

Regular Meeting
June 12, 2018

The Colfax County Board of Commissioners met on this date in Regular Session in the Commission Chambers with the following members present:

William Sauble, Chairman – Via Telephonic Device
Landon Newton, Vice-Chairman
Roy Fernandez, Member – Via Telephonic Device
Rayetta M. Trujillo, County Clerk
Mary Lou Kern, County Manager
Steven McConnell, Attorney

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Newton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Newton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Salute to the New Mexico Flag

County Clerk Rayetta Trujillo led the Salute to the New Mexico Flag.

4. Approve Agenda

Commissioner Newton asked if there were any changes to the agenda. County Manager Kern asked the Board to table Item #11 Resolution #2018-16, Banning of Fire Works, Due to Extreme Drought Conditions until the Emergency Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on June 13, 2018. Commissioner Newton stated an adequate notice was not given for the Emergency Meeting and is the reason for it being rescheduled. Commissioner Fernandez made a motion to approve the Agenda as amended, tabling Item #11. Chairman Sauble seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Approve Budget Workshop Minutes for May 8, 2018, Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for May 14, 2018, Special Meeting Minutes for June 7, 2018, Regular Meeting Minutes for May 22, 2018, and Emergency Meeting Minutes for June 1, 2018

Commissioner Newton stated the Commissioners received the minutes prior and asked if everyone had a chance to review the Minutes and if there were any comments. Commissioner Newton questioned if the minutes can be approved under one motion. County Clerk Trujillo stated they can be approved under one motion. The Commissioners agreed their corrections were amended and they had no further comments. Chairman Sauble made a motion to approve the Minutes for Budget Workshop for May 8, 2018, Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for May 14, 2018, Special Meeting Minutes for June 7, 2018, Regular Meeting Minutes for May 22, 2018, and Emergency Meeting Minutes for June 1, 2018 as presented. Commissioner Fernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Recognize Visitors

Others present: Amanda Segura, Sara Torres, Gus Holm, Robert Thompson, Leonard M. Baca Jr., Glen Stevens, Carol Bridge, Joe Bustos, Sandra Salazar, Larry Osborn, Christine Valentini, Tom Vigil, and Kristi Graham.

7. Public Comment

Commissioner Newton asked if any of the visitors would like to speak about anything that was not on the Agenda. There were no comments from visitors.

8. Discuss/Action Taos Pines Payments

County Manager Kern presented the invoice from Piedra Lumbre Excavations Inc. and stated the balance is \$10,184.00 and there are sufficient funds to pay the invoice. Commissioner Newton made a motion to approve the Taos Pines Payments as presented. Commissioner Fernandez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Discuss/Action – Claim of Exemption #7, Feloniz Vigil Estate

Commissioner Newton stated this Item was presented to County Attorney Kamm and was awaiting approval. Commissioner Newton questioned if the notary section on the document was not properly filled out. Attorney McConnell stated under the acknowledgement for the Claim of Exemption was signed by Michael Vigil-Trustee and Karl Vigil. He also stated the Claim of Exemption was subscribed and sworn by Sarah M. Vigil and notarized by Sarah M. Vigil. County Clerk Trujillo stated the notary is incorrect as the notary acknowledged her signature. Commissioner Newton recommended tabling Item #9 Claim of Exemption #7, Feloniz Vigil Estate until the document is corrected. Sandra Salazar stated she sent the document back to Mr. Vigil requesting it be filled out completely. Commissioner Newton stated if the document is signed by Michael and Karl Vigil, both signatures will need to be notarized separately. Commissioner Fernandez made a motion to table Item #9 until the next Regular Meeting. Commissioner Newton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Discuss/Action – Claim of Exemption #7, Town of Springer/Vermejo Park Ranch; Expansion of Springer Cemetery

Commissioner Newton stated the Town of Springer and Vermejo Park Ranch have been working together for the purchase of the property and expansion of the Springer Cemetery. He stated Gus Holm was present to answer any questions. Commissioner Newton stated the applicant is the Town of Springer and Vermejo Park Ranch. He stated it is signed by Springer Mayor Boe C. Lopez and was recommended by County Attorney Kamm to proceed with approval. Chairman Sauble made a motion to approve the Claim of Exemption #7, Town of Springer/Vermejo Park Ranch; Expansion of Springer Cemetery. Commissioner Newton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Discuss/Action – Resolution #2018-16, Banning of Fire Works, Due to Extreme Drought Conditions

Item was tabled under Item #4.

12. Commissioners' Docket

Chairman Sauble did not have anything to report.

Commissioner Newton did not have anything to report. Commissioner Newton thanked the County Staff and the Public for their diligent efforts with the Ute Park Fire.

Commissioner Fernandez did not have anything to report.

13. Manager's Docket

County Manager Kern stated her report is on the portal along with a packet. Her report consists of: Vacancies, VMDC Construction Update, Prison Fire Station, Gardner Bridge, and Items currently being worked on. She stated the Auditors are in house this week and the staff will be busy assisting them. County Manager Kern also stated Thomas Vigil will be presenting an update on the Ute Park Fire.

Thomas presented a map and stated the fire lines have not expanded recently but the black barrier lines known as perimeter control of containment has expanded. He stated the fire is now at 92% containment as of this morning with potentially 100% containment in the next few days. Thomas stated large pockets of unburned fuel will start to burn and he is addressing the resident in Cimarron with their concerns.