

REGULAR MEETING

August 23, 2016

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

William E. Sauble, Chairman
James Landon Newton, Vice-Chairman

Also present were: Rebecca Hoy, Clerk; Mary Lou Kern, County Manager; Jonni Valdez-Silva, Assistant Manager; Robin Blair, Attorney.

1. Call to Order.

Chairman Sauble called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Sauble led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Salute to the New Mexico Flag.

Commissioner Newton led the Salute to the New Mexico Flag.

4. Approve Agenda.

Manager Kern asked that Item #12 and Item #13 be tabled.

Commissioner Newton made a motion to Approve Agenda as amended. Chairman Sauble seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes for August 9, 2016.

Commissioner Newton made a motion to Approve Regular Meeting Minutes for August 9, 2016, Chairman Sauble seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Recognize Visitors.

Linda Gallegos, Assessor; Karen Stearns, Project Mgr-Engineering Analytics, Tyler Davis, Staff Engineer-Engineering Analytics; Crystal Martinez, Clerks Office; Joana Apodaca, Financial Specialist; Danielle Martinez, Managers Office; Mary Alice Gutierrez, Managers Office; Kayln Gagliardi, Financial Counselor-MCMC; Craig Mulford, Road Superintendent; Robert Thompson, Road Foreman; Eldean Wilkinson, Road Dept.; Johnny Rivera, Public; Mary Rivera, Public; Elizabeth Rivera, Public; Debi Sporleder, Sales Mgr.-World Journal; Kathy Donnelly, Reporter-World Journal; Gabe Sandoval, Administrator-VMDC; Sandra Salazar, Managers Office; Dick Spivey, AF Airport Board.

7. Public Comment -

Debi Sporleder, Sales Manager for the World Journal, stated that the newspaper covers this area, but a lot of people do not know about them. So they are working at making people aware and Kathy Donnelly, who lives here now, will be the Reporter. She will be reporting the Commission meetings and other happenings in the area. In Colfax County right now circulation through subscriptions, rack sales and specific locations in Raton and Springer is around 900.

8. Discuss/ Action – Indigent Care Claims.

Mary Alice Gutierrez, Manager's Office reported on the Indigent Report Claims for August-2016. Case# 2016-88 Previously Approved balance for \$109.20. VMDC Case # 2016-20 thru 2016-26 claims total \$4,686.04 with Medicaid Rate of \$579.04. New Applicants Case #2016-27 claim for \$16,018.00 with Medicaid Rate of \$8,728.49. Approved Claims total is \$13,523.73. 2015/ 2016 Non-MCMC Claims is \$4,216.20.

Commissioner Newton made a motion to Approve Indigent Care Claims. Chairman Sauble seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

9. Discuss/ Action – Employee of The Month

Craig Mulford, Road Superintendent was proud to announce Employee of the Month for September, 2016 is Eldean Wilkinson. Eldean has been working for the Road Department for over forty years. He has consistently maintained the roads in his area to a high standard, and he is one heck of a team player. All his old fashioned hard work habits are appreciated, as well as his dedication.

10. Discuss/ Action – Claim of Exemption #9 Johnny Rivera and Mary J. Rivera.

Attorney Blair stated Exemption #9 is the division of land to create a parcel that is sold or donated as a gift to an immediate family member and must show proof of the family member, taxes and solid waste fees paid, along with a copy of the proposed Deed. Johnny and Mary J. Rivera provided proof that Elizabeth Ann Rivera is their daughter and all fees necessary have been paid.

Commissioner Newton made a motion to approve Claim of Exemption #9 Johnny Rivera and Mary J. Rivera. Chairman Sauble seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Discuss/ Action – Award RFB #2016-04 Colfax County Paving Project 2016.

Manager Kern asked that Item #11 be temporary tabled due to Engineering Analytics not being present.

Chairman Sauble made a motion to temporarily table Item #11. Commissioner Newton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Sauble made a motion to bring off the table the Request for Bid RFB# 2016-04. Commission Newton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Karen Stearns, Project Manager stated that the bid received was from W.M. Serazio Co. Since the total bid of \$381,337.64 exceeded the construction budget. The total budget for the project (i.e., design and construction) is \$350,798.00. She met with Mr. Serazio to negotiate the unit bid prices and scope of the project. The Technical Specifications require a Base Course gradation which is typical for local sources. The Serazio unit bid prices for Base Course were based on the NMDOT specification, which is more expensive than the gradation listed in the Technical Specifications. The NMDOT Base Course specification will provide a longer design life of the pavement section. Based on the NMDOT Base Course specification, we modified the parameters of the pavement section designs. We were able to reduce the thickness of Base Course to 3 inches on Long and South Fork Roads. We were able to reduce the thickness of Hot Mix Asphalt to 3 inches on Long Road from South Pond to North Mesa Loop (east). This change reduces the total bid amount (including NMDOT) by \$31,135.45. Since the total bid exceeded the budget, we will not include the Additive Alternate of an additional 0.5 inch of Hot Mix Asphalt. This change reduces the total bid amount (including NMDOT) by \$41,213.36. According to Mr. Serazio, this lump sum item includes \$12,000 for compliance with the EPA Construction General Permit. Projects disturbing over an acre of earth require contractors to submit a Notice of Intent with the EPA, develop a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan and