

The Board of County Commissioners, in and for the County of Otero, State of New Mexico, met in a Work Session at the Otero County Courthouse in Alamogordo, County and State aforesaid. Meeting called to order by the Chairperson at 9:00 a.m., August 10, 2005; and she announced that reasonable notice for this meeting was given to the Alamogordo Daily News, and to Radio Stations, KPSA, KINN and KYEE.

Present:

Clarissa McGinn	Chairperson
Doug Moore	Vice-Chairman
Michael Nivison	Member
Ray Backstrom	Assistant County Manager
Bobbie Reyes	Department Assistant
Bill Lee Parker	Road Superintendent
Kim Chavez	Deputy Clerk

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Norbert Sanchez gave the invocation. Rebecca De La Paz led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner McGinn led the Salute to the Flag of New Mexico.

1. Presentations:

Commissioner McGinn stated that on Tuesday the Commission will present the Main Road Shop, Pinon Road Shop and the La Luz Convenience Center an award for Safety.

2. Introduction: Dr. Martin D. Moore

Commissioner McGinn stated that on Tuesday the Commission will introduce Dr. Martin D. Moore as the new County Manager.

3. Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of Minutes:

1. 07/20/05 – Work Session
2. 07/26/05 – Regular Meeting

B. Bills Lists:

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C. Health Care Services:

Monthly Report for August 2005

D. Personnel, New Hires:

1. Mark Evans – Sheriff's Office
2. Daryl Lee Roberts – Sheriff's Dispatch
3. Brenda Ives – Detention
4. Thomas Smith – Detention
5. Benjamin Luna – Detention
6. David Hermanson – Detention
7. Frank Mackewich – Sheriff's Office
8. Lisa Delorm – Sheriff's Office

E. Resolutions, Contract & Agreements:

1. PS01-007 – Billy Adlea Wallace, Lease of Building at 211
2. 10th Street
3. PS-05-003 – Kenn's Electric, Electrician Services

4. TS-02-015 – Integrity Steel, Maintenance on Doors & Locks at Detention Center
5. TS-02-001 – Pitney Bowes, Upgrade current mail to DM100
6. Contract between Otero County and USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildfire Services (APHIS-WS)
7. Memorandum of Understanding between Otero County and the City of Alamogordo for Animal Control Costs. Commissioner Moore asked that the Commission go over the ordinance. Commissioner Moore stated that he has no problem with this ordinance, but would like to know if the County still is going to be charged by the animal unit. Ray Backstrom, Assistant County Manager informed the Commission that there will be a charge of \$11.50 per animal unit. Mr. Backstrom stated that it will be a monthly billing. Commissioner Moore asked that the County animal ordinance be revised to make the injectable identification tags be a requirement for registered pets in Otero County. Commissioner McGinn asked at what point this will be required. Commissioner Moore stated that when a person take ownership of a pet. Commissioner Moore stated this is a great way to not only get a pet back to his owner but also find out who's pet it is, if a pet bites someone. Commissioner Moore asked staff to start researching this item. Sheriff Blansett stated that he thinks this is a good idea but it will be a great impact for the courts. Commissioner Moore stated that this will get sorted out.
8. Resolution No. 08-16-05/94-05 regarding Adopting and Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan. (ICIP) Commissioner Moore asked that this item be postponed until later in the meeting.

9. Resolution No. 08-16-05/94-6 regarding budget increase for Timberon Fire Department (6767). Ms. Brandon, Financial Director stated that there was a \$1000.00 donation made to the Timberon Fire Department to purchase equipment that was not reflected in the budget for this year.

10. Resolution No. 08-16-05/94-7 regarding budget increase for Weed School Project (1881). Ms. Brandon stated that this was money left over from the rental of Weed School to a Church camp in 2002 and there is still \$3000.00 that has not been used. Ms. Brandon stated that she failed to put it in this year's budget and is usually carried forward each year until spent.

11. Resolution No. 08-16-05/94-8 regarding budget increase for various County Departments. Ms. Brandon stated that she has listed this by department totals. Commissioner Moore stated that he would like to know more about this. Commissioner McGinn stated that this is for employees who come off probation during this budget cycle. Commissioner Moore asked to see more detailed information before he can make a decision. Ms. Brandon stated that this is about \$13,000.00 for the County. Ms. Brandon stated that she has given the Commission a spread sheet showing who will get this. Commissioner Moore asked for a new spread sheet so he does not have to hunt his down. Commissioner Moore asked Ms. Brandon if she can get him the information on how many employees this will be for and which employees. Ms. Brandon stated that this is strictly a cost of living.

12. Resolution No. 08-16-05/94-9 regarding New Mexico State Highway Department contracts, Projects and Cooperative Agreements for CAP, CO-OP, and School Bus for Fiscal Year 2005/2006.

F. Consider approval of employment contract for Dr. Martin D. Moore, County Manager.

G. Consider "Final Plat Approval" for the Olga Acres Subdivision.

H. Consider approval of the preliminary plat for Rhino Acres Subdivision

I. Elected Officials:

1. Grace Gonzales thanked Ray Backstrom for all his help in getting the Treasurer's Office set up to take payments online. Mrs. Gonzales also informed the Commission that the Treasurer's Office will be closed at 2:00 p.m. on September 13, and closed all day on September, 14 & 15, 2005 so that the Treasurer may host the Treasurer's Conference.

2. Dale Palkki informed the Commission that he and some of his staff along with some of the staff from the Clerk's office will be attending a meeting on new software for the Clerk's office, Treasurer's office and Assessor's office.

3. Sheriff Blansett informed the Commission that there will be a memorial for Robert Hedman located at the Sheriff's Department.

~~4. Randy Horn, Convenience Center Supervisor approached the Commission to discuss the convenience center in Cloudcroft. Mr. Horn asked who is responsible for the upkeep of the area. Commissioner Nivison stated that it has always been a verbal joint venture with the Village of Cloudcroft. Mr. Horn stated that he could use a loader to clean up the mess. Commission Nivison stated that he would talk to the Village of Cloudcroft and get him a loader. Mr. Horn also informed the Commission that Ford Motor Company has issued a warning that after tires are five years old or older they need to be replaced. Mr. Horn asked the Commission what the liability would be to the~~

County if they resell some of the used tires. Dan Bryant, County Attorney stated he would look into this.

~~5. Executive Session:~~

a) Commissioner Nivison made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining, pending and threatening litigation, personnel issues, land, roads and the detention center. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moore. Roll call was taken as follows:

Commissioner Nivison	yes
Commissioner McGinn	yes
Commissioner Moore	yes

Commissioner Nivison made a motion to return to Regular Session and stated all that was discussed was collective bargaining, pending and threatening litigation, personnel issues, land, roads and the detention center. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moore.

Commissioner Nivison	yes
Commissioner McGinn	yes
Commissioner Moore	yes

There being no further business before the Commission, the Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

APPROVED:

Clarissa McGinn, Chairperson

ATTEST:

**Robyn Silva,
Otero County Clerk**

Work Session, August 10, 2005
