

MINUTES OF THE NEW MEXICO LIVESTOCK
BOARD (NMLB) MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2021
1:00 P.M.

VIRTUAL MEETING:
<https://www.gotomeet.me/NMLB/nmlb-regular-board-meeting-december-14th-2021>
BY PHONE:
[1 877 309 2073](tel:18773092073) Access Code: 716-687-045

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

Introduction of the new NMLB Board members Milford Denetclaw and Michael Perez.

*Full introductions are available in the recording for the December 14, 2021, NMLB Meeting

ROLL CALL:

Molly Manzanares, Chair- Present	Kathy Longinaker, Not Present
Milford Denetclaw, Board Member - Present	Rita Padilla-Gutierrez, Board Member - Present
Tobin Dolan, Vice Chair, Not Present	Michael Perez, Board Member - Present
John Conniff, Secretary – Present	Morgan Switzer-McGinley, Board Member – Present - Attending Virtually
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
Ralph Zimmerman, State Vet	Gary Mora, Area 3 ROM
Leif Rasmussen, Chief Legal Counsel	Troy Patterson, Area 4 ROM
Stephanie Lujan, HR Manager	Bobby Hernandez, IT
Julie Gauman, IT	Jessica Baca, IPRA Coordinator
Andrew Silva, CFO	Alex Eckhoff, Field Veterinarian
Steven Howard, Livestock Inspector	Dennis Alarid, Special Agent

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Antonio Manzanares	Nancy Henry
Angelo Borrego	Patience O’Dowd
Debbie Coburn, FCER	Lauri Michael, WNCR
Troy Sauble, NMFLB	2 Unidentified Callers
Susan Hemmerle, Horse Shelter	

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Board Member Casados moves to approve the agenda for the December 14, 2021, Board Meeting. Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL:

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

Motion to approve the December 14, 2021, Agenda passes 6-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the September 9, 2021 Board Meeting presented.

Board Member Padilla Gutierrez moves to approve the September 9, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes. Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL:

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

Motion to approve September 9, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes passes 6-0.

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 December 14, 2021, NMLB Meeting.

Public Comment from Executive Director Belinda Garland

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The Hotel Albuquerque experienced a brief internet outage throughout the hotel. We lost our connection to the meeting hosted in the GoToMeeting cloud. IT staff reconnected us by mobile hotspot for remainder of meeting.

Board Member Perez moves to move on with agenda and allow public comments when online again.

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Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Board Member Denetclaw -Yes

Vice Chair Dolan, Not Present

Board Member Longinaker, Not Present

Board Member Casados - Yes

Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez - Yes

Board Member Switzer-McGinley – Lost Virtual
Connection

Motion to move on with agenda passes 5-0.

REPORT ON ANIMAL CRUELTY CASES:

Deputy Director Shawn Davis started a report on animal cruelty cases. Above mentioned technical issues resolved and all virtual attendees were back on-line and in the meeting. Report stopped and public comments resumed.

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PUBLIC COMMENT RESUMED:

Public Comment from Nancy Henry

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Public Comment from Angelo Borrego

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Public Comment from Patience O'Dowd

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No other public comments were made.

REPORT ON ANIMAL CRUELTY CASES:

Deputy Director Shawn Davis discussed the impact on NMLB's Budget. Highlight what the inspectors and investigators do for the good of the animals. Deputy Director presented a PowerPoint to show on some of the cruelty cases that has been worked on.

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UPDATE ON ESTRAY CATTLE IN THE GILA WILDERNESS:

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Director Garland gives a verbal update on stray cattle in Gila Wilderness. Director Garland and Deputy Director Davis have been in contact with the US Forest service, they now have cowboys on contract to gather these cattle.

*Full verbal update is available in the recording for the December 14, 2021, NMLB Meeting

DISBURSEMENT OF HORSE RESCUE SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FUNDS:

Deputy Director Davis stated the 2021 horse committee rescue met to discuss funds that were allocated. The total amount \$153,740.00. There was 150,000.00 allocated by the legislature and the rest is from donations on tax returns.

*Full presentation is available in the recording for the December 14, 2021, NMLB Meeting

Secretary Conniff moves to disburse the Horse Rescue Special Appropriation Funds.
Board Member Casados seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL:

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

Motion of disbursement of Horse Rescue Special Appropriations Funds passes 6-0.

2022 LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Director Garland asked if there is anything that needs to be brought up for the 2022 Legislative Session. If so, now is the time to start working on it. Nothing was brought forward by a Board Member.

*Full comments are available in the recording for the December 14, 2021, NMLB Meeting

FINANCIAL UPDATE:

Overview of FY21 Audit

CFO Silva stated the FY21 audit was completed and on time. The full audit has not been released by the Office of the State Auditor, but he will have a full hard copy for the next meeting. He stated there were no findings in the audit report.

*Full comments are available in the recording for the December 14, 2021, NMLB Meeting.

Review of Proposed FY23 Budget:

CFO Silva went over the FY23 Budget proposal. Important points were highlighted by Executive Director Garland.

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RESOLUTION 04-2021 – OPEN MEETINGS ACT

No changes to the current resolution for the Open Meetings Act for Calendar Year 2022.

Board Member Casados moves to approve Open Meetings Resolution.
Board Member Rita Padilla-Gutierrez seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL:

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

Motion of Open Meetings Act Resolution 04-2021 passes 6-0.

MEETING DATES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022:

Director Garland asked the Board Members if they wanted to set all meetings for 2022 or just set the January Meeting to discuss the progress of the legislature. We could go back to setting the next meeting at each meeting.

Board Member Perez moves for the next meeting to be February 1, 2022, and set the meetings after that at that time.
Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL:

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

Motion to have next NMLB meeting February 1, 2022, passes 6-0.

OVERVIEW OF 2021 GOVERNORS REPORT:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Director Garland addressed the board.

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CIO REPORT:

CIO Julie Gauman addressed the Board.

Topics Covered:

Brand Registration; Remote Work; Office Move; Hardware Refresh; New Inspection Application; New Position; DoIT Digital Workspace Initiative; Brand Research Module; Payment Cardholder Compliance Audit; IPRA

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FIELD ACTIVITY SUMMARY

Deputy Director Shawn Davis addressed the board.

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HUMAN RESOURCE SUMMARY

Director Belinda Garland addressed the board.

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STATE VETERINARIAN'S REPORT:

State Veterinarian Dr. Ralph Zimmerman addressed the Board.

Topics Covered:

Bovine Tuberculosis (TB); Bovine Brucellosis; Equine Health Issues; Foreign Animal Disease Investigations (FAD); Emergency Coordinator Position (Veterinarian); Scrapie; NPIP (National Poultry Improvement Plan); Bovine Trichomoniasis

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CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Member Casados moves to have a 10-minute break and then go into Closed Executive Session. Secretary Conniff seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL:

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

Motion to go into Closed Executive Session passes 6-0. Meeting closes at 3:11 PM.

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RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

ROLL CALL:

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

Motion to leave Closed Executive Session and confirm that nothing else was discussed in Closed Executive Session other than items listed on agenda passes 5-0. Meeting re-opens at 4:25 p.m.

BOARD CONCERNS:

Board Member Denetclaw would like to see something happen between the Navajo nation and State of New Mexico to share some of the information with there organization.

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Board Member Perez asked when the next meeting is and what time.

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ADJOURNMENT:

Board Member Casados moves to adjourn the Board Meeting.

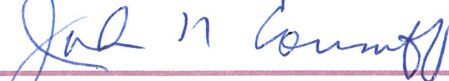
Board Member Perez seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL:

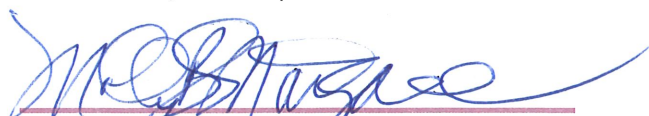
Board Member Denetclaw -Yes	Secretary Conniff - Yes
Vice Chair Dolan, Not Present	Board Member Padilla-Gutierrez, Not Present
Board Member Longinaker, Not Present	Board Member Switzer-McGinley – Yes

Motion to adjourn the meeting passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

APPROVAL:



John Conniff, Secretary



Molly Manzanara, Chair