

MINUTES OF THE NEW MEXICO LIVESTOCK  
BOARD (NMLB) MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2022  
1:00 P.M.

VIRTUAL MEETING:  
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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Molly Manzanares at 1:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Molly Manzanares, Chair- Present	Kathy Longinaker, Present
Milford Denetclaw, Board Member - Present	Rita Padilla-Gutierrez, Board Member - Present
Tobin Dolan, Vice Chair Present	Michael Perez, Board Member - Present
John Conniff, Secretary – Present	Morgan Switzer-McGinley, Board Member – Not Present
Tony Casados Jr., Board Member - Present	

Quorum Established

**NMLB STAFF PRESENT:**

Belinda Garland, Executive Director	Justin Gray, Livestock Inspector
Shawn Davis, Deputy Director	April Riggs, Area 2 ROM
Barry Allen, Area 1 ROM	Gary Mora, Area 3 ROM
Leif Rasmussen, Chief Legal Counsel	Troy Patterson, Area 4 ROM
Stephanie Lujan, HR Manager	
Julie Gauman, IT	
Andrew Silva, CFO	

**OTHER ATTENDEES:**

Leroy Padilla  
Troy Sauble, NMFLB  
Katelin Spradley, NM Farm and Livestock Bureau

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Vice Chair Dolan moves to approve the agenda for the February 1, 2022 Board Meeting.  
Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Board Member Denetclaw -Yes	Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez - Yes
Board Member Casados-Yes	Board Member Perez - Yes
Board Member Longinaker-Yes	Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to approve the February 1, 2022 Agenda passes 7-0.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes from the December 14, 2021 Board Meeting presented.

Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez moves to approve the December 14, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

Board Member Denetclaw seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Secretary Conniff -Yes

Board Member Casados - Yes

Vice Chair Dolan-Yes

Board Member Perez - Yes

Board Member Longinaker-Yes

Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to approve December 14, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes passes 7-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Executive Director Garland announced that public comments will be held to 2 minutes per person and to please follow the Public Participation Guidelines.

\*Full comments are available in the recording for the February 1, 2022 NMLB Meeting.

**RATIFICATION OF MOU BETWEEN THE NM LIVESTOCK BOARD AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION (APHIS) VETERINARY SERVICES:**

Executive Director Belinda Garland described the purpose of MOU. Director Garland stated it is done annually with APHIS to allow the two agencies to work together to and control scrapie and other TSE's of concern.

\*Full comments are available in the recording for the February 1, 2022 NMLB Meeting.

Vice Chair Dolan moves to ratify Ms. Garland's signature on the MOU.

Board Member Casados seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Secretary Conniff -Yes

Board Member Denetclaw - Yes

Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez-Yes

Board Member Perez - Yes

Board Member Longinaker-Yes

Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to ratify Ms. Garland's signature on the MOU passes 7-0.

**RESOLUTION 01-2022: PERA PEACE OFFICER PLAN:**

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Executive Director Belinda Garland discussed the resolution to approve our commission law enforcement officers to become members of Peace Officer Plan in the PERA retirement.

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Secretary Conniff moves to approve the resolution as amended with 25 years of service.  
Vice Chair Dolan seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Board Member Casados- Yes	Board Member Denetclaw - Yes
Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez-Yes	Board Member Perez - Yes
Board Member Longinaker-Yes	Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to approve the Resolution 01-2022 passes 7-0.

**APPEAL OF ESTRAY-LEROY PADILLA-125-5-02901:**

Inspector Gray stated on Monday, August 23, 2021, at the Roswell Livestock Auction, Mr. Leroy Padilla checked in some calves and one did not have his brand. Mr. Padilla stated to Inspector Gray that the smallest calf was not branded but had been tagged. Inspector Gray decided to pull tail hairs from the calf to run DNA and determine heritage. The calf was sold as an estray because it was not branded. No hairs have been submitted by Mr. Padilla at this time.

Mr. Padilla stated it would take too many resources to pull the cows out of the canyon, so he completed the claim form and submitted it. Mr. Padilla spoke with Matthew regarding procedures, and he thought he had the options of pulling the hairs or submitting the claim form. So, he chose to complete the claim form and submitted it.

\*Full discussion is available in the recording for the February 1, 2022, NMLB Meeting.

Board Member Casados moves to postpone a decision on this calf until Mr. Padilla provides the hairs of the mama cow.

Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Secretary Conniff -Yes	Board Member Denetclaw - Yes
Vice Chair Dolan-Yes	Board Member Perez – Not Called for Vote
Board Member Longinaker-Yes	Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to postpone a decision on the calf of Mr. Leroy Padilla passes 6-0.

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**2022 LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS:**

**A. House Bill 86-Resolution 02-2022**

This is a resolution to respectfully request the representatives to add all law enforcement into House Bill 86. House Bill 86 is creating a retention fund that LE officers who stay with one agency for 5, 10, 15 years will receive a retention bonus. It did not include a lot of the small agencies.

\*Full presentation is available in the recording for the February 1, 2022 NMLB Meeting.

Board Member Casados moves to pass the resolution 02-2022.  
Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Vice Chair Dolan -Yes	Board Member Denetclaw - Yes
Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez-Yes	Board Member Perez - Yes
Board Member Longinaker-Yes	Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to pass the Resolution 02-2022 passes 7-0.

**B. Any Other Active Legislative Bills**

Director Garland gives a verbal update on rumbling in the background that Representative Terrazas is going to introduce a bill to change the estray laws.

\*Full verbal update is available in the recording for the February 1, 2022 NMLB Meeting.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

CFO Silva explained the new process for the travel expenses for the Board Members.

**Review of FY23 Budget:**

CFO Silva stated the budget was presented to the Department of Finance and LFC. They got a favorable response from both. They were happy with the recommendation of LFC. Spreadsheets reviewed.

\*Full comments are available in the recording for the February 1, 2022, NMLB Meeting.

**Review of FY23 Special Appropriations Request:**

CFO Silva went over the FY23 Special Appropriations requested to do a server refresh for the NMLB. It looks like it will be adopted unless a line-item veto happens. CFO Silva stated it will allow the NMLB to get new servers.

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**UPDATE ON MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION (MPI) PROGRAM**

Director Garland stated it does look like there will be reoccurring funding for this program which is crucial for the advancement of this program and setting it up. There is currently a posting to recruit a MPI Director. Director Garland stated she believes the MPI is moving along, just have to get through this legislative session and the final outcome of our budget with the reoccurring funds.

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**MEETING DATES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022:**

Director Garland had a question for the board regarding the public hearing for the rules if other items will be added or just the rules. The public hearing will be ready the end of March or beginning of April. Director Garland asked about having a meeting one time per quarter.

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Board Member Longinaker moves for the meetings to be done quarterly in 2022 starting in March. Vice Chair Dolan seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Board Member Denetclaw -Yes	Board Member Casados - Yes
Secretary Conniff-Yes	Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez - Yes
Board Member Perez-Yes	Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to have next NMLB meetings quarterly starting in March, passes 7-0.

**CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Vice Chair Dolan moves to have a 10-minute break and then go into Closed Executive Session at 2:20pm. Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Board Member Denetclaw -Yes	Board Member Perez - Yes
Board Member Casados-Yes	Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez - Yes
Board Member Longinaker, Not Present	Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to go into Closed Executive Session passes 7-0. Meeting closes at 2:09 PM.

**RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

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Secretary Conniff moves to leave Closed Executive Session and confirm that nothing else was discussed in Closed Executive Session other than items listed on agenda.  
Board Member Longinaker seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Board Member Denetclaw -Yes	Board Member Casados - Yes
Vice Chair Dolan-Yes	Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez-Yes
Board Member Perez left the meeting at 2:45pm, Not Present	Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to leave Closed Executive Session and confirm that nothing else was discussed in Closed Executive Session other than items listed on agenda passes 6-0. Meeting re-opens at 2:50 p.m.

**BOARD CONCERNS:**

Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez wanted to give kudos to the NMLB staff and all who participated in creating a beautiful brand book, Well done. Also wanted to commend Director Garland for having a good working group with a lot of diversity.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

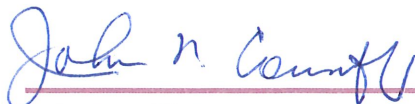
Vice Chair Dolan moves to adjourn the Board Meeting.  
Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

Board Member Denetclaw -Yes	Board Member Casados-Yes
Board Member Perez, Not Present	Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez-Yes
Board Member Longinaker-Yes	Board Member Switzer-McGinley, Not Present

Motion to adjourn the meeting passed 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

APPROVAL:



John Conniff, Secretary



Molly Manzanares, Chair