

**Regular Meeting
Lea County Board of Commissioners
July 25, 2024**

Chair Eidson called the meeting to order at 9:02 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-JUL-164R Approving the June 13, 2024 Special and Regular Meeting Minutes.

Chair Eidson requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-164R Approving the Following Meeting Minutes: Special and Regular Meeting Minutes for June 13, 2024. 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*).

- Commissioners and Manager Comments:

Chair Eidson recognized Rebecca Long for her service as Chair of Lea County Commissioners years 2019 to 2021. County Manager Michael Gallagher demonstrated his appreciation and expressed the positive impact Rebecca contributed to Lea County and surrounding areas. Commissioner Sena described Rebecca's integrity and ability to build new friendships. Commissioner Jackson showed Rebecca gratitude for inspiring him to be a better person. He also recognized the great work she did on the commission. Vice Chair Weber expressed how equally Rebecca inspired him and recognized how the direction of this commission has changed after her service. Rebecca Long thanked commissioners and county manager for their great friendships and recognition.

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- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-165R Authorizing a Contribution of \$25,000.00 to the Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance (ELEA). *(Jonathan Sena, District 4 Commissioner)*

Commissioner Sena requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-165R Authorizing a Contribution of \$25,000.00 to the Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance (ELEA). 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, no. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-166R Approving/Confirming Appointment(s) to the Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance (ELEA) Board. *(Jonathan Sena, District 4 Commissioner)*

Commissioner Sena requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-166R Approving/Confirming Appointment(s) to the Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance (ELEA) Board. 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.

- Discussion of the 2024 Lea County Tradition Legacy Steer Roping. *(Kenyon Burns)*

Kenyon Burns stated he admired Lea County upholding conservative values and traditional patriotism, honoring the National Anthem and prayer at every PRORODEO event, celebrating both our state of New Mexico and our renowned rodeo heritage. He also mentioned The Lea County Classic Steer Roping also could bring in a cowboy like symposium, and other various forms of entertainment that will do nothing but keep drawing more and more people to Lea County during a time of the year when we do not have a whole lot going on.

Vice Chair Weber stated that he's excited and looking forward to next year's competition. Commissioner Jackson thanked Kenyon for bringing back steer roping to Lea County.

- Discussion of the Lea County Veteran's Memorial Project. *(David Miranda, City of Lovington Manager and Jeff Stuart, Project Architect)*

City of Lovington Manager David Miranda give an update on the Lea County Veteran's Memorial project. Documents needing approval will be ready by the end of July with groundbreaking early September.

Project Architect Jeff Stuart spoke about the goals that are to build a unique memorial to honor the sacrifices of veterans from Lea County, enable future memorial improvements to be phased out over time, and create memorial that will enhance surrounding neighborhood and provide further development.

Post 68 Commander for American Legion Timothy Boyson is content with the memorial project. This Veteran's Memorial will represent Lea County veterans.

Commissioner Sena thanked Timothy Boyson for his service. He also stated this memorial will honor local veterans.

Commissioner Jackson thanked Timothy Boyson for his service.

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ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-190R Authorizing the Advertisement of a Request for Proposal for the Lea County Event Center Project. *(Edmundo Lara, Facilities Director)*

Facilities Director Edmundo Lara requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-190R Authorizing the Advertisement of a Request for Proposal for the Lea County Event Center Project. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Weber. Chair Eidson asked if there were any public or commissioner comments concerning this agenda item. DPS Architect Brad Jackson gave a review on the Lea County Event Center renovations and the procedures taken place to the advertisement with major publications. Commissioner Sena said he's excited for this project. He also asked if Lea County could partner up with New Mexico Junior College for parking space. 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 break at 10:39 a.m.
Resumed at 10:50 a.m.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-167R Approving Grant No. G23SN0017A Modification No. 4 Between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Control Policy Increasing Funds for the High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Region VI Awarded 01/01/2023 to 12/31/2024. *(Wm Robert Sullivan, HIDTA Region VI Drug Task Force Coordinator)*

HIDTA Region VI Drug Task Force Coordinator Wm Robert Sullivan requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-167R Approving Grant No. G23SN0017A Modification No. 4 Between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Control Policy Increasing Funds for the High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Region VI Awarded 01/01/2023 to 12/31/2024. 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-JUL-168R Approving Grant No. G23SN0017A Modification No. 5 Between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Control Policy Increasing Funds for the High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Region VI Awarded 01/01/2023 to 12/31/2024. *(Wm Robert Sullivan, HIDTA Region VI Drug Task Force Coordinator)*

HIDTA Region VI Drug Task Force Coordinator Wm Robert Sullivan requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-168R Approving Grant No. G23SN0017A Modification No. 5 Between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Control Policy Increasing Funds for the High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Region VI Awarded 01/01/2023 to 12/31/2024. 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-JUL-169R Approving Application SF-424, Certification Regarding Lobbying, and Grant Agreement No. G25SN0017A Between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Policy for the High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Region VI Task Force Issued for 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2026. *(Wm Robert Sullivan, HIDTA Region VI Drug Task Force Coordinator)*

HIDTA Region VI Drug Task Force Coordinator Wm Robert Sullivan requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-169R Approving Application SF-424, Certification Regarding Lobbying, and Grant Agreement No. G25SN0017A Between Lea County and the Office of National Drug Policy for the High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Region VI Task Force Issued for 01/01/2025 to 12/31/2026. 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-JUL-170R Approving the 2023 – 2024 4th Quarter Financial Report Year Ending June 30, 2024. *(Lajuan Hayes, Chief Deputy)*

Chief Deputy Lajuan Hayes requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-170R Approving the 2023 – 2024 4th Quarter Financial Report Year Ending June 30, 2024. 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-JUL-171R Approving the Award of Proposal No. 13 2023 – 2024 for Aerial Imagery Services for the Lea County Assessor's Office to EagleView Technologies. *(Ava Bengé, Assessor)*

Assessor Ava Bengé requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-171R Approving the Award of Proposal No. 13 2023 – 2024 for Aerial Imagery Services for the Lea County Assessor's Office to EagleView Technologies. 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-JUL-172R Approving Extension of Agreement Between Lea County and the GEO Group to Manage and Operate the Lea County Correctional Facility. *(John W. Caldwell, County Attorney)*

County Attorney John W. Caldwell requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-172R Approving Extension of Agreement Between Lea County and the GEO Group to Manage and Operate the Lea County Correctional Facility. 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-JUL-173R Approving a Cooperative Educational Services (CES) Task Order with Constructors Inc. for the Pavement Markers Related to the Resignation of Runway 13/31 at Lea County Regional Airport. *(Shalana Rodriguez, Airport Operations Supervisor)*

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Airport Operations Supervisor Shalana Rodriguez requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-173R Approving a Cooperative Educational Services (CES) Task Order with Constructors Inc. for the Pavement Markers Related to the Resignation of Runway 13/31 at Lea County Regional Airport. 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. Commissioner Sena stated how convenient is flying from the Hobbs Airport to your destination. 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-JUL-174R Approving a Cooperative Program Agreement Between Lea County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Local Government Road Fund Project No. 54388 Control No. L200624 (CO-OP Grant) for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. *(Benjamin Henderson, Road Department Superintendent)*

Road Department Superintendent Benjamin Henderson requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-174R Approving a Cooperative Program Agreement Between Lea County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Local Government Road Fund Project No. 54388 Control No. L200624 (CO-OP Grant) for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. 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-JUL-175R Approving a Cooperative Program Agreement Between Lea County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Local Government Road Fund Project No. 54388 Control No. L200633 (SB Grant) for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. *(Benjamin Henderson, Road Department Superintendent)*

Road Department Superintendent Benjamin Henderson requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-175R Approving a Cooperative Program Agreement Between Lea County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Local Government Road Fund Project No. 54388 Control No. L200633 (SB Grant) for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. 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-JUL-176R Approving a County Arterial Program Agreement Between Lea County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation for the Local Government Road Fund Project No. 54388 Control No. L200641 (CAP Grant) for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. *(Benjamin Henderson, Road Department Superintendent)*

Road Department Superintendent Benjamin Henderson requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-176R Approving a County Arterial Program Agreement Between Lea County and the New Mexico Department of Transportation for the Local Government Road Fund Project No. 54388 Control No. L200641 (CAP Grant) for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. 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.

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- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-177R Approving of a Cooperative Educational Services (CES) Contract with Wagner Cat for the Rental of a Track-Mounted Impact Crusher. *(Benjamin Henderson, Road Department Superintendent)*

Road Department Superintendent Benjamin Henderson requested approval. Commissioner Sims moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-177R Approving of a Cooperative Educational Services (CES) Contract with Wagner Cat for the Rental of a Track-Mounted Impact Crusher. 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-JUL-178R Approving a Cooperative Education Services (CES) Task Order with Constructors Inc. to Supply Cattleguards for County Roads. *(Benjamin Henderson, Road Superintendent)*

Road Department Superintendent Benjamin Henderson requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-178R Approving a Cooperative Education Services (CES) Task Order with Constructors Inc. to Supply Cattleguards for County Roads. 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-JUL-179R Approval of Block Length Variance for the Proposed Zia "A" Land Subdivision in Section 15, Township 25 South, Range 36 East. N.M.P.M., Lea County, New Mexico. *(Bruce Reid, County Planner)*

County Planner Bruce Reid requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-179R Approval of Block Length Variance for the Proposed Zia "A" Land Subdivision in Section 15, Township 25 South, Range 36 East. N.M.P.M., 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-JUL-180R Approving Budget Adjustment No. 8 for Fiscal Year 2023 – 2024. *(Anthony Dobbs, Budget and Reporting Analyst)*

Budget and Reporting Analyst Anthony Dobbs requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-180R Approving Budget Adjustment No. 8 for Fiscal Year 2023 – 2024. 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-JUL-181R Approving a Memorandum of Agreement Between Lea County and the City of Hobbs for the Commercial Airline Subsidy. *(Michael Gallagher, County Manager)*

County Manager Michael Gallagher requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-181R Approving a Memorandum of Agreement Between Lea County and the City of Hobbs for the Commercial Airline Subsidy. 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-JUL-182R Adopting Lea County's Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025 Final Budget. *(Michael Gallagher, County Manager)*

County Manager Michael Gallagher requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-182R Adopting Lea County's Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025 Final Budget. 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-JUL-183R Approving Lea County's Annual Membership / Participation in the New Mexico Counties for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. *(Michael Gallagher, County Manager)*

County Manager Michael Gallagher requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-183R Approving Lea County's Annual Membership/Participation in the New Mexico Counties for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. 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-JUL-184R Authorizing In-State Travel October 6 – 8, 2024 to Santa Fe, New Mexico for the County Commissioners and the County Manager to Attend the 2024 New Mexico Oil and Gas Association (NMOGA) Annual Meeting. *(Sarah Chanesman, Executive Administrative Coordinator)*

Executive Administrative Coordinator Sarah Chanesman requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-184R Authorizing In-State Travel October 6 – 8, 2024 to Santa Fe, New Mexico for the County Commissioners and the County Manager to Attend the 2024 New Mexico Oil and Gas Association (NMOGA) Annual Meeting. 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-JUL-185R Authorizing Out of State Travel September 20 – 24, 2024 to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for the County Manager to Attend the International City/County Management Association Annual Conference. *(Sarah Chanesman, Executive Administrative Coordinator)*

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Executive Administrative Coordinator Sarah Chanesman requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-185R Authorizing Out of State Travel September 20 – 24, 2024 to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for the County Manager to Attend the International City/County Management Association Annual Conference. 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-JUL-186R Ratifying Out of State Travel July 17 – 20, 2024 to Fort Smith, Arkansas for the County Historian to Attend the Wild West History Association 17th Annual Roundup.

(Sarah Chanesman, Executive Administrative Coordinator)

Executive Administrative Coordinator Sarah Chanesman requested approval. Commissioner Sims moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-186R Ratifying Out of State Travel July 17 – 20, 2024 to Fort Smith, Arkansas for the County Historian to Attend the Wild West History Association 17th Annual Roundup. 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. Commissioner Sena commented on how Lea County Historian David Minton's history, knowledge, and research lead to David Sadler providing monuments to the community in need. 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-JUL-187R Approving the Workers' Compensation Pool Contribution for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. *(Craig Bova, Human Resources Director)*

Human Resources Director Craig Bova requested approval. Commissioner Sims moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-187R Approving the Workers' Compensation Pool Contribution for Fiscal Year 2024 – 2025. 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-JUL-188R Approving the 2025 Employee Calendar. *(Craig Bova, Human Resources Director)*

Human Resources Director Craig Bova requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-188R Approving the 2025 Employee Calendar. 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-JUL-189R Adopting Lea County Financial Policy and Procedures Manual. *(Erin Smith, Senior Accountant)*

Senior Accountant Erin Smith requested approval. Commissioner Jackson moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-189R Adopting Lea County Financial Policy and Procedures Manual. 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.

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- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-191R Authorizing the Advertisement of a Request for Proposal for the Planning and Programming Services for the Community Wellness Initiative. *(Kelly Livingston, Assistant County Manager for Justice & Human Services)*

Assistant County Manager for Justice & Human Resources Kelly Livingston requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-191R Authorizing the Advertisement of a Request for Proposal for the Planning and Programming Services for the Community Wellness Initiative. 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 June 2024 Finance Report. *(Erin Smith, Senior Accountant)*

Senior Accountant Erin Smith reviewed the Revenue versus Expenditures by Fund Type Year to date June 30, 2024 totaling the amount to \$347,353,287.

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

Senior Accountant Erin Smith gave a total amount for Lea County's Accounts Payable/Purchase card register with a grand total of \$13,865,546.94.

ITEM 04: EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:40 a.m. Vice Chair Weber moved that the COMMISSION MAY CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION to Discuss the Acquisition of Real Property in Northern and Central Lea County, as Authorized by NMSA 1978 Sections 10-15-1 H (8). This motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson.

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

The meeting was reconvened at 12:26 p.m.

ITEM 05: OTHER BUSINESS

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-192R Authorizing Agreements Among Lea County, Covenant Health, and New Mexico Junior College for the Acquisition of Real Property Located in the City of Hobbs Addressed at 5419 North Lovington Highway within Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 38 East in Lea County, New Mexico. *(Michael Gallagher, County Manager)*

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County Manager Michael Gallagher requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-192R Authorizing Agreements Among Lea County, Covenant Health, and New Mexico Junior College for the Acquisition of Real Property Located in the City of Hobbs Addressed at 5419 North Lovington Highway within Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 38 East in Lea County, New Mexico. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jackson. NMJC Attorney Scotty Holloman is in favor of moving forward with this project. 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, abstain; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-193R Approving the Acquisition of Real Property from the University of the Southwest Identified as Parcel No. 4000064320001 Located on College Lane in the City of Hobbs, within Section 6, Township 18 South, Range 38 East in Lea County, New Mexico. *(Michael Gallagher, County Manager)*

County Manager Michael Gallagher requested approval. Commissioner Sena moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUN-Approving the Acquisition of Real Property from the University of the Southwest Identified as Parcel No. 4000064320001 Located on College Lane in the City of Hobbs, within Section 6, 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, abstain; Vice Chair Weber, yes; Commissioner Jackson, yes; Commissioner Sena, yes; Commissioner Sims, yes. The motion passed.

- Consideration of Lea County Resolution No. 24-JUL-194R Approving the Acquisition of Real Property Located in the City of Hobbs Addressed at 1021 East Bender Blvd within Section 26, Township 18 South, Range 38 East in Lea County, New Mexico. *(Michael Gallagher, County Manager)*

County Manager Michael Gallagher requested approval. Vice Chair Weber moved to approve Resolution No. 24-JUL-194R Approving the Acquisition of Real Property Located in the City of Hobbs Addressed at 1021 East Bender Blvd within Section 26, Township 18 South, Range 38 East in Lea County, New Mexico. The motion was seconded by 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.

ADJOURN: 12:35 p.m.

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Gary G. Eidson, Chair



Brad Weber, Vice Chair



Dean Jackson, Member



Jonathan Sena, Member



Pat Sims, Member

ATTEST: Keith Manes

Lea County Clerk



Cynthia Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

