# Revised Road Advisory Minutes as Per April 14th Meeting April 14th, 2010

**Members Present:** Gail West, Andrew Griego, Manny Chavez, Paul Montoya, Tom Pogue, Garry Onstott, Benny Gomez, Mark Murdock, Linda McThoy, Chris Mayrant, Anne Probst, Ed Benrock.

**Staff Present:** Robert Martinez, James Martinez, Lorina A. Sanchez, Commissioner Kathy Holian.

Residents Present: Michael D. Tinoco, Roger Frye, Lance Sones, Janet Sones, David Sanchez, Paul Rose, Taryn Rose, Jam McFarland, Cynthia Carter, Esther-Marie Nagiel (Camp Stoney Director Bern Co.), Commissioner Candidate Robert Anaya and wife Linda Anaya.

Item One- Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM and Robert Martinez will be conducting the meeting since the Chair and Vice Chair are both absent.

Item Two- Roll Call- As per the signup sheet.

**Item Three- Approval of Agenda**, Motion to approve by Tom Pogue, second by Ben Gomez.

Item Four- Approval of Minutes from February 10th, 2010, Motion to approve by Ben Gomez, Paul Montoya.

Item Five- Introductions, Gail West Area 15, Andrew Griego Area 5, Michael Tinoco, Manny Chavez Area 1, Paul Montoya Area 9, Lance Sones, Linda McThoy Area 12, Mark Murdock Area 12, Garry Onstott Area 5, Ben Gomez Area 2, James Martinez Public Works, Tom Pogue Area 6, Taryn Rose Area 5 Camp Stoney and La Posta Way, Paul Rose Area 5, David Sanchez Camp Stoney Road, Janet Sones Camp Stoney Road, Lance Sones, Fairweber, Janet McFarland School Bus Driver, Chris Mayrant Area 15, Robert Martinez Public Works, Lorina Sanchez Public Works, Ed Benrock Chair of the County Road Advisory Committee.

# Item Six- Matters from the Commission,

**Commissioner Kathy Holian for District 4**, I was asked to attend this meeting by some of my constituents who live in Canada de Los Alamos. Maybe some of them would like to introduce themselves and say what their concerns are.



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y Hand And Seal Of Office Valerie Espinoza eunty Clerk, Santa Fe, NM Item Seven- Matters from the Public,

Andrew Griego- I'm the representative for area 5. The alternate is Garry Onstott. Janet McFarland School Bus Driver, I notice that the roads get really bad once in a while and their really hard to drive on when their wet. It gets really slippery and it's no fun sliding down a hill on School Bus. The kids in the area have been in a bus accident before and every little thing scares them. I would really like to see the road widened. There's a lot more traffic in that area due to more students. Other than the road being bad, that's it and I know that the crews go out and maintain as well as possible. I know there are a lot of in Santa Fe County and we understand that. I have been stuck up there lots of times especially in the Camp Stoney area. There is only one area that I can turn the bus around and I do have to back up which causes a problem. We're not supposed to back buses up but there is no way to turn around if I don't. The area also tilts a little to the left as you are coming out from Camp Stoney and I have slid off of the road when it is wet or with snow and I've gotten stuck ad broken things on the bus from being stuck up there in the mud. These are my main concerns and the safety of the students which would be the majority of the people going up and down the road. Robert Martinez, Well I stepped out to get some items and when I walked in, I heard her say that the road is tilted and it needs to be widened. I am assuming it is Camp Stoney Road?

Janet McFarland School Bus Driver, Yes, Camp Stoney Road is one of the major roads except for the dirt part of Canada De Los Alamos, that road is fairly good, it is maintained somewhat but now that we have melt off for the spring, it is actually flooding out and I have to drive through running water which isn't safe. I don't know what can be done for that area.

Robert Martinez, Let me comment on Canada De Los Alamos road first, we have recently acquired thirty feet of right away for this road from the Garcia's and we maintain up to that cattle guard that is right before the road to the second cattle guard. In order to handle all the drainage or even a minimal part of the drainage for Canada Village Road, we would have needed anywhere from forty to sixty feet of right of way. The Garcia's were willing to sell us thirty feet, there is no way we're going to get anywhere over thirty feet. The drainage analysis showed that we would need; even to handle a ten or twenty year event; we would need a forty feet of right of way. It would require building a dam upstream to hold the water and release it slowly. I can guarantee that we are not going to be able to improve Canada Village Road to where we isolate the drainage from the roadway. One positive thing this purchase did for us is that we can now maintain the road at will. Before the Garcia's were claiming ownership and we would have to call them prior to maintaining the road, even though it was on our inventory for thirty years the county had never formerly acquired the right of way. We now own the thirty feet of road now and we can maintain it as needed.

Janet McFarland School Bus Driver, I'm very grateful for the work that you do on the road because I do have to drive them up and down three times a day. That is over twenty miles of dirt road on that bus so I am very grateful for the work you do. It was just a concern.

**Robert Martinez,** Now as far as Camp Stoney Road, what I suggest is that, this is a project that is more than just maintenance. It would be a capital improvement. The County Community Service Department will be conducting public meetings throughout

the county for the ICIP. The ICIP stands for: Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan. This plan is approved by the board of the County of Commissioners that goes to the legislature for funding. Now we know this year that Capital outlay funding was pretty much zero. I don't know how it is going to be next year or how long it going to take to recover that type of funding. I strongly suggest that when Community Services has these public meetings throughout the county, that you attend that community meeting and you ask Community Services to be sure to place it on the ICIP. We here at staff can also recommend that projects be placed on the ICIP and we will do that also but I strongly suggest that the residents attend those meetings.

**Commissioner Kathy Holian,** I have a question Robert, what about our bonding capacity, I mean, we have a certain amount of bonding capacity for road improvement projects don't we? Or is that all spoken for?

**Robert Martinez,** In regards to bonding capacity, that would be a question for our Finance Department. Now the bond that voters approved back in 2008 was specifically for six different roads. From those projects, I believe we have two left to do, Agua Fria and Caja Del Rio Road. Camp Stoney Road was not one of the projects that went to the voters for bond.

**Commissioner Kathy Holian,** So, we would have to put that on future bonding initiative?

Robert Martinez, That's correct. From my conversations with Finance, I believe they go to the voters every five years when an old bond has been paid off. That's why when you see, "This Bond will not increase your taxes" they do this in those increments, as one bond gets paid off; they propose another bond so that level will remain the same. But I strongly suggest that you attend those meetings. It's only one meeting that would be in that area and I'm guessing that the closest one to you would be in El Dorado. They are advertised in the paper, I'm sure they will be advertised on the County Website, santafecounty.org.

Janet Sones, I would like to speak up; I too live on Camp Stoney area off of Camp Stoney Road and I too feel it is in desperate need of repair and pavement and like Janet McFarland said, school buses have gotten stuck out there and a number of us have had a lot of trouble out there. There are a lot of residences out there, I'm guessing, I counted 64 mail boxes and if you have a couple of cars per household, that's a lot of vehicles going up and down the road.

**Commissioner Kathy Holian,** I actually have a question to the residents? Are you at all interested in a special assessment district, in trying to create a special assessment district to do road paving?

Resident. I don't know what that means.

Commissioner Kathy Holian, The idea has been done once before in the High Park area, it's going to be done more because of the fact that the State doesn't have money, the County doesn't have a lot of extra money and so it's a way for the residents to create a special geographic district to improve the roads. Then that district gets a loan in one way or another and the loan is actually over a fairly long period of time, like twenty years or something like that.

Robert Martinez, The process that we took with High Park Estates, that's an existing county road, which would be the same situation as Camp Stoney is the residents would need a petition with sixty-six and two-thirds of the residents of the proposed boundary to

be in favor of it. The thing is ideal about Camp Stoney is that it is one way in and one way out so it's easy to define who the users are. What happened with High Park Estate is the County fronted the money, the County didn't go get a loan, the County fronted the money and they created that district. It requires three resolutions and a couple of ordinances, it is a lengthy process. But it is a means of financing a project. What the county did is they set up this assessment district to be paid off in ten years. The assessment for those people was about a little under ten thousand dollars over that ten year period. So basically they paid an additional thousand dollars of taxes per year to pay back the cost of that project.

**Commissioner Kathy Holian**, Property taxes, because it's on your property tax bill. **Robert Martinez**, A project for Camp Stoney Road, I don't know what length you are planning to get improved, whether it's the full distance or part of it, the payback period would be dependent on the amount that is the cost of the project. You definitely don't want to string out say a two-thousand dollar assessment to property owners for ten years. It's all dependent on the cost of the project. If the residents are interested in that the first step is to figure out everybody that uses that road to get to their properties and get sixty-six and two-thirds of a petition signed by these property owners. That is the first step in creating an assessment district.

**Commissioner Kathy Holian,** So if you are at all interested, I could write up an explanation of how this goes and send it out to Andrew and maybe he could disseminate it out to the community and see if there is any interest in going that route. **Resident,** Is it helpful to come up with a petition of signatures for the other route, for being considered for bond money?

**Commissioner Kathy Holian**, It would have been, but still it's like trying to squeeze blood out of stone. You know there is no money in the legislature; you all have been reading about that in the newspaper, so that just isn't going to happen. The county itself, right now we're going through budget negotiations and we are trying to plug a fourteen million dollar hole for fiscal year 2011.

Andrew Griego, Commissioner, quick on that note it's kind of tough for us because the residents of Camp Stoney and Canada De Los Alamos have been up and down that road daily and this last week we witnessed on Raven's Ridge their putting asphalt. And I originally saw an article in the paper, I believe it was January 2009; it had Camp Stoney on target for being paved. Well since then, I think it's been Ravens Ridge, Double Arrow, and La Barbaria have all been paved and we are still wondering what happened to us.

**Robert Martinez,** The reason for that is because those projects got funding from the legislature. These capital outlay appropriations are road specific, they don't say,'Ok County, here is five-hundred thousand dollars and you pick what roads that you want to pave with it.' We get an agreement from the DOT for Capital outlay funding that is road specific. That is how Ravens Ridge got funded; Double Arrow, La Barbaria, all those roads that you just mentioned were funded by the State Legislature Capital outlay. **Resident,** And probably several years ago?

**Robert Martinez,** Yes, well Ravens Ridge was just a couple of years ago and we are just now getting to it.

Esther-Marie Nagiel-Cap Stoney Director, I would like to say that we would be very supportive in having the road paved but I have one concern, children crossing. I would

like to see a provision to include safety for crossings near the Camp. We can appeal to our alumni.

**Robert Martinez,** For two miles, to widen it would cut into wooded area. At \$400,000 a mile it would be about \$800,000. If a resident pays \$1,000.00 of property taxes, the county gets 1/3 of it and \$17.00 goes to maintenance of it. I would like the community to be on the same page if paving is chosen.

**Resident,** Fifteen years ago efforts to do as best as can best as can be done. The coating is appreciated and the last grading we all waited for lasted one day and a half. I don't remember it being so bad in 15 years.

**Robert Martinez,** Remember if you choose the special assessment district route, you will need sixty-six and one third of the residents support.

**Mike Tinoko,** This is possible but not probable. What can be done between now and the time it gets funded, because now we have nothing.

Robert Martinez, For now, we can provide blading.

**Resident,** Yes, but the surface needs to be worked on differently, right now it has washboard, possibly if reprocess the millings?

**Robert Martinez**, Washboard is contributed to speeding. The process is to bring it back to the road.

**Resident,** The best way to get through the washboard is to go 50 miles and hum over the road rather than go slower.

Janet McFarland School Bus Driver, The speed limit is posted 25 miles per hour.

Everyone needs to do this speed. The slower speed will help smooth out the road.

Resident, Well a worker indicated that the road was going to be paved.

**Robert Martinez,** I don't know who said that but they were misinformed. **Resident.** What are millings used for?

Robert Martinez, Millings can be used for base until we get funding. Millings get donated from DOT. We Request them when we see projects being done by DOT.

**Resident,** When blading is done, do the operators pick up the millings and place them back on the road? It does make washboard. If we could leave the millings off unless we roll it.

Robert Martinez, The reason millings were used was because of the rock outcrops.

**Resident,** Does it have to be put back on? Is it more of a problem?

Robert Martinez, It would narrow the road up by pushing out.

**Resident**, Do millings compact?

Robert Martinez, Yes!

Resident, Can oil be put on it?

**Robert Martinez,** Yes, when we use this process it's one half the cost of asphalt. **Robert Anaya,** My name is Robert Anaya and this is my wife Linda Anaya, we live in Stanley. I am running for commissioner and I would like to say, that I have the utmost respect for this committee. You can reach me at RAA2010.com. My highest priority is roads. I greatly appreciate your concerns. It's great to see a commissioner here. Thank you.

Item Eight- Old Business,

Report from Subcommittee on Road Advisory Manual-

**Ed Benrock Chair**, Do we have any news from john regarding the Road Advisory manual?

**Robert Martinez**, Maybe Lorina can respond to that and the business cards. **Lorina Sanchez**, I have emailed John and he stated that the manual is not completed, he is waiting for some items from the subcommittee group and from Public Works, and I have inquired from him what those items are so that we can get the information to him. I have not heard back. He has not responded regarding the business cards.

Item Nine- New Business, Report from Members on Road Conditions in their Respective Areas

Area 1 Member-Manny Chavez, CR84 C needs maintenance. Area 1 Alternate-Edward L. Medina, Not Present

#### Area 2 Member-

**Bennie G. Gomez**, CR84 –Dead trees have fallen down from the strong winds. One is sticking out towards the church. There are two other trees ready to fall. On Arroyo Seco, mixing in the sand really helped but it needs grading now. Other roads have washboard. Is the road towards the "Y" taken care of?

James Martinez, Yes. Area 2 Alternate- Vacant

Area 3 Member-Barbara Jeffe, Not Present Area 3 Alternate-Katy Glenn, Not Present

Area 4 Member- Vacant
Area 4 AlternatePaul White Vice Chairperson, Not Present

#### Area 5 Member-

Andrew Griego, Thank you for making the residents welcome. I would like to commend trucks for going out to our area within a day or so. On Old Santa Fe Trail, before Canada, at the crest of the hill, Abeyta Hill, there is a crack that is starting to go down. On Camp Stoney, the last mile at the end of the road, when this gets wet, it turns into a mud bog. Not really bad.

# **Area 5 Alternate**

**Garry Onstott,** The roads were graded a week ago and pot holes are starting to show up again. On 51E- Crazy Horse, is there a process to extend the road?

**Robert Martinez,** There is a process to extend the road, at this time we cannot process it because an arroyo culvert got washed out.

#### Area 6 Member-

**Thomas Pogue,** 58 Rabbit Junction washed out bad. There is a one foot gulley. 58- up the hill has two spots that collect lots of water; it's undermining the road and the patches

pop out.

Area 6 Alternate- Vacant,

Area 7 MemberIvan Pato, Not Present.
Area 7 Alternate-Vacant,

Area 8 Member-

Richard Sena, Not Present

Area 8 Alternate-

**Anne Probst**, Where the turn, Calle Enrique, a piece needs to be filled. On Susana, where it goes down, there is concern that the arroyo goes on bottom and what if someone goes on top? I appreciate the pot hole fills.

### Area 9 Member-

**Paul Montoya-** I want to thank Robert Anaya, Commissioner Candidate, for coming. Calle Lisa at #21, there is a big pothole. Camino Montoya is breaking up where it meets Paseo Real. Entrada has edging breaking up. There are big pot holes at house #10, #29, and #65.

Area 9 Alternate-

Richard Weinberg, Not Present

Area 10 Member- Vacant Area 10 Alternate- Vacant

# Area 11 Member-

**Ed Benrock Chairperson**, I just want to point out Verano Loop pot holes are getting bigger. Vista Grande, the new pavement has cracks appearing in the middle. Could you see if maybe it is under warranty?

Robert Martinez, We are currently discussing this with the contractor.

Area 11 Alternate-

Frank Schober, Not Present

#### Area 12 Member-

**Linda McThoy-** 51 needs grading, was good but now needs all materials brought back. At mile marker 794, opposite of Del Sol Trail, a diversion made is getting wider. Is there a way to channel away?

Area 12 Alternate-

Mark Murdock- I have a question. On Saturday millings are being brought in. There is concern about cars going over the edge of the road. Can a guard rail be placed? It is a steep section?

Area 13 Member- Vacant, Area 13 Alternate- Vacant.

Area 14 MemberJohn Romero, Not Present
Area 14 AlternateJason Shepherd, Not Present

#### Area 15 Member-

**Chris Mayrant,** Kings Road and Hill Road are rutted up and need grading. Fill in pot holes. Can we get "Slow Moving Equipment" near Dinkle Road?

Robert Martinez, We can get standard "Tractor" signs.

#### Area 15 Alternate-

**Gail West**, There is no school bus for six miles, no postal service for six weeks. We will be glad to take millings for Simmons. Ramba De Caballo had 50 semi trucks from film makers. The roads are so bad that 911 cannot get out there when they are the least bit wet. They are four wheel drive roads.

Robert Martinez, On Simmons, graded and crowned.

**Gail West**, The Postal Service heard that the cattle guard was being pulled? **Robert Martinez**, Not true.

**Gail West**, The West part of Simmons is the worst. Postal Service cannot do deliveries. Should the movie crews be responsible for fixing the roads?

**Robert Martinez,** They bring a lot of jobs, but due to liability, we choose to do it ourselves.

# Status on construction projects

#### Road Maintenance:

**Dist 1**- Millings on CR91, CR88-D East of CR88 to CR 88-E, Tree Trimming lower part of CR88 by SR 76.

**Dist 2**- Mutt Nelson Rd. Basecourse, Build up of roadway 300' towards arroyo, road prep and placement.

Dist 3- Road Blading in El Dorado Subdivision, Shaping roadway CR51

Dist 4- Shaping Aspe/ Maple Rd., Road Maintenance.

**Support Crew-** Working on CR88 East, Started the placement of millings on CR 88D East to CR 88 and also CR88E.

# Project Development:

**CR42 Improvements Phase II**, Mountain States Constructors, Inc. is 100% complete with the road construction section of this project. Seeding will take place around April of this year.

Aqua Fria Phase III- Archaeological Phase, Southwest Archaeological continuing work on artifacts. Final report scheduled to be completed in June 2011.

**Aqua Fria Phase III-** Sanitary Sewer, Drainage, and Repaving Project, Awaiting specifications and design. Land Acquisitions still in process.

**South Meadows**- Concrete abutment for South side of bridge began 4/12/2010.

**CR98 (Juan Medina Road) Design**- Louis Berger Group selected as Engineer Firm. All field work and surveys completed for Categorical Exclusion. Public meeting will be scheduled for residents in this area in mid May, 2010.

Road Improvements for NM State Road 14 Design, SF County has issued RFQ's for

the design on State Rd NM 14 for improvements to accommodate road widening requirements. The pre-quote meeting is scheduled for April 29, 2010.

Item Ten- Matters from the Members,

**Paul Montoya,** Why was Advantage Asphalt hauling millings to their yard / Paseo De Angel?

Robert Martinez, I don't know we will get back to you on that.

**James Martinez**, They were hauling millings to Paseo De Angel for us because our trucks were busy and they and I wanted to get the road covered to get it paved. We didn't want the road to disintegrate further.

**Member**, Can we make time in future meetings to talk about funding? **Robert Martinez**, can summarize funding and email it out to everyone. Also, if anyone wants the minutes to be printed out and mailed just call the front desk.

# Item Eleven- Matters from County Staff and Attorney,

**Robert Martinez,** In the event you call in a maintenance request, please let us know if you want a call back. The receptionist will ask the foreman to call you back. **Commissioner Kathy Holian,** Thanks to all of you, in my district. Roads are the number one issue. The Road Advisory Committee is the most important committee we have.

Robert Martinez, Thank you.

# Item Twelve- Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn by Ben Gomez and second by Manny Chavez at 7:20 PM.

ATTEST:

Paul White vice chair RAC

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