



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
October 19, 2018 - 10:00 a.m.
8307 Lockheed, Ste. 100 El Paso, Texas 79925

Board Members Present:	Board Members Absent:
Commissioner Andrew Haggerty, County of El Paso, RGCOG Board President	Judge Eleazar Cano, Brewster County
Judge Jeannette Duer, Jeff Davis County, RGCOG Immediate Past President	Representative Aleksandra Anello, City of El Paso
Commissioner Carlos Leon, County of El Paso	Mr. Art Fierro, EPCC Board of Trustees
Representative Henry Rivera, City of El Paso	Alderman Walter Miller, Town of Horizon City
Mayor Ann Marie Nafziger, City of Marfa	Governor Carlos Hisa, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Judge Cinderella Guevara, Presidio County	Mayor Dee Margo, City of El Paso
Ms. Diane Dye, EPISD Board of Trustees	Judge Carlos Urias, Culberson County
Sheriff Richard Wiles, County of El Paso	Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez, Doña Ana County
Ms. Bonnie Moorhouse, Director, Horizon Regional MUD	Cynthia Najera SISD Board of Trustees
	Judge Mike Doyal, Hudspeth County
	Mayor Ken Miyagishima, City of Las Cruces
Alternates Present:	Texas State Senator Jose Rodriguez, District 29
Commissioner Jim Ed Miller – Proxy for Judge Mike Doyal	Texas State Representative César Blanco, Dist. 76
LTC. LG Warren Pittman – Proxy for Colonel Steve O. Murphy	Guests Present:
Alderman Rafael Padilla – Proxy for Alderman Walter Miller	Lawrence Juarez, Wellmed Charitable Foundation
Commissioner Mike Pallanez – Proxy for Judge Eleazar Cano	Valerie Cardenas, Amerigroup
War Captain Javier Loera – Proxy for Governor Carlos Hisa	Stacy Barnett, Amerigroup
Aldersperson David Cantu – Proxy for Mayor Ken Miyagishima	Paulina Lopez, U.S. Census Bureau
Mayor Elia Garcia – Proxy for Art Fierro	Adam Nevarez, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
RGCOG Staff Present	RGCOG Staff Present:
Annette Gutierrez, Executive Director	Yvette Lugo, AAA Director
Judy Cisneros, Finance Director	Lorena Estrada, AAA Assistant Director
Stella Rodriguez, Executive Admin. Assist.	Marisa Quintanilla, Regional Services Director
Daniel Hernandez, Local Governments Coordinator	Cynthia Mendez, Regional Services Coordinator
Martha Gomez, Mediation Specialist	

MINUTES

ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING August 17, 2018

Judge Jeannette Duer motioned for approval and Judge Cinderela Guevara seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

1. Paso del Norte Health Foundation – Ignite Grant Proposal, by Yvette Lugo

Ms. Yvette Lugo requested board approval to allow the Executive Director to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the Paso del Norte Foundation for the Technology Across Generations planning grant.

Judge Cinderela Guevara motioned for approval and Mayor Ann Marie Nafziger seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

2. Rural Area Medicare Open Enrollment Events, Yvette Lugo

Ms. Yvette Lugo notified the board that the Rio Grande Area Agency on Aging Benefits Counselors will be conducting five Medicare Open Enrollment Events in the Rio Grande region.

3. 2019 Aging to Perfection Expo – Top Sponsor Recognition, by Yvette Lugo

Ms. Yvette Lugo introduced Mr. Lawrence Juarez from Wellmed Charitable Foundation, Ms. Valerie Cardenas and Ms. Stacy Barnett from Amerigroup, An Anthem Company. Ms. Lugo recognized these organizations as the top sponsors for this year's "Aging to Perfection" Expo and presented each group with a Certificate of Appreciation.

REGIONAL SERVICES

4. First Responders Preparedness Planning Group: Plan Year 2020 Bylaws and Resolution, by Cynthia Mendez

Ms. Cynthia Mendez requested board approval on the submittal of the Plan Year 2020 First Responders Preparedness Planning Group (FRPPG) Bylaws and Resolution.

Judge Jeannette Duer motioned for approval and Judge Cinderella Guevara seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

5. First Responders Preparedness Planning Group: Plan Year 2020 Roster and Resolution, by Cynthia Mendez

Ms. Cynthia Mendez requested board approval on the submittal of the Plan Year 2020 First Responders Preparedness Planning Group roster and Resolution.

Judge Cinderella Guevara motioned for approval and Mayor Elia Garcia seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

6. First Responders Preparedness Planning Group: Plan Year 2020 Application Score Sheet and Resolution, by Cynthia Mendez

Ms. Cynthia Mendez requested board approval on the submittal of the Plan Year 2020 First Responder Preparedness Planning Group application score sheet.

Sheriff Richard Wiles motioned for approval and Judge Cinderella Guevara seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

7. Plan Year 2018 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment & Stakeholder Preparedness Review, by Cynthia Mendez

Ms. Cynthia Mendez requested board approval on the submittal of the Regional Plan Year 2018 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment, Stakeholder Preparedness Review, and Resolution.

Judge Cinderella Guevara motioned for approval and Sheriff Richard Wiles seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

8. Fiscal Year 2019 TCEQ: Regional Solid Waste's Priority Listing, by Cynthia Mendez

Ms. Cynthia Mendez requested board approval on the submittal of the FY 2019 Solid Waste regional priority list.

Judge Jeannette Duer motioned for approval and Commissioner Carlos Leon seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

9. Criminal Justice Advisory Committee: Plan Year 2020 Bylaws and Resolution, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla requested board approval on the submittal of the revised Plan Year 2020 Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) Bylaws and Resolution.

Judge Jeannette Duer motioned for approval and Mayor Elia Garcia seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

10. Criminal Justice Advisory Committee: Plan Year 2020 Planning Alliance Revised Policies and Procedures and Resolution, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla requested board approval on the submittal of the revised Plan Year 2020 Criminal Justice Advisory Committee Planning Alliance policies, procedures and resolution.

Sheriff Richard Wiles motioned for approval and Ms. Diane Dye seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

11. Criminal Justice Advisory Committee: Plan Year 2020 Roster and Resolution, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla requested board approval on the submittal of the revised Plan Year 2020 Criminal Justice Advisory Committee roster and Resolution.

Ms. Diane Dye motioned for approval and Representative Henry Rivera seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

12. Criminal Justice Advisory Committee: Plan Year 2020 Application Score Sheet, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla requested board approval on the submittal of the FY 2020 Criminal Justice Advisory Committee application score sheet.

Judge Cinderela Guevara motioned for approval and Sheriff Richard Wiles seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

13. El Paso Dispute Resolution Center, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla introduced Ms. Martha Gomez, Mediation Specialist for the Dispute Resolution Center (DRC).

FINANCE

14. Approval of Investment Policy, by Judy Cisneros

Ms. Judy Cisneros requested board approval to adopt the Rio Grande Council of Governments' Investment Policy.

Judge Cinderela Guevara motioned for approval and Ms. Diane Dye seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

15. Investment Officers, by Judy Cisneros

Ms. Judy Cisneros requested board approval to designate the Executive Director, Annette Gutierrez and the Finance Director, Judy Cisneros as the Rio Grande Council of Governments' Investment Officers.

Alderman Rafael Padilla motioned for approval and Judge Cinderela Guevara seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

16. Public Funds Investment Quarterly Report for accounts held at Wells Fargo, NA, by Judy Cisneros

Ms. Judy Cisneros presented the Public Funds Investment report for the fourth quarter of FY 2018 to the board.

17. Update Signatories for Bank Accounts Held at Wells Fargo, NA, by Judy Cisneros

Ms. Judy Cisneros requested board approval to authorize the Board President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Executive Director and Finance Director to be designated as signatory authority.

Sheriff Richard Wiles motioned for approval and Judge Cinderela Guevara seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION

18. Cooperative Purchasing Programs, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval to allow the Rio Grande Council of Governments to utilize several Cooperative Purchasing Programs for FY 2019. The programs listed were:

- Region 19 Allied States Cooperative
- Texas SmartBuy Membership Program National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance (formerly TCPN)
- Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing
- HGAC Buy

Diane Dye motioned for approval and Judge Cinderela Guevara seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

19. FY 19 Finance Committee, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez asked for volunteers to serve on the FY 2019 RGCOG Finance Committee. The Finance Committee will consist of:

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| Commissioner Andrew Haggerty | Judge Eleazar Cano |
| Mr. Art Fierro | Representative Alexandra Anello |
| Ms. Diane Dye | Judge Cinderela Guevara |

Judge Jeannette Duer motioned for approval and Representative Henry Rivera seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

20. Strategic Planning for RGCOG, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez informed the board that Administration is nearing the final draft of its first Strategic Plan and will work with the RGCOG Officers in reviewing and revising the final draft.

21. State of Texas, 86th Legislative Session Objectives for RGCOG, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval to adopt the Texas 86th Legislative Objectives from the Texas Association of Regional Councils.

Ms. Diane Dye motioned for approval and Mayor Ann Marie Nafziger seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

22. Public Meeting on MedCare Environmental Solutions, Inc.'s Proposed New Municipal Solid Waste Facility Registration Application No. 40294, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez informed the board that the Executive Director and Regional Services Coordinator attended a Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Public Meeting on Medicare Environmental Solutions, Inc. on October 8, 2018.

23. Evaluation for Executive Director, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval to accept the results from the Executive Director's evaluation for FY 2018.

Ms. Diane Dye motioned for approval and Alderman Rafael Padilla seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Annette Gutierrez presented the board with the list of August and September activities.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Commissioner Haggerty informed the board that he and Annette Gutierrez would be meeting to discuss the incoming process and goals for FY 2019.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

War Captain Javier Loera, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo, invited the board to attend their annual Cookout at the Chilicote Ranch which occurred on November 9, 2018.

Judge Jeannette Duer reminded the board that this was her last meeting as RGCOG Board President and invited the board to lunch after the meeting.

Annette Gutierrez presented the RGCOG newsletter to the board and told them that they would be receiving it when published.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Jim Ed Miller motioned to adjourn and Commissioner Mike Pallanez seconded the motion. Commissioner Andrew Haggerty called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously. The meeting ended at 11:00 a.m.

Annette Gutierrez, Secretary
RGCOG Executive Director

Date