

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
HIDALGO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 25, 2019 at 4:00 PM

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Hidalgo County Board of County Commissioners met in special session on April 25, 2019 at the hour of 4:00 P.M. at the Hidalgo County Chambers at 305 Pyramid Street, Lordsburg, New Mexico, for the purpose of conducting any and all business to come properly before the Board.

The following elected officials, staff, and public were present:

Tisha Green, County Manager	Carmen Acosta, Probate Judge
Melissa K. De La Garza, County Clerk	William Fraley, Self
Priscilla Maxwell, Dispatch	Joe Guillian, Road Supervisor
Tracy Chavez, HCSO	Tyler Massey, County Treasurer
Warren D. Walter, HCSO	

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Mora called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Chairperson Anthony J. Mora, Present
Commissioner Joel Edwards, Present
Commissioner John Hatch, Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Edwards moved to approve the agenda as presented. Chairperson Hatch seconded the motion, motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Special meeting March 28, 2019-discussion/action
Commissioner Hatch moved to approve the minutes for Special Meeting, March 28, 2019.
Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Proclamation-National Day of Prayer-discussion/action

Commissioner Edwards moved to approve the Proclamation for National Day of Prayer.
Commissioner Hatch seconded the motion, motion passed

New Mexico Counties Election Results-discussion/action

County Clerk Melissa K. De La Garza stated that there were two nominees-and the result was Anthony Mora-3 votes
Tyler Massey-4 votes
The election was held on Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

Internal Budget Adjustment Request-discussion/action

County Manager Green stated that this to move money around in the grants fund itself. It doesn't necessarily have to be approved by the Board, but this has been done in the past so the manager is requesting permission to make this internal line-item adjustments for Stonegarden

grants fund. This is simply to move \$7,000 from one line item and add it to another. Commissioner Hatch moved to approve this adjustment. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed.

Resolution 2019-20-General Fund, Debt Service and Ambulance Fund Budget increase-discussion/action

County Manager Green stated the first part of the budget increase is to cover law enforcement premiums for the County that were received back in December. However, it has been increased by \$43,949. The second item is for the overpayment the County received last fiscal year in the amount of \$235,283. \$117,641.50 will come out of the general fund and \$117,641.50 will come out of the ambulance fund. The payments have been made back to the State. This expenditure needs to be budgeted in the general fund, so it will not be a finding by the auditors. The third item on the resolution is in reference to the audit finding that was received due to not budgeting the intercepted revenues that go to the County's NMFA loans. The County Manager requested to increase the expenditure in the debt service fund and debt service revenue fund for the amount of \$135,000 to account for the intercepted monies. Commissioner Edwards moved to approve this. Commissioner Hatch seconded the motion, motion passed.

Budget

214 fund-Lodger's tax-discussion/action

\$6,000

218 fund-Grants-discussion/action

Literacy program-\$2,000

225 fund-Recording/Filing-discussion/action

No changes

226 fund-Detention-discussion/action

County Manager Green stated that the County insurance is increasing by 5% this upcoming fiscal year. PERA is increasing by 2.5% on the employer's side. Overall, this is a \$27,000 increase for the County. County Manager Green has a couple of proposals that she would like to discuss. A pay increase to offset these is not feasible at this time. Nevertheless, she proposed possibly changing the County contributions from 80/20 to either 83/17 or 85/15. The estimate for 85/15 would be \$36,000 for the County and 83/17 would be less than that--this would benefit all the employees receiving the increase for insurance. The Board of County Commissioners agreed to the 85/15 benefit proposal.

County Manager Green also recommended that the Board consider giving employees in certain departments compensation of \$.25/hr. additionally for having qualities such as a bilingual officer, CDL certificate, field training and also shift differentials. For example, at detention one person is assigned to be a bilingual officer all shift for medical assessments. The Board agreed to the County Manager's recommendation.

401 fund-General-discussion/action

Dispatch-leave at \$100

Treasurer's Department-\$600 for copier

This is where the Library, the extension office, and Chamber of Commerce are funded. PERA increase will be reflected here as well.

402 fund-Road-discussion/action

Commissioner Edwards moved to designate 3% of property tax to go into the road fund. Commissioner Hatch seconded the motion, motion passed. PERA and insurance will also be affected.

403 fund-Farm & Range-discussion/action

\$30,000

- 405 fund-Property Valuation-discussion/action**
\$98,137 requested
- 408 fund-Ambulance (Emergency Medical Services)-discussion/action**
No General fund support if this revenue remains consistent
- 409 fund-Transfer Station-discussion/action**
No changes-besides \$30,000 transfer
- 410 fund-Recycling-discussion/action**
No changes
- 412 fund-Fire Marshall-discussion/action**
No changes
- 413 fund-Cotton City Fire-discussion/action**
Capital purchase-\$210,000 for new water truck
- 414 fund-Animas Fire-discussion/action**
No changes
- 415 fund-Rodeo Fire-discussion/action**
No changes
- 416 fund-Hidalgo Fire-discussion/action**
No changes
- 417 fund-Playas Fire-discussion/action**
No changes
- 603 fund-Corrections-discussion/action**
\$175,000-LEF premium
- 604 fund-DARE-discussion/action**
\$3,000 requested
- 605 fund-LEPF (Law Enforcement Protection Fund)-discussion/action**
Amount received is amount spent
- 607 fund-Convenience Stations-discussion/action**
No change
- 608 fund-Indigent-discussion/action**
\$121,138 trying to adjust based on GRT taxes received
- 615 fund-Environmental-discussion/action**
\$30,000 transfer
- 621 fund-EMS grants-discussion/action**
\$38,500 EMS fund act money

Round Table

Tyler Massey-stated the Property Tax Auction was held on Tuesday and the County made \$11,000. Two properties went unclaimed and will be up again next time.

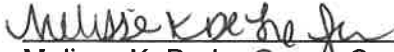
Tisha Green-stated the grant agreement for the medical rescue unit will be received soon.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, Commissioner Hatch moved to adjourn. Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 4:48 P.M.

ATTEST:

HIDALGO COUNTY BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Melissa K. De La Garza, County Clerk

APPROVED:

5.8.19


Anthony J. Mora, Chairman


John Hatch, Member


Joel Edwards, Member