

**San Juan County Commission
Regular Meeting
February 16, 2021**

Chairman Beckstead called the San Juan County Commission meeting to order on February 16, 2021 at 4:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers located in the County Administration Building, 100 S. Oliver Drive, Aztec, New Mexico. Chairman Pro-Tem Fortner gave the invocation and Commissioner Todacheene led the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were:

CHAIRMAN	John T. Beckstead
CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM	Terri D. Fortner
MEMBER	Steve Lanier-VIA PHONE
MEMBER	GloJean Todacheene
MEMBER	Michael Sullivan-VIA PHONE
CLERK	Tanya Shelby
COUNTY MANAGER	Mike Stark
DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER	Jim Cox
ATTORNEY	Doug Echols
DEPUTY ATTORNEY	Joe Sawyer
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	Kim Martin
FIRE CHIEF	John Mohler
DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF	Chris Carlin
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR	Michele Truby-Tillen
PUBLIC RELATIONS & FILM MANAGER	Devin Neeley

The following attended via phone or via WebEx:

CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK	Alyssa Kuhn
TREASURER	Carol Taulbee
CHIEF DEPUTY TREASURER	Bryan Myers
EMERGENCY MANAGER	Mike Mestas
PARKS & FACILITIES ADMINISTRATOR	Daniel Hill
JUVENILE SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR	Bowen Belt
COMMUNITY HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR	Liza Gomez
CHIEF IS OFFICER	Keith Lund
HOUSING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	Faye Anderson

VISITORS:

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Approval of Agenda

Mike Stark, County Manager, stated that there were no changes to the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the agenda as presented. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of January 2021 Treasurer Check Register
2. Approval of January 2021 Finance Check Register
3. Approval of Budget Adjustment #9-Resolution No. 20-21-46.
4. Approval of Ratification of Grant Agreement with NM Workforce Connection HELP New Mexico-San Juan County Sheriff's Office
5. Approval of Bid 20-21-09, Price Agreement for the Purchase of Magnesium Chloride to Desert Mountain Corporation
6. Approval of Bid 20-21-10, Purchase of Two (2) Cooling Towers for SJRMC to B & M Cillessen of Farmington, NM.

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

New Business

1. **Consideration of Resolution No. 20-21-45, Inducement Resolution for 201LC 8me LLC and 309SJ 8me LLC Industrial Revenue Bonds**

Doug Eckols, County Attorney, explained that 8minute Solar Energy LLC, 201LC 8me LLC and 309SJ 8me LLC have submitted applications for the County to issue approximately \$140 million in Industrial Revenue Bonds to finance the construction of a 100 megawatt solar power general facility and a 30 megawatt solar energy storage facility located in Kirtland near the PNM San Juan Generating Station as part of PNM's replacement power portfolio. A motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve Resolution No. 20-21-45, Inducement Resolution for 201LC 8me LLC and 309SJ 8me LLC Industrial Revenue Bonds. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

2. **Consideration of San Juan County Ordinances 114, 115 and 116. Authorizing Industrial Revenue Bonds for San Juan Solar 1, LLC, San Juan Solar Project, LLC, and SJS Storage, LLC (the "Project Companies"), Series 2021 A, B and C, respectively, for a replacement power project relative to the San Juan Generating Station.**

Doug Echols, County Attorney, requested this item be tabled until March 2, 2021 to allow for completion of negotiations between the Project Companies and San Juan County, San Juan College, and Central Consolidated School District. A motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene, seconded by Chairman Pro-Tem Fortner to table consideration of San Juan County Ordinances 114, 115 and 116. Authorizing Industrial Revenue Bonds for San Juan Solar 1, LLC, San Juan Solar Project, LLC, and SJS Storage, LLC (the "Project Companies"),

Series 2021 A, B and C, respectively, for a replacement power project relative to the San Juan Generating Station until March 2, 2021. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

3. Consideration of Amended Intergovernmental Agreement for Building Inspection Services to the City of Aztec

Chris Cardin, Deputy Fire Chief, stated that a Memorandum of Understanding has been drafted to amend the original agreement between the County Building Department and the City of Aztec to include Fire Marshal Services. The City of Aztec is granting authority to the San Juan County Fire Marshal and their designees to conduct building plans review, business fire and life safety inspections and fire investigation assistance. Various comments and questions were made by the Commission. A motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene, seconded by Chairman Pro-Tem Fortner to approve the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement for Building Inspection Services to the City of Aztec. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

4. Consideration of Approval of Regional and Local FEMA FP&S Grants

John Mohler, Fire Chief communicated that staff is applying for two FEMA FP&S (Fire Prevention & Safety) Grants. The first grant will be a regional grant with Farmington Fire Department. Each agency is requesting residential smoke detectors and fire investigation equipment. The estimated cost is \$151,000 with a 5% match. Each agency would have an estimated cost match of approximately \$3,778.00 paid out of the State Fire Fund. The second grant would be for San Juan County Fire, requesting approximately 5 camera kits and portable lights for County Fire Investigators. The estimated cost of the grant is \$20,883.37 with a 5% match of \$1044.16, paid out of the State Fire fund. No general fund dollars are required to match these FP&S grant applications. Various questions and comments were made by the Commission. A motion was made by Commissioner Todacheene, seconded by Chairman Pro-Tem Fortner to approve Regional and Local FEMA FP&S Grants. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

5. Consideration of Resolution 20-21-47 Re-Appointment of Board of Registration

Tanya Shelby, County Clerk, stated that during the July 23, 2019 Commission meeting, the Commission appointed the following individuals per 1-4-34(A) NMSA to serve on the Board of Registration.

Democrats: Gloria Lehmer and Lynn Love
Republicans: Sally Bramhall and Sarah Anne Frost
Libertarian: Christopher Manning

1-4-34(A) NMSA requires that a Board of Registration of 5 members be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners in June of each odd numbered year. The Board of Registration is scheduled to meet on March 3, 2021. All members have been confirmed except for Lynn Love. Ms. Shelby requested that the Commission appoint Kathy Lowman as the second Democratic representative to the Board of Registration as a replacement. Various comments and questions

were made by the Commission. A motion was made by Chairman Pro-Tem Fortner, seconded by Commissioner Todacheene to approve Resolution 20-21-47 Re-Appointment of Board of Registration. Upon voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

7. Annual Update on First Tee Program

Tom Yost, Program Director for the First Tee Four Corners, provided an annual update to the Commission on the activities and accomplishments for the program. Mental health was stated to be the focus of 2020/2021. The program has shifted from class/clinic model to leagues and tournaments due to the pandemic. Operation 36 golf application used by the participants showed tangible progress that can be documented. Various comments and questions were made by the Commission.

Report from County Manager

Mike Stark asked Mike Mestas, Emergency Manager, to communicate updates concerning COVID-19 numbers and vaccine distribution. Mike Mestas, Emergency Manager, stated the following:

- To date there have been 12,345 positive COVID tests with 415 deaths in San Juan County.
- Total COVID vaccinations distributed is currently 32,658. Indian Health Service (IHS) provided 5,000 vaccinations last week with a clinic at Shiprock High School dispensing 1,883 vaccinations in one day.
- All Senior Centers in San Juan County have been vaccinated as of last week.
- McGee Park will provide a 2nd dose clinic for vaccinations on February 27, 2021.

Mike Stark briefed the following:

- Economic Development Administration (EDA) Cares Act Grant was approved to update the network infrastructure for San Juan Regional Medical Center and provide emergency generators for the Sheriff's office and McGee Park.
- 753 Bills have been introduced in the New Mexico State legislature. The last day to introduce a bill is Thursday February 18th, 2021. House Bill 4 passed in the House and moved to the Senate.
- The County has requested data from the State, through an IPRA request on how they calculate COVID rates. This request stems from San Juan County missing the opportunity to advance to "yellow" status by .01%. The new status is imperative for reopening businesses.

Reports From Elected Officials And Department Heads

None

Comments / Input From The General Public

None


Adjourn


Being no further business Chairman Beckstead adjourned the meeting at 5:01 p.m.

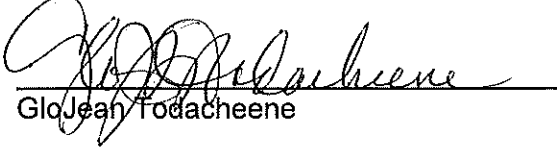
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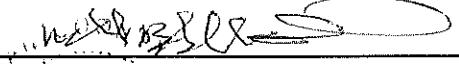
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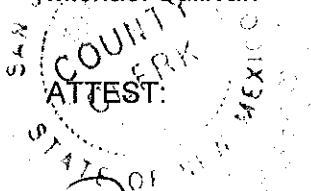

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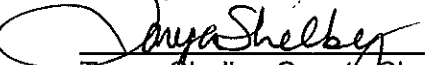

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