	
Lynette Pinkston, Member	
Eric Zamora, County Manager	
Cynthia R. Wimberly, County Attorney	
Sally Perea, County Clerk	
Press and Public	

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pedro Rael at 5:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Pete Rael.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Kirkham moved for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Pinkston seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes- February 8, 2008 Public Hearing Meeting February 20, 2008 Business Meeting

Commissioner Medina moved for approval of the minutes of February 8, 2008 Public Hearing Meeting. Commissioner Kirkham seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Medina moved for approval of the minutes of February 20, 2008 Business Meeting. Commissioner Kirkham seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Requests- at the discretion of the Chair

(For Information Only – limited to two minutes per person on subjects not on this published agenda)

Torres G. Leyba resident of Meadow Lake New Mexico expressed his views on responsibilities and sense of purpose that the candidates have when running for a political office.

Bill Lebrecht of the Meadow Lake Residents Association expressed his concerns on the budget. He would like to make sure that the sheriff's department and fire department will continue to be properly budgeted. These two departments are of a great importance and both are doing a good job.

Mike Woods of Las Maravillas stated that he still had an issue with what's going on with the hospital and has issues with the Chair and his law partner. He also questioned where their at with the lawsuit and the hospital.

Non –Action Items:

- a) Acknowledgement of Appreciation for Services Rendered "Adult Detention" Derek Williams

Derek Williams presented Henry Guzman and Alton Peoples with a letter and certificate for their outstanding performance in maintaining presence and conducting their challenging duties in a maintained order and ensuring that policies and procedures are followed. Both Mr. Guzman and Mr. Peoples have proved to be a valuable asset not only to the Detention Center but to the County of Valencia as well.

Presentation on Phase I Integrated Water/Waste Water Master Plan (CDM) –Kelly Collins

Ms. Kelly Collins presented a PowerPoint presentation on the results of the first phase of the water/waste water master plan. The plan project consists of the best way to provide sustainable water and wastewater services to a growing count, a plan for the future, a conceptual level plan for water and waste water infrastructure to support the projected population and land use over 40 years. Regional collaborative efforts increase the potential for obtaining funding and the master plan provides a rationale for making specific capital improvement project requests. This will run in three phases. The first phase is collecting information on conditions and making projections at what will be here in forty years. Phase two is developing alternatives for providing those services and the criteria that will be used to judge which of those alternatives makes the most sense for the county. Phase three, the master plan, will be the description in somewhat more detail of the selective alternative. The overall conclusion has to do with population projections, water and water waste demand, land use and growth, aquifer sustainability, and water and waste water concept.

Kelly Collins introduced Tim Karpoff who also gave a brief overview on community outreach. Tim Karpoff said we are using a three prong approach for outreach. It's based on a principal concept on planning with communities rather than for communities. The approach consists of a citizen's advisory group, community meetings and inter-community meetings. The purpose is to get a broad range of ideas and to

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inform people and compare perspectives in the different communities. The citizen's advisory group consists of all volunteers.

Commissioner Gentry said all of this is based on population growth and building growth and noticed that there is an absence of developers, business people and pro-growth programs on citizen's advisory group. There are two major projections that is going to cause this to happen and that's the east mesa and the west mesa. He didn't see a representation for the east or west side areas and is concerned that it is strictly a farm valley situation. Mr. Karpoff said Commissioner Gentry's point was well taken and he will follow-up with this.

c.) Presentation on La Vida Felicidad – Ignacio Perez/Jeanette Hunt

Ignacio Perez chief operating officer of La Vida Felicidad said the agency is a community based non-profit agency and have been doing services in Valencia County since 1983 and were celebrating a 25 year anniversary. They are committed to community needs, for people with special needs. We have three divisions which consist of children's services, adult services for people developmental disabilities and senior services. Our current operating budget is \$6.5 million. Most of our funding is Medicaid and RSP and various grants.

Jeanette Hunt, La Vida Felicidad coordinator for senior services said La Vida Felicidad has had an economic impact on our community. We have over 250 employee's and we contract out, so we do check's for about 400 people. That's a lot of people in our community that are earning salaries from a non-profit agency. La Vida Felicidad is hosting some meetings with the center for non-profit excellence, that is chaired by United Way to get the all the non-profits together. Our agency allows for the community to help take care of the elderly people. We don't do the medical portion but we work with other non-profits. New Mexico is one of ten states that require people who are Medicaid providers to have background checks and criminal investigations before they can provide services. La Vida Felicidad requires that every employee have a registration criminal background check and verify their previous employer, check all their references, check their driving record status and check their insurance verification. These are preventive measures.

ACTION ITEMS:

a) Consideration of disposal of surplus County equipment – Eric Zamora

County Manager Eric Zamora requested approval of disposal of surplus county equipment. To remove from fixed assets list and sell at auction a 1984 Chevrolet truck w/aerial lift. Commissioner Pinkston moved for approval. Commissioner Kirkham seconded. Motion carried unanimously. **See Exhibit A**

b) Consideration of Awarding Competitive Bid #632 for a Breathing Compressor, Fill Station, and Storage System for Tome/Adelino Fire Dept. – Charles Eaton

Fire Chief Charles Eaton requested approval of Bid #632 to LN Curtis, which was the only respondent. Commissioner Pinkston moved for approval. Commissioner Kirkham second. Motion carried unanimously. **See Exhibit B**

c) Resolution 2008- Adopting the 2008-2009 County Road Improvement Program – Eric Zamora

County Manager Eric Zamora requested approval of a resolution adopting the 2008-2009 county road improvement programs. Commissioner Medina moved for approval. Commissioner Gentry seconded. Discussion-Commissioner Pinkston asked how these roads were selected, because she was never called. Mr. Zamora said these were selected based on work order requests and recommendation from the road department based on funds they receive. This is a preliminary list; it's somewhat of a wish list. We're projecting that at this point that we will receive funding similar to what we received in the past years. When we find out in June what the actual funding is, we'll come back and re-evaluate our road list. Motion carried unanimously. **See Exhibit C.**

County Clerk, Sally Perea announced the Resolution 2008-08.

d) Financial Matters:

i) Consideration of Amendment No. 2 to the County's Older American Program 2007/2008 Vendor Agreement between North Central New Mexico Economic Development District, Non-Metro Area Agency on Aging –Vangle Gabaldon.

Commissioner Gentry moved for approval. Commissioner Medina seconded. Motion carried unanimously. **See Exhibit D.**

ii) Resolution 2008- Budget Increase Expenditures for Adult Detention, Public Works, Jarales Fire Dept., Tome Adelino Fire Dept. & Sheriff's Dept. – Wilma Abril

Commissioner Pinkston moved for approval. Commissioner Medina seconded. Motion carried Unanimously. **See Exhibit E.**

County Clerk, Sally Perea announced Resolution 2008-09.

iii) Resolution 2008- Budget Increase Expenditures for G.R.E.A.T. Bureau of Justice Program - Wilma Abril

Commissioner Pinkston moved for approval. Commissioner Medina seconded. Motion carried unanimously. **See Exhibit F**

County Clerk, Sally Perea announced Resolution 2008-10.

iv) Consideration of Approval: Payroll/Warrants –Wilma Abril

Ms. Abril presented the computer printout list of all checks issued by the County Manager's Office on February 29, 2008 covering vendor bills processed on the above dates. Check #93428 thru Check #93428 inclusive for the total of \$25,000.00 and also printout list of all checks covering payroll process on February 29, 2008. Check #5593 thru direct deposit checks #5748 inclusive. Deduction check #93347 thru check #93427 inclusive and payroll check #81341 thru payroll check #81446 inclusive. Listing total of \$339,101.64.

Commissioner Medina moved for approval. Commissioner Pinkston seconded.

Discussion - Chairman Rael asked Ms. Abril to check under professional services a check for \$3,345.78, a court settlement check for \$884.38 and what was the settlement for, and asked if nearly \$100,000.00 was spent on laptops. Ms. Abril said yes, these were the special laptops for sheriff's cars

Commissioner Gentry commented on the no communication between the offices and the question on where the hospital money was been deposited into. As far as statutes the Board of County Commissioners in each county of the state shall ex-officio without additional compensation, constitute the county board of finance and such shall be subject to limitations of this act, have supervision over the determination, qualifications and selection of banks, saving and loans associations and credit unions whose deposits are insured by an agency of the United States. This sends a message that we as a County Commission should start convening once or twice a year as a Board of Finance, to meet with the Treasurer, our finance department. This will enable us to have more knowledge as to what is going on with the public money. Motion carried unanimously. See Exhibits G-J.

Executive Session- Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 NMSA 1978, the following matters may be discussed in closed session: a. limited personnel matters; b. pending or threatened litigation, and c. other specific limited topics that are allowed or authorized under the stated statute and d. Collective Bargaining-Fraternal Order of Police.

Commissioner Medina moved to go into Executive Session. Commissioner Gentry Seconded.

Roll call vote. Commissioner Pinkston voted yes. Commissioner Kirkham voted yes. Chairman Rael voted yes. Commissioner Gentry voted yes. Commissioner Medina Voted yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Kirkham moved to go back into Regular Session. Commissioner Pinkston seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

County Attorney Cynthia Wimberly reported the matters discussed in Executive Session were: the status of Burris vs. Valencia County, the Cypress Estates litigation, Valencia County vs. Bizzell, a session regarding the sheriff's department collective bargaining union, the Fraternal Order of Police and one personnel item and resignation.

Chairman Rael asked for a motion on the matters that were discussed in closed session as summarized by County Attorney Ms. Wimberly. Commissioner Pinkston moved for approval. Commissioner Kirkham seconded. Roll call vote. Commissioner Pinkston voted yes. Commissioner Kirkham voted yes. Chairman Rael voted yes. Commissioner Gentry voted yes. Commissioner Medina votes yes. Motion carried 5-0.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT (Information Only)

Community Services Reports-York Enterprises & Emiliano Sanchez

Eric Zamora said he had met with Emiliano Sanchez and had been given a report prepared by Mr. York who is our community service monitors. They are working with the courts on a daily basis to monitor the community service activity and are following up with the courts. We are given reports on a regular basis, Mr. Zamora said.

Mr. Zamora also gave a brief summary of the County Equalization Distribution.

The next Regular Meeting of the Valencia County Board of County Commission will be held on March 12, 2008 at 5:00 PM in the County Commission Room at the Valencia County Courthouse.

Commissioner Medina stated he would not be able to attend the March 12th meeting due to an out of town commitment for his job.

Chairman Rael said it is very probable that he will not be attending the Commission Meeting of March 19, 2008 as he has a jury trial scheduled on that date and request that Vice-Chair Kirkham conduct the meeting

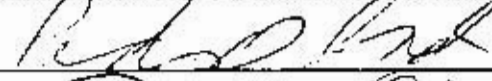
Adjournment 8:10 PM

Commissioner Pinkston motioned for adjournment. Seconded by Commissioner Kirkham. Motion carried unanimously.


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NOTE: All proposals, documents, items, etc., pertaining to items on the agenda of the, March 5, 2008 Business Meeting (presented to the Board of County Commissioners) are attached in consecutive order as stated in these minutes.


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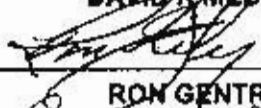
PEDRO G RAEI, CHAIRMAN



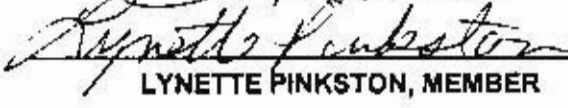
GEORGIA OTERO-KIRKHAM, VICE-CHAIRMAN



DAVID R MEDINA, MEMBER



RON GENTRY, MEMBER



LYNETTE PINKSTON, MEMBER

ATTEST:



SALLY PEREA, COUNTY CLERK

2-19-08
DATE