

**MINUTES  
WORK SESSION  
LUNA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Thursday, November 9, 2017**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Luna County Board of County Commissioners met in work session at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 9, 2017 in the County Commission Chambers of the Luna County Courthouse, Deming, New Mexico, for the purpose of conducting a Work Session.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Smrkovsky called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the salute to the flag of New Mexico.

**ROLL CALL:** Deputy Clerk Myrna Duarte called roll. The following Commissioners constituting a quorum were present:

**Linda M. Smrkovsky, Chair, District 2  
John S. Sweetser, District 3**

**SERVICE AWARDS:** There were no Service Awards presented at today's Work Session.

**PRESENTATIONS:** Luna County resident Marilyn Goble of the Deming Arts Council thanked Luna County for a grant they received. Marilyn Goble's presentation included an update on future events to be held at the Deming Arts Council. The Deming Arts Council will be having a Bracero exhibit, presented by Raymond Cobos at the Deming Museum transportation room on January 6, 2018. This exhibit will also be given in Las Cruces and in Nebraska.

Rachel Pelz Coordinator of the Adult Drug Court gave a presentation on how the program works. Mrs. Pelz provided the board with a breakdown of stats.

Glory Juarez gave a presentation on behalf of Jessica Etcheverry for Workforce Mentorship Grant. Grant County Community Conservation held a workshop in Silver City at Western University. Several counties were broken up to groups and had 3 hours to develop a program from scratch. Luna, Hidalgo, Grant & Catron County received a \$20,000 grant to develop this program in their counties. Chair Smrkovsky presented the check to the board.

**COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF DISCUSSION ON REGULAR MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:** The Luna County Board of County Commissioners presented the Regular Meeting Agenda items for presentation and discussion by attending members of the public.

Chair Smrkovsky discussed the auction that will soon take place to dispose of several county vehicles, along with several miscellaneous items.

Chair Smrkovsky gave an update on trash disposal hours and locations. Luna County residents can dispose at the Luna County convenience stations. Cook's Peak and Sunshine will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Friday November 10, 2017 and will be closed on Saturday and

Sunday November 11 & 12, 2017. The City of Deming Transfer Station will be closed on Friday November 10, 2017 and will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday November 11 & 12, 2017. The facility will resume normal hours, after November 12, 2017. If any further questions please contact the Luna County Mangers Office 575 - 546 - 0494. *(\*Note: Items were presented for discussion only and no actions were taken.)*


**PUBLIC INPUT:** Public input on agenda items and announcements were made by the following: Mrs. Russ Howell asked the board where the public could dispose of prescription drugs. Chair Smrkovsky advised Mrs. Howell that there would be a posting in the newspaper of when there will be day for the public to take their unwanted prescriptions to. She was also advised by Safety Director Mark Jasso to check with her doctor.

Mrs. Alberta Morgan, questioned the disposal of items. Mrs. Morgan suggested that the County could look into a procedure where they can contact other agencies to see if they can use any of the items in inventory. Mr. Pearson advised that the limit is \$5,000 in value of any item that can be donated, to other agencies. Chair Smrkovsky would advise the Economic Development Projects program to look into it.

**ADJOURN:** Chair Smrkovsky adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

**ATTEST:**

**LUNA COUNTY BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

  
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**Andrea Rodriguez, Luna County Clerk**

  
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**(DISTRICT 1 vacant pending appointment by the Governor)**

Approved: December 14, 2017

  
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**Chair, Linda M. Smrkovsky, District 2**

  
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**John S. Sweetser, District 3**