

**MINUTES  
OF THE  
LA PAZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Monday, December 21, 2015, 1:00 p.m.  
Worksession**

Chairman Irwin called the December 21, 2015, worksession of the La Paz County Board of Supervisors to order at 1:00 p.m. Elected Officials and Department Heads present were: Chairman Irwin, Supervisor Wilson, Supervisor Clapperton, County Administrator/Clerk of the Board Field, Salome Justice of the Peace Slaughter, Community Development Administrator Yackley, Facilities Maintenance Supervisor Harder; and Deputy Clerk of the Board Green.

**Discussion concerning the current conditions of the Salome Justice Court facility**

Salome Justice of the Peace Slaughter spoke at length regarding the condition of the justice court located in Salome, referring to pictures she provided the Board indicating numerous issues with the building; some of which she felt were safety issues. She stated that she has requested repairs from Public Works; with no response; however, she expressed that repairing some of the issues would be putting “good money into bad” to the overall conditions, and sought to engage the Board as to how to obtain a new building for the courts.

County Administrator Field stated that it would “behoove” the County to not “throw good money into bad”, suggesting that Facilities Maintenance Supervisor Harder follow up with information that would be suggested. He stated the first questions would be whether to build new, or to rent/lease property; however, the County owns the land the courts are currently located, which he felt was “a positive”. He added that the only question would be is; how to pay for it.

He referred to a copy of “Guide to Funding Options for Court Facilities” he presented to the Board, adding that the County was restricted on how much it could have in bonding. He stated the County had been “limping along” with repairs to the building; however, the situation could be easily become a liability to the County.

Discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of leasing, commercial rates; possible use of modular buildings; property “ground sinking”; possible funding sources, and plans for obtaining “soft numbers” to get an idea of costs.

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Judge Slaughter suggested that the door frame of the current building be repaired as it presented an immediate concern.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Irwin adjourned the worksession at 2:03 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Holly Irwin, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Dan Field, Clerk of the Bard