

Tuesday, November 15, 2022  
County Commission Room  
Roosevelt County Courthouse  
Portales, New Mexico 88130

The Roosevelt County Commission met in regular business meeting on Tuesday November 15, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commission Room with those present being: Commissioner Paul Grider, Commissioner Rodney Savage, Commissioner Tina Dixon, Commissioner Shane Lee, Commissioner Dennis Lopez, County Manager Amber Hamilton, County Attorney Mike Garcia (online) County Attorney Randall van Vleck, County Clerk Mandi Park, Deputy Clerk Silke Humpe, Assistant County Manager Liliana Rivera, Special Projects Coordinator Carol Acosta-Flores, Treasurer Layle Sanchez, Road Superintendent Ricky Lovato, GIS Coordinator Johnny Montiel, Sheriff Malin Parker, Lt. Javier Sanchez, Detention Administrator Shayla Ramsey, Chief Deputy Assessor Stevin Floyd, Deputy Daniel Boan, Kaye Green - Roosevelt General Hospital Chief Executive Officer, Andrea King - Roosevelt General Hospital Chief Financial Officer, Roosevelt County Fairboard President Wes Weems, Ryan Mathis (online), Robert Nyack (online), and community members Angie Smith, Kay Jilek, Scotty Savage, Alan Carter, Shonnie Standefer, Diane Crandall, Ted Garcia, Todd Fuqua, Lemon Dotson, Robbie Dotson, Bert Maloney, Mary Kaye Maloney, Lillian Loy, Dallas Danforth, Kenny Walker, Lloyd McCargish, Roy Lee Criswell.

Call to Order – Chairman Commissioner Lee called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

Invocation – Amber Hamilton

Pledge – Commissioner Lee

**1. Approval of Agenda:** Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve the agenda with a second from Commissioner Savage. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**2. Approval of Minutes from the October 11, 2022 regular meeting:** A motion to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2022 regular meeting was made by Commissioner Dixon with a second from Commissioner Savage. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**3. Approval of Accounts Payable and Payroll:** A motion to approve the accounts payable and payroll for September 2022 and October 2022 was made by Commissioner Lee with a second from Commissioner Savage. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**4. Informational Items:** Roosevelt General Hospital Update and Annual Safety Net Care Pool Report – CEO Kaye Green: Ms. Green stated the safety net care pool was created in 2013 to protect the most vulnerable rural hospitals. It was originally a payment of 1/8th of one percent of the gross receipts tax from each county to the state. It has been changed several times since then, it is now 1/12<sup>th</sup> GRT paid to the state. There is a 3x state match and it is returned to the county hospitals based on a formula of Medicaid utilization. Roosevelt County will receive about 2.2 million this fiscal year in safety net care pool funds. Ms. Green stated that number is down from prior years, partly due to a low rate of Medicaid utilization which is about 19% for Roosevelt County residents. Ms. Green also spoke about expanding the operating capacity of the hospital. They plan to add pre-op space, bringing the total to 5 pre-op spaces. They also plan to reconfigure the current pre-op space to be used as post-op space, bringing that total to 5 post-op spaces. They will also add 2 additional operating rooms. This project is on a two-year timeline. RGH has hired an orthopedic surgeon, who they expect to be fully credentialed with all insurance providers by the first of the year.

Biannual Presentation from Roosevelt County Extension Office – Patrick Kircher: Mr. Kircher was not available to give his report at this time.

Recap of the 2022 Roosevelt County Fair – Wes Weems: Mr. Weems began by thanking the commission and the county staff for all of the work that has gone into improving the fairgrounds in recent years. Commissioners Lopez and Lee also thanked Mr. Weems and other fair board members, past and present, for their leadership and for volunteering their time in service of the youth of Roosevelt County. Mr. Weems is the incoming fair board president. He stated the 2022 fair was a great fair in terms of attendance and participation. There were no major incidents. The livestock sale was successful.

**5. Public Requests:** Scotty Savage spoke about election integrity and asked the commission not to certify the canvass. She stated it is a felony to knowingly violate the election code. She asked the commission to set an example by not certifying the canvass because she believes the tabulators are not properly certified by the state. Alan Carter also asked that the canvass not be certified, regardless of the backlash the commission would face. Kenny Walker asked for a hand count, stating the tabulators are to be used by statute, but should be verified by a hand count.

Commissioner Grider asked if any of the members of the public here to speak on election integrity had seen any results from Ms. Clements audit of the Roosevelt County 2020 election?

Shonnie Standefer stated everything from that audit seems to be in line as expected, except for the mail-ins. She also stated the audit was not a hand count, it was an analysis of the ballot data. She also stated we need to care about what happens elsewhere, because it could happen here. She stated she did not gather the information from the audit that they were hoping to gather.

Dianne Crandall asked where are the results of that audit? Where is the evidence?

Kay Jilek directed Ms. Crandall and others to the Torrance County Commission meeting where their County Manager Ms. Barela presented an audit of that county's June 2022 Primary Election results. She stated if it can happen in Torrance County, it can happen here.

Dallas Danforth spoke of the necessity to look into things not just here, but nationwide. She asked that it start at the county level.

Lillian Loy thanked Commissioner Savage for his recent presentation to the commission documenting problems with the tabulators all over the country. She stated she witnessed problems with the ballots feeding into the machines and was not sure all ballots were counted properly. She stated our vote is our voice and our voices should be heard.

Angie Smith stated the declaration of independence lays out checks and balances, and the state constitution does the same. She stated this board of county commissioners is the citizen's last line of defense in the election process.

Lemon Dotson asked why there were no write in votes for Mr. Marker showing for Roosevelt County on the Secretary of State's website?

Todd Fuqua spoke in opposition to Ordinance 2022-02 a Land Use Moratorium. Mr. Fuqua stated this moratorium could result in lawsuits against the county, regardless of the fact that the majority are in support of it. He reminded the commission that they represent the entire county including the minority who are not in support of such a moratorium. The rights of the minority must also be protected. The consequences of approval of this proposed ordinance could be bad for the county if challenged.

#### **6. Elected Officials / Department Heads Reports:**

**Treasurer:** Ms. Sanchez presented the financial report for the months of August and September stating there was a beginning general fund cash balance of \$3,812,532.58 with debits of \$331,964.96 and credits of \$849,538.31 leaving an ending general fund cash balance of \$3,293,211.92 for August. She reported a beginning general fund cash balance of \$3,293,211.92 for September with debits of \$669,649.80 and credits of \$1,745,136.09 leaving an ending general fund cash balance of \$2,217,722.63 at the end of September.

**Detention:** Administrator Ramsey stated the facility count stands at 54 with 45 male and 9 female detainees in custody. There are 4 detainees from out-of-county currently housed at the Roosevelt County Detention Center. There were 68 bookings and 63 releases in the month of October. There were no transports by RCDC in October. In October, Quay County was billed \$8,850.00. Ms. Ramsey stated the county has been billed a total of \$114,000.00 this year for housing juvenile detainees outside of the county. That number is going to continue to grow as those juveniles await trial. Ms. Ramsey reported there are 15 detainees currently participating in the MAT Program. Two of those are receiving meds, and all are receiving counseling. *She also noted yesterday they administered meds to their first participant not in custody.???* Ms. Ramsey stated there are currently 5 detainees participating in the GED Program. She added flu shots are being offered to staff and detainees, as they are preparing for flu season. They continue to clean and sanitize to mitigate the spread of viruses. RCDC is planning a thanksgiving meal for detainees and staff on shift, as has been the tradition in recent years. Ms. Ramsey stated visitation has resumed to normal pre-covid standards. Ms. Ramsey has 1 detention officer currently in the training academy and 2 new hires who will begin soon. She stated the accreditation has been pushed back to 2023, however they are ready for the accreditation process.

**Finance:** Ms. Rivera reported on the first quarter funds and balances. She stated all accounts and all funds are at or near the marker for expected expenditures and incumbrances.

**Health care:** Ms. Acosta-Flores asked the commission to go into indigent healthcare board meeting. At 9:58 am Commissioner Lopez made a motion to go into indigent meeting with a second by Commissioner Dixon. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. Ms. Acosta-Flores reported 32 claims totaling \$24,676.96. She recommended 23 claims for approval of payment totaling \$12,523.06 and 9 for denial totaling \$12,153.90. Of those recommended for denial, 6 patients were taken in for medical treatment by the Portales Police Department and 3 were past timely filing. At 10:00 am Commissioner Lopez made a motion to come out of indigent meeting with a second by Commissioner Grider. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. Commissioner Lopez made a motion to approve the indigent healthcare claims as recommended by Ms. Flores, with a second by Commissioner Grider. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**Roads:** Mr. Lovato stated LGRF projects are underway, they are currently working on South Roosevelt Road Y. CAP projects are 90% complete. The TPF funding received in October totaling 2.8 million is being spent to complete multiple projects. 40 miles of road have been completed since receiving the money. 1.7 million has already been expended. Regular maintenance of tree trimming, cleaning cattle guards and vehicle maintenance is ongoing. Repairs to the damaged surface of South Roosevelt Road R1/2 and South Roosevelt Road S will be done by the vendor in the spring. Commissioner Lopez asked Mr. Lovato about South Roosevelt Road 6 and Industrial Drive, which is a hazard. He also asked about Boston Street from Lime to HWY70. He stated the fairgrounds is looking beautiful and the parking lot is great, but it will not be accessible if the drainage on Boston is not addressed. Ms. Hamilton will address those two issues in her report. Mr. Lovato continued with a presentation of the software recently implemented by the road department. He demonstrated the way blades could be tracked and their progress on each road. He stated he can see what has been bladed, where and when. The data is also held for a period of 2 years, making it possible to look back and see when a road was done when there is a question or complaint. Mr. Lovato noted the GPS feature can also be used as a safety tool when his equipment operators are working on a fire-line after dark and do not have visibility or can't determine their direction of travel or proximity to the fire. Mr. Lovato stated Ms. Arnett was not available to give her scheduled presentation, but would be rescheduled. Commissioner Lee asked if private citizens could cut trees along road way for the road department, harvesting the wood for their own use? The county attorney advised against it, stating it creates a liability for the county.

**Manager:** Ms. Hamilton reported attending the New Mexico Counties meeting last week and the concept for counties to work together on statewide campaigns to address issues such as staffing shortages at detention centers, and the dangers of fentanyl. Ms. Hamilton stated Bernalillo County had hired a marketing company to produce consistent messaging.

Ms. Hamilton discussed NMCA updates related to insurance coverage for governing bodies, and that NMCA did not yet have a re-insurance vendor for 2023. She stated changes in the law have made insurance providers unwilling to insure or re-insure government entities and law enforcement agencies. It is mid-November and the county does not have a policy in place for re-insurance for coverage for next year.

The National Association of Counties is looking to establish a Public Lands resource center. New Mexico Counties presented the concept the managers. The managers discussed the need for additional policy position information and were concerned that the National Association of Counties policies may not align with local policies.

Ms. Hamilton stated the next regular commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday December 6, 2022 and that meeting conflicts with the Better Informed Public Officials (BIPO) meeting to be held in Albuquerque that same day. She asked the commission to consider changing the date of the meeting to December 5, 2022, Ms. Hamilton stated the annual fleet workshop is in the planning stages and would be incorporated following that meeting.

She stated the annual Detention Center walk-through is scheduled to follow the December 20, 2022 commission meeting and encouraged newly elected Commissioner Criswell to attend, noting it would be an opportunity to familiarize himself with the facility and the needs and duties of the staff working inside the facility.

Ms. Hamilton stated we are waiting on the county equalization distribution from New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department. They have been made aware of the miscalculation and are re-figuring the distributions. She also stated 44% of NMTRD is funded by counties and municipalities as reported by NMC.

Ms. Hamilton stated the oil and gas production reports have been received and reviewed. While the price per barrel has dropped, the production remains stable in Roosevelt County.

Ms. Hamilton noted she had attended the NACO agriculture committee call. She stated the NACO Conference for national legislation is scheduled for February 11-14, 2023. While we have not budgeted for anyone to attend, if someone wanted to attend it could be worked into the budget.

Ms. Hamilton stated she is working with ENMU on intern placement in misdemeanor compliance and detention. These internships would allow a student studying criminal justice to gain career experience.

Ms. Hamilton reminded the commission that there is a public input meeting scheduled for Thursday morning at 10:00 am, for input on the fairground improvement master plan.

Ms. Hamilton stated she is working with the City on South Roosevelt Road 6 and Industrial Drive on an agreement for the county to provide a portion of materials, equipment and labor to do the needed road repairs for the area near that intersection. A draft agreement is in the process.

**Commissioners:** Commissioner Dixon stated she had attended the New Mexico Counties meeting to determine legislative priorities. She had also attended the Roosevelt County Community Development Corporation board meeting. They are working on signage and beautification projects in the community. She attended the EPCOG meeting and learned of Brownfield grant opportunities available to counties and municipalities that can be used to clean up old gas stations, buildings with asbestos and such. Commissioner Dixon also noted she had received complaints about the condition of SRR6 near Industrial drive, even though it is not in her district. She stated the complaints come from truck drivers who haul milk in the area for processing.

Commissioner Lopez stated there had previously been refuse containers for county residents to use. He asked Ms. Hamilton to do a cost analysis for refuse containers for county residents. He felt like this might help curb the problem of county residents filling dumpsters inside the city limits. Ms. Hamilton stated the city and county are working together on a New Mexico Clean and Beautiful Grant, that might could be used for litter and illegal dumping. Commissioner Lopez also suggested more weekend hours for the city convenience center. He stated he would ask City Council to address that.

At 10:23 am, Commissioner Lee requested a short recess. The meeting was reconvened at 10:43 am.

## **7. Old Business:**

**A. Review and Discussion of Ordinance 2022-02 A Land Use Moratorium Ordinance:** Commissioner Savage spoke of the risks of lawsuits to the county if the land use moratorium ordinance is adopted. He stated while each of the commissioners are pro-life and do not want to see abortion clinics in Roosevelt County, they also took an oath to obey and uphold the law. State statute requires a comprehensive land use plan and zoning regulations be in place in order to enact an ordinance governing land use. He stated without those things in place the ordinance may be unenforceable and would open the county up to litigation. Commissioner Savage spoke about a different approach being considered by other border communities and asked the county attorney to bring forth at a future meeting a new ordinance to for the commission to consider. Commissioner Savage did not move for action on this agenda item.

## **8. New Business:**

At 10:51 am, Ms. Sanchez requested to go into Board of Finance. Commissioner Dixon made a motion to go into Board of Finance with a second from Commissioner Lopez. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. Ms. Sanchez reported an increase of \$20,000.00 in interest on investments in the first quarter. At 10:52 Commissioner Dixon made a motion to come out of Board of Finance with a second from Commissioner Lopez. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. No action was necessary as a result of Board of Finance.

**A. Request for Approval to Partially Vacate an Undeveloped Road in the Norma Jane Subdivision:** Johnny Montiel reported William Long had requested to vacate the undeveloped road. Mr. Montiel stated there was one adverse opinion from a utility, but after inspection the utilities were located and that adverse opinion has been reversed. Mr. Montiel stated the alleyway will remain intact. He stated Mr. Long's request had been approved by City Council and meets all of the regulations and requirements of the County subdivision policy. Mr. Montiel asked that Mr. Long's request be approved. Commissioner Lopez made a motion to approve the request to partially vacate the undeveloped road in the Norma Jane Subdivision with a second by Commissioner Savage.

Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**B. Request for Approval of a Type 3-B Summary Subdivision a Replat of Lot 1-2, 4-5 of of the Norma Jane Subdivision:** Mr. Montiel asked that the replat be granted to adjust the lot lines of lots 1 and 2 to become Tract A, and lots 4 and 5 to become Tract B of the Norma Jane Subdivision. This is necessary as a result of the approval of the vacated undeveloped road. Mr. Montiel again noted the alleyway will remain intact. He stated there were no adverse opinions from neighboring property owners or utility providers. The replat has been approved by the city, and all regulations and requirements have been met. Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve the request for a replat of the Norma Jane Subdivision with a second by Commissioner Savage. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**C. Presentation of Pavement Design Documents and Options for NM DAR MAFR AV Project for North Roosevelt Road AV and Request for Consideration of Proposed Variances to Roosevelt County Road Ordinance:** Ryan Mathis and Mr. Lovato presented design options for the five mile stretch of North Roosevelt Road AV north of the Melrose Air Force Range to highway 60/84. Mr. Mathis stated there is a firm budget of 6 million dollars for this project. Alternative A consists of a 22' wide roadway with 3" of asphalt over a 4" base, with a 25-year design life. Design A would very likely be within budget. Alternative B consists of a 22' wide roadway with 3" of asphalt over 6" of stabilized base, with a 45-year design life. Design B would very likely be over the maximum budget. Alternative C consists of 12" of surface course aggregate. Design C would be well within budget, but would require constant maintenance. After much discussion, Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve design Alternative B with a second by Commissioner Lee. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-No. Commissioner Grider made a motion to allow for a variance of the required 24' to the width of 22' with a 3% crown. Commissioner Savage offered a second. Commissioner Grider- Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-No, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-No.

**D. Discussion and Commission Selection of City Council Persons for Continued Services Negotiations:** Commissioners discussed who they would like to see represent the city in negotiations for continued services. Commissioner Dixon and Commissioner Lopez were the representatives from the Commission that were selected by the City Council to participate in negotiations. Commissioner Lee asked each commissioner who they would prefer. Commissioners each nominated two candidates including Ms. Cordova, Mr. Miller, Mr. Boan, and Mr. Heflin. Ms. Veronica Cordova and Mr. Chad Heflin received the most nominations. Commissioner Dixon made a motion to appoint Ms. Cordova and Mr. Heflin to represent the city in negotiations, with a second from Commissioner Grider. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**E. Consideration of the Proposed 2023 Roosevelt County Calendar** – Amber Hamilton presented the propose 2023 calendar of holidays, with no changes from the previous year. She stated they had not been able to find a holiday within the month of August. She suggested possibly a day off during fair week. She noted the employee appreciation holiday observed in March was well received by staff. After some discussion Commissioner Lee directed Ms. Hamilton to add a day off during fair week. Commissioner Lopez made a motion to approve the 2023 calendar as discussed and amended, with a second by Commissioner Dixon. Commissioner Grider-Yes Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**F. Request for Approval of Disposal Public Auction of two HVAC units removed from the Detention Center; one 2008 Chevy 1500, one 2011 F150, one Dodge 1500 and one 2015 Dodge Caravan from the Sheriff's Office; and one Misc. Lot of Furniture and Equipment from the Clerk's Office:** Amber Hamilton stated the annual consignment auction at Bill Johnston Auctioneers is scheduled for December and asked for permission to dispose of assets at that public sale. Commissioner Dixon made a motion to approve the request for disposal of the listed assets with a second by Commissioner Lee. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**G. Request for Approval of Disposal by Donation of two Basketball Goals to Portales Schools:** Ms. Hamilton stated there were as set of basketball goals at the Bonem Home that needed to be removed to repurpose that building. Ms. Hamilton approached the Portales Schools about receiving the basketball goals as a donation, allowing the county to dispose of the asset. The district is willing to accept the donation of the basketball goals. Commissioner Lee made a motion to approve of the disposal of the asset with a second from Commissioner Grider. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

At 12:20 pm, Commissioner Lee requested a short recess. The board was reconvened at 12:23 pm.

At 12:24 pm, Ms. Park requested to go into County Canvass Board. Commissioner Dixon made a motion to go into Canvass Board with a second from Commissioner Lee. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. Ms. Park gave the canvass report for the 2022 General Election. Ms. Park stated she was confident in the numbers presented and that the tabulators were certified by her staff. She asked the commission to certify the canvass. Commissioner Dixon made a motion to come out of Canvass Board with a second from Commissioner Lee. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. Commissioner Grider made a motion to certify the canvass for the 2022 General Election with a second from Commissioner Lee. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-No, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

## **9. Resolution – Ordinances – Proclamations:**

**A. Consideration of Resolution 2022-44 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financial Budget Adjustments:** Ms Riviera discussed the budget adjustments Commissioner Lopez made a motion to approve the resolution, with a second by Commissioner Grider. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**B. Consideration of Resolution 2022-45 Supporting the New Mexico Counties 2023 Legislative Priorities:** Commissioner Dixon discussed the high points of the legislative priorities included in the handout provided by NMC, including support for House Bill 2, support for courthouse funding and support for changes to election related Inspection of Public Records requests. Commissioner Grider made a motion to approve the resolution, with a second by Commissioner Savage. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**10. Procurements – Contracts – Agreements:**

**A. Request for Approval of Local Driving While Intoxicated Grant Agreement Amendment No. 1:** Ms. Rivera requested the approval of the grant agreement. She stated the grant provides funding for the DWI prevention program. A motion to approve the agreement as presented was made by Commissioner Lee with a second by Commissioner Dixon. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**B. Request for Approval of Contract Renewal for Food Services at the Roosevelt County Detention Center with Trinity Services Group, Inc.:** Ms. Rivera requested the renewal of the contract with Trinity, noting an increase of 4.5% which is the maximum allowable increase. A motion to approve the contract renewal was made by Commissioner Grider with a second from Commissioner Savage. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**C. Request for Approval of EMS Fund Act Certification for Milnesand Volunteer Fire Department:** Ms. Rivera requested approval of the certification for Milnesand VFD. A motion to approve the request for certification was made by Commissioner Lee with a second from Commissioner Savage. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**D. Request for Approval to Accept the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund Allocation for Roosevelt County:** Ms. Hamilton requested board approval for acceptance of the fund allocation, which means \$50,000.00 for Roosevelt County. A motion to accept the allocation was made by Commissioner Dixon with a second from Commissioner Lopez. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**E. Request for Approval of Grant Agreement Submission with NMDOT and Roosevelt County for Traffic Safety Grant Allocations:** Lt. Sanchez requested approval of the grant agreement to be submitted to NMDOT. A motion to approve the grant agreement submission was made by Commissioner Grider with a second from Commissioner Lopez. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**11. Executive Session:** At 12:56 pm, Commissioner Lopez made a motion to go into executive session with a second by Commissioner Grider. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. At 2:00 pm, Commissioner Grider made a motion to come out of executive session with a second by Commissioner Dixon. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. Commissioner Lee stated only those items listed for executive session were discussed in the executive session. No action was taken in executive session, but action is necessary as a result of the executive session. Commissioner Grider made a motion to award County Manager Hamilton a \$10,000.00 raise and a 4-year contract extension. Commissioner Savage did not feel that 10,000.00 was sufficient, stating it barely covers inflation. He also stated he was uncomfortable with the length of the contract, because it ties up enough funds to cover Ms. Hamilton's full salary for the entire length of the contract. Commissioner Savage made a motion to divide the question, first to consider separately the amount of any increase in salary, and second to consider the length of any contract extension. Commissioner Grider gave a second on the motion to divide the question. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-Yes, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. After some discussion Commissioner Savage made a motion to increase Ms. Hamilton's salary by \$15,000.00 with a second by Commissioner Grider. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-Yes, Commissioner Dixon-No, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes. Commissioner Lopez made a motion to grant Ms. Hamilton a 2-year contract extension, with a second by Commissioner Grider. Commissioner Grider-Yes, Commissioner Savage-No, Commissioner Dixon-No, Commissioner Lee-Yes, Commissioner Lopez-Yes.

**12. Media Communication:** There were no members of the media present at the meeting. Commissioner Lee asked Ms. Hamilton if there was any communication from members of the media. Ms. Stinson (watching livestream) asked who was the "no vote" on the election canvass. Commissioner Savage voted not to certify.

**13. Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

*Mandi M. Park*  
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County Clerk



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