

**San Juan County Commission  
Regular Meeting  
July 7, 2020**

Chairman Fortner called the San Juan County Commission meeting to order on July 7, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers located in the County Administration Building, 100 S. Oliver Drive, Aztec, New Mexico. Chairman Fortner gave the invocation and Commissioner Beckstead led the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were:

CHAIRMAN	Jack L. Fortner
CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM	Jim Crowley
MEMBER	John T. Beckstead
MEMBER	GloJean Todacheene
MEMBER	Michael Sullivan- VIA PHONE
SHERIFF	Shane Ferrari
ATTORNEY	Doug Echols
DEPUTY ATTORNEY	Joe Sawyer
CHIEF FINANCIAL AND STRATEGY OFFICER	Jim Cox
DEPUTY FINANCE OFFICER	Kim Martin
PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATOR	Nick Porell
ADULT DETENTION ADMINISTRATOR	Daniel Webb
FIRE CHIEF	John Mohler
HEALTH CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM COORDINATOR	Liza Lier
SUBDIVISION REVIEW OFFICER	David Barnett
SAFETY & COMPLIANCE MANAGER	Stewart Logan
PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER	Devin Neeley

The following attended via phone or via WebX:

CLERK	Tanya Shelby
EMERGENCY MANAGER	Mike Mestas
ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING ADMINISTRATOR	Jennifer Mitchell
JUVENILE SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR	Traci Neff

VISITORS: 10

A motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to call to order the Indigent Hospital Claims Board Meeting. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**Indigent Hospital Claims Board Meeting**

**1. Consideration of HCAP Contracts with Presbyterian Medical Services and San Juan Regional Medical Center of Farmington NM**

The Indigent Hospital Claims Board Meeting Minutes are taken separately and are made a part of the permanent minute's folder.

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**

Jim Cox, Chief Financial and Strategy Officer, stated that there are no changes to the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner Beckstead, seconded by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley to approve the agenda as presented. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

### **Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for June 9, 2020
2. Approval of Treasurer's Check Register for June 2020
3. Approval of Finance Check Registers for June 2020
4. Consideration of FY20 Budget Adjustment #12-Resolution No. 20-21-03
5. Consideration of 2021 Farmington Metropolitan Planning Organization Joint Powers Agreement
6. Consideration of Certification of Annual Inventory
7. Consideration of the Regional Water Systems Construction Grant:
  - A. NMED Grant Agreement #SAP 20-E4067-STBR
  - B. Resolution No. 20-21-04- **Moved to Item 1/2 in New Business**
8. Consideration of FY21 Client Fees for Alternative Sentencing Division
9. Consideration for Approval of Resolution Nos. 20-21-05 and 20-21-06, Disposition of Surplus and/or Obsolete County Property
10. Consideration for Award of Request for Proposal No. 19-20-28, Health Screenings to Life Scan Wellness Centers of Tampa, FL
11. Consideration of On-Call/Stand-by Pay for the Fire Department, Resolution No. 20-21-01 and On-Call Pay for the Sheriff's Office, Resolution No. 20-21

Commissioner Sullivan requested Consent Agenda Item #7 be moved to New Business for discussion. Chairman Fortner moved it to New Business Item #1/2. A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

### **New Business**

- 1/2. **Consideration of the Regional Water Systems Construction Grant:**
  - A. NMED Grant Agreement #SAP 20-E4067-STBR and B. Resolution No. 20-21-04**

Doug Echols, County Attorney, requested approval of Grant Agreement #SAP 20-E4067-STBR with the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for \$838,112.15 to plan, design, and construct regional water systems in San Juan County, specifically completion of the Harvest Gold and East Culpepper water projects. The reauthorization of the original regional water

systems grant preserves the remaining grant dollars and provides an extension on the use of these funds until FY2022. Mr. Echols also requested adoption of Resolution #20-21-04, which accepts the terms and conditions outlined in the NMED grant agreements. A motion was made by Commissioner Beckstead, seconded by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley to approve the Regional Water Systems Construction Grant: A. NMED Grant Agreement #SAP 20-E4067-STBR and B. Resolution No. 20-21-04. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

**1. Consideration of Fire Services Agreement with City of Bloomfield**

John Mohler, Fire Chief, requested approval for the San Juan County Fire Department to provide fire services to the City of Bloomfield based on their request and approval. The process has been ongoing for almost two years with the first request from the Mayor of Bloomfield, Cynthia Atencio dated July 17, 2018 requesting a meeting to discuss a possible strategic partnership for fire services. On July 11, 2019 the County received a letter from Mayor Atencio officially requesting that a draft agreement be developed for review, discussion, and negotiation of agreement by the Bloomfield City Council. After many meetings with staff and legal representation from the San Juan County and the City of Bloomfield, an agreement was approved for presentation to both elected bodies. On June 22, 2020 the Bloomfield City Council approved the agreement. The current expected transition date is tentatively set for September 6, 2020 with an understanding that it may be adjusted if needed. Mayor Atencio and Bloomfield City Councilor Ken Hare stated that the agreement to combine services will provide safety for the citizens of San Juan County and Bloomfield. The Commission made various comments and asked various questions. A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Todacheene to approve the Fire Services Agreement with City of Bloomfield. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

**2. Consideration of Preliminary Plat for Cal-Stock Subdivision and Paving Variance**

David Barnett, Subdivision Review Officer, explained that the Cal-Stock subdivision consists of 22.92 acres being divided into 24 lots and access for this subdivision is off US Highway 64, in Waterflow, approximately 15 miles west of Farmington. The Developer's Engineer provided the necessary information to request a paving variance as per the Road Policy and Subdivision Regulations. As per Section 7.3 of the Subdivision Regulations, the Commission shall consider variance requests caused by unusual conditions, not caused by the actions of the subdivider or property owner. Also, as per Section 7.3, a variance shall not be granted which will cause the County to absorb costs over and above those typically associated with subdivision approval. San Juan County Public Works, San Juan County Fire Department, New Mexico Environment Department, San Juan Soil and Water Conservation District, the Office of the State Engineer, and the New Mexico Department of Transportation were contacted requesting comment or concerns regarding the proposed subdivision. The Developer's Engineer has responded to and satisfied the concerns of the various agencies, except for Public Works. A Public Hearing was conducted by the County on June 4, 2020. Staff requested denial of the paving variance and approval of the preliminary plat with the condition that the roads be paved. The Commission asked various questions. A motion was made by Commissioner Beckstead, seconded by Chairman Fortner to approve the Paving Variance. Chairman Fortner, Commissioner Beckstead, and Commissioner Sullivan voted for. Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley and Commissioner Todacheene voted against. Upon roll call vote the motion passed. A motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene to approve the Preliminary Plat for Cal-Stock Subdivision

with a paved road, the motion died due to lack of a second motion. A motion was made by Commissioner Beckstead, seconded by Chairman Fortner to approve Preliminary Plat for Cal-Stock Subdivision as presented by the developer with a gravel road. Chairman Fortner, , Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, Commissioner Sullivan, Commissioner Beckstead voted for. Commissioner Todacheene voted against. Upon roll call vote this motion passed.

3. **Consideration for Award of Request for Proposal 19-20-26, Residential Treatment Services for Adolescents to Amikids, Inc of Cuba, NM**

Traci Neff, Juvenile Services Administrator, indicated that on May 24, 2020, Central Purchasing issued a request for sealed proposals for a vendor to provide residential treatment services for San Juan County youth with co-occurring mental health and substance use diagnoses. Twenty-three (23) invitations were mailed out. On June 23, 2020, two (2) responses were received and opened. An Evaluation Committee consisting of Traci Neff, Bowen Belt, Susan Hodgman and Diana Chapman recommended to award the proposal to AmiKids, Inc. of Cuba, NM as the highest ranked offeror for the services. The award will be subject to the successful negotiation of a contract and 90-day extension will be requested from the current provider. The Commission asked various questions. A motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to approve the Award of Request for Proposal 19-20-26, Residential Treatment Services for Adolescents to Amikids, Inc of Cuba, NM. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

4. **Report on Inspection of SJC Detention Center**

Doug Echols, County Attorney, indicated that the 2011 session of the legislature repealed NMSA 1978, §33-3-4, Inspection of Jails and Detention Centers, which required the governing body to inspect jails at least twice a year and report to the District Court and enacted a new §33-3-4 which provides that the governing body shall conduct an annual site visit to inspect the overall conditions at the facility and present an inspection report at a regular meeting of the governing body. The last report was submitted on August 27, 2019. Mr. Echols requested that the Commission inspect the detention center within the next 60 to 90 days and an inspection report will be prepared to present at a regular County Commission meeting upon completion.

**Report from County Manager**

Jim Cox, Chief Financial and Strategy Officer on behalf of Mike Stark, County Manager, reported the following to the Commission:

- The RISE Grant and Behavioral Health Investment Zone Grant have been awarded to the County. Mr. Cox commended Su Hodgman, Behavior Health Services Director for submitting the applications for the two grants in a timely manner
- Updated the Commission on the reduction of Gross Receipt Taxes received
- The Final Budget Workshop will be held on July 21, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

Mr. Cox requested an update on Covid-19 at the Adult Detention Center from Daniel Webb, Adult Detention Administrator. Mr. Webb reported that out of 331 current detainees, 138 tested positive for Covid-19. Additionally, 6 staff members have tested positive. Every Tuesday and

Friday all detainees that have tested negative will be tested weekly; every Wednesday staff will be tested for the next four weeks as suggested by the Department of Health.

Mike Mestas, Emergency Manager, reported that Phase II of Covid-19 restrictions continues until July 15, 2020. Mr. Mestas stated that Emergency Management continues to meet community needs during the pandemic. There are currently 2594 positive Covid-19 cases and 165 deaths.

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

Chairman Fortner recognized Commissioner elect Terri Fortner.

Commissioner Todacheene reported that a board member of the San Juan Museum Board recently passed from Covid-19.

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

None

### **Closed Executive Session**

A motion was made by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Todacheene to go into closed executive session to discuss potential litigation, disposition of property, and PNM litigation. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously. Upon return a motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Crowley, seconded by Commissioner Todacheene 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**

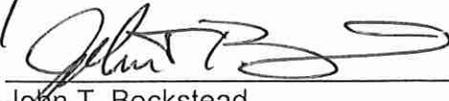
Being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene, seconded by Commissioner Beckstead to adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 28TH DAY OF JULY 2020

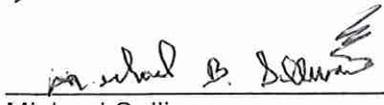
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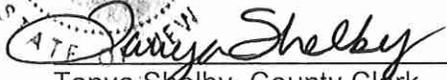
  
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