

**FINAL COPY  
TORRANCE COUNTY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 11, 2018**

**Present:**                                 **Julia DuCharme, Chair**  
  **Jim Frost, Member**  
  **Javier Sanchez, Member**

**Others Present:**                       **Belinda Garland, County Manager**  
  **Annette Ortiz, Deputy County Manager**  
  **Sylvia Chavez, Admin. Asst.**

**Call to Order:**

Madam Chair DuCharme calls the meeting to order at 9:03 am. Jason Quintana, leads the Pledge of Allegiance and Annette Ortiz gave the Invocation.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**June 27, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes:**

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks for a motion to approve the June 27<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes.

**ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to approve the June 27<sup>th</sup> Regular Commission Meeting Minutes. **Commissioner Frost** seconds the motion. No further discussion, all Commissioners in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Approval of Meeting Agenda:**

**Madam Chair DuCharme** mentions that the Executive Session on the agenda should have the specific name or names of employees of the Managers office.

**Ms. Annette Ortiz** states that the legal advice their office has received states that Managers Office is specific enough. As long as the employee knows that he/she will be discussed in Executive Session.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** states that at the last meeting they were able to specify those employees' names from the manager's office and in previous years it has been done. Madam Chair states that she will look into this further

**Ms. Ortiz** mentions that she was not in attendance for the last Commission meeting and knows that in years past it was not done that way because you cannot name an employee when it comes to personnel issues. On past agenda's the only names that have been stated are those names for pending litigations.

**ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Frost** makes a motion to approve the July 11, 2018 Regular Commission Meeting Agenda. **Commissioner Sanchez** seconds the motion. No further discussion, all Commissioners in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda:**

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. **ACTION**

**TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

**Commissioner Frost** seconds the motion. No further discussion, all Commissioners in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Public Request\*:**

At the Discretion of the Commission Chair, for information only (**No Action Can Be Taken**), Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person.

**Fred Sanchez, Tajiique** asks the Commission when they will have a decision on the Right to Work ordinance.

**County Manager Garland** states that the legal opinion was just given to herself and the Commission yesterday and this will be placed on the next agenda for the Commission to make their decision.

**ACTION ITEMS\*:**

***ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AND ACTED UPON***

Public Comment, each item: At the Discretion of the Commission Chair, comments are limited to two (2) minutes per person.

**\*Public Hearing:**

**1. The Torrance County Commission will hold a Public Hearing to Consider the Application for renewal of a Special Waste Permit to allow Special Waste Disposal, Inc. to Continue Operations at their landfill facility located within the NE4 of the NW4 of the NE4 of Section 19 & the W2 of the NW4 & the NE4 of the NW4 of Section 20 T2N R8E, NMPM being 91 Liberty Valley Road.**

**a) Special Waste Permit Renewal**

**Steve Guetschow-Planning and Zoning Coordinator**, informs the Commission that this public hearing is for the annual renewal for the special waste permit for the asbestos land fill south of Mountainair. This part of the compliance that Special Waste Disposal, Inc. must go through on an annual basis to have their permit renewed with the County as well as with NMED. This has gone before the Planning and Zoning board and did receive a do pass recommendation to the Commission.

At this time since legal counsel is not here, Mr. Guetschow swears in those speaking during the public hearing process

Mr. Guetschow swears in Mr. Adrian Montano of Special Waste Disposal Inc.,

**Adrian Montano** thanks the Commission for the long standing relationship his company and the County has had. He looks forward to a continued working relationship with the County.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks Mr. Guetschow to go over the exhibits in the meeting packet

**Mr. Guetschow** explains that Exhibit 1 is: Application package including NMED Solid Waste Facility inspection report dated 3/8/2018 received April 18, 2018. Exhibit 2 is: Public Notice posted & distributed for P&Z Board meeting. Exhibit 3 is: P&Z Board minutes, Staff report photos and recommendation report to the Commission. Exhibit 4 is: Public Notice advertised, posted and distributed for the July 11, 2018 Public Hearing. Documentation hereto attached.

There was no public comment either for or against this renewal for Special Waste Disposal Inc.

**ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Frost** makes a motion to approve the Application for

KEERS to continue their Solid Waste Permit. **Commissioner Sanchez** seconds the motion.

**Nick Sedillo, Risk Management** states that he is not speaking for or against but would like to give a little bit of history of the relationship with Special Waste Disposal Inc., (a/k/a KEERS),

fees generated from this site has been what has funded the Safety Committee, this allows us to purchase safety equipment for different departments in the County.

Commission votes, All in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

***\*Commission Matters:***

**2. Memorandum of Understanding between Torrance County and the City of Moriarty for Use of Semi for CDL Training**

**County Manager Garland** brings before the Commission the MOU for the City of Moriarty to utilize the County's semi-truck for CDL training. The MOU is the standard agreement, in the language of the MOU the City of Moriarty will have to insure the semi-truck when in use.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks Ms. Garland what she thinks of the MOU.

**County Manager Garland** states that she went over this MOU with Dennis and one of the main concerns was the insurance on the vehicle it is covered in the language of the MOU. Ms. Garland feels the importance of having public servants properly trained on these vehicles to be able to properly do their jobs and the County should be a good neighbor and help out the municipalities in any way that we can.

**Commissioner Sanchez** asks if there will be a cost to the County.

**County Manager Garland** states that the only cost would be to get the semi-truck to them.

**Leonard Lujan, Road Forman** mentions that the only cost will be to get the vehicle to and from Moriarty and an hour of the employee's time to get the vehicle there and back. The City will fuel the semi-truck up while they are using it. The semi-truck that will be used for this will be a spare semi-truck that the County has for emergency use. They will not use one of the new trucks the County uses on a daily basis.

**County Manager Garland** informs the Commission that the City of Moriarty allows the County to park their vehicles in their yard when the County is working in that area, so that saves the County a little money on fuel as well as wear and tear on the vehicles to bring them back and forth to our yard when they are working in the Northern part of the County.

Public Comment:

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that there should be some kind of cost with this and it would be good to know that cost.

Public Comment:

**Jason Quintana** states that with his experience with NMDOT an MOU is a good tool on what the equipment will be used for. There should be a check list that is signed off on before and after use of the equipment, to ensure that the equipment is received in the same shape before and after use.

Documentation hereto attached. **ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Frost** makes a motion to approve the MOU between Torrance County and the City of Moriarty for the use of the semi-truck for CDL training. **Commissioner Sanchez** seconds the motion and states that we will give this a try and see how it goes. No further discussion, all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**3. Manzano Land Grant Zoning Option Presentation-Jason Quintana, President**

**Jason Quintana, President** would like to introduce some of the other Manzano Land Grant heirs in attendance today for the meeting: Gloria Zamora, Angela Nunez and Anna Marie Nunez.

Mr. Quintana states that the Manzano Land grant has been recognized as political subdivision since 1907 and with this status the land grant is in the process of getting a facility to serve as their Government Office, Community Center and a public office. Mr. Quintana mentions that the building they are looking at buying is also used for elections for the County and they would still like to have it used for that to be partners with the County. He also mentions that the Merced is currently working on P&Z within their boundaries and have been working with Steve from the County and they greatly appreciate his assistance. Mr. Quintana states that they are just getting started on this but once they are going they will not have to use the County's P&Z department for their boundaries, so anything that has to do with the Manzano Land Grant they will be able to handle it on their own.

**Commissioner Sanchez** asks Mr. Quintana what the expected deadline will be for this process.

**Mr. Quintana** states that they are working with State Representatives so they are waiting for some state funding to purchase the building. So at this point they are just trying to get their foot in the door with this process and wanted the County to know of the land grants intentions.

**Commissioner Frost** asks Mr. Quintana if this project would be to enforce what the County P&Z has currently in place and then add to that.

**Mr. Quintana** states that the County has certain rules and regulations they must follow according to state statues and the Land grants are just a little different due to the historical aspect of the land grants.

**Commissioner Frost** asks if the land grant would still be subject to the County's P&Z ordinances and rules and the County would still be able to enforce the County's P&Z rules and regulations.

**Mr. Quintana** states that the Manzano Land Grant would like to be like the municipalities and have our own rules and ordinances. So the County would not be able to enforce their P&Z rules. Mr. Quintana mentions that land titles have been an issue and the land grant is trying to work on this.

**Commissioner Sanchez** asks if there are any other land grants that do this and if they do their own archiving of records, Commissioner Sanchez suggests to Mr. Quintana to look at how the Chilili Land Grant and Bernalillo County do this process. Commissioner Sanchez mentions that the Manzano Land Grant use to do this years ago, between the years of 1929-1950 but with the Community Changing and people leaving the County picked up a lot of those responsibilities.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** mentions the paperwork that Mr. Quintana handed to the Commission, there is paperwork from the Office of the State Auditor.

**Mr. Quintana** states that he wanted to show the Commission that they are recognized as a political subdivision, Mr. Quintana gives a brief history on how Manzano was supposed to be the county seat when Torrance County was first established.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks what the land grants annual revenue is and where it comes from.

**Mr. Quintana** states that the heirs of the grant have annual dues they must pay.

Public Comment:

**Gloria Zamora-Manzano Land Grant Heir**, mentions that the land grant has access to grant funding through different state agencies, they just need to apply whenever they would need any kind of funding.

**Michael Godey-Tajique Resident**, states that Chilili had problems in the past because they did not have something like this in place. Mr. Godey feels this would be a good thing for Manzano Land Grant to do and hopes the County will support them in this.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks Mr. Guetschow what his thoughts are on this.

**Steve Guetschow** mentions that he was looking for the state statute in reference to land grants to refer to, he will get that documentation and get it to the Commission. The statute was approved by the Senate in 2004/2005 which limits the authorization by land grants on zoning issues. The statute also specifies how they can erect their government and how their government will be ran. They would be considered Quasi-judicial just like municipalities, once the Commission approves their regulations the document will then be recorded in the Clerk's office to be a public document. Mr. Guetschow will get that state statute to the Commission once he finds it.

**Commissioner Frost** asks if the attempt is to remove the land grant from the County rules like Estancia, Mountainair, and Moriarty. Does that mean you will take over your own fire, police and road departments?

**Mr. Quintana** states that its one bite at a time, the goal is to be a self-sustaining political subdivision and anything is possible in the future.

**Commissioner Sanchez** gives a history of how the land grant made its money which was through logging its own natural resources but once the big name saw mills realized the money that could be made out of the area they came in and bought out the land owners and the rest of the land owners could not compete with the big operations of the saw mills so they were forced to work for them and not themselves. Commissioner Sanchez understands what Manzano Land Grant is trying to do here and believes that it will also benefit the County by the land grant taking care of themselves, would like to see some research done on this to see what can be done. At this point Mr. Guetschow hands out the document on the land grants zoning permitted by state statute.

Public Comment:

**Gloria Zamora-Manzano Heir** wants to thank Commissioner Sanchez on the history of the Land Grant and also wants to clarify that the land grant is no longer considered Quasi-judicial.

Documentation hereto attached. **FOR INFORMATION ONLY, NO ACTION TAKEN**

#### **4. Transportation Committee**

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that he presented to the Village of Willard the idea behind the Transportation Committee and they are interested, they would like to appoint interim member to the Committee for the initial meetings. Commissioner Sanchez will be presenting to the City of Moriarty tonight at their meeting and will be on both Mountainair and Estancia's agenda soon. **FOR INFORMATION ONLY, NO ACTION TAKEN.**

#### **5. Torrance County Canvassing Board Certificates of Nomination-Linda Jaramillo, Clerk**

**Ms. Linda Kayser, Chief Deputy Clerk** presents the Commission with the Certificates of Nomination from the Primary Election held in June. The certificates need the Commissioners signatures. The following candidates were successful in the election: Heath E. White, Republican Magistrate Judge, Andrew Homer, Democrat Commission District 1, Kevin M. McCall, Republican Commission District 1, Ryan S. Schwebach, Republican Commission District 2, Jesse Jesus Lucero, Republican Assessor, Jose Martin Rivera, Republican Sheriff, Lucy E. Orio,

Democrat Probate Judge and Josie B. Chavez, Republican Probate Judge. Documentation hereto attached. **INFORMATION ONLY, NO ACTION TAKEN.**

**6. Consideration and Possible Approval for Torrance County Commissioners and County Manager to attend the White House Conference**

**County Manager Garland** explains that this invitation was given to the County Manager's and County Commissioner's to attend the White House Conference. County Manager Garland received a call from one of the staff members and asked what exactly this conference would be for. The conference is for community issues that the federal government can assist with here at the County level or maybe even something the federal government may be hindering with. They asked that if we attend we take packets to hand out and they can go over those projects needing assistance. County Manager Garland suggests a few things she feels are important to the County that possibly the federal government can assist the County with. Renewable Energy (the transmission lines), Infrastructure projects, the Prison and funding for police and fire. County Manager Garland would like to ask Mr. Ortiz for assistance with the packets, she does a good job putting these types of things together. The conference is on July 27 and we must be registered by July 20, so we need to make a decision today on if we want to go and who all will be attending. Taos, Valencia, Santa Fe, Lea, Roosevelt, Chaves, Sierra and Curry County are all sending representatives and there still may be more Counties that go. County Manager Garland would like to attend, believes this is a good opportunity to make connections to help the County.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** states that she would also like to attend.

**Commissioner Sanchez** asks what the price will be to attend the conference.

**County Manager Garland** states that the flights can be anywhere from \$500 to \$1,400.00 depending on how soon you book them, the hotel rooms are averaging any from \$100-200.00 a night.

**Commissioner Frost** asks if there is money in the budget for this.

**Commissioner Sanchez** asks where the money would come from if the Commission decides they want to go.

**County Manager Garland** states that it would either come from the Commission budget or from the PILT money.

**Commissioner Sanchez** said it should come out of the Commission budget.

**ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to approve the County Manager and Commissioners attend the White House Conference. **Madam Chair DuCharme** seconds the motion.

**Commissioner Frost** asks if there is a limit on number of people attending.

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that it should be 4, the County Manager and the 3 Commissioners.

Commission votes, 2 in favor Commissioner Frost opposed.

**Commissioner Frost** states that he feels people who will be at the County in the future should attend this conference so that the information that is learned while attending the Conference can put to use in the future. No further discussion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Break given to prepare for presentation at 10:15 am**

**Back from Break at 10:35 am**

*\*Public Relations:*

**7. Around the County Presentation**

**Annette Ortiz-Deputy County Manager** would like to remind all the departments that are doing any special event out there to take pictures and get them to her so that she can spotlight that event at a Commission meeting. Ms. Ortiz shows the Commission and those present at the meeting pictures of the Road Department reclaiming Thompson and King Farm Rd with the new zipper the county purchased. A few videos were also shown

**Leonard Lujan-Road Foreman** explains the process of how the zipper works and feels that this new equipment will help his department make better improvements to the County roads.

Public Comment:

**Fred Sanchez-Tajique Resident** states that this is great to show but there is bad stuff out there too that needs to be shown. Up where he lives the road looks like an arroyo and it does not get fixed. It's nice to candy coat things but there are roads that do not get fixed.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** states that Mr. Sanchez has brought up his road for many years now, can the County look into his road and get it fixed.

**County Manger Garland** states that if anyone including Mr. Sanchez has any problems with roads they are urged to fill out and submit a form to have the road looked at and taken care of.

**Fred Sanchez** states that he has done everything he was supposed to do and yet nothing has been done about his road. It seems to Mr. Sanchez that Leonard has more power than the Manager and Commission because nothing ever gets done on the roads.

**Annette Ortiz** mentions that in one of the spotlights she did for the Commission the road department was doing work on Camino del Norte maybe not the portion that Mr. Sanchez lives one but they were working on the road.

**Commissioner Sanchez** explains that he has put in a work order for this road. The road department has been working in a different part of the County and he has been waiting for an update on when the road will get worked on or when the project has been completed.

**Leonard Lujan-Road Foreman** states that the road Mr. Sanchez is talking about is a chip sealed road and it could be worse if it was a dirt road. The portion of the road that Mr. Sanchez is talking about is right at the NMDOT easement we can't do a lot a work on it but we do enough to get the road taken care of. Leonard explains that the County does not have a lot of easement access on the road to be able to take care of what Mr. Sanchez's concerns are but they fix every complaint Mr. Sanchez has had.

**8. Update: a. Various County Departments b. Commission c. County Manager d. Other boards or Land Grants (upon request) c. Forest Service**

**a. Various County Departments**

**Tracey Master-DWI Prevention Coordinator**, states that she has hosted events at the Estancia pool, she has had Teen night and Family night. They were both a huge success, for the family night there were 200 people who signed in and will be hosting another teen night this Saturday. They were supposed to have their dance under the stars on the 7<sup>th</sup> but Mother Nature had other plans that evening, we got rained out. Ms. Master would like to bring up the subject of Mental Health 1<sup>st</sup> Aide, since the last time that she spoke to the Commission about this she personally knows of two suicides that have happened. She saw a project on Facebook where people paint rocks with inspiring words of encouragement and then give to people who may need some

encouragement. So Ms. Master is set up in the front lobby with paint and rocks for everyone to come by and paint a rock, they will be placed throughout the Communities for people to see.

**c. County Manager**

**Belinda Garland-** reads her report, Belinda and Leonard met with a property owner with concerns about water drainage off of a County Road and also they met with Brandon Howe from MRCOG, Belinda had a meeting with Martin Lucero to create a crisis policy plan, signed a contract with Netflix for the use of the Judicial complex, working with Dennis on legal issues, working on personnel issues, working on FY19 grant contracts, working with the finance department and working on the implementation of solid waste billing. Managers' report hereto attached

**\*Department Requests/Reports:**

**9. Request Approval of Contracts for Juvenile Justice Board Services-Jenea Ortiz**

**a. Professional Services Agreement between Torrance County & Sid Ware for the Estancia Valley Youth & Family Council FY19 back on T-RAC/RAC Service Coordinator**

**Ms. Jenea Ortiz-Continuum Coordinator** presents the Commission with FY19 contract between Sid Ware and Torrance County for RAC service coordinator. Ms. Ortiz mentions that this will be under Mr. Ware's business name which is Ware Resources. This grant is for \$45,000.00 and will be billed on a monthly basis. Documentation hereto attached. **ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Frost** makes a motion to approve the Professional Services Agreement between Torrance County and Sid Ware/Ware Resources for the Estancia Valley Youth & Family Council. **Commissioner Sanchez** seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**b. Professional Services Agreement between Torrance County and Jenea Ortiz for the Estancia Valley Youth & Family Council FY19 Continuum Coordinator**

**Ms. Ortiz** presents the professional agreement for the Estancia Valley Youth & Family Continuum Coordinator between Torrance County and Ms. Jenea Ortiz. The grant is funded through CYFD in the amount of \$33,900.00. Documentation hereto attached. **ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to approve the Professional Service Agreement. **Commissioner Frost** seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**10. Resolution 2018-34 Budget Increase-Amanda Tenorio, Finance Director**

**Mr. Noah Sedillo, Chief Procurement Officer** presents this resolution for Ms. Tenorio, this resolution is for a budget increase in the amount of \$26,826.79. The increase is due to grant funding coming in at the end of the fiscal budget. Resolution hereto attached. **ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to approve Resolution 2018-34 Budget Increase. **Commissioner Frost** seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**



**11. Resolution 2018-35 Cash Transfers & Line Item Transfers Between Funds-Amanda Tenorio, Finance Director**

**Mr. Noah Sedillo** presents the Commission with Resolution 2018-35, with this resolution \$40,000.00 will be transferred out of the PILT monies to cover the tipping fees for solid waste. Resolution hereto attached. **ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Frost** makes a motion to approve Resolution 2018-35 Cash Transfers & Line Item Transfers. **Commissioner Sanchez** seconds the motion.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks what period this will cover

**Mr. Sedillo** states that it will cover the end of FY18.

**County Manager Garland** states that this particular line item was in the red and it needed to be at a zero balance at the end of the fiscal budget.

No further discussion, all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**12. Request Approval to Submit RPHCA Application/Renewal-Lizbeth Fullerton, PMS**

**Ms. Angie Coburn and Lizbeth Fullerton** both from PMS present the Commission with the RPHCA FY19 application. Ms. Coburn explains that this is a four (4) year grant but we have to update on an annual basis to update information and user information. PMS will submit the application on behalf of the County but in order to do this Ms. Coburn will need a copy of the County' audit.

**County Manger Garland** asks Ms. Coburn if she can give a brief explanation what the grant is for and how it is used in the County.

**Ms. Coburn** states that it's Rural Primary Health Care Act and it is used for those county residents that are uninsured. Ms. Coburn mentions that this is for the Mountainair clinic. PMS offers Primary Medical Care, Family Practice and they also offer behavioral health.

**Madam Chair Ducharme** asks if there were any changes to the application.

**Ms. Coburn** states that there were no significant changes.

Documentation hereto attached. **ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Frost** makes a motion to approve the RPHCA application/renewal. **Commissioner Sanchez** seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**\*County Manager Requests/Reports:**

**13. Request Approval for Solid Waste Billing Positions and Pay Scales**

**County Manager Garland** states that there is currently negotiations going on for the solid waste contract and just in case the negotiations don't work, the County needs to be prepared to take over the billing, which means job descriptions need to be prepared and advertisement for positions need to be prepared as well. Ms. Garland has put together some numbers for salaries for the two positions that the County will need to have in case the billing comes to the County. For the full-time position depending on experience the pay will be \$10-13 an hour and the part-time position will be \$9.00 an hour. For the full time billing supervisor/manager depending on experience will be \$13-16 an hour. Ms. Garland used the pay scale for current employees here at the County for comparison, she would like the Commission's approval today to move forward with this. **ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to approve the pay scale for the Solid Waste billing positions.

**Madam Chair Ducharme** asks for more information on this before she can make a decision, the County and EVSWA currently have a contract in place. Madam Chair asks if that contract should be changed first to reflect the County taking over the billing before we do this process.

**County Manager Garland** states that at the EVSWA annual meeting they voted for the County to take over the billing and for them to operate the transfer station and transport for \$478,000.00 a year. Ms. Garland states that she and Commissioner Sanchez have met with Mr. Miller from the EVSWA since that meeting and are trying to negotiate the contract. The EVSWA will have another meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July and hopefully they will discuss the contract, but we need to be prepared to take on these positions.

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that the County needs to be prepared for these positions before the next billing cycle.

**County Manager Garland** mentions that this may not happen but she needs to start getting things together for the budget, get job descriptions and advertisements ready but she needs permission to get started.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** states that she understands that Ms. Garland needs permission but Madam Chair wants to know why a new contract has not been drawn up before the County moves forward with these positions.

**County Manager Garland** states that the negotiating team has meet but there has not been any solid negotiations for the contract with EVSWA. Once there is a solid agreement on what the contract should be then the County will move forward with a new contract. Ms. Garland mentions that nothing is final but needs to prepare the budget in case the County does take over the billing.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** states that the EVSWA approved the County's proposal, so the County should have had a new contract drawn up to support what the County proposed and what the EVSWA has already approved.

**County Manager Garland** states that there are still negotiations that need to take place even after the EVSWA has accepted and approved the County's proposal. The negotiating team will meet again to go over what the particulars are, such as finding out what kind of database the EVSWA is going to give us for billing purposes and if there is going to be a charge for that and when will the effective date be. Also will the authority be able to operate all the stations and hauling for the \$478,000.00 a year. Ms. Garland states that at the next Commission meeting the interim budget will be before the Commission and she needs to be able to work these positions into the budget.

**Commissioner Frost** asks how many positions there are.

**County Manager Garland** answers "2"

**Commissioner Frost** how many positions will the authority be dropping.

**County Manager Garland** states that she does not know and cannot speak for the authority.

**Commissioner Frost** states that based off of speculation that the County does take over the position, the billing staff at the authority can apply for these positions correct?

**County Manager Garland** states that with any government position they will be advertised and anyone can apply for them.

Discussion followed about salaries and pay scales, the proposed position for the County was not based off of the salaries that the authority currently has. The pay scale was based off of similar clerk/manager positions. There is no way to tell if the positions at the authority are at the same range of what the County Manager is proposing.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks if the County should have a Special Meeting prior to the EVSWA next meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> to have a contract in place for them to present to the board.

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that may be the case or may not be the case, the proposal EVSWA voted on may need some revisions, if there are revisions we would need to have a Special Meeting.

**Commissioner Frost** mentions that there have been some numbers put out on the budget, he did not get to see those numbers and asks who did.

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that the major benefit for the County on what the County Manger is purposing is the time lag, from the time a new contract is approved these positions will have a description and advertisement will be ready for implementation.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks if the new contract can be presented to the EVSWA past their July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting or should the new contract be ready to present to them on their meeting.

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that it is preferable that the County accomplish the intention prior to their July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** states that this is the time to discuss the changes and set up a Special Meeting for the new contract prior to July 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that there will be talk among the negotiation team regarding potential differences and revisions of the proposal that was presented at their annual meeting. Therefore the suggestion of a Special Meeting for the revisions to the proposal will have a definite answer and identified very shortly. There is a round of negotiations that need to happen prior to a Special Meeting.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks County Manager Garland if she has annual numbers of what these positions will cost the County.

**County Manager Garland** states that at \$15.00 an hour that is \$45,000.00 a year with benefits. So for 2 positions the County is looking at around \$85,000.00 to \$90,000.00 annually.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks if the County Manager has looked into alternatives for the billing, can a third party be contracted out for this. Will it be cheaper for the County?

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that there will be no cost savings for the County with a third party contractor. Third party billing only works for small agencies.

**Commissioner Frost** states that he has not seen the numbers but would like to know how many people will be laid off at the EVSWA.

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that the negotiating works on the numbers can't say if any will be laid off but does know that 2 people will be hired with the County.

**Commissioner Frost** states that if you haven't seen those numbers of the amount of people laid off at the authority then how do you know how much money the County will be saving.

**Commissioner Sanchez** states that he is not privy to the ins and outs of the authority but perhaps some people can work on other things not just billing.

**Madam Chair DuCharme** asks Commissioner Sanchez to please repeat his motion,

**ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to approve the Solid Waste Positions and Pay Scales. **Madam Chair DuCharme** seconds the motion. No further discussion, 2 in favor Commissioner Frost opposed. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

*As Per Motion and Roll Call Vote, Pursuant to New Mexico State Statute Section 10-15-1, The Following matters will be discussed in Closed Session:*

- a) Limited personnel matters pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1 H (2) related to the Manager's office.

**ACTION TAKEN: Madam Chair DuCharme** makes a motion to go into Executive Session. **Commissioner Sanchez** seconds the motion. Roll Cal Vote- District 1: Yes, District 2: Yes, District 3: Yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Executive Session started at 11:40 am**

**\*Reconvene from Executive Session:**

**Reconvened from Executive Session at 12:03 pm**

**ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to come out of Executive Session. **Commissioner Frost** seconds the motion. No further discussion, all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Pursuant to Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(J), Commission Report from Closed Session**

**Madam Chair DuCharme** states that during Executive Session they discussed limited personnel matters in regards to the County Manager's executive assistant Lori Archuleta.

**ACTION TAKEN: Madam Chair DuCharme** makes a motion to approve a \$1.75 an hour raise for Lori Archuleta in the Manager's Office. **Commissioner Frost** second the motion.

**Commissioner Frost** asks if there is money in the interim budget to cover the raise.

**County Manager Garland** states that this is not new money but money that is already in their budget they just rearranged the funding for the raise for Ms. Archuleta.

No further discussion, all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

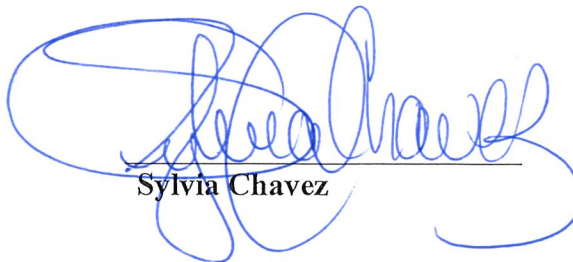
**Adjourn**

**ACTION TAKEN: Commissioner Sanchez** makes a motion to adjourn the July 11, 2018 Regular Commission Meeting. **Madam Chair DuCharme** seconds the motion. No further discussion, the Commission votes all in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 12:06 pm

  
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**Madam Chair DuCharme**

  
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**Sylvia Chavez**

  
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**Date**

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