



MINUTES – BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
APRIL 12, 2017 11:00 A.M., CDT
302 S. Highland Avenue, Marfa, TX 79843
USO Building

<u>Board Members Present:</u>	<u>Board Members Absent:</u>
Commissioner Carlos Leon, County of El Paso, RGCOG Board President	Ms. Bonnie Moorhouse, Horizon Regional MUD
Judge Jeannette Duer, Jeff Davis County, RGCOG 1 ST Vice President	Representative Lily Limon, City of El Paso
Commissioner Andrew Haggerty, County of El Paso, RGCOG 2 ND Vice President	Ms. Diane Dye, EPISD Board of Trustees
Mr. Art Fierro, EPCC, Immediate Past President	Mr. Mike Rosales, YISD Board of Trustees
Mayor Jesus Calderon, Town of Valentine	Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez, Doña Ana County
Representative Carl Robinson, City of El Paso	Governor Carlos Hisa, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Judge Eleazar Cano, Brewster County	Judge Mike Doyal, Hudspeth County
Judge Cinderella Guevara, Presidio County	Mayor Ken Miyagishima, City of Las Cruces
Alderman Walter Miller, Town of Horizon City	Mayor Oscar Leeser, City of El Paso
Judge Carlos Urias, Culberson County	County Judge Veronica Escobar, County of El Paso
<u>Alternates Present:</u>	Angelica Rodriguez, SISD Board of Trustees
Mayor Dan Dunlap, Proxy for Representative Lily Limon	Colonel Mike Hester, Ft. Bliss Garrison Commander
Councillor Greg Smith, Proxy for Mayor Ken Miyagishima	Texas State Senator Jose Rodriguez, Dist. 29
Commissioner Jim Ed Miller, Proxy for Judge Mike Doyal	<u>GUESTS</u>
Councilman Rudy Cruz, Jr., Proxy for Governor Carlos Hisa	Paulina Lopez, MPA-Texas Senator Jose Rodriguez's Office
County Attorney Teresa Todd, Proxy for Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez	Karina Rivera-Congressman Hurd's Office
Councilperson Genevieve Bassham, Proxy for Mike Rosales	Anna Apodaca, Workforce Solutions Borderplex
	Jessie Molinar, Presidio County Judge's Office
	Javier Loera, War Captain Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
<u>RGCOG Staff Present:</u>	<u>RGCOG Staff Present:</u>
Annette Gutierrez, Executive Director	Yvette Lugo, Director - Area Agency on Aging
Stella Rodriguez, Executive Administrative Assistant	Marisa Quintanilla, Director - Regional Services
Rebecca Stauffer, MIS & Resource Director	Phillip Bowen, Legal Counsel to RGCOG

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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 HELD ON FEBRUARY 17, 2017

Mr. Art Fierro motioned for approval and Commissioner Andrew Haggerty seconded the motion. Commissioner Carlos Leon called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION

1. Public Funds Investment Quarterly Report for accounts held at Bank of America, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Gutierrez presented the Public Funds Investment report for the 2nd quarter of fiscal year 2017 for bank account held at Bank of America; Operating.

2. Public Funds Investment Quarterly Report for accounts held at Wells Fargo, NA, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Gutierrez presented the Public Funds Investment report for the 2nd quarter of fiscal year 2017 for bank accounts held at Wells Fargo; Operating, 911, and TCEQ.

3. Request for Qualifications for Auditing Services for FYE 17 for the Rio Grande Council of Governments, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Gutierrez requested board approval to allow the Rio Grande Council of Governments (RGCOG) to post a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Auditing Services for FYE 17.

Alderman Walter Miller motioned for approval and Mr. Art Fierro seconded the motion. Commissioner Carlos Leon called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

4. Fixed and/or Expendable Assets Transfer or Disposal, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Gutierrez requested board approval to transfer and/or dispose of fixed and/or expendable assets.

Mr. Art Fierro motioned for approval and Judge Cinderela Guevara seconded the motion. Commissioner Carlos Leon called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

5. **Addendum to Legal Services Agreement with Phil Bowen, by Annette Gutierrez**
Ms. Gutierrez presented an update to the Board of Directors' regarding the addendum to Legal Services Agreement with Phil Bowen.

REGIONAL SERVICES

6. **HUD: Fair Housing Month, by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Quintanilla requested board approval to adopt a resolution recognizing April 2017 as "Fair Housing Month".

Commissioner Andrew Haggerty motioned for approval and Representative Carl Robinson seconded the motion. Commissioner Carlos Leon called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

7. **Corporation for National and Community Services: Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service, by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Quintanilla requested board approval to adopt a resolution recognizing April 4, 2017 as "Recognition Day for National Service".

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

8. **National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Quintanilla gave an update to the board regarding the application titled, "Moving West Texas to NIBRS".

9. **Commission on State Emergency Communications: Transfer of Public-Safety Answering Point Workstation, by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Quintanilla requested board approval to allow the RGCOG to transfer the Public-Safety Answering Point (PSAP) workstation (furniture) to the City of Alpine.

Representative Carl Robinson motioned for approval and Alderman Walter Miller seconded the motion. Commissioner Carlos Leon called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

10. **Commission of State Emergency Communications (CSEC)-Emergency Services IP-enabled Network, by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Quintanilla gave an update to the board regarding the RGCOG's 9-1-1 program migration to Next-Generation 9-1-1.

11. 2018 Office of the Governor-Homeland Security Grants Division: First Responders Preparedness Group Regional Priority List, by Marisa Quintanilla

Board of Directors' approval is requested on the submittal of the First Responders Preparedness Planning Group Regional Priority List and Resolution.

Councillor Greg Smith motioned for approval and Representative Carl Robinson seconded the motion. Commissioner Carlos Leon called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

12. Texas State Planning Region 8 Mutual Aid Agreement, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Quintanilla gave an update to the board regarding the Texas State Planning Region 8 Mutual Aid Agreement (MAA).

13. Radio Interoperability Communications Plan (RICP) 2011, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Quintanilla gave an update to the board regarding the RICP in coordination with the Texas Department of Public Safety Communications Service.

14. State 2016 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA); 2016 Preparedness Report (SPR); 2017 Homeland Security Strategic Plan-Implementation Plan (HSSIP-IP), by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Quintanilla gave an update regarding the outcome of the THIRA, SPR and HSSIP-1P.

15. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with The Borderplex Alliance, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Quintanilla requested board approval to allow the Executive Director to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with The Borderplex Alliance.

Alderman Walter Miller motioned for approval and Judge Cinderela Guevara seconded the motion. Commissioner Carlos Leon called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

16. Rural Area Benefits Counseling Events Report, by Yvette Lugo

Ms. Lugo gave the board a brief update on the Rio Grande Area Agency on Aging Benefits Counseling events that took place in Marfa, Presidio and Alpine, TX on March 28, 29 and 30, 2017.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Gutierrez informed the board of the following activities:

- March 1, 2017 Met with Tony Ramirez and Marcos Delgado from The Borderplex Alliance to discuss partnership with West Texas Economic Development District
- March 2, 2017 Attended the ScottHulse Labor & Employment Law Seminar
- March 3, 2017 Facilitated the Army Community Partnership Program meeting for education
- March 22, 2017 Attended the EPSHRM monthly meeting regarding Workers Compensation
- March 30, 2017 Attended the Army Community Partnership Program Focus Group Workshop

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Anna Apodaca, from the Borderplex Solutions Workforce announced that her organization formed a rural advisory committee. The committee will be utilized to address the workforce needs of the rural communities.

Ms. Karina Rivera announced that Congressman Will Hurd will be renaming the Tornillo Port of Entry in honor of Private Marcelino Serna, the most decorated WWI veteran in Texas at a ceremony on April 19, 2017.

Ms. Annette Gutierrez recognized Mayor Dunlap as the Mayor of Marfa and thanked him for his service to the Rio Grande Council of Governments.

ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion and a second to adjourn. Commissioner Carlos Leon adjourned the meeting at 12:10 a.m., CDT.

Annette Gutierrez, Secretary
Executive Director
Rio Grande Council of Governments

Date