



**NOVEMBER 16, 2017**

The Board of Chaves County Commissioners held their Regular Commission meeting in the Commission Chamber of the Joe Skeen Building, #1 St. Mary's Place in Roswell, New Mexico. Chairman Corn called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m. Commissioner Cavin led the pledge and Commissioner Duffey led in prayer. Those present were Commissioners Bilberry, Duffey, Ezzell, Cavin and Corn. Also present were County Manager Stan Riggs, Public Services Director Bill Williams, Sheriff Britt Snyder, Assessor Mark Willard, Finance Director Joe Sedillo, County Clerk Dave Kunko, news media, staff and guests.

#### **MINUTES**

Commissioner Bilberry moved to approve the Minutes from October 19, 2017. Commissioner Ezzell seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

##### **CASE Z 2017-16 REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT IN AREA II, RESIDENTIAL/AGRICULTURAL**

Marlin Johnson stated that this Special Use Permit if approved would allow a non-profit cemetery in a Residential/Agricultural zoning district. The P & Z Commission recommended approval with the stipulations and findings of fact. Chairman Corn opened the hearing to public comment.

IN FAVOR: Audrey Whitten spoke in favor.

AGAINST: None

Commissioner Cavin asked about the size of the cemetery in the future. Mr. Johnson stated it is limited to a ½ acre at this point. Commissioner Bilberry asked who would maintain it in the future. Audrey Whitten stated it is meant to be more of a natural site and Crosses of America would maintain the crosses. Mrs. Whitten also stated they were not expecting a lot of burials. Commissioner Ezzell moved to approve Case Z 2017-16 with the stipulations and findings of fact. Commissioner Cavin seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### **AGREEMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS**

##### **AGREEMENTS A-17-030, A-17-031 LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH DIANNE MEDA AND DIANE TAYLOR**

Stan Riggs explained that Dianne Meda and Diane Taylor are independent contractors for the Chaves County DWI Program. They each had an office at the Fisk Building. If approved this lease would allow them to each have an office at the Saint Mary's Complex in Suite D-2. Each lease is for 7 months with four one year renewals. Commissioner Duffey moved to approve Agreements A-17-030 and A-17-031. Commissioner Bilberry seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

##### **RESOLUTION R-17-043 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR 2018**

Stan Riggs stated this proposed holiday schedule had been sent to all the departments. There was very little comment and the same schedule is now being presented to the Commission for approval. Commissioner Bilberry moved to approve Resolution R-17-043. Commissioner Duffey seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

##### **RESOLUTION R-17-044 APPROVAL OF BUDGET ADJUSTMENT**

Mr. Sedillo stated the Finance Committee had reviewed the Chaves County Financial Reports and found a positive cash flow position. This will allow funding to the agencies and was recommended as follows: The USDA would receive \$18,750.00, the Chaves County 4H and FFA Fair would receive \$12,500.00, the Roswell Chamber of Commerce would receive \$12,500.00, and the NMSU Extension Service would receive \$6,752.00. Commissioner Ezzell asked about the USDA. Mr. Sedillo confirmed that their funding was for predator control. Commissioner Ezzell moved to approve Resolution R-17-044. Commissioner Duffey seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **APPOINTMENT OF NEW DWI PLANNING COUNCIL MEMBER**

Lucia Serrano explained that there was one vacancy on the DWI Planning Council. Three recommendations are attached for the position. All three individuals are willing to serve and Sheriff Snyder stated he spoke to each of them. The Council does not currently have a board member from the valley. Commissioner Cavin moved to approve the appointment of Cliff Waide to the board. Commissioner Ezzell seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF CHECKS**

Commissioner Duffey moved to approve checks in the amount of \$2,587,713.75. Commissioner Bilberry seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF REPORTS**

Commissioner Duffey moved to approve the reports for the period. Commissioner Cavin seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

### **UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATIONS**

Larry Connolly stated his hearing was not all that great anymore. He asked if the Economic Development Corporation got cut. Joe Sedillo stated not all agency funding had been restored. Chairman Corn mentioned support from the City and County for economic development.

### **MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Riggs stated that Chaves County is completely out of the FISK Building. He believed the District Attorney was out as well. The Auditors are back this week and we should have an Exit Audit in about two weeks. Chaves County will be closed Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving. There is a Labor Management Relations Board meeting set for today at 1:30 p.m. The annual tour of the Chaves County Adult Detention Center is scheduled for today and the meeting can be adjourned while we are out there.

### **COMMISSIONER'S COMMUNICATIONS**

Commissioner Duffey thanked everyone for their hard work and hoped everyone had a blessed Thanksgiving and safe travels.

Commissioner Cavin thanked everyone and stated it was a very busy month. Chaves County was well represented at the State Volleyball Tournament and NMMI's Volleyball team was headed for Nationals. He stated Happy Thanksgiving and God Bless America.

Commissioner Ezzell asked if there were any new developments in the SOY Mariachi situation. Mr. Riggs stated they received our letter but do not appear committed to getting the roof fixed or insurance. They have been asked to bring the building up to compliance.

Commissioner Bilberry thanked everyone for all their hard work and said Happy Holidays. He said this time of year can be very tough for some people, so please encourage those that need it.

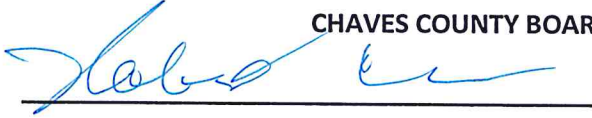
Chairman Corn stated Happy Thanksgiving. Tomorrow there is a dedication of a DWI Memorial Sign. He is very proud of the DWI Program. The dedication is at 1:30 on North Main. There will be another sign dedication in December. He stated to never drink and drive. At 9:42 a.m. he stated they would sign documents then visit the jail.

### **TOUR OF CHAVES COUNTY ADULT DETENTION CENTER**

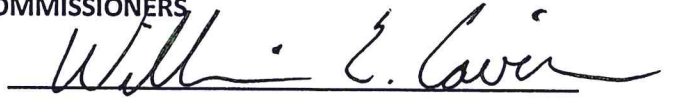
The tour of the Chaves County Detention Center began at 10:00 a.m. Detention Administrator Clay Corn and his staff led the tour and answered question along the way. It was announced that the next meeting would be December 21, 2017.

The tour ended and the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

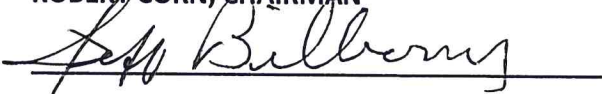
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