

MINUTES
EDDY LEA ENERGY ALLIANCE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026, 9:00 A.M.
THE EDDY COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS,
101 W. GREENE, CARLSBAD, NM 88220

Board members present:

John Heaton (Chairman-City of Carlsbad)
Anthony Foreman (Member-City of Carlsbad)-via Zoom
Jonathan Sena (Member-City of Hobbs)
Sam Cobb (Vice Chairman-City of Hobbs)
James “Bo” Bowen (Member-Eddy County)
Mike Gallagher (Member-Eddy County)
Brad Weber (Member- Lea County)-via Zoom
Corey Needham (Member-Lea County)-via Zoom

Board members absent:

None

Administrative staff present:

Denise Madrid Boyea (City Attorney - City of Carlsbad/General Counsel-ELEA)
Melissa Salcido (Finance Director-City of Carlsbad/Fiscal Agent)
Andrew Medrano (IT Department-Eddy County)
Nick Maxwell (Citizen)

Also Present:

Kristen Gamboa (Carlsbad Department of Development)
Nick Maxwell (Citizen)
Cameron Bingham (Summit Midstream)
Selina Parker (Summit Midstream)
Brandon Kitsch (Summit Midstream)

1. Call to Order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll call to establish quorum

3. Approval of Minutes of December 10, 2025 Regular Meeting:

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 12/10/2025 were presented. A Motion was made by J. Bowen to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of 12/10/2025. Motion was seconded by B. Weber. The vote: The vote: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Bowen for Eddy County voted yes; and B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. J. Sena for the City of Hobbs abstained. No one voted no. Motion passed.

4. Director or Staff Comments:

Chairman J. Heaton discussed requests for right-of-way easements, potential opportunities for future development on ELEA property, and other updates. S. Cobb thanked J. Heaton for the update and mentioned using property to diversify the economy and promote jobs.

5. Approval of Double E. Pipeline easement:

Presentation by C. Bingham with Summit Midstream and other team members regarding Double E pipeline. Extensive discussion ensued, and four options were offered with maps showing options for pipeline placement. Motion was made by J. Bowen for Eddy County, to consider a draft agreement for Option Four (4) and engage EOG in discussions to coordinate placement of pipelines within the same right-of-way. Motion was seconded by J. Sena for the City of Hobbs. The vote: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Sena for the City of Hobbs voted yes; J. Bowen for Eddy County voted yes; and B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. No one voted no. Motion passed.

6. Approval of Accounts Payable

M. Salcido presented the expenses paid during her financial report. Motion to approve was made by J. Sena for the City of Hobbs. The motion was seconded by J. Bowen for Eddy County. The vote was as follows: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Sena for the City of Hobbs voted yes; J. Bowen for Eddy County voted yes; and B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. No one voted no. Motion passed.

7. Financial Report by M. Salcido

M. Salcido presented a Financial Report as of December 31, 2025, the sixth period of Fiscal Year 2026.

8. Approval of FY27 Budget

M. Salcido presented the proposed budget for next year, FY27. Motion to approve was made by J. Bowen for Eddy County. The motion was seconded by A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad and B. Weber for Lea County. The vote was as follows: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Sena for the City of Hobbs voted yes; J. Bowen for Eddy County voted yes; and B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. No one voted no. Motion passed.

9. Approval of Auditor

M. Salcido presented a proposal to continue to use Hinkle & Landers as auditors and mentioned estimated cost. Motion to approve Hinkle & Landers as auditors 2026 audit was made by B. Weber for Lea County. The motion was seconded by J. Sena for the City of Hobbs. The vote was as follows: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Sena for the City of Hobbs voted yes; J. Bowen for Eddy County voted yes; and B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. No one voted no. Motion passed.

10. Approval of professional legal services agreement

D. Madrid Boyea presented a proposal to enter into a professional legal services agreement to provide general counsel legal services and requested reimbursement for professional liability insurance coverage. Motion to approve Boyea Professional General Legal Counsel services, and reimburse for half of the professional liability insurance was made by J. Sena for the City of Hobbs. The motion was seconded by B. Weber for Lea County. The vote was as follows: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Sena for the City of Hobbs voted yes; J. Bowen for Eddy County voted yes; and B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. No one voted no. Motion passed.

11. Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes per person)

None.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

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EDDY LEA ENERGY ALLIANCE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026, 9:00 A.M.
THE HOBBS COMMISSION CHAMBERS,
200 E. BROADWAY, HOBBS, NM 88240

Board members present:

John Heaton (Chairman-City of Carlsbad) – via telephone
Anthony Foreman (Member-City of Carlsbad)-via telephone
Jonathan Sena (Member-City of Hobbs)
Sam Cobb (Vice Chairman-City of Hobbs)
Brad Weber (Member- Lea County)

Board members absent:

James “Bo” Bowen (Member-Eddy County)
Mike Gallagher (Member-Eddy County)
Corey Needham (Member-Lea County)

Administrative staff present:

Denise Madrid Boyea (City Attorney - City of Carlsbad/General Counsel-ELEA)
Naomi Castillo (Legal Assistant – City of Carlsbad)
Christa Belyeu (IT Department-Hobbs)

Also Present:

Nick Maxwell (Citizen)
Loraine Villegas (Citizen)

1. Call to Order at 9:11 a.m.

2. Roll call to establish quorum

3. Consider approval of issuance of Member’s Resolution for pursuing litigation against the State of New Mexico:

A sample Resolution for approval of a Resolution for pursuing litigation against the State of New Mexico was considered. A Motion was made by J. Sena to approve. A second was made by A. Foreman. Discussion ensued and S. Cobb

asked to modify the language in the fourth paragraph on the second page; discussion ensued. S. Cobb asked that the Motion be amended. Motion was made by J. Sena to table the first motion. A second was made by B. Weber. The vote to table the first Motion was: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Sena for the City of Hobbs voted yes; B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. Eddy County was absent. No one voted no. Motion passed. A Motion was made by J. Sena to approve a Resolution to approve litigation against the State of New Mexico with language added to the fourth paragraph on the second page to include “Nuclear Fuel Cycle Innovation Campus”. A second was made by B. Weber. The vote was: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Sena for the City of Hobbs voted yes; B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. Eddy County was absent. No one voted no. Motion passed. S. Cobb commented that the City of Carlsbad should consider approval of another Resolution with the added language. J. Heaton commented that all board members should ask their respective entities to consider passing a Resolution.

4. Consider approval of issuance of RFP for legal counsel to pursue litigation against the State of New Mexico:

Chairman J. Heaton discussed the issuance of an RFP for legal counsel to pursue litigation against the State of New Mexico. An RFP was included in the packet. A Motion was made by A. Foreman of the City of Carlsbad to approve the RFP for legal counsel to pursue litigation against the State of New Mexico. A second was made by J. Sena of the City of Hobbs. The vote was: A. Foreman for the City of Carlsbad voted yes; J. Sena for the City of Hobbs voted yes; B. Weber for Lea County voted yes. Eddy County was absent. No one voted no. Motion passed.

5. Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes per person)

N. Maxwell made comments opposing the Resolution.

L. Villegas made comments opposing the Resolution.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.