



A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to call to order the Indigent Hospital Claims Board Meeting. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Indigent Hospital Claims Board Meeting**

1. Request for Approval of Health Care Assistance Claims
2. Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2020.

A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to adjourn the Indigent Hospital Claims Board Meeting and call to order the Regular Meeting. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Regular Meeting**

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Mike Stark, County Manager, stated that there are 2 changes to the agenda. Fran Fillerup, County Administration Officer will introduce New Business item # 1 and Mr. Stark, County Manger, will introduce New Business item # 2. A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to approve the agenda as amended. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

#### **Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of March 11, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes from March 23, 2020
3. Consideration of Approval of FY20 Budget Adjustment #9- Resolution 19-20-52
4. Consideration of Resolution No. 19-20-55, Approving the Purchase of the Totah Theater from Totah LLC
5. Ratification of Termination of Intergovernmental Agreement with CrimeStoppers, Inc.
6. Consideration for Renewal of Proposal No. 18-19-03, Re-Issue, Building Automated System Services

A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

#### **New Business**

1. **Information on Farmington-Mancos-Gallup Draft Resource Management Plan Amendment and Environmental Impact Statement**

Fran Fillerup, County Administration Officer, introduced the item by stating this is an informative item only. Mr. Fillerup then introduced Jillian Aragon, Public Affairs Specialist, from the Bureau of Land Management Farmington Field Office. Ms. Aragon communicated that the United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) have received comments as part of the

Farmington, Mancos-Gallup Draft Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). San Juan County, as a local jurisdiction in the management area, is a cooperating agency. The

Farmington Field Office of the BLM is leading the amendment and EIS process. Key to the process is the evaluation of alternatives. BLM and BIA alternatives are considered in the RMP Amendment and EIS. County staff previously provided comments during an earlier stage of the process when alternatives were developed. The comments concerning cooperation with the County regarding impacts to the road network have been incorporated.

## **2. Report on Assessment of Senior Services in San Juan County**

Mike Stark, County Manager, introduced Jeff Kiely of Kiely Consulting Services. Mr. Kiely stated he was hired by San Juan County in partnership with the cities of Farmington, Aztec, and Bloomfield to perform an assessment of existing Senior programming and the agency structure of Northwest New Mexico of Seniors Inc. Mr. Kiely's findings were as follows: programming has a very large and complex structure, archaic reporting systems, and reimbursements consistently are delayed. These findings create more havoc for smaller facilities with less cash flow. State level administration is eager to reform the current system and made progress in the past legislative session. Mr. Kiely recommended focused reform and better communication amongst the entities and the centers forming a consortium to better help the seniors of San Juan County. Various questions and comments were made by the Commission.

## **3. Consideration of Resolution No. 19-20-54, Establishing a Twelve-Hour Work Schedule for the Patrol Division-Office of the Sheriff**

Shane Ferrari, Sheriff, stated that for many years the San Juan County Sheriff's Office has operated with less than full staff. Supervisors often must send out emails requesting employees stay late, work on their days off, or work overtime. Staff thoroughly studied various scheduling options. The 12-hour work shift by far offers the best solution. The Fair Labor Standard Act had an exemption on law enforcement working 80 hours before overtime accrues; allowing law enforcement to work up to 86 hours of a regular work schedule during a 14-day period. The proposed schedule would have the deputies working 84 hours during a regular 14-day work period. They will be paid straight time for the additional 4 hours that are beyond the traditional 80; anything beyond that becomes overtime. The additional manhours worked on this schedule are equivalent to putting approximately 4 additional deputies on the streets. This extra 4 hours of straight pay for all of patrol personnel costs an estimated \$192,000. Staff requested to cover this expense by freezing (not eliminating) 2 deputy positions. Additionally, the Sheriff's Office anticipates an approximate \$50,000 savings in overtime. In preparation for this transition, Sheriff's Office leadership presented this scheduling option to all deputies and they were agreeable. After consultation with the County Manager, Legal, Human Resources and Finance departments, the Sheriff's Office proposed moving forward with this new schedule on May 17, 2020. Various comments and questions were made by the Commission. A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to approve Resolution No. 19-20-54, Establishing a Twelve-Hour Work Schedule for the Patrol Division-Office of the Sheriff. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

**4. Consideration of Resolution No. 19-20-53, Project Selection for 2020 Community Development Block Grant Application**

Fran Fillerup, County Administration Officer, communicated that as part of its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application, the County considers a variety of projects. Each project must meet a narrow set of criteria to qualify for CDBG funding. The resolution would authorize the County to make application for \$750,000 for planning, design and construction of ADA improvements at various County facilities. The County would provide a ten (10) percent match, or \$75,000 (cash and in-kind expenses). The County application will include a phased project, which is estimated to cost \$520,000, and would include a ten (10) percent match (cash and in-kind expenses) or \$52,000. If the full amount is not funded, a lesser amount for the phased project may be awarded. The project includes improvements to parking and other exterior ADA improvements such as accessible route corrections. A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to approve Resolution No. 19-20-53, Project Selection for 2020 Community Development Block Grant Application. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously

**5. Consideration of Unfreezing Communications Authority Positions**

Dave Ripley, Communications Director, stated that as a result of the FY20 budget cycle, three public safety dispatchers and one public safety call taker were temporarily frozen for budgetary positions. There is now a need for those positions to be reopened and filled. The Communications Authority extended hiring efforts and have 9 in the hiring process. The Communications Authority would like to take advantage of the increased interest in 911 as a career by filling FTE positions. A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to approve the Consideration of Unfreezing Communications Authority Positions. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

**Report from County Manager**

Mike Stark, County Manager, introduced Mike Mestas, Emergency Manager, to provide a COVID-19 update. Mr. Mestas gave the updated statistics on the virus:

- 24 new cases in the last 24 hours
- 794 cases in the State of New Mexico
- 109 cases in San Juan County
- 14 deaths from COVID-19 statewide
- 129 recoveries

In preparation of the influx of cases, the County communicated with FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) and received one Field Hospital with 50 beds at the Farmington Armory and 10 pallets of personal protection equipment for the hospital staff. Mr. Mestas commissioned the help of retired Fire Chief Dougherty to help with multi-agency daily calls and communication.

Mr. Stark extended his thanks to Emergency Management and all the other agencies assisting during this time of crisis. San Juan Regional Hospital has indicated that they are currently prepared for an increase in cases if necessary. There were two new health restrictions placed; the Governor of New Mexico called for a decrease in occupancy of all retail stores to 20% and deemed liquor stores non-essential. The Navajo Nation will start imposing a 57-hour curfew during the weekend; all essential County workers have their documentation stating such if needed.

Mr. Stark also said it is unclear at this time if the County transfer stations will remain open. He also stated the adult detention center had lowered its population from 508 detainees to 350 detainees to help reduce the threat of the spread of COVID-19. The County is also sending messages to cell phones urging people to stay home and use good hygiene practices. Waste Management landfill will be closed on Sundays starting on May 3, 2020 and the new recycling program will start May 1, 2020.

### **Reports From Elected Officials And Department Heads**

Carol Taulbee, Deputy Treasurer, explained that the property tax bills were mailed and that there would be no extension for property tax payments. Taxpayers have until May 11<sup>th</sup> to pay; penalties and interest will not be waived for late payments unless dictated by new legislation.

### **Comments / Input From The General Public**

None

### **Closed Executive Session**

A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Chairman Fortner to go into closed executive session to discuss pending PNM litigation. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously. Upon return a motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to go back into open meeting. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously. Chairman Fortner stated that nothing other than what was stated in the motion to go into closed executive session was discussed.

### **Adjourn**

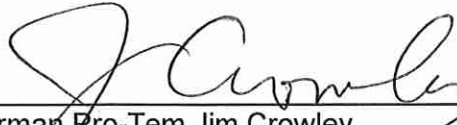
Being no further business, a motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Chairman Fortner to adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 5<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2020

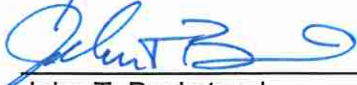
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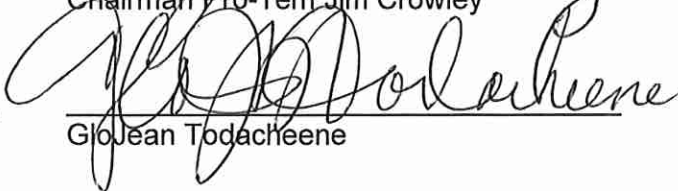
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