

NMSA Board Meeting Notes  
Dec 17, 2018 at 1:00pm  
301 S. Foch St.  
Truth or Consequences, NM 87901

Rick Holdridge: It being 1:00pm on Dec 17, 2018 I will call this meeting to order. All stand for the pledge of allegiance.

All: [Recite the pledge]

Rick Holdridge: We will do a roll call.

- Rick Holdridge. Present.
- Laura Conniff. Present.
- Davin Lopez. Not Present.
- Nathan la Font. Present.
- Rebecca Latham. Not present.
- Michelle Coons. Present.

Rick Holdridge: We have a quorum. You have the agenda. I will entertain a motion to approve.

Nathan La Font: Motion to approve the agenda.

Michelle Coons: Second.

Rick Holdridge: So moved.

Michelle: Motion to approve the meeting notes (Aug 30 and Oct 25 minutes)

Nathan La Font: Second.

Rick Holdridge: So moved.

Laura Conniff: Motion to rearrange the agenda to move agenda items 10, 11, and 12 to the current time so the closed session is moved to the end of the meeting.

Nathan La Font: Second.

Rick Holdridge: So moved.

A representative from Virgin Galactic (Jason Losich) gave an update on their operations.

Dan Hicks presented an update on Spaceport America.

- Dan Hicks: I am excited to be here to present this status update. Let's start by introducing new staff members. Alan Turk – Airfield Manager, Kari Fresquez – IT Manager, Ron Chavez – Airfield Manager, Dave Bushman – Aerospace Engineer
- Dan reviewed the highlights from 2018.
- Dan discussed developments with the National Space Council, the commercial space industry, and other spaceports around the nation.
- Dan discussed Spaceport America's strategic advantage, and plans for future growth.

- Dan discussed the agency's current workload, including Up Aerospace, Exos Aerospace, Boeing CST-100 Starliner, NM Tech launch, Spaceport America Cup, and non-aerospace photo shoots.
- Dan discussed several near term efforts including Virgin Galactic Operations, HyperSciences, and creating a strategic plan.
- Dan reviewed a list of 21 NDAs that represent discussions with interested customers of the Spaceport.
- Dan reviewed the number of jobs created with a projection for an increase in FY19.
- Dan reviewed the hiring plan and future positions still to be hired.
- Dan reviewed information on the last Spaceport America Cup.
- Dan reviewed the FY20-FY24 Capital Projects Improvement Plan.
- Virgin Galactic showed some additional video from their recent test flight.

Rick Holdridge: Is there anyone from the public who would like to make a comment? Hearing none, I will read the executive session statement.

Rick Holdridge: Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act I will entertain a motion to enter an executive session to discuss details on litigation and procurement

Laura Conniff: Motion to enter closed session.

Nathan LaFont: Second.

Rick Holdridge: [Took a passing and unanimous roll call vote] So Moved.

[Board Entered Closed Session]

[Board Exited Closed Session]

Rick Holdridge: I will entertain a motion to approve the staff's recommendation for the RFP selection of Sinuate Media for website development and maintenance.

Nathan La Font: Motion.

Laura Conniff: Second.

Rick Holdridge: I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

Nathan La Font: Motion.

Laura Conniff: Second.

[Meeting is adjourned]

Approved

  


Date

4/4/19