MINUTES

MEETING OF THE
LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2012 - 12:00 P.M.
LRGVDC TRANSPORTATION CENTER
510 PLEASANTVIEW DR. - WESLACO, TEXAS
PRESIDING: MAYOR STEVE BREWER, PRESIDENT

President Steve Brewer called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. and asked Ms. Debby Morales to call roll. Upon conclusion of roll call it was ascertained that a quorum was present. President Brewer then moved to item 2. – Consider Approval RE: May 24, 2012 Meeting Minutes. Mayor David Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Jerry Tafolla seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

Upon conclusion of action on the minutes President Brewer moved to item 3.A. - Public Comments. The following individuals addressed the Board:

- Ms. Amanda Hernandez, HCMPO, informed the Board of the Sustainable Communities Working Together Peer Exchange scheduled for September 14, 2012 facilitated by the LRGVDC's Rio South Texas Regional Planning Consortium.
- Mr. Daniel Diaz, Lupe/Equal Voice Network, commented on the Section 3 Plan and the cooperative effort taken to create this document. Mr. Diaz stated that a strong Section 3 Plan would assist low income families and requested that members of the Equal Voice Network be included in the soon to be formed Section 3 Advisory Committee.
- Mr. Jose Medrano, Start Center/Equal Voice Network, stated that he was proud and humbled to be a participant in this entire Section 3 housing and hurricane relief effort that could make the Valley a national model for the distribution of funds and assignment of local contracts for federal projects all across the United States. Mr. Medrano thanked the members of the Board for acknowledging the efforts of Equal Voice Network and colonia families by adding and changing some of the language to better reflect the needs of the Valley’s low income families. He stated, however, that there continues to be more changes needed in the language before the final signature is written. We continue to hope for transparency, full disclosure and inclusion as the Board moves forward with this document process. Our request today is that this esteemed Board consider a well defined timeline for an application process once the "I"s are dotted and the "T"s are crossed to move an application process forward efficiently, effectively and most importantly as fairly as possible for all the families with limited means.
- Ms. Elsa Gonzalez, Green Valley Farms/Equal Voice Network thanked the Board for their efforts on the Section 3 Plan and stated how important it is for low income families to find work.
- Ms. Priscilla Rocha, ARISE/Equal Voice Network thanked the Board for their efforts on the Section 3 Plan and asked that they consider a timeline so that Valley residents can apply for the jobs the HUD funds will bring.
- Ms. Ann Williams Cass, Proyecto Azteca/Equal Voice Network thanked the Board for their work on the Section 3 Plan and is looking forward to what will be coming forth on the Brownsville hurricane relief project.
- Chief Juan Gonzalez, Mr. George Garrett and Mr. Manuel Cruz, Homeland Security Advisory Committee. Chief Gonzalez commended the Board for the work they do for local law enforcement.

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enforcement, and stated he was here today on behalf of the Advanced Local Emergency Response Team (ALERT) Team created in 2009. Chief Gonzalez stated they pitched an idea to the Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) about forming a regional response team that encompassed all the different emergency response agencies for the purpose of saving lives of community members and emergency responders. He added that they had twelve agencies on board, and the ALERT program has brought all the police chiefs together to work cooperatively. Chief Gonzalez then turned the floor over to Mr. George Garret, Chairman of the HSAC. Mr. Garret commended Chief Gonzalez on the work he has put in the past year to form this emergency response team that is truly a "regional" response team that includes Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties. Through the HSAC we have been able to bring together a number of agencies as regional response capabilities. Mr. Garret acknowledged the support of Mr. Cruz and Mr. Ken Jones, LRGVDC Executive Director and the leadership they provided to help coordinate this regional effort. Mr. Garret then presented a plaque of appreciation and recognition to Mr. Cruz and Mr. Jones. Mr. Jones thanked the HSAC and stated that this recognition belonged collectively to the entire LRGVDC Board of Directors.

Upon conclusion of Public Comments the President moved to item 3.B. – Board Recognitions. President Brewer Presented a plaque to former Commissioner Celeste Sanchez in recognition of her years of service to the LRGVDC Board of Directors. Next President Brewer presented a plaque to Mayor Pro-tem Eddy Gonzalez in recognition of his year of service to the LRGVDC Board of Directors as Board President.

With the Board’s permission, President Brewer took item 5.B.2. – Consider Joint Committee’s Revised Recommendation Regarding a Regional Entity to Implement, Facilitate, Operate, and Maintain the Regional Economic Adjustment Plan out of order and recognized Ms. Terrie Salinas. Ms. Salinas introduced Mr. Godfrey Garza, Chair of the Steering Committee, Ms. Sonia Lambert, Chair of the Technical Committee and Mr. Raul Sesin, Vice-Chair of the Technical Committee. Mr. Garza took a moment to recognize several committee members present in the audience, and then stated that the Joint Committees were in the process of finalizing this multi-regional study that includes four counties. Mr. Garza summarized the history of catastrophes in the Rio Grande Valley that have led to the need for this study, and emphasized the need to include Starr County because the drainage/flood waters that cross Hidalgo, Cameron and Willacy Counties originate in Starr County. Mr. Garza stated that this study was originated by the LRGVDC with a $3.5 MM EDA grant for the purpose of looking at the problems that exist in our community as a regional problem and to find regional solutions. The joint committees have spent a lot of time on this study and have come up with a partial list of approximately a billion dollars of improvements needed to move this program forward. What the Joint Committees are presenting for the Board’s consideration is a study identifying that we move forward looking at this area as a region and that we look at some type of entity that would be able to administer it. Mr. Garza then turned the floor over to Ms. Lambert.

Ms. Lambert emphasized the amount of time and money it has taken to create the Regional Economic Adjustment Plan (Plan) that would increase and improve the storm water system and requested that the Board favorably consider the creation of a Storm Water District. Ms. Lambert stated that the Joint Committees have looked at other entities as an option to carry their work forward and expressed the Committees’ desire to see the projects included in the Plan implemented. Formation of a Storm Water District would move these projects forward to implementation. Ms. Lambert noted previous discussions of the taxation purpose behind the Storm Water District and stated that ultimately the Joint Committees do not know of another way to implement over a billion dollars worth of needed storm water projects without taxation and to use it as leverage in the future when applying for funds on a regional, state or federal level.

Mr. Don Medina asked if there was a model available to use for this project. Mr. Garza stated that the Joint Committees have looked at the Harris County Flood Control program because it is a multi-
jurisdictional county system; however he noted that a model of how water moves from county to county in the Valley is not available.

Commissioner Jim Darling stated that he had some concerns about this item, one being taxation. He stated that the City of McAllen pays 47% of the taxes in Hidalgo County and is very concerned about the taxation issue. The City of McAllen spends millions of dollars on drainage for its community and it would be unfair to the tax payers to take on another burden. Commissioner Darling's second concern was regulatory; creating a Storm Water District would mean another entity developers would have to include in the sub-division process, and it would have no elected officials to consult with. Commissioner Darling cautioned serious consideration because a regulatory organization would be controlled by a board that the LRGVDC Board would create and possibly have no control over. Commissioner Darling stated that his last, but not least, concern was from the Joint Committee report, and quoted, “ultimately, the function of this entity and its authorities, as well as any final decisions will be made by the LRGVDC Board of Directors”. Commissioner Darling stated that even though he is a member of this Board the City of McAllen City Commission would not secede how this proposed entity would function and its authorities to the Directors of the LRGVDC Board, and he encouraged the Board to look at the bigger picture and how it would affect all the communities individually before the Board parcels into one entity to control this.

Ms. Lambert stated that the Joint Committees understand that there are many details that need to be addressed on this issue and decided to bring it forward to the Board to consider the concept of it. The Joint Committees understand that there are issues regarding regulation, board membership, the election, the areas, the potential tax rate and who would set it, and are bringing this to the Board as a concept and a direction to start. Ms. Lambert stated that the committees have spent a lot of man hours developing the Plan and would like to see it become a reality; the Committees would like some direction on where they need to head to actually begin implementing the projects that were identified.

Council Member Gus Garcia suggested that a draft proposal should be presented to the Board that would identify the items in question. Mr. Garza stated that the intention of this study was to determine if drainage should be considered regionally or not. If it should be considered regionally Mr. Garza would like to get direction from the LRGVDC as the regional Council of Governments. In the Joint Committees' report five different options are listed:

a. Evaluate a matrix outlining the various aspects of the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority, the LRGVDC Board, Counties, Drainage Districts and Storm Water Control Districts to consider the appropriate/applicable entity
b. If a new entity is created it would not be a duplication of existing entities
c. Equitable formation of a board for a new entity
d. Public is not taxed twice in any effort
e. Facilitation of existing and future bond programs by other entities

Mr. Garza stated that the Joint Committees are not asking for the LRGVDC to take action on the creation of a Board, we are asking the Board if we should move forward in regionalization. Council Member Garcia stated that regionalism is not the question, because this Board understands the importance of regionalism; he said Commissioner Darling made a statement that authority would be taken away from the local governments regarding developers seeking to create new subdivisions, they would have to seek approval from this new regulatory body, which would be created by this Board of Directors, is that an accurate statement? Mr. Garza stated that was not accurate because presently new developments must be approved by the Drainage District before moving forward, so there is no difference on the issue of creating an entity that a new development goes forward on.

Mayor Chris Boswell asked what the recommendation was. Mr. Garza stated the recommendation was that the LRGVDC Board of Directors consider a regional drainage system to move forward. The Joint Committees have submitted five different type entities that exist that could be considered by the Board.
The Committees are not asking the Board to take action on those different structures, but to take action to move forward as a regional drainage system. Mayor Boswell stated that "the devil is in the details", regarding which one to choose; creating a Chapter 66 water code district that can issue debt without voter approval is a concern to me. The Board certainly does not want to shun the work the Joint Committees have accomplished or make it irrelevant and we need to find some way to implement it. Each of the five options presented have serious drawbacks. The principle is to develop an entity but what the Committees are asking the Board to do is not very specific. Mayor Boswell stated he was not prepared to support any one of the five proposals as presented.

Mr. Garza stated that it was not the Committees’ intention to ask the Board to support any one of the proposals; the intention is to present that there are entities available that can be utilized. The language can be modified to say that the Joint Committees believe there should be some type of regionalism of the watershed management entity developed in the future. How it would be developed can be left up to the elected officials and the citizens of the region. The concept is: do we believe in regionalism, that is what we are bringing forward.

Mayor Pro-tem Armando Garza stated that he serves on one of the Joint Committees and acknowledged that they have put in a lot of time and effort on this Plan; however, he agreed that it is not clearly stated what the purpose, mission or goal of the Storm Water District is. Mayor Pro-tem Garza recommended that a committee of LRGVDC Board Members meet with the Joint Committees to get a better understanding of how to move forward in order to provide the direction the Committees seek.

President Brewer asked Mr. Jones what his recommendation was. Mr. Jones stated that to bring some clarity to the issue, what the Joint Committees are recommending is not one of the five options, that addressing the drainage situation within the Valley is a regional issue, it needs to be pursued on a regional basis and the details or unanswered questions would be part of the process; does the Board support the Committees that are involved and to authorize staff to continue discussion and to try to identify some of those details. President Brewer stated that the problem is that is not what is stated on the agenda so the Board cannot act on that. Mr. Jones stated that options one through five of the work plan are there in order to determine the pros and cons to evaluate something related to a regional entity. If the Board acts to leave it as a regional concept scenario, it would need to be specifically mentioned that these are not all the options that are available and the Joint Committees would continue to consider what would be best for the region. It may be additional coordination with an existing entity; it would be preferable to use an existing entity as opposed to creating a new one.

Dr. Cesar Maldonado observed that with the level of misunderstanding within the Board on this issue, absent a specific document to take action on, the Board cannot take action and expect the cities and counties to understand what action was taken. **Dr. Maldonado made a motion to table this item. Council Member Gus Garcia seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.**

Upon conclusion of discussion President Brewer moved to item 3.C. – Act Upon Recommendation of Nominating Committee and recognized Mayor Pro-tem Eddy Gonzalez. Regarding item 3.C.1. – Selection of Five (5) Persons for Election as Members-at-Large to the Membership, Mayor Pro-tem Gonzalez reminded the Board that last month at the Membership Meeting five persons were approved by the Membership, they are:

- Mr. Alvin Samano – Hidalgo
- Hon. Norma G. Garcia – Donna
- Ms. Ann Cass – McAllen
- Mayor Orlando Vela – Progreso
- Ms. Celeste Sanchez – San Benito

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Mayor Pro-tem Gonzalez stated that the Nominating Committee’s recommendation for the remaining five persons to be considered by the Board of Directors are:

- Mr. Eleazar "Yogi" Garcia – Raymondville
- Mr. Leo Munoz – Weslaco
- Commissioner Jose Gomez – Mercedes
- Mr. Guillermo Ramirez – Hidalgo
- Mr. Don Medina – McAllen

The Hon. Norma G. Garcia stated that she would like the Board to consider the nomination of Ms. Diana Serna as she has served on the Membership before and has expressed interest in serving again. Upon conclusion of discussion Mr. Don Medina made a motion to approve the slate of Members-at-Large to the Membership as presented. Mayor Orlando Correa seconded the motion. Upon a vote the motion carried with two votes against.

Regarding item 3.C.2. – Selection of Three (3) At-large Members to be Elected to the 2012-2013 Board of Directors, Mayor Pro-tem Gonzalez stated that of the ten At-Large members identified above the following three persons have been recommended to fill the three At-Large seats on the Board of Directors for 2012-2013:

- Hon. Norma G. Garcia
- Mr. Alvin Samano
- Mr. Don Medina

Mayor Orlando Correa made a motion for approval of the three Members-at-Large to fill the three At-Large seats on the Board of Directors for 2012-2013 as recommended by the Nominating Committee. Mayor David Simmons seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

Upon conclusion of action President Brewer moved to item 3.D. – Consider Appointments RE: Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC) Board of Directors and Corporation for Texas Regionalism (CTR) Board of Directors. Mayor Steve Brewer stated that as new Board President he would like to be as active as possible in all Board activities and to accomplish this goal would like to represent the LRGVDC on both the TARC Board and the CTR Board. Hon. Norma G. Garcia stated she would be happy to serve as alternate to the TARC Board as she had served on that Board before and recommended that Mayor Brewer serve on the state level representing the LRGVDC on the TARC and CTR Boards of Directors. Mayor Brewer suggested Mr. Don Medina would be an appropriate alternate for the CTR Board as he has been the LRGVDC representative to that Board. Commissioner Jim Darling made a motion for Mayor Steve Brewer to serve as LRGVDC representative to both the TARC and CTR Board and for the Hon. Norma G. Garcia to serve as alternate for the TARC Board and Mr. Don Medina to serve as alternate for the CTR Board. Dr. Cesar Maldonado seconded and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

President Brewer next moved to item 3.E. – Discussion and Possible Action RE: Board Meeting Schedule. Mayor David Simmons made a motion to move the regular meeting day of the LRGVDC Board of Directors from the fourth Thursday to the fourth Wednesday of each month and for the meeting start time to remain and 12:00 noon. Commissioner Jerry Tafolla seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

The President next moved to item 3.F. – Discussion and Possible Action RE: Board Member Orientation. Mayor Pro-tem Rudy Rodriguez made a motion for Mr. Ken Jones to give a 10-15 minute presentation on “COG 101” for the benefit of new Board Members. Commissioner Joe D. Gonzalez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.
Upon conclusion of action President Brewer moved to item 3.G. – Consider Approval of Resolution RE: CCRMA SPI 2nd Access Project. **The Hon. Norma G. Garcia made a motion for approval of the resolution of support for the CCRMA SPI 2nd Access Project as presented.** Commissioner Jerry Tafolla seconded the motion; Mayor Chris Boswell abstained, and upon a vote the motion carried.

The President next moved to item 3.H. – Status Report RE: Texas Gas Service (COSA) Filing and recognized Mr. Ken Jones. Mr. Jones noted that a list of cities who have passed the resolution for the COSA filing was in the Board folders and that Texas Gas Service planned to include a rate filing with the COSA and the rate filing documents should be sent out early next week. No action needed.

The President next moved to item 4. - Report from Area Agency on Aging and recognized Mr. Joe Gonzalez. Regarding item 4.A. - Mr. Gonzalez stated that the reports were in the binders however he mentioned that the Community-based Care Transition Program needed representatives from the Board of Directors and that Mr. Shane Cameron and Commissioner Pilar Garza have expressed interest in serving in this capacity; two more members were needed. No action taken.

President Brewer next moved to item 5. - Report from Economic Development Department and recognized Ms. Terrie Salinas. Regarding item 5.1. – Consider Approval RE: Amendments to the Regional Small Cities Coalition’s Bylaws, Ms. Salinas stated that their June 14th meeting, the Regional Small Cities Coalition Committee (RSCCC) recommended revising their bylaws to include establishment of an Executive Committee so the RSCCC could take action, if needed, on short notice, the Executive Committee would then take the action before the full committee for ratification. Another suggested bylaws amendment was to change the percentage of members present for a quorum from 51% to 33%. Ms. Salinas explained that when the RSCCC was first formed it had only 14 members, and has since grown to 20; in addition the RSCCC is planning activities to increase the membership to include all 33 small cities in the three county area. The last recommended amendment was to include elected officials as alternates. Alderman Cavazos from Los Indios is the City Secretary’s alternate and he stated that the current bylaws do not include elected officials as alternates. Alderman Cavazos and other small city elected officials have expressed interest in serving as alternates to the committee. **Commissioner Jerry Tafolla made a motion to approve the amendments to the Regional Small Cities Coalition’s Bylaws as presented.** Mayor David Simmons seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

Upon conclusion of action President Brewer moved to item 5.A.2. – Consider Approval RE: Election of Two At-Large Members to the Regional Small Cities Coalition. Ms. Salinas explained that in order to fill the At-large positions in the RSCCC’s Executive Committee two At-Large positions needed to be filled. Mr. Eleazar “Yogi” Garcia, Raymondville City Manager and Mr. Noel Bernal, La Villa City Manager were nominated by the RSCCC and have accepted their nominations. **Commissioner Sofia Benavides made a motion for approval of the election of Mr. Eleazar “Yogi” Garcia and Mr. Noel Bernal to the RSCCC as recommended by the Committee.** The Hon. Norma G. Garcia seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

President Brewer next moved to item 5.B. – Regional Economic Adjustment Plan, 5.B.1. – Consider Approval RE: Supplemental Agreement No. 4 from S&B Infrastructure for Time Extension. Ms. Salinas informed the Board that at the last Join Committee Meeting for the Steering and Technical Committees, it was recommended that the final public meetings be postponed until after the LRGVDC’s June Board meeting. Therefore it is requested that the LRGVDC consider approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 4 to extend S&B’s contract to July 31, 2012. The LRGVDC contract with the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has also been extended until December 31, 2012; therefore, S&B’s time extension request can still be approved within the LRGVDC’s contractual obligations with the EDA. Additionally, Supplemental Agreement No. 4 is a no-cost contract modification. **Commissioner Sofia Benavides made a motion for approval of the Supplemental Agreement No. 4 as presented.** Mayor David Simmons seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

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Benavides made a motion to approve Supplemental Agreement No. 4 from S&B Infrastructure for Time Extension as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Eddy Gonzalez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

President Brewer then moved to item 6. - Report from Transportation Department and recognized Mr. Tom Logan. Regarding 6.A.1. - Program Status Reports Mr. Logan noted that Valley Metro has experienced a 96% increase in ridership.

President Brewer next moved to item 7. - Report from Regional Planning & Services and recognized Mr. Jones as Planning Director, Ms. Marcie Oviedo was unable to attend. Regarding item 7.A.1.a. 1&2 Program Status Reports for the Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group Activity and the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority (RGRWA) Activity. Commissioner Jim Darling was recognized and informed the Board that the reservoir levels were rapidly approaching 50% storage on the U.S. side and stated that many cities have water conservation ordinances that activate at the 50% level. Commissioner Darling recommended the cities representatives speak to their city managers regarding this decrease in the water supply. Commissioner Darling also informed the Board of an issue regarding Mexico paying their water debt to the U.S. that fortunately was cleared up without going into the U.S. water reserves. Mr. Jones suggested that at some point in the future a brief presentation could be made on the good works of the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority is doing in terms of the Groundwater Feasibility Study funded by the BOR and the RGRWA. Mr. John Mendoza suggested taking a pro-active approach and make public service announcements about the decrease in reservoir levels. Upon conclusion of discussion Mr. John Mendoza made a motion to recommend the RGRWA create Public Service Announcements regarding the reservoir levels reaching the 50% capacity level. Mayor Pro-tem Eddy Gonzalez seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

President Brewer moved to item 7.A.2. - Solid Waste Management and noted that the status report was in the Board folders for review.

The President next moved to item 7.B. - HUD Disaster Recovery Funding; item 7.B.1. - Consider Approval of GLO Contract for Round 2.2 CDBG Disaster Recovery Funding (Tabled 3/29/2012). Mr. Jones announced that the contract has just been received the day before and staff needed time to review prior to presenting to the Board. Mr. Jones recommended leaving this item on the table until the July Board meeting; it was the consensus of the Board to do so.

President Brewer then moved to item 7.B.2. - Consider Recommendation from Regional Housing Advisory Committee RE: Section 3 Plan. Mr. Jones informed the Board that the Housing Advisory Committee (HAC) met on June 14th and unanimously recommended draft LRGVDC Section 3 Plan for Board approval. The Hon. Norma G. Garcia made a motion for approval of the LRGVDC Section 3 Plan as presented. Commissioner Sofia Benavides seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Upon conclusion of action the President moved to item 7.C. - Program Status Report on Brownsville Round 1 Disaster Recovery Program. Mr. Jones brought the Board’s attention to a bullet point chronological order of events for the Brownsville Project beginning in October 2011 with the first contact from the GLO to the end of June 2012 and the beginning of the construction process. President Brewer next moved to item 8.A.2. - Homeland Security and recognized Mr. Manuel Cruz. Regarding item 8.A.1. - Consider Approval RE: 25% Match from Jurisdictions for Spanish Language Public Safety Early Weather Warning System. Mr. Cruz reminded the Board of Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr.’s request for assistance and support from the LRGVDC Board for the implementation of this system. The Spanish All-Hazards Radio transmitter in the Lower Rio Grande Valley would be of great benefit and would be the fourth site in operation nationwide. The Hon. Norma G. Garcia made a motion for approval of the 25% Match from Jurisdictions for Spanish Language Public Safety Early Weather Warning System as presented. Commissioner Jerry Tafolla seconded the motion and upon a
vote the motion carried unanimously. Upon conclusion of action Mr. Cruz stated that the status reports for Homeland Security and Criminal Justice were in the Board folders for review.

The President next moved to item 8.C. - Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS), item 8.C.1. - Consider Approval RE: Committee Recommendation for Vice Chair. Mr. Cruz stated that at the June 7th meeting Mr. Eddie Olivarez, Hidalgo County Health Department Chief Administrator was nominated as the Vice Chair; accordingly the former Vice Chair, Mr. Frank Torres, Willacy County Emergency Management Coordinator, will ascend to the position of Chair. Commissioner Jerry Tafolla made a motion for approval of Mr. Eddie Olivarez as MMRSSC Vice Chair as recommended by the Committee. Mayor David Simmons seconded, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously. Upon conclusion of action Mr. Cruz noted that the Metropolitan Medical Response System Status Reports were in the Board folders for review.

President Brewer next moved to item 9. - 9-1-1 Department and recognized Mr. Juan Gomez. Mr. Gomez stated that the status reports were in the binders and added that 9-1-1 staff was having difficulty addressing hunting lodges as they were in very remote locations.

The President next moved to item 10. - Regional Police Academy, Mr. Paul Williams was unable to attend, and Mr. Jones noted that the Police Academy status reports were in the Board folders for review and additional flyers and information regarding several training opportunities were behind the status reports.

President Brewer next moved to item 11. - Old or New Business; there being no further business to come before the Board, President Brewer called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. John Mendoza so moved, Mayor Pro-tem Eddy Gonzalez seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

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MAYOR STEVE BREWER, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

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HON. NORMA G. GARCIA, 1st VICE-PRESIDENT

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Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary