

New Mexico Spaceport Authority

December 7, 2010

Sierra County Commission Chambers

855 Van Patten

Truth or Consequences, NM 87901

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ben Woods at 9 am.

Roll call was taken with eight members present: quorum confirmed.

Guests and officials present included: Rick Homans, NMSA Executive Director; NMSA; Sandra Franco, NMSA; Josh Cantrell, NMSA; David Wilson, Wilson-Binkley; Beverly Luna; Max Kriehne; Jim Hayhoe; Rod Idilee; John Roberts; Rob Spence; Yadira Chavez

Members Present:

Ben Woods (Chairman)

Pat Beckett

Jerry Stagner

Toots Green

Gary Whitehead

Kent Evans

Casey Luna

Not Present

Eric Vasquez-Designee

Introductions: Chairman Ben Woods

Approval of Agenda:

Motion: Director Green moved to approve the agenda. Director Evans seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Director Luna moved to approve the NMSA Board minutes, Director Green seconded the motion, motion carried .

October 22, 2010 (Special Meeting)

November 3, 2010 (Special Meeting)

November 18, 2010 (Special Meeting)

Revised FY12 Budget- No Expansion (Action Item)

Revised budget has been submitted to include 10% reduction to DFA. No expansion items were submitted. Motion: Director Whitehead moved to approve FY12 budget. Director Green seconded the motion, motion unanimously approved.

Revised Project Budget (Action Item)

Rick Homans went over in detail the revised project budget for Phase 1 and Phase 2. Our Contingency amount is at 13.8 million. Actual Costs including change orders have been at 186,323.00. Director Stagner had a question regarding the long term budget. User fees have been set for a two year block. We can access capital money once we get into operations, Rick Homans explained. The budgeted amount was set at 209,719.00. Director Whitehead moved to approve the revised project budget, Director Green seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

Report from Executive Director Rick Homans

Rick noted that our new Cabinet Secretary had been appointed. Jon Barela will replace Fred Mondragon. Board members will remain until otherwise noted. Board has the entitlement to hire the Executive Director for New Mexico Spaceport Authority. Rick thanked the Board on behalf of Bill Richardson. Deputy Director search is still an ongoing process, although, hiring has been suspended by the current administration. Virgin Galactic Quarterly meeting will be in Las Cruces December 15-17, 2010. Communications, Maintenance, and Security RFP scheduled for 12/9/10. ITAR RFP selection has been scheduled for 12/31/10. ITAR reform is necessary. Legal language is vague, and needs to be reinstated to suit the needs of all parties involved. Cutter Wells are gradually recovering Per OSA data. Southern Road site walk has been scheduled for 12/8/10 with the BLM. 3rd annual UP vertical launch has been scheduled for April 1, 2011. Offsite power subject to analysis, modification. Power scheduled for July 1, 2011. Follow the Sun, bus tour company contract in the final draft of completion.

Public Comment and Next Meeting-

Jim Hayhoe, congratulated Board and Staff for the outstanding improvements. Bidder Registry on the website is a good idea for vendors to register their companies and information for all to see. – Industry day was a success, in Las Cruces and T or C. Will extend an invitation to Jon Barela to come to the site, schedule a reception for him to meet staff, board. Appreciation to Chair Ben Woods was extended for his extensive work with NMSA.
Next meeting February 5, 2011

Adjourn

Director Whitehead moved to adjourn the meeting. Director Green seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Approved: 
Richard Holdrige, Chairman

Date: 3/15/14