

**Regular Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
February 29, 2024**

Chair Eidson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Lea County Courthouse.

Commissioners present were, to wit: Chair Gary G. Eidson, District 3, Vice Chair Brad Weber, District 2, Commissioner Dean Jackson, District 1 Commissioner Jonathan Sena, District 4, Commissioner Pat Sims, District 5.

Also present, Lea County Manager Michael P. Gallagher II and Lea County Attorney John W. Caldwell.

Vice Chair Weber led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Commissioner Sena.

ITEM 01: COMMISSION

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-034R Approving the February 1, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Chair Eidson requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-034R Approving the January 11, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Public Comments (*Non-Agenda Items*).

Kenyon Burns made a request to the Lea County Board of commissioners to partner with Lea County Classics PRCA Rodeo.

Commissioner Jackson showed gratitude to Kenyon for his willingness to include Lea County on any advertisement for the PRCA Rodeo.

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- Commissioners and Manager Comments.

Commissioner Sims – talked about the garbage and debris dumped on the highway.

Commissioner Sena – thanked Commissioner Jackson for voicing their opinion against the 30x30 at the Association of Counties Conference in Washington DC.

Commissioner Jackson – expressed his opinion about liberal craziness in New Mexico.

Vice Chair Weber – commented on how they continue to build relationships and get a better understanding to improve communication with our representatives.

- Discussion of the 2024 Legislative Session. *(Senator McCutcheon)*

Senator McCutcheon reviewed the money allocated and distributed into the different municipalities in Lea County. Senator Gallegos did an overview of the events and progress made to improve the standard of living of the citizens of Lea County. Chair Edison thanked Senator McCutcheon and Senator Gallegos for their hard work and integrity when representing Lea County.

- Discussion of Partnerships with Municipalities to Expand Utilities for Residential Developments.
(Jonathan Sena, County Commissioner, District 4)

Commissioner Sena discussed how communities can partner with developers, builders, and realtors to get more homes for community members. He asked municipalities to prepare a proposal configuring the expanding utilities for residential developments.

City of Jal Mayor Aldridge emailed his opinion and supports this discussion. He also mentioned the City of Jal has lots available in their community needing infrastructure for housing to be provided.

County Manager Gallagher reviewed the agreement Lea County and the City of Lovington provided to developer/homebuilder for the qualifying infrastructure expenses in 2013.

City of Lovington Mayor Roberts explained how the housing production service incentive agreement was used to entice developers and help with infrastructure.

City of Lovington Executive Director Evelyn Holguin gave statistics of the homes built in the 2013 project.

City of Eunice Mayor Hobbs mentioned more housing will add more people to the community and will be beneficial for the retail industry.

Lea County EDC Jennifer Grassham expressed how the 2013 agreement was a great project to accelerate housing and is for this new idea.

Associate Broker Rodney Davis mentioned new housing is in high demand.

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Commissioner Sims expressed his concern about municipalities having the proper water sewer equipment to handle this production.

City of Jal City Manager Wesley Hopper gave statistics on the new water treatment plant. He also said the City of Jal is prepared for new housing development.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-035R Supporting Luna County in its Opposition to the Designation of the Mimbres Peaks National Monument. *(Dean Jackson, County Commissioner, District 1)*

County Commissioner Jackson requested approval. Commissioner Sims moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-035R Supporting Luna County in its Opposition to the Designation of the Mimbres Peaks National Monument. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

Chair Eidson called for a five-minute break.

Break 10:33 a.m.

Resumed 10:43 a.m.

ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-045R Approving a Change Order by RMKM Architecture for Additional Services in the Amount of \$103,060.62 for the Lea County Detention Center Shower Upgrade. *(Edmundo Lara, Facilities Director)*

Facilities Director Edmundo Lara and Architect Dave Williams requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-045R Approving a Change Order by RMKM Architecture for Additional Services in the Amount of \$103,060.62 for the Lea County Detention Center Shower Upgrade. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

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- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-058R Approving a Change Order by Lasco Construction for Additional Services in the Amount of \$44,442.13 for the Lea County Detention Center Shower Upgrade. (*Ruben Quintana, Warden*)

Warden Ruben Quintana requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-058R Approving a Change Order by Lasco Construction for Additional Services in the Amount of \$44,442.13 for the Lea County Detention Center Shower Upgrade. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-036R Approving Recommendation from the Lea County Fair and Rodeo Board Authorizing an Increase for the Payout to the PRCA/WPRA Contestants During the 2024 Lea County Fair and PRCA Rodeo. (*Kris Allen, Fair and Rodeo Board Chair and Kyle Johnston, Rodeo Committee Chair*)

Fair and Rodeo Board Chair Kris Allen and Rodeo Committee Chair Kyle Johnston requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-036R Approving Recommendation from the Lea County Fair and Rodeo Board Authorizing an Increase for the Payout to the PRCA/WPRA Contestants During the 2024 Lea County Fair and PRCA Rodeo. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-037R Approving Recommendation from the Lea County Fair and Rodeo Board Authorizing an Agreement Between Lea County and HD Veterinary Services, LLC to Provide Veterinarian Services During the 2024 Lea County Fair and PRCA Rodeo. (*Kris Allen, Fair and Rodeo Board Chair*)

Fair and Rodeo Board Chair Kris Allen requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-037R Approving Recommendation from the Lea County Fair and Rodeo Board Authorizing an Agreement Between Lea County and HD Veterinary Services, LLC to Provide Veterinarian Services During the 2024 Lea County Fair and PRCA Rodeo. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

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- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-038R Approving Lea County 2024 Fair and Rodeo Entertainment Budget. *(Wyatt Duncan, Fairgrounds Director)*

Fairgrounds Director Wyatt Duncan requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-038R Approving Lea County 2024 Fair and Rodeo Entertainment Budget. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, no; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-039R Approving Memorandum of Understanding with Urenco USA for the Potential Need for County Emergency Management Support. *(Lorenzo Velasquez, Emergency Management Director)*

Emergency Management Director Lorenzo Velasquez requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-039R Approving Memorandum of Understanding with Urenco USA for the Potential Need for County Emergency Management Support. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-040R Ratifying Out of State Travel February 25 – 26, 2024 to Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas for Seven Firefighter/Emergency Management Personnel that Attended Their Annual Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting Training at the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport. *(Lorenzo Velasquez, Emergency Management Director)*

Emergency Management Director Lorenzo Velasquez requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-040R Ratifying Out of State Travel February 25 – 26, 2024 to Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas for Seven Firefighter/Emergency Management Personnel that Attended Their Annual Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting Training at the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-041R Authorizing Out of State Travel June 23 – June 26, 2024 to Chicago, Illinois to Attend the 2024 Society of Human Resource Management Annual Conference & Exposition. *(Craig Bova, Human Resources Director)*

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Human Resources Director Craig Bova requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-041R Authorizing Out of State Travel June 23 – June 26, 2024 to Chicago, Illinois to Attend the 2024 Society of Human Resource Management Annual Conference & Exposition. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Weber. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-042R Approving the Appointment of a Freeholders Committee to Evaluate the Request for the Vacation of Antelope Ridge Road in the South Half of Section 9, Section 16, Section 23, and Section 30 Township 23 South, Range 34 East in Lea County, New Mexico. *(Bruce Reid, County Planner)*

County Planner Bruce Red requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-042R Approving the Appointment of a Freeholders Committee to Evaluate the Request for the Vacation of Antelope Ridge Road in the South Half of Section 9, Section 16, Section 23, and Section 30 Township 23 South, Range 34 East in Lea County, New Mexico. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-043R Approving the Appointment of a Freeholders Committee to Evaluate the Request for the Vacation of a Dedicated Roadway Right-of-Way Between Hunter Street and Eva Street and a Dedicated Alley Between Lot 7 & Lot 8, of Blocks 5 and 9 and the Dedicated Alley Between Lot 1 & Lot 2 of Blocks 1 and 8, in the First Unit of Knowles Subdivision in Section 10, Township 18 South, Range 38 East in Lea County, New Mexico. *(Bruce Reid, County Planner)*

County Planner Bruce Reid requested approval. Commissioner Sims moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-043R Approving the Appointment of a Freeholders Committee to Evaluate the Request for the Vacation of a Dedicated Roadway Right-of-Way Between Hunter Street and Eva Street and a Dedicated Alley Between Lot 7 & Lot 8, of Blocks 5 and 9 and the Dedicated Alley Between Lot 1 & Lot 2 of Blocks 1 and 8, in the First Unit of Knowles Subdivision in Section 10, Township 18 South, Range 38 East in Lea County, New Mexico. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

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- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-044R Approving Task Order No. 2 from Conti to Upgrade the HVAC Controls at the Lea County General Services Building. (*Edmundo Lara, Facilities Director*)

Facilities Director requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-044R Approving Task Order No. 2 from Conti to Upgrade the HVAC Controls at the Lea County General Services Building. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-046R Approving the Award of Request for Proposal No. 09 2023 – 2024 Purchase Card Services for Lea County. (*Zayra Jacobs, County Buyer*)

County Buyer Zayra Jacobs requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-046R Approving the Award of Request for Proposal No. 09 2023 – 2024 Purchase Card Services for Lea County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-047R Approving a Road Maintenance and Construction Task Order with Constructors Inc. for Widening and Chip Sealing of Lawrence Roadway. (*Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager*)

Assistant County Manager Corey Needham requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-047R Approving a Road Maintenance and Construction Task Order with Constructors Inc. for Widening and Chip Sealing of Lawrence Roadway. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-048R Approving a Road Maintenance and Construction Task Order with Constructors Inc. for Widening and Chip Sealing of Cook Lane. (*Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager*)

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Assistant County Manager Corey Needham requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-048R Approving a Road Maintenance and Construction Task Order with Constructors Inc. for Widening and Chip Sealing of Cook Lane. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-049R Approving the 2024 Annual Certified County Maintained Mileage Report. *(Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager)*

Assistant County Manager Corey Needham requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-049R Approving the 2024 Annual Certified County Maintained Mileage Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-050R Approving a Second Option to Renew Roadway Striping Contract with San Bar Construction Corp. *(Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager)*

Assistant County Manager Corey Needham requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-050R Approving a Second Option to Renew Roadway Striping Contract with San Bar Construction Corp. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-051R Approving the Award of Proposal No. 07 2023 – 2024 Airport Project Design & Engineering Services for Lea County Airports. *(Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager)*

Assistant County Manager Corey Needham requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-051R Approving the Award of Proposal No. 07 2023 – 2024 Airport Project Design & Engineering Services for Lea County Airports. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

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- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-052R Authorizing a Task Order Between Lea County and Molzen Corbin for the Design of Apron Phase II Reconstruction at the Lea County Regional Airport. *(Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager)*

Assistant County Manager Corey Needham requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-052R Authorizing a Task Order Between Lea County and Molzen Corbin for the Design of Apron Phase II Reconstruction at the Lea County Regional Airport. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-053R Authorizing a Grant Agreement Between Lea County and the Federal Aviation Administration for the Design of Apron Phase II Reconstruction at the Lea County Regional Airport. *(Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager)*

Assistant County Manager Corey Needham requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-053R Authorizing a Grant Agreement Between Lea County and the Federal Aviation Administration for the Design of Apron Phase II Reconstruction at the Lea County Regional Airport. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-054R Authorizing a Task Order Between Lea County and Molzen Corbin for the Design of Taxiway A, B, and E Reconstruction at the Lea County Regional Airport. *(Corey Needham, Assistant County Manager)*

Assistant County Manager Corey Needham requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-054R Authorizing a Task Order Between Lea County and Molzen Corbin for the Design of Taxiway A, B, and E Reconstruction at the Lea County Regional Airport. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

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- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-056R Approving Out of State Travel June 8 – 12, 2024 to Orlando, Florida for the Finance Director to Attend the 2024 Government Finance Officers Association Conference. *(Chip Low, Finance Director)*

Finance Director Chip Low requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-056R Approving Out of State Travel June 8 – 12, 2024 to Orlando, Florida for the Finance Director to Attend the 2024 Government Finance Officers Association Conference. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-FEB-057R Adopting Lea County Travel, Per Diem, Mileage and Reimbursement Policies. *(Chip Low, Finance Director)*

Chair Eidson requested approval. Commissioner Sims moved to approve Resolution No. 24-FEB-057R Adopting Lea County Travel, Per Diem, Mileage and Reimbursement Policies. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sena. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. Secretary polled the commission. Chair Eidson, yes; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

ITEM 03: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion of Lea County Fairgrounds Improvements. *(Wyatt Duncan, Fairgrounds Director, Robert Lathrop, Information Technology Director, and Edmundo Lara, Facilities Director)*

Fairgrounds Director Wyatt Duncan discussed the Lea County Fairgrounds Improvements prior to Fair 2024 that include the relocation of the concert area, carnival lot, demolition of building on acquired lots, and proposed new parking lot.

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- Discussion of Lea County's Operating Expenditure Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.
(Anthony Dobbs, Budget and Reporting Analyst)

Budget and Reporting Analyst Anthony Dobbs reviewed the Operating Expenditure Budget as part of the Fiscal Year 2025 annual budget process. County staff submitted preliminary operations budget requests for consideration by the Commission. The Presentation discussed the requests from various departments and the potential impact on the budget.

- Discussion of Financial Report. *(Erin Smith, Senior Accountant)*

Senior Accountant Erin Smith reviewed the revenue versus expenses for January 2024 with a grand total of \$130,557,376.

- Discussion of Lea County's Accounts Payable. *(Erin Smith, Senior Accountant)*

Senior Accountant Erin Smith reviewed the January 2024 Accounts Payable/Purchase Card Register with a total of \$ 8,040,123.93.

ITEM 04: EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:39 p.m. Vice Chair Weber moved that the COMMISSION MAY CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION to Discuss Limited Personnel Matters Involving the Promotion of Certain Employees in County Administration, to Discuss Pending Litigation in *Burkley v. Lea County*, D-506-CV-2023-00015, and to Discuss the Acquisition of Real Property in Northern and Central Lea County, as Authorized by NMSA 1978 Sections 10-15-1 H (2), (7), and (8). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sims.

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

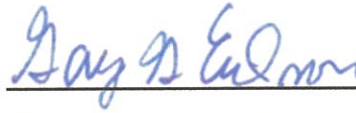
The meeting was reconvened at 2:11 p.m.

ITEM 05: OTHER BUSINESS

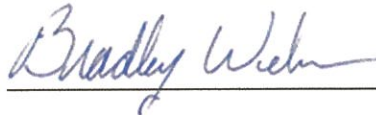
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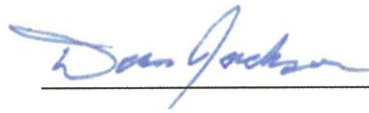
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Gary G. Eidson, Chair



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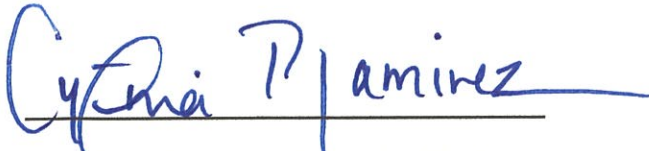
Jonathan Sena, Member



Pat Sims, Member

ATTEST: Keith Manes

Lea County Clerk



Cynthia Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

