



**Lea County Board of County  
Commissioners Regular Meeting**  
Thursday, April 23, 2026, 9:00 A.M.  
Lea County Courthouse - Commission Chambers  
100 North Main, Lovington, New Mexico

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NMSA 1978

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*Chair: Tyson Pierce (District 4) ~ Vice Chair: Brad Weber (District 2)  
Dee Ann Kimbro (District 1) ~ Gary G. Eidson (District 3) ~ Pat Sims (District 5)*

**AGENDA**

*Call to Order ~ Roll Call ~ Pledge of Allegiance ~ Invocation*

**ITEM 1: COMMISSION**

- a: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-104R Approving the March 26, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.
- b: Public Comments *(Non-Agenda Items)*.
- c: Commissioner and Manager Comments.
- d: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-105R Authorizing Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance (ELEA) to File a Lawsuit Against the State of New Mexico to Declare that NMSA § 74-4A-11.1 is Preempted by Federal Law.  
*(Brad Weber, Vice Chair, District 2)*

**ITEM 2: ACTION ITEMS**

- a: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-106R Approving Government Agency Funding to Lea County Cooperative Extension Services, NMSU; Lea Soil & Water Conservation District; and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Wildlife Services for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. *(Kelly Livingston Dunford, Assistant County Manager, Justice & Human Services)*

- b: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-107R Awarding Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 7 (25-26) County-Wide Care and Maintenance of Sick and Indigent for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. *(Kelly Livingston Dunford, Assistant County Manager, Justice & Human Services)*
- c: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-108R Awarding Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 8 (25-26) County-Wide Economic Development Services for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. *(Kelly Livingston Dunford, Assistant County Manager, Justice & Human Services)*
- d: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-109R Approving Governmental Agency Funding to the Fifth Judicial District Court. *(Kelly Livingston Dunford, Assistant County Manager, Justice & Human Services)*
- e: Consideration of Proclamation Recognizing May 3–9, 2026, as National Correctional Officers Week. *(Daniel Keen, Detention Director)*
- f: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-110R Authorizing In-State Travel June 15-18, 2026, for the County Commissioners and County Manager to Attend the 89th New Mexico Counties (NMC) Annual Conference in McKinley County, New Mexico. *(Sarah Chanesman, Executive Administrative Coordinator)*
- g: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-111R Authorizing Out-of-State Travel July 17-20, 2026, for the County Commissioners and County Manager to Attend the 2026 National Association of Counties (NACo) Annual Conference and Exposition in New Orleans, Louisiana. *(Sarah Chanesman, Executive Administrative Coordinator)*
- h: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-112R Approving the Appointment of a Freeholders Committee to Review and Recommend the Vacation of Sun Road, in the Southeast Quarter (SE/4), Section 13, Township 19 South, Range 35 East, N.M.P.M. *(John Portulano, County Planner)*
- i: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-113R Approving a Grant Agreement Between Lea County and the State of New Mexico's Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for the Purchase of Emergency Warning Sirens for the City of Lovington. *(Lorenzo Velasquez, Emergency Management Director)*
- j: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-114R Awarding Bid No. 7 (25-26) for Lea County Fire Pump Station Improvements to J&H Services, Inc. for Knowles Station Two, Maljamar Station Two, and Monument Station One. *(Lorenzo Velasquez, Emergency Management Director)*

- k: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-115R Approving The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) Agreement Between Lea County and Design Roof Services for the Roof Renovation at the Lea County Road Department. *(Edmundo Lara, Facilities Director)*
- l: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-116R Approving HD Veterinarian Services, LLC for 2026 Lea County Fair & PRCA Rodeo. *(Wyatt Duncan, Fairgrounds Director)*
- m: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-117R Awarding RFP No. 10 (25-26) Security Services - Lea County Fair & Rodeo to Superior Security Services LLC. *(Wyatt Duncan, Fairgrounds Director)*
- n: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-118R Approving Entertainment Artists and Fees for the 2026 Lea County Fair & Rodeo Concert Series and Hispanic Heritage Celebration. *(Wyatt Duncan, Fairgrounds Director)*
- o: Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 26-APR-119R Approving Budget Adjustment No. 3 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. *(Anthony Dobbs, Interim Finance Director)*

**ITEM 3: DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- a: Discussion of the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Capital Projects Budget. *(Corey Needham, County Manager)*
- b: Discussion of Indigent Educational Programming Services. *(Corey Needham, County Manager)*
- c: Discussion of the Lea County Risk Management/Safety Program Development & Implementation. *(Chip Low, Assistant County Manager, Administrative Services)*
- d: Discussion of the March 2026 Finance Report. *(Anthony Dobbs, Interim Finance Director)*
- e: Discussion of the March 2026 Accounts Payable. *(Anthony Dobbs, Interim Finance Director)*

**ITEM 4: EXECUTIVE SESSION**

COMMISSION MAY CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION to Discuss the Acquisition/Disposition of Real Property in Southern and Central Lea County as Authorized by NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1 H (8).

COMMISSION MAY CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION to Take Action, if any, on the Closed Session Item(s).

**ITEM 5: OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

*Please Join Us at Our Next Regular Meeting on Thursday, May 7, 2026, at 9:00 A.M.*