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September 16, 2014

**Colonias Infrastructure Board Meeting
Cloudcroft, NM**

Present – Voting Members:

Doug Moore, Chair	Senate Minority Leader Appointee
Jim Grantner	House Minority Leader Appointee
Zach Dillenback, Designee	New Mexico Finance Authority
Jimmy Rodriguez, Secretary Designee	Department of Finance and Administration
Orlando-Antonio Jimenez	Speaker of the House Appointee
Steven Deal, Treasurer Designee	New Mexico Environment Department

Present – Non-Voting Members:

Jay Armijo	South Central Council of Governments
Hubert Quintana	Southeastern NM Economic Development Dist.
Priscilla Lucero	Southwest NM Council of Governments
Isidoro Hernandez, Designee	New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority
Santiago Chaves, Designee	New Mexico Association of Counties

Absent:

Oscar Vasquez-Butler, Vice Chair	Senate President Pro Tempore Appointee
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Finance Authority Staff:

Rick Martinez	Mark Dalton
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1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

2. Approval of Agenda.

Mr. Isidoro Hernandez recommended the Board remove item 8 from the agenda.

Mr. Rick Martinez informed the Board that the City of Bayard asked that item 7, the request for a change of scope for the city of Bayard, be removed from the agenda.

Chairman Moore moved, seconded by Mr. Zach Dillenback, to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed.

3. Approval of June 4, 2014 Board Minutes.

Ms. Priscilla Lucero asked for the spelling of her name to be corrected on page 4. Ms. Lucero also provided the correct spelling of Ms. DeBusk on page 2, and pointed out that the letter "e" was left off of Tyrone on page 4.

Chairman Moore moved, seconded by Mr. Zach Dillenback, for approval of the minutes as amended. The motion passed.

4. Chairman's Report.

Chairman Doug Moore did not present a report.

5. Consideration for Approval of a request from the Village of Santa Clara to award the 2012 unappropriated residual balance of \$173,193 for use to complete the improvements on their water system (Project #2796-CIF).

Mr. Martinez informed the Board that the Village of Santa Clara is requesting to use the remaining funds from the 2012 funding cycle to install a SCADA system for the purpose of monitoring tank water levels. Mr. Martinez informed the Board that the Village is the only entity to come forward and request the use of the remaining funds, and recommends that the Board move forward with this request so funds are not reverted.

Ms. Sheila Hudman, Clerk/Treasurer for the Village, informed the Board that the Village is in need of the SCADA system to help prevent the loss of 20 million gallons of water a year due to the tank overflowing. This new system will save approximately \$47,000 a year in utility costs.

Mr. Orlando Jimenez moved, seconded by Chairman Moore, for approval of the request by the Village of Santa Clara to be awarded the residual balance from the 2012 unappropriated funds for improvements to the water system. The motion passed with Mr. Steven Deal voting in the negative.

6. Consideration for Approval to allow a change of scope for an emergency situation of the Hanover MDWCA (Project #2971-CIF).

Mr. Martinez informed the Board that the Hanover MDWCA is experiencing severe drought conditions that have affected the operation of its two wells. The water table has significantly dropped, approximately 300 ft. in the last 8 years. Well #2 is currently non-functional and well #1 is presently functional but at a substantially diminished capacity.

Chairman Moore inquired as to the original scope of work for this project. Mr. Martinez informed the Board the original request was for planning, design and construction of a new waterline along NM Highway 152. Mr. Deal informed the Board that the NM Environment Department (Department) is working on a rehabilitation project that is currently in design, and that the Department is performing a hydrogeological survey of the area. Chairman Moore inquired if Hanover is going to drill next to the existing well or drill a new one. Mr. Deal stated that has not

been determined yet. Mr. Karl Tonander from Souder, Miller & Associates informed the Board of the options Hanover is considering.

Ms. Lucero informed the Board that due to drought conditions and status of the wells, Hanover was forced to purchase water from the City of Bayard, an expense totaling \$20,920.83. Hanover had to apply to the State Board of Finance to help pay for the water. Since then, Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) has worked with Hanover and the City of Bayard to develop a bulk water user rate. Hanover is now on a month-to-month basis but cannot go over 200,000 gallons of water usage. Mr. Tonander confirmed what Ms. Lucero stated.

Mr. Dillenback asked if Hanover is still planning to connect with Santa Clara. Ms. Sheila Hudman stated that is an option they will consider in the next year. Ms. Lucero stated Hanover is part of the regional water storage project to interconnect water systems starting with Hurley all the way to Tyrone.

Mr. Orlando Jimenez moved, seconded by Mr. Zach Dillenback, for approval to allow a change of scope for an emergency situation of the Hanover MDWCA for Project #2971-CIF, The motion passed.

7. Consideration for Approval to allow a change of scope for the City of Bayard's Project #3162-CIF.

This item was removed from the agenda.

8. Consideration for Approval of a letter requesting an Attorney General's Office opinion with respect to "housing infrastructure", the anti-donation clause, and awards by the Colonias Infrastructure Board.

This item was removed from the agenda.

9. Consideration for Approval of the Colonias Infrastructure Fund 2014-2015 Calendar.

Mr. Rick Martinez presented the 2014-2015 Colonias calendar to the Board for review and input. A lengthy discussion ensued, and the Board asked Mr. Martinez to make changes to the calendar and submit a draft via email for final input.

10. Public Comment

Mr. Hubert Quintana expressed concern to the Board about the matching funds coming from the USDA due to the project with the Ruidoso Downs not being able to be funded. A lengthy discussion ensued between the Board and the public on this matter.

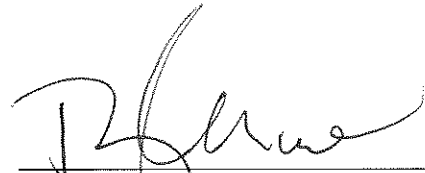
11. Proposed Next Meeting Date

February 18th 2015
NMFA Office, Santa Fe, NM

12. Adjournment.

Mr. Orlando Jimenez moved, seconded by Mr. Zach Dillenback, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m.



Chairman
2-18-15

Date