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Torrance County Board of Commissioners
Special Commission Meeting
Thursday May 3rd, 2018
6:00 PM

Commissioners Present:

JULIA DUCHARME - CHAIR

JAVIER SANCHEZ – MEMBER JAMES FROST – MEMBER

Others Present:

BELINDA GARLAND – COUNTY MANAGER DENNIS WALLIN – COUNTY ATTORNEY

GENELL MORRIS – ADMIN ASSISTANT

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Call Meeting to order

Madam Chair DuCharme: Calls the May 3rd, 2018 Special Commission Meeting to order at 6:38PM

Pledge lead by Jerry Montoya Invocation lead by Nicole Maxwell

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Frost: Motion to approve Special Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Sanchez Seconds the motion.

All in favor: MOTION CARRIED

*ACTION ITEMS ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AND ACTED UPON

*Commission Matters:

1. Resolution 2018-24 finding a decedent to be indigent or unclaimed and authorizing payment for the burial or cremation of an indigent person, as defined in Section 24-13-2 NMSA 1978
Belinda Garland – County Manager: No action needs to be taken. This has been resolved.

2. Work Session, Joint Meeting with the Tajique Land Grant Board

a. Terms of the Tajique Transfer Station

Andrew Gutierrez opens his Tajique Land Grant Board meeting. In attendance; Andrew Baca, Felix Barela, Jerry Montoya, Attorney Mr. Benavidez arrived later. At a previous meeting the county made an offer of \$100 a month, land grant takes liability. Mr. Gutierrez confers with his board and states that they cannot accept the offer.

The County leases the property to the Estancia Valley Solid Waste Authority. The County has premises liability insurance through the Association of Counties and Solid Waste has operation insurance. Dennis Wallin-County Attorney made recommendation to have his self and Mr. Benavidez draft language for liability.

The Land Grant felt the issue for kid's safety was addressed with the installation of the concrete barriers and would take ownership if anyone got hurt on the playground.

The Tajique Transfer Station is open Tuesday 7am-3pm; Friday 9am-3pm and Saturday 8am-4pm. Not many people are seen on playground during operating hours.

There is one roll-off that is outside the fence for recyclables. Andy Miller Solid Waste Manager may have the roll- off removed due to safety issues and the value of recycling has dropped. He will know more after his board meeting in 2 weeks. The roll-off should be in fenced area but there is no room. Approximately 110 feet of fence would need to be added to have the room for the roll-off to be placed inside the fence. Andy Miller explains the recycle market has changed due to China will only be accepting good clean cardboard, no other recyclable will be accepted worldwide. All our recyclables go to the land fill except tires and good clean cardboard.

The Tajique Land Grant Board concerns are lease agreement fee, terms, the fade out of the current site and liability.

County Manger Belinda Garland feels 3-5 years budget will be tight due to the prison closure. The Commission doesn't not know what the next Commission will decide to do. With an ideal location, fence and infrastructure the transfer of locations would take approximately 2months. Andy Miller states he will not move to a location he feels is unsafe.

Tajique Land Grant Board moves to go into Executive Session at 7:40 pm Tajique Land Grant Board returns from Executive Session 8:01 pm

The Tajique Land Grant Board asks for \$200 a month for 36 months, after 36 months if location has not been changed the rent will be \$400 a month for 6 months. If location has not moved in that time, they will close it. The land grants goal is for the Transfer Station to relocate.

County Manger requests Executive Session.

Commissioner Frost: Motion to go to Executive Session

Commissioner Sanchez: Seconds the motion.

All in favor: MOTION CARRIED

Commission goes into Executive Session at 8:15 PM

Madam Chair DuCharme: Motions to return to regular session at 8:44 pm

Commissioner Frost: Seconds the motion.

All in favor: MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Sanchez: makes motion of \$250 a month for 36 months no action after 36 months.

Madam Chair DuCharme: No second

<u>Commissioner Frost:</u> Motions for \$200 a month for 36 months with the county making good faith efforts to move the location of the transfer station with quarterly updates.

Madam Chair DuCharme: Seconds the motion

<u>Dennis Wallin – County Attorney:</u> clarification – the county will accept liability under the lease and carry the insurance under the lease agreement. \$200 a month for 36 months and good faith to move location. Nothing after 3 years.

<u>Commissioner Frost:</u> Reminds all involved there might be a new Commission after 3 years. Also amends the motion to include contract start date July 1st 2018 with first payment July 15th 2018.

Madam Chair DuCharme: Seconds the motion

All in favor: MOTION CARRIED

Andrew Gutierrez – Tajique Land Grant Board Member: Ask if board accepts County's offer.

Felix Barela - Tajique Land Grant Board Member: - Motion to accept County's offer.

Jerry Montoya-Tajique Land Grant Board Member: Seconds the motion

All in favor: MOTION CARRIED

<u>Dennis Wallin – County Attorney:</u> Will get together with Mr. Benavidez and put language together in agreement.

*AJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Sanchez: Motion to adjourn special Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Frost: Seconds the motion.

All in favor: MOTION CARRIED Meeting adjourned at 9:03 PM

Julia DuCharme –Madam Chair

Genell Morris – Administrative Assistant

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