

The Regular Meeting of the Board was held at 9:10 a.m. in the Commissioner's Chambers observing all COVID-19 protocols currently issued by the State of New Mexico, with the following present: Robert Baca - Commissioner; Walt Eddy - Commissioner; Danielle Notah - Commissioner; Anthony Dimas, Jr., - County Manager; Brian Money - Deputy County Manager; Shawna Garnenez - Executive Assistant; Sara Keeler - Finance; Human Resources - Dezirie Gomez; County Clerk - Jacqueline K. Sloan; Lynea Thompson - Roads; Rodney Skersick - Roads; Edward Becenti - Assessor; JoAnn Beneati - Constituent; Brian Tsingine - Navajo DOT; Priscilla Lee - Navajo DOT; Marc DePauli - DePauli Engineering; Muriel Plummer - Grants Dept.; Kristi Weeks - Finance Analyst; Wilfred Noble - Project Manager; Jody Sowers - Human Resource; Gloria M. Skeet - Baahaali Chapter; Dave Emerson - Baahaali Chapter; Marlene Dallago - Treasurer; James Maiorano III - Sheriff; Rudy Gonzales - Human Resource; JoAnna Barreras - Human Resource; Dana Martinez - Gallup Independent; Candace Watchman - Monitor.

The meeting was convened at 9:10 a.m. and called to order by Commissioner Baca. Roll call was taken.

Commissioner Notah - present, Commissioner Baca - present; Commissioner Eddy - present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Baca.

CONSENT AGENDA: These items are placed on the agenda so that the Commission can designate by unanimous consent those routine items that they wish to be approved by one motion. If a commissioner or if a citizen so requests, it will be heard individually as a separate item. Motion to approve item(s) 1-2 on the consent agenda.

1. APPROVAL of minutes:

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2023.

2. REVIEW AND APPROVE:

- a. Purchase Order Payment Batch for 4/27/23-5/16/23 in the amount of \$1,191,051.03.

- b. Ratify Purchase Order Payment Batch on 5/23/2023 in the amount of \$94,588.00.

Commissioner Baca made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items 1-2. Commissioner Notah seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Notah said "Yes", Commissioner Baca said "Yes", Commissioner Eddy said "Yes". None - Opposed.

Time for public comments regarding any item on the agenda. Comment time may be limited to three (3) minutes as directed by the Chair.

Joann Benenati Constituent from District Three made a comment requesting meeting minutes be posted to the county website in a timely manner. Benenati claims the most recent minutes are from December 14, 2022, and nothing from this year, requesting to be on the website within 72 hours of being approved.

County Manager Anthony Dimas Jr. and Commissioner Robert Baca said they will look into it.

ACTION ITEMS:

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE: Resolution No. MAY-23-040 for the submission of the FY24 Interim Budget to Department of Finance. Sara Keeler, Finance Director.

Sara Keeler briefly referenced supplemental schedules being sent to DFA:

Schedule labeled page 1: fiscal year 2024 inner budget unaudited.

Schedule labeled page 2: Carry over cash from FY23.

Schedule labeled page 3: Change in fund balance.

Schedule labeled page 4: 23 Legislative funding being filtered through McKinley County.

Schedule labeled page 5: Budget changes from budget hearings with Commission.

Commissioner Baca made a motion to approve Action Item 3. Commissioner Notah seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Eddy said "Yes", Commissioner Baca said "Yes", Commissioner Notah said "Yes". None - Opposed.

4. **RATIFY:** Amended Resolution No. NOV-22-129 participation in transportation state road fund program administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation. Muriel Plummer, Grants Manager.

County Manager Anthony Dimas Jr. commented on the approval made months ago by Commissioners for Kit Carson Bridge, two words were left out of the previous amendment, "Final Design", which needs to be redone by the State to be finalized, the provision needs to be ratified and the new amendment to state, "Final Design".

Commissioner Eddy made a motion to approve Action Item 4. Ratify Amended Resolution. Commissioner Notah seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Eddy said "Yes", Commissioner Baca said "Yes", Commissioner Notah said "Yes". None - Opposed.

5. **REVIEW AND APPROVE:** McKinley County Personnel Ordinance Policy Procedures. Anthony Dimas, Jr., County Manager; Jody Sowers, Assistant HR Director.

- a. Resolution No. MAY-23-041 to consider updating and replacing the current County Personnel Policy.
- b. First reading of Ordinance No. 2023-MAY-009 McKinley County Personnel Policies.

Jody Sowers - Assistant HR Director, Douglas W. Decker - County Attorney, Brian Money - Deputy County Manager, and Dezirie Gomez - Human Resources, will be working together to revise the Personnel Policies. Changes will consist of lateral transfers, nepotism, language, and the Pay Plan Policy. The last revision of the Personnel Policy was in 2018. Seeking to adopt and be approved by Commissioners by the end of June in time for the new fiscal year.

Commissioner Baca commented to inform heads to renew the policy for any concerns or input.

Commissioner Baca made a motion to approve Action Item 5. Commissioner Eddy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Notah said "Yes", Commissioner Baca said "Yes", Commissioner Eddy said "Yes". None - Opposed.

6. REVIEW AND APPROVE: Resolution No. MAY-23-042 land sale/purchase agreement with Kateri College for property at 1605 Walnut Circle, Gallup New Mexico. Anthony Dimas, Jr.

County Manager Anthony Dimas Jr. commented due to the property being too costly to renovate or use, the County will be selling the property to Kateri College.

Commissioner Eddy made a motion to approve Action Item 6. Commissioner Notah seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Notah said "Yes", Commissioner Baca said "Yes", Commissioner Eddy said "Yes". None - Opposed.

7. REVIEW AND APPROVE: The following Road Department projects. Rodney Skersick, Road superintendent; Pricilla Lee, Navajo Nation DOT

a. Resolution No. MAY-23-043 for New Mexico Tribal Infrastructure Funds for construction of Superman Canyon Bridges.

b. Exhibit C of the master IGA with Navajo Nation for NM Tribal Infrastructure Funds for construction of Superman Canyon Bridges, for \$2,494,034.33.

c. Revised Exhibit A of master IGA with Navajo Nation for project CR-10A located within the Baahaali Chapter area, utilizing Sihasin Funds.

Rodney Skersick, Road Superintendent, explained the Resolution to repair Superman Canyon bridge, the cost was \$250,000.00 but decreased to \$167,000.00 using Tribal Infrastructure Funds. Pricilla Lee also went into depth on how the funds will be used to improve the roads and bridges.

Citizen Gloria Skeet of Baahaali Chapter made a comment on the anticipation of the road improvement.

Commissioner Notah made a motion to approve Action Item 7. Commissioner Baca seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Eddy said "Yes", Commissioner Baca said "Yes", Commissioner Notah Said "Yes". None - Opposed.

Announcements:

Next Commission Meeting:

- **Regular Meeting JUN 6, 2023 at 9:00 am.**
- **Regular Meeting JUN 20, 2023 at 9:00 am.**

Commissioner Baca made a comment congratulating Douglas W. Decker on his new position as the Gallup District Court Judge.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Baca made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Notah seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Eddy said "Yes", Commissioner Notah said "Yes", and Commissioner Baca said "Yes." None - Opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. on May 23rd, 2023.

ROBERT BACA
COMMISSIONER

WALT EDDY
COMMISSIONER

DANIELLE NOTAH
COMMISSIONER

Jacqueline K. Sloan
McKinley County Clerk's
C. Watchman