

December 12, 2023
Regular Meeting

The Colfax County Board of Commissioners met on this date in Regular Session in the Commission Chambers with the following members present:

Si Trujillo, Chairman
Mary Lou Kern, Vice-Chairman
Bret Wier, Member
Rayetta M. Trujillo, County Clerk

1. Call to Order

Chairman Trujillo called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Kern led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Salute to the New Mexico Flag

Commissioner Wier led the Salute to the New Mexico Flag.

4. Approve Agenda

Chairman Trujillo asked if there were any corrections or changes to the agenda. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Approve Special Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, and Special Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2023

Chairman Trujillo asked if the Commissioners had any comments or corrections on the Special Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, and Special Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2023. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, Public Hearing Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2023, and Special Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2023, as presented. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Recognize Visitors

Chairman Trujillo thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Others present: Amadeo Soto, Regina Slade, Sara Torres, Leonard Baca, Tina Colangelo, Virginia Strohm, Roger Smith, Todd Tatum, Carol Bridge, Jun Roh, Jacque Boyd, Tammy Brandfas, Diane Garcia, Cheryl Hannsen, Dean Williamson, Christina Ngudean, Brandy Dietz, Ron Manniks, Ambrosia Trujillo, David Wentling, John Foreman, Nathaniel Sandoval, Debbie Ortiz, Ashley Medina, Tiana Romero, Tom Vigil, Jay Mitchell, Jun Roh and via electronic device – Mike Provine.

7. Public Comment

Chairman Trujillo asked if there were any requests or responses from the audience on anything that was not on the agenda. Tom Vigil, Emergency Manager, reported the Cooks Peak Project has been completed and the project has been closed. Tammy Brandfas reported on the Maxwell gravel project and reported they have been working non-stop on the project. She stated the project should be completed on Friday and they have hauled over 700 trucks of gravel, and all staff have been working on this project, unless other issues have come up.

8. Discuss/Action – Update YES Program, Debbie Ortiz

Debbie Ortiz, YES Program Director stated she was unsure what the Commission wanted her to report on, as she has never reported to the Commission before. Debbie stated they are currently serving 65 families in Colfax County. Debbie stated they have received \$60,000 in grants for mental health. Chairman Trujillo asked about the recent community baby shower. Debbie stated the state had put on a community baby shower in Espanola and it was too far for individuals to travel, so she held one in Raton and stated approximately 20 people participated in the shower. Debbie advised the commission the Health Council

meets every second Wednesday of the month and invited the commission to attend their meetings. Debbie also mentioned the YES program was also involved in the Trick or Trunk this year.

9. Discuss/Action – Update DWI Program, Ambrosia Trujillo

Ambrosia Trujillo reported that Jessica Candelario has 57 clients she serves, and Jack Lock is working in the Raton Middle School dealing with Prevention and hopes to get into Angel Fire next year. Ambrosia also reported that Tanelle Phillips is handling the treatment classes. Ambrosia stated Concha Montano is the evaluator for the program. Commissioner Wier asked about the DWI trends and Ambrosia stated she did not have anything at this time but could get the trends from the State. Commissioner Wier stated he was interested in the Colfax County only. Sheriff Baca stated they are making 2-3 DWI arrests a month.

10. Discuss/Action – Professional Service Contract Between Colfax County DWI Program and Concha Montano, Montano Concha Consulting

Ambrosia stated Concha Montano is the evaluator for the program and is requesting her contract be renewed. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve the Professional Service Contract between Colfax County DWI Program and Concha Montano, Montano Concha Consulting. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Discuss/Action – Approve Expenditures

General Fund	\$717,744.28
General Hold Harmless GRT	\$0.00
Hold Harmless GRT	\$0.00
Corrections Fund	\$90,278.90
County Property Valuation	\$9,542.42
Vermejo Debt Service	\$0.00
County Road Department	\$95,379.36
French Tract Fire Fund	\$2,520.69
Miami Fire Fund	\$631.09
Farley Fire Fund	\$17,209.46
Ute Park Fire Fund	\$747.46
Philmont Fire Fund	\$908.64
Moreno Valley Fire Fund	\$13,170.09
County Fire Marshal Fire Fund	\$3,551.68
Rapid Response Fire Fund	\$613.98
Vermejo Park Fire Fund	\$223.21
Moreno Valley Wildfire	\$0.00
Farley Wildfire Suppression	\$0.00
French Tract Wildfire Suppression	\$0.00
Miami Wildfire Suppression	\$0.00
Philmont Wildfire Suppression	\$0.00
Ute Park Wildfire Suppression	\$0.00
Vermejo Wildfire Suppression	\$0.00
CC Rapid Response Wildfire Suppression	\$0.00
Fire Marshal Wildfire Suppression	\$0.00
Law Enforcement Protection	\$24,227.80
Law Enforcement Recruitment	\$266.80
Lodgers Tax	\$1,732.71
YES Program	\$17,551.49
YES, BHSD Prevention	\$7,684.26
Maternal/Child Healthcare	\$0.00
NM Transportation Grants	\$83,245.19
WIPP	\$0.00
Legislative Appropriations	\$0.00
Indigent Care Gross Receipts	\$10,290.00
Fire Protection – Fire Excise Tax	\$0.00

Community DWI – TSB	\$0.00
DWI Distribution	\$10,691.00
LDWI Grant	\$0.00
State Farm	\$0.00
DWI-ALC	\$0.00
Recording/Filing Fund	\$0.00
American Rescue Plan Act	\$10,576.89
Sheriff Forfeiture Fund	\$0.00
MCMC Hospital Fund	\$0.00
Capital Improvement	\$308,081.87
CAP IMP HHGRT/2015	\$0.00
Angel Fire Airport Improvements	\$0.00
Angel Fire Airport FFA	\$0.00
Tiger Grant IX	\$0.00
Revenue Bonds Debt Service	\$0.00
Bond Series Jud Ctr	\$0.00
French Tract Debt Service	\$0.00
Miami Fire Debt Service	\$0.00
Philmont Debt Service	\$0.00
Moreno Fire Debt Service	\$0.00
VMDC/NMFA Loan	\$0.00
Dist. 8 Debt Service	\$0.00
Vermejo Debt Service	\$0.00
Solid Waste Fees	\$43,780.10
Colfax County Airport Operations	\$10,458.00
Total	\$1,486,311.26

Commissioner Wier stated he would be abstaining from voting as he did not have the time to review the expenditures. Commissioner Kern questioned the purchase of a stroller and was told it was taken out of the wrong line item and it was for the Community Baby Shower. Commissioner Kern also questioned the YLAW invoice and was told by Manager Gore it was a personnel issue and could not be discussed. Commissioner Kern also pointed out that the amount budgeted for legal fees was \$100,000.00 and the County has already spent \$106,000.00 plus in five months. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve the Approve Expenditures as presented. Chairman Trujillo seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – abstained, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

12. Discuss/Action - Approve Expenditures Pursuant to Resolution #2022-49

Chairman Trujillo made a motion to Approve Expenditures for November Pursuant to Resolution #2022-49. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – abstain, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

13. Discuss/Action – Indigent Care Claims

Tiana Romero stated there were two claims, Cases Number 2023-25 submitted from the VMDC in the amount of 4,385.00 to MCMC for a total of \$4,385.00 and case 2023-26 for a cremation in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Riverside Funeral Home and both claims meet all the requirements of the Indigent Care. Commissioner Wier made a motion to approve the Indigent Care Claims as presented. Chairman Trujillo seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried unanimously.

14. Discuss/Action – Memorandum of Agreement Between Colfax County and The Greater Raton Economic Development Cooperation Doing Business as GrowRaton

Brandy Dietz from GrowRaton stated she was bringing this draft MOA forward between Colfax County and GrowRaton for the services they have been providing Colfax County with for the past few months. Chairman Trujillo stated he did not feel the County could go back and pay for services rendered as an MOA had not been approved and would need to research this issue with the Financial Specialist and get back with the board. Chairman Trujillo recommended this item be postponed until January. Commissioner Wier

made a motion to postpone until the first meeting in January 2024. Commissioner Kern seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

15. Discuss/Action – Approval of the 2024 Colfax County Holiday Schedule

Chairman Trujillo stated complaints have been made regarding the County being closed for several days at a time and asked if Veteran's Day could be changed from observing the holiday on a Monday to observing it on Tuesday. Commissioner Kern stated it is a federal holiday and the Post Office and Banks observe that day and are closed. Commissioner Kern questioned why the word observed is after Veterans Day. Rayetta Trujillo stated the day prior and the day after a holiday is very slow in the offices as people are traveling and a lot of business is not conducted. Chairman Trujillo made a motion to approve the 2024 Colfax County Holiday Schedule. Commissioner Kern seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

Tina Colangelo questioned which schedule was approved and was told it was the one with Juneteenth celebrated on June 19th.

16. Discuss/Action – Ordinance 2023-02, An Ordinance Regulating the Siting and Permitting of Wireless Telecommunication Facilities

Commissioner Kern stated since changes have been made to the Ordinance, the 30 days would need to start over again. Chairman Trujillo made a motion to postpone Ordinance 2023-02, An Ordinance Regulating the Siting and Permitting of Wireless Telecommunication Facilities. Commissioner Kern seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

17. Discuss/Action – Resolution 2023-41, Small Wireless Facility Design Guidelines

This item was postponed under #16.

18. Discuss/Action – Resolution 2023-42, Fees for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities

This item was postponed under #16.

19. Discuss/Action – Resolution 2023-43, A Resolution in the Matter of Repealing Resolution #'s 2022-11 and 2017-27 and Dissolving the Advisory Committee for The Colfax County Airport @ Angel Fire

Manager Gore stated that he is bringing this to the Commission. Manager Gore stated that significant progress has been made at the airport but right now we are at a crossroads, and he believes the county should seek expertise and professionals to move the airport forward. Manager Gore thanked the committee for their service. Manager Gore stated that there has been some toxicity with committee members, and he believes it is in the best interest of the county to dissolve the committee and requested the Commission dissolve the Airport Advisory Committee. Jacque Boyd, Jay Mitchelle, and Cheryl Hannsen spoke against dissolving the committee. Commissioner Wier stated that he was not aware this was going to be on the agenda until he saw the agenda. Commissioner Wier stated that he has had discussions for over a year with Manager Gore over dissolving this committee because of the toxicity this group has brought to the county. Commissioner Wier stated that he has fought for this committee for over a year but in light of recent things that have happened he is not going to fight to retain this committee. Commissioner Wier stated that members of this committee have stated that the airport needs to fail, have referred to the county as Nazi, members have been attacked by other members and members have belittled county staff. Commissioner Wier stated that the airport is the largest opportunity we have for economic growth, and he thinks it is time to take a different approach and bring in professional consultants that can help move the airport forward and he is in support of dissolving this committee. Commissioner Kern stated that the Commission was not aware that this was going to be on the agenda and thinks this needed to be discussed before being brought to the Commission for a vote. Commissioner Kern stated that the airport is a big piece for the county to have economic growth and it is essential to the valley. Commissioner Kern stated that there is a lot of knowledge and background with the committee members and strong personalities, and everyone needs to have the desire to work together and feels that this administration does not have the desire to work with the committee. Commissioner Kern stated that she is not in favor of dissolving this committee. Manager Gore stated that when you have negative personalities, they damage employees and the organization. Manager Gore stated that the committee also violated the county policy and anti-donation by giving a county courtesy car to anyone that flew into the airport. Chairman Trujillo apologized to the committee for not being properly informed of this being on the agenda. Chairman Trujillo stated that he has interest in the whole county and the valley is important to Colfax County. Chairman Trujillo stated that the airport is an economic development opportunity, and he does see the importance of the airport. Chairman Trujillo stated that he is

not perry to the toxicity as much as Commissioner Weir and Manager Gore are, but he has seen it when he has zoomed into the meetings, and through some of the e-mails that have been sent out to the whole community. Chairman Trujillo stated that he is in support of dissolving the committee at this time, but he is in favor of bringing it back at a later time. Chairman Trujillo stated that he will continue to work with the Angel Fire Resort, the Village of Angel Fire, and the Village of Eagle Nest for the greater good of the Moreno Valley. Commissioner Wier made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-43, A Resolution in the Matter of Repealing Resolution #'s 2022-11 and 2017-27 and Dissolving the Advisory Committee for The Colfax County Airport @ Angel Fire. Chairman Trujillo seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – nay, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried 2 – 1.

20. Discuss/Action – Ports to Plains Alliance 2024 Membership Dues

Chairman Trujillo stated that he asked for this to be on the agenda, and he is asking to rejoin the membership and the membership dues are reasonable. Chairman Trujillo stated that the yearly dues are \$1,238.00 and this gives us a board seat on the Ports to Plains Alliance. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve the Ports to Plains Alliance 2024 Membership Dues. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

At 10:25 a.m. Chairman Trujillo recessed the meeting until 10:30 a.m.
Chairman Trujillo called the meeting back to order at 10:35 a.m.

21. Discuss/Action Amendment to Addendum 1, Vigil Maldonado Detention Center Detainee Handbook

Warden Slade stated that her changes are in blue, and the attorney changes are in red. Chairman Trujillo stated that page 28 should be stricken. Chairman Trujillo stated that if there are any changes made it should come to the Commission. Chairman Trujillo made a motion to approve the Amendment to Addendum 1, Vigil Maldonado Detention Center Detainee Handbook with striking page 28. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

22. Discuss/Action – Amendment to Programs & Services Policy, Vigil Maldonado Detention Center

No action taken approved in item # 21.

23. Discuss/Action – Salary Increase, Vigil Maldonado Detention Center

Warden Slade stated that her employees make less than any other facility. Warden Slade stated she has a good staff and they have worked hard with the accreditation and with being shorthanded she believes they deserve a raise. It was discussed that the funds would come from the fees collected by the Detention Center for the housing of inmates and it would start on January 1, 2024. Commissioner Wier made a motion to approve the Salary Increase, Vigil Maldonado Detention Center. Chairman Trujillo seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

24. Discuss/Action – Approval of Lieutenant Job Description, Colfax County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Baca stated that this is just a job description for a Lieutenant as they did not have one. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve the Approval of Lieutenant Job Description, Colfax County Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

25. Discuss/Action – State of NM Office of the State Engineer Fund A21F2992 Capital Appropriation Project Amendment No. 01

Virginia Strohm stated that this is for the appropriation for the geohydrology study and the amendment is for the reporting of grant money to be moved from monthly to quarterly. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve the State of NM Office of the State Engineer Fund A21F2992 Capital Appropriation Project Amendment No. 01. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

26. Discuss/Action – Award RFB #2023-06, Chicorica Low Water Crossing

Virginia Strohm stated that the committee met and reviewed the bids, and they are recommending awarding the bid to Rocky Road who was the lowest bid. Chairman Trujillo made a motion to approve the Award RFB #2023-06, Chicorica Low Water Crossing. Commissioner Kern seconded the motion. Chairman

Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried unanimously.

27. Discuss/Action – Task Order No. 2, Molzen-Corbin & Engineering Services, Airfield Lighting Rehab

Mike Provine stated that this task order is for the lighting at the Angel Fire Airport which includes the rotating beacon and wind cone. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve Task Order No. 2, Molzen Corbin & Engineering Services, Airfield Lighting Rehab. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

28. Discuss/Action – Task Order No. 3, Molzen-Corbin Engineering Services, Aircraft Hanger Design and Construction Administration

Mike Provine stated that this task order is for the hanger design and construction administration services for the hanger at the Angel Fire Airport. Commissioner Kern made a motion to approve Task Order No. 3, Molzen-Corbin Engineering Services, Aircraft Hanger Design and Construction Administration. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried.

29. Closed Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978 10-15-1H (2), Limited Personnel Matters, Colfax County Manager Evaluation

Commissioner Wier made a motion to go into Closed Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1H (2), Limited Personnel Matters, Colfax County Manager Evaluation. Chairman Trujillo seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried unanimously. The Board went into Executive Session at 11:03 a.m. Present in Executive Session: Si Trujillo, Mary Lou Kern, Bret Wier, Monte Gore, and Jun Roh.

30. Discuss/Action - Open Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978 10-15-1H (2), Limited Personnel Matters, Colfax County Manager Evaluation

At 11:24 a.m. Commissioner Wier made a motion to return to Open Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1H (2), Limited Personnel Matters, Colfax County Manager Evaluation. Chairman Trujillo seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo stated the matters discussed in the closed meeting were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure or in the notice of the separate closed meeting. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried. Chairman Trujillo stated no action was taken.

31. Managers' Docket

Manager Gore acknowledged Warden Slade and the Detention Center with moving forward toward accreditation. Manager Gore stated that they received a grant in the amount of \$ 940,000.00 for the Event Center. Manager Gore stated that Vermejo, Farley, and Philmont Fire Station have received grants. Manager Gore stated that they are moving forward with the fence at Black Lake. Manager Gore thanked the Road Department for the project in Maxwell and stated they are doing an incredible job. Manager Gore stated that himself and Fire Marshal Nate Sandoval had a meeting with the State Fire Marshal and there is concern over the Ute Park Fire Station as there are not too many volunteers and there is a possibility of consolidating with another fire station. Manager Gore stated that the building for the Clerk's office has been purchased and he is working with County Clerk Trujillo on security for the building. Manager Gore stated that a safety committee has been established and thanked County Clerk Trujillo for stepping up to help with this.

32. Commissioners' Docket

Commissioner Kern stated that she was contacted by Mayor Boe Lopez about a road and requested that the Road Superintendent meet with Mayor Lopez to discuss the issue. Commissioner Kern stated that she respects the majority vote to dissolve the Airport Advisory Committee, but she believes there will be a divide with the valley and thinks this will be detrimental. Commissioner Kern asked if the pickle ball group is using the Event Center and if they are paying a fee because she doesn't want to be in violation of the anti-donation. County Attorney Jun Roth stated that he reviewed the contract and if they provide in kind services to the public we are not in violation of the anti-donation. Commissioner Kern asked if this came before the Commission and believes this should have been in place before they used the facility. Commissioner Kern

asked that an agreement be drafted and retroactive to when they started using the facility and be brought to the Commission for approval. Jun stated that he would draft an agreement and have it brought to the Commission for approval.

Commissioner Wier requested an update on the solid waste vendor. Manager Gore stated that solid waste is still an issue, and he is working on a solution, and he will bring this to the Commission in January. Commissioner Wier asked for an update on the Miami Lane road at the next meeting and requested the Road Department stay on top of maintaining the road since it is being utilized more. Commissioner Wier requested that a discussion about moving the district from 3 to 5 be put on the next agenda. Commissioner Wier stated that the decision about the Airport Advisory Committee was the right thing to do and the Commission does recognize the importance of the airport. Commissioner Wier stated that this is not a step back, it is a change in direction to have a more positive environment at the airport.

Chairman Trujillo thanked his fellow Commissioners for all that they do. Chairman Trujillo stated that he continues to get complaints about the County offices being closed and he has encouraged the constituents to come to a meeting for public comment. Chairman Trujillo asked for an update on the Tiger Grant and stated that the county is owed funds, and he would like to know when the county anticipates getting the funds returned. Chairman Trujillo stated that the reason we did not get the RASE grant is because of population and the need for funding and has asked for approval of the RASE grant. Chairman Trujillo stated that the plans for a fire station at the airport is still being work on. Chairman Trujillo stated that the CDS snow removal is dead in the water. Chairman Trujillo stated that he will be applying for the Direct Congressional Spending again and Commissioner Wier stated that he also put in for Congressional Direct Spending and he would like it to be included. Chairman Trujillo requested that the marijuana growth policy be amended and requested the safety policy be on the next agenda. Chairman Trujillo stated that the road vacation fees also need to be addressed and discussed. Chairman Trujillo asked for an update on the digitization of the records. County Clerk Trujillo stated that the HR records and the Probate records are back and finished and the process is ongoing. Chairman Trujillo thanked all the Fire Fighters and First Responders for all that they do and stated that he had a meeting with constituents at the Fire Station. Chairman Trujillo stated that the attended the MCMC Minor Day event at the hospital. Chairman Trujillo asked the manager to discuss the animal shelter and stated that he believes the incorporated areas of the county should have their own policy in place. Chairman Trujillo encourage the other Commissioner to read articles in the World Journal about the animal shelter in Trinidad closing and the cost of having an animal shelter. Chairman Trujillo requested the manager email a list of legislative priorities to the Commissioners and asked the Commissioner to reach out to our representatives. Chairman Trujillo stated that there has been no progress on Golden Spread, and he doesn't like to leave contracts outstanding and suggested this be brought back to the Commission. Chairman Trujillo stated that he attended an outdoor recreation event in Trinidad. Chairman Trujillo suggested that there be a letter of recognition for the Angel Fire Resort for their assistance in applying for the RASE grant. Chairman Trujillo stated that the county is going to be applying for a \$ 100,000.00 grant thru the state broadband office. Chairman Trujillo stated that on Friday December 15,2023 he will be attending a meeting with the state broadband office which will be held at Raton City Hall.

33. Adjourn

Commissioner Kern made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Wier seconded the motion. Chairman Trujillo asked for a roll call vote, the Clerk polled the Commissioners. Commissioner Kern – aye, Commissioner Wier – aye, and Chairman Trujillo – aye. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

COLFAX COUNTY BOARD COMMISSIONERS



ATTEST:

Si Trujillo
Chairman
Mary Lee Gore
Vice-Chairman
Barbara
Member

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Clerk of the Board