

**CHAVES COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2025  
CHAVES COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER – JOSEPH R SKEEN BUILDING  
#1 ST. MARY'S PLACE, ROSWELL, NM 88203**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Perry called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Corn led the pledge, and Commissioner Dana led in prayer.

**DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Those present in the Commission Chambers were Commissioners Perry, Dana, Waide, and Corn. Also present were County Manager, Bill Williams, County Attorney, Stan Riggs, Detention Center Director, Michael Brisco, Purchasing Director, Analicia Nieto, Road Supervisor, Joe West, IT Director, Andrew Rey, Chief Finance Officer, Anabel Barraza, County Clerk, Cindy Fuller, County Treasurer, Chanel Rey, Planning and Zoning Director, Louis Jaramillo, Safety Director, Joseph Cobos, media, staff, and guests.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE THE AGENDA  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 26, 2025.  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**PROCLAMATIONS**

**SAFE AND SOUND WEEK IN CHAVES COUNTY**

Mr. Williams, Chaves County Manager, read the proclamation declaring August 11-17, 2025, as Safe and Sound Week in Chaves County. Joseph Cobos, Chaves County Safety Director, was presented the proclamation and took photos with the Commissioners. The names of those receiving the Milestone awards were read off.

**PRESENTATIONS AND AGENCY UPDATES**

**CHAVES COUNTY TREASURER – CHANEL REY**

Mrs. Rey introduced her new Chief Deputy, Ernest Alford.

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS**

*Jason Burke – District 7 Commander*

Trees were planted on the Chaves County walking trail for the 125<sup>th</sup> day of service. Mr. Burke presented a certificate of appreciation to the Commission. He read the certificate out loud. Photos were taken with the Commissioners.

**CHAVES COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE**

*Tamara Shubert, County Program Director, FCS/4-H Agent*

Ms. Shubert gave an update on Fair Week. The sale is tomorrow evening. This is the biggest week for the kids as they display their hard work. Drew has accepted another position, so the Ag position is now open and will be posted next month.

**ROSWELL – CHAVES COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

*Mike Espiritu, EDC President*

Mr. Espiritu gave an update on the Air Races. Ticket sales are good. They held a vendor meeting to help businesses be ready to serve a lot of people. It’s coming together well. One class will not be racing this year. They are estimating between 60 and 80,000 people here for the races. They are encouraging businesses to be open. He attended the Site Selector’s Guild in Santa Fe. He gave an update on the medical community and the issue of retaining doctors in NM. The EDC is having a gala next week to celebrate Chaves County businesses.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**1. CASE #Z2025-03**

*Presenter: Louis Jaramillo, Planning and Zoning Director*

The applicants wish to rezone a small parcel of land located at the intersection of Crossroads and Old Dexter Highway from Ag-Res to Commercial. This parcel contains the abandoned Crossroads store, along with a residential home and accessory structures. The new property owners converted the old store into a small restaurant. A restaurant is not a permitted use in the Ag-Res district and therefore requires a zone change to Commercial. If approved, the home would be considered an accessory use to the restaurant along with the other structures. The P&Z Commission recommended approval of Case Z2025-03, a zone change from “Zone B” Ag-Res to “Zone C” Type 2 Commercial, by a vote of 4-0 based on Finding of Facts 1-4 stated in Staff’s Report. Commissioner Perry opened the public meeting for public comments.

IN FAVOR: Richard McCay, one of the owners of Crossroads Express

Michael Brisco, 3891 E. Hobson Road, Roswell, NM

OPPOSED: None

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE CASE #Z2025-03 TO INCLUDE THE FINDINGS OF FACTS 1-4  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**2. CASE #Z2006-10**

*Presenter: Louis Jaramillo, Planning and Zoning Director*

In late January 2025, staff amended Mr. and Mrs. Hellums’ specific use to include “storage of wind turbine blades” to their “storage of equipment and supplies”, after receiving a request from Dorothy Hellums. In March, staff discovered the wind blades were being reduced to small pieces with a “shredder” that was being used on the site. Staff contacted the NM Air Quality Division, which stated they do not regulate the recycling of wind blades. Staff then contacted the NM Solid Waste Bureau, which stated they don’t regulate this type of use. Staff also contacted the NM Hazardous Waste Bureau, which stated they don’t consider fiberglass an issue. Finally, Staff contacted the EPA, which noted there are no regulations on this matter. Staff continued to receive complaints from the neighbors, so staff sent out a “stop work order” in April and May 2025. Cody Earle and Jerrod Hellums, owners of Destructible LLC, wish to continue the recycling operation at this location as is. Access to Tract 4 is from 6223 Devonian Rd., owned by Mr. and Mrs. Hellums. The operation consists of taking large pieces and chopping them down into manageable

small pieces. The pieces are then piled up and stored on site until they are shipped off to Oklahoma for further recycling. The P&Z Commission recommended approval, with the four (4) Conditions of Approval, by a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Jaramillo stated that the applicant, Dorothy Hellums, submitted a letter requesting that this case not be considered. Mr. Williams read the letter out loud. A letter was also received from Mr. Fugate opposing this case.

Commissioner Perry asked those present in opposition for a show of hands as well as any in favor.

IN FAVOR: None

OPPOSED: 17 members of the audience were present

Louis Jaramillo stated that this will terminate all recommendations that the Planning and Zoning Commission made. This prevents the shredding and recycling, but they can still store. They have removed the shredding machine completely. They were given two weeks to remove all the shredded material, and they have just a small pile left, which they are still trying to remove. Commissioner Perry asked if there is an end date for when they are supposed to be off the property or when this project is supposed to be terminated. Mr. Jaramillo stated they will give them two weeks from today and will limit the length of the storage to the Commission's preferred time frame if they'd like. This can be discussed at a later time as an amendment to the permitted change. Mr. Williams clarified that this is a temporary ability to store them there, which Mr. Jaramillo will continue to work on as it evolves, but there is no shredding of windmill blades. Commissioner Perry advised those with additional comments or questions to get with Mr. Jaramillo. No action was taken by the Commission.

## **B. AGREEMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **3. AGREEMENT A-25-022 BETWEEN CHAVES COUNTY AND LA CASA**

*Presenter: Bill Williams, Chaves County Manager*

This agreement is between Chaves County and La Casa for the lease of the building located at 1511 S. Grand. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE AGREEMENT A-25-022  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

### **4. AGREEMENT A-25-023 BETWEEN CHAVES COUNTY AND DIANE TAYLOR**

*Presenter: Bill Williams, Chaves County Manager*

This agreement is between Chaves County and Diane Taylor for the lease of the office space located at 1600 SE Main, Suite D-2, Office 2. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE AGREEMENT A-25-023  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

### **5. AGREEMENT A-25-024 BETWEEN CHAVES COUNTY AND SENIOR OLYMPICS**

*Presenter: Bill Williams, Chaves County Manager*

This agreement is between Chaves County and Senior Olympics for the lease of the building located at 1600 SE Main, Suite C. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE AGREEMENT A-25-024  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**6. AGREEMENT A-25-025 BETWEEN CHAVES COUNTY AND THE ROSWELL REFUGE**

*Presenter: Bill Williams, Chaves County Manager*

This agreement is between Chaves County and The Roswell Refuge for the lease of the building located at 1306 West College. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE AGREEMENT A-25-025  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN.  
OPPOSED: NONE

**7. AGREEMENT A-25-026 BETWEEN CHAVES COUNTY AND TOBOSA**

*Presenter: Bill Williams, Chaves County Manager*

This agreement is between Chaves County and Tobosa for the lease of the building located at 110 E. Summit Street. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE AGREEMENT A-25-026  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**8. AGREEMENT A-25-027 BETWEEN CHAVES COUNTY AND TOBOSA**

*Presenter: Bill Williams, Chaves County Manager*

This agreement is between Chaves County and Tobosa for the lease of the building located at 1021 S. Hahn Avenue. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE AGREEMENT A-25-027  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**9. AGREEMENT A-25-028 BETWEEN CHAVES COUNTY AND THE ROSWELL REFUGE**

*Presenter: Bill Williams, Chaves County Manager*

This agreement is between Chaves County and The Roswell Refuge for the lease of the building located at 1215 N. Garden. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE AGREEMENT A-25-028  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**10. RESOLUTION R-25-031 – BUDGET ADJUSTMENT RESOLUTION FOR FY25**

*Presenter: Anabel Barraza, Chief Financial Officer*

The Finance Department is requesting a budget adjustment for the line items listed in Exhibit A. These adjustments reflect the receipt of an EMS Grant for the Sierra Fire Department, a Law Enforcement Retention Fund grant, and the reclassification of personnel expenses from the Road Fund to the Environmental Fund for a full-time employee. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RESOLUTION R-25-031  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**11. RESOLUTION R-25-033 – APPROVAL OF FINAL BUDGET FY 2025-2026**

*Presenter: Anabel Barraza, Chief Financial Officer*

An Interim Budget for FY 2026 was approved by Chaves County Commissioners on May 15, 2025. The Final Budget being presented in this agenda item has been amended for final changes, along with unaudited beginning cash balances. Attached for your approval is the final budget recapitulation for fiscal year 2025- 2026. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RESOLUTION R-25-033  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**12. RESOLUTION R-25-034 – FY2025 FIXED ASSET INVENTORY**

*Presenter: Lucia Serrano, Assistant Finance Director*

The new listing link below is as of June 30th, 2025, for all of Chaves County's Fixed Assets. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RESOLUTION R-25-034  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**13. RESOLUTION R-25-035 – FINAL QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT**

*Presenter: Chanel Rey, Chaves County Treasurer*

The New Mexico Department of Finance & Administration (DFA) requires that the 4th Quarter Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, be approved by the governing body. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RESOLUTION R-25-035  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**14. RESOLUTION R-25-036 AND AGREEMENT A-25-030**

*Presenter: Alex Palomino, Public Services Director*

This Local Government Road Fund (LGRF) offer from the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) is for a single penetration chip seal on approximately 20.81 miles of County Roads.

The work will be cost shared as follows:

- NMDOT \$273,495.00
- Chaves County \$ 91,165.00
- Total Project \$ 364,660.00

Upon approval of this resolution the NMDOT will create the cooperative agreement. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RESOLUTION R-25-036 AND AGREEMENT A-25-030  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**15. RESOLUTION R-25-037 AND AGREEMENT A-25-031**

*Presenter: Alex Palomino, Public Services Director*

This Local Government Road Fund (LGRF) offer from the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) is for a single penetration chip seal on approximately 12.75 miles of County Roads.

The work will be cost-shared as follows:

- NMDOT \$147,937.00
- Chaves County \$ 49,312.00
- Total Project \$197,249.00

Upon approval of this resolution, the NMDOT will create the cooperative agreement. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RESOLUTION R-25-037 AND AGREEMENT A-25-031  
 MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
 SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
 IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
 OPPOSED: NONE

**16. RESOLUTION R-25-038 AND AGREEMENT A-25-032**

*Presenter: Alex Palomino, Public Services Director*

This Local Government Road Fund (LGRF) offer from the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) is for a single penetration chip seal on approximately 11.37 miles of County Roads.

The work will be cost-shared as follows:

- NMDOT \$183,516.00
- Chaves County \$ 61,172.00
- Total Project \$244,688.00

Upon approval of this resolution, the NMDOT will create the cooperative agreement. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RESOLUTION R-25-038 AND AGREEMENT A-25-032  
 MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
 SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
 IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
 OPPOSED: NONE

**17. RESOLUTION R-25-039 AND AGREEMENT A-25-033**

*Presenter: Bill Williams, Chaves County Manager*

This Resolution and Agreement will authorize Chaves County's membership in the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District/Council of Governments. Chaves County has budgeted funds for this membership. SNMEDD/COG provides planning, technical assistance, and capacity building services to local governments in southeastern New Mexico. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RESOLUTION R-25-039 AND AGREEMENT A-25-033  
 MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
 SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
 IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
 OPPOSED: NONE

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**18. APPOINTMENT TO THE ROSWELL-CHAVES COUNTY EXTRATERRITORIAL ZONING COMMISSION**

*Presenter: Louis Jaramillo, Planning and Zoning Director*

Per NMSA 3-21-3 and Roswell-Chaves County ETZ Ordinance No.80-1, the Chaves County Board of Commissioners shall appoint three County residents who live in the ETZ Area to the Roswell-Chaves County Extraterritorial Commission to serve a term of one year. The ETZ Commission currently has a county-appointed vacancy due to the passing of Pancho Maples. Staff recommends Mr. Christopher Reid Marley to the ETZ Commission. Mr. Marley is a local landman,

rancher, and business owner. Staff have confirmed Mr. Marley resides in the ETZ area. Also, staff recommend the re-appointment of Rita Kane Doerhoefer and Michael C. Lackey to the ETZ Commission. All three will serve a term of one year.

MOTION MADE TO: APPOINT CHRISTOPHER REID MARLEY AND REAPPOINT RITA KANE DOERHOEFER AND MICHAEL C. LACKEY TO THE ROSWELL-CHAVES COUNTY ETZ COMMISSION  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**19. REQUEST TO RATIFY APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A 644 G-TIER WHEEL LOADER REPLACEMENT FOR FLOOD CONTROL**

*Presenter: Analicia Nieto, Purchasing Director*

The Flood Control Department lost a 644 G-Tier 4IV Wheel Loader in the October 2024 flood. A wheel loader typically takes about 6 months for delivery. In this case, 4 Rivers was aware of our need and was able to secure the purchase for the Wheel Loader at a cost of \$271,947.28. The purchase was approved per Sourcewell Agreement #011723-JDC. Insurance funds received: \$140,000.00, and the remaining balance was approved in the FY26 budget. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE THE REQUEST TO RATIFY APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A 644G-TIER 4IV WHEEL LOADER  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**20. REQUEST FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL – IT DEPARTMENT**

*Presenter: Andrew Rey, IT Director*

Mr. Rey is requesting approval for him and Shane Villanueva to attend Fal.Con 2025, CrowdStrike's annual cybersecurity conference, which is scheduled for September 15– 18, 2025, in Las Vegas, NV. This nationally recognized event provides valuable training on modern cybersecurity practices, operational readiness, and technology innovations relevant to government IT environments. The conference registration is complimentary for two (2) personnel; the only expenses would be for hotel accommodations and transportation. Given the limited cost and the professional value offered, he believes this represents a strong training opportunity. This will allow their team to divide session coverage, maximize learning, and apply the training more effectively across their department. Fal.Con includes sessions on secure infrastructure, threat detection, and IT operations best practices. The content is broadly applicable to public sector IT and will support continued development of our internal capabilities. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE OUT OF STATE TRAVEL FOR IT STAFF  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**21. RATIFICATION OF OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL – BRYAN, TEXAS**

*Presenters: Janet Garcia, Sheriff's Administrator*

The Chaves County Sheriff's Office is requesting ratification of authorization to send Lieutenant Charles Drake to an Emergency Vehicle Operations Instructor Course on July 20, 2025, through July 25, 2025. The training is presented by Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service and consists of 50 hours of training in instructing basic emergency vehicle operations. This course will help provide a certified instructor for the CCSO to train all deputies in the basic operations of emergency vehicle driving. As of now, NMDPS training for emergency vehicle operations is only mandated through the Academy and does not offer advanced training after graduation. The cost of this training is \$850.00 plus hotel and per diem. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE RATIFICATION FOR OUT OF STATE TRAVEL FOR SO STAFF  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**22. REQUEST FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL - CCDC**

*Presenter: Michael Brisco, Detention Center Director*

Michael Brisco is requesting approval for one (1) more staff member for out-of-state travel for the 33rd annual National Gang Violence Conference held August 18 -22, 2025, in Anaheim, CA. This Conference was approved through budget for three staff however they were able to fill the vacant position in their Classification department and believe this will not only educate and train their classification department on current events but will give them the necessary skills and knowledge of any up in coming gangs to be on the lookout for to stop any potential problems before they develop. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE OUT OF STATE TRAVEL  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**23. APPOINTMENT TO NEW AND CURRENT DWI PLANNING COUNCIL VOTING MEMBERS**

*Presenter: Elly Hollon, DWI Coordinator*

According to the Chaves County DWI Program Charter, DWI Planning Council Voting Members must be appointed by the Board of Commissioners in June every odd year. The attached membership forms list the current voting members and two recommendations for new voting members. The Chaves County DWI Planning Council would like to submit two (2) new Voting Member nominees for approval:

- ❖ Sergeant Steven Farmer- New Mexico State Police
- ❖ Mike Morales- L&F Distributors

With this approval, the Chaves County DWI Planning Council will remain at ten (10) approved Voting Members. Staff recommends approval.

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT STEVEN FARMER AND MIKE MORALES  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS: PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**APPROVAL OF CHECKS**

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE CHECKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,014,543.15  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER WAIDE  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**APPROVAL OF REPORTS**

MOTION MADE TO: APPROVE REPORTS  
MOTION MADE BY: COMMISSIONER DANA  
SECOND MADE BY: COMMISSIONER CORN  
IN FAVOR: COMMISSIONERS PERRY, DANA, WAIDE, AND CORN  
OPPOSED: NONE

**UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATIONS ARE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER VISITOR NOT TO EXCEED 15 MINUTES. NO FORMAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY THE COMMISSION.**

Jesse Chavez, 221 Rocosco Rd., Roswell, NM

Mr. Chavez is here representing the neighborhood watch program. He asked that W. Country Club and Adobe Mesa roads receive repairs due to flooding. He also requests that something be done with the structure of the Berrendo Creek. Additional comments were made about flood damage and requested repairs.

Deborah Hancock - 3204 W. Bland

Ms. Hancock made comments on W. McGaffey Rd. to Sycamore and the Bypass, and asked if there is any way to address the drainage on this road. Alex Palomino stated that several agencies are currently working on this to see what can be done.

**COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Williams stated that we miss Commissioner Taylor as our leader, but Commissioner Perry has done a great job. He reminded everyone about the EDC gala next Wednesday from 11:30 – 1:00. Next week he has been asked to present to the Courts, Corrections, and Justice committee about our concerns and the changes we have made to our Corrections Department. He thanked the entire team at CCDC. Brasher Bridge – about 6 years ago they had a P&Z meeting because someone wanted to put in a concrete business, the community came out, and there were a lot of concerns. During the meeting, it came up that the bridge was unsafe. Mr. Williams went out and looked at the bridge. They aggressively pursued funding, and it was received 100%. That particular legislative outlay was line-item vetoed by the Governor. They again pursued funding and were successful in obtaining it, and it was approved. Last year, flooding delayed this project. The bridge has now been fixed. A lot of departments worked together to get this project completed. The final cost was around \$1.2 million. Government projects take time, but he is thankful whenever they get to do their job. They just got back from Philadelphia and put forth a resolution against the National Interest Electric Transmission Corridor, which opposed a five-mile wide corridor allowing an agency to condemn property without the approval of local governments. There were eight (8) counties in NM and five (5) counties in Colorado, along with co-sponsors from other states, who took this to three (3) separate committees. It was approved in all three committees. It was presented again in the annual meeting and then to the full assembly. They were successful in getting a resolution passed opposing this corridor. He thanked the Commission for fighting this battle.

**COMMISSIONERS' COMMUNICATIONS**

**COMMISSIONER DANA**

Commissioner Dana stated they are each on different committees, but Counties come together throughout the Nation and make people aware of these issues in Santa Fe and Washington, and this is why it's so important for us to have a voice in Washington. She sits on the New Mexico Counties Board. They represent us not only in NM but also in Washington. We are a voice for you. It's important to have this resolution passed. We have great voices in NM. You can be very proud that we are standing up locally and on the national scene. She thanked all the staff for the support they give to the public and for keeping the Commissioners informed. Our staff has great knowledge. We take the budget very seriously. Chaves County sets the standard for all the other counties because we work together and we work on the issues.

**COMMISSIONER WAIDE**

Commissioner Waide stated he would like to echo Commissioner Dana's sentiments. He received an email from a lady on a Friday evening and forwarded it to Mr. West and Mr. Palomino on Saturday, and they met immediately and assessed the problem. He and Alex took a drive out to look at the W. Country Club bridge, and there is a need for something to be done. He thanked Bill for taking the lead on the resolution and standing for private property rights and against government overreach. Commissioner Dana serves on our state association of counties, and we've seen a lot of variation in ideas, and he appreciates her standing up as well. He was fortunate enough to go to Philadelphia, and he stayed an extra day to look at some of our history. It was humbling. He is thankful that we are still One Nation Under God. All the staff in this County are conservative with your money, and it is well looked after. It's great to have the Crossroads store in the community.

**COMMISSIONER CORN**

Commissioner Corn is glad they are going to Washington because he doesn't speak well in front of people. He thanked Joe for the quick response to the road issues. Driving in this morning from outside of town, the sun was coming up, and there was green grass and beautiful countryside. We cuss the rain, but we enjoy looking at the green. He thinks everyone did a good job.

**COMMISSIONER PERRY**

Commissioner Perry thanked everyone for coming to today's meeting. He echoed what Bill and Commissioner Dana said about the electric corridor. It was opposed at a local level. They went to their Congressman in Washington, who were for this, and they are disagreed with by over 3,000 counties in the United States. These people are supposed to be representing us. He thanked Bill and Alex for all they do. He also thanked the newspaper for representing what they do.

**SIGNATURE OF DOCUMENTS**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.



*Cindy Fuller*  
Cindy Fuller, County Clerk

**BOARD OF CHAVES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

*Richard C. Taylor*  
Richard C. Taylor, Chairman

*Michael J. Perry*  
Michael J. Perry, Vice-Chairman

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