

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

JANUARY 4, 2005

The Greenlee County Board of Supervisors met on this date in regular session in the 2nd floor Conference Room, Courthouse Annex, Clifton, Arizona with the following members present: Hector Ruedas, Chairman; Richard Lunt, Member; and Amy McCullar, Member. Also present were Deborah K. Gale, County Administrator/Clerk of the Board and Yvonne Pearson, Assistant Clerk of the Board.

Chairman Ruedas called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Lunt moved to retain Supervisor Ruedas as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for a one year term ending December 31, 2005. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McCullar and carried unanimously.

Chairman Ruedas moved to elect Supervisor Lunt as Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for a one year term ending December 31, 2005. The motion was seconded by Supervisor McCullar and carried unanimously.

Ms. Gale made a recommendation of retaining Tuesday's for Board of Supervisor meeting days and pointed out that most other committee meetings that Board members are involved in are held Wednesday through Friday. Chairman Ruedas requested that regular meeting times be changed to 8:30 a.m. on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Supervisor McCullar stated that Tuesday's are not good days for her and 8:30 a.m. is not a good time either. She expressed the need to keep the working public as well as County employees in mind and suggested 5:00 p.m. on Monday's for Board of Supervisor regular meetings. Supervisor Lunt suggested 10:00 a.m. meetings so that staff would not have to be on overtime in order to prepare for meetings and made a motion that Board of Supervisors would meet in regular session on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Chairman Ruedas seconded the motion. The motion passed with Supervisor McCullar voting nay. The meeting location will remain at the 2nd floor, Conference Room, Courthouse Annex, Clifton, Arizona and any Public Hearings will be conducted in locations where needed.

Appointments of Board of Supervisors County representatives for various Boards, Commissions, and Organizations were made as follows by motion of Supervisor McCullar, seconded by Supervisor Lunt, and carried unanimously, with the exception of the Eastern Arizona Advisory Committee which was tabled for further information:

- Supervisor McCullar will represent Greenlee County on the following:
 - Southeastern Arizona Governments Organization (SEAGO)
 - FEMA Food and Shelter Board
 - County Board of Health

- Supervisor Lunt will represent Greenlee County on the following:
 - Legislative Policy Committee of the County Supervisors Association
 - Coalition of Arizona/New Mexico Counties for Stable Economic Growth
 - Eastern Counties Organization (ECO) and Environmental Economic Communities Organization (EECO)

- Chairman Ruedas will continue to represent Greenlee County on the same committees, Boards and organizations he currently sits on.

Ms. Gale requested approval to hire a Director of Nursing in the Health Department stating that Linda Brunson, the current Director of Nursing, has resigned for personal reasons leaving that position vacant. Upon motion by Supervisor Lunt, seconded by Supervisor McCullar, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request.

The Executive Session - A.R.S. 38-431.03.A.1 - set salary for Deputy Sheriff was cancelled upon the request of Mr. Frank Montoya, who was the employee to be discussed, to have the discussion in open meeting as provided by the named statute.

Sheriff Steve Tucker requested appointment of Mr. Frank Montoya as Deputy Sheriff and the approval of the presented payroll change notice. Mr. Montoya's pay will revert to the pay he received before he became Undersheriff for the previous Sheriff with all adjustments considered relating to cost of living. Upon motion by Supervisor McCullar, seconded by Supervisor Lunt, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Sheriff Tucker requested appointment of Mr. Larry Avila as Undersheriff and the approval of the presented payroll change notice. Upon motion by Supervisor Lunt, seconded by Supervisor McCullar, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Sheriff Tucker requested approval to fill a vacant Investigator position in the Sheriff's Department through the internal hiring process and fill a vacant Sergeant or Deputy Sheriff position through the external hiring process. Upon motion by Supervisor Lunt, seconded by Supervisor McCullar, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Sheriff Tucker requested approval to solicit bids for Sheriff's Department vehicles, two (2) with budgeted general funds and one (1) with budgeted jail enhancement funds. Upon motion by Supervisor McCullar, seconded by Supervisor Lunt, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Upon motion by Supervisor McCullar, seconded by Supervisor Lunt, and carried

unanimously, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as follows:

- Approval of minutes to previous meetings
- Approval of demands in excess of \$1,000

County Administrator Kay Gale reported on the following:

- The Calendar of Events was reviewed for January, February, and March
- Opening Day at the Legislature will be on February 1 & 2 at the Hyatt Civic Plaza in Phoenix
- A Board of Supervisors special work session was scheduled for January 10th at 1:00 p.m.
- Arizona Alliance Program meeting will be held on January 21st at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge in Phoenix. Supervisor Lunt will attend.
- Update on Capital Improvement projects - Emergency Generator, Keyless Entry, Roof on Courthouse Annex, Sidewalk and paving, Multipurpose/Jockey Facility, Airport, Blue Landfill. Future improvements - Courthouse Annex 2nd floor Conference Room and other issues, Alexander House demolition and parking lot construction, Sheriff Office Dispatch, Courthouse security issues, Duncan Justice Court & office, Fairgrounds food stand and other improvements.
- Update on the Community Wildfire Plan in process

Upon motion by Supervisor McCullar, seconded by Supervisor Lunt, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03.A.4 for information on pending litigation on PILT and Martinez ranch grazing issues. In attendance were the Board of Supervisors, County Administrator Kay Gale, County Attorney Derek Rapier, and Asst. Clerk of the Board Yvonne Pearson.

The Board reconvened into regular session and Ms. Gale continued reporting on the following:

- The US Department of Agriculture Forest Service will implement an Environmental Management System to improve performance and accountability.
- The County Supervisors Association 2005 Fiscal Priorities report
- Two members of the Board of Supervisors have been invited to participate in the process of selecting an applicant to fill the Greenlee 4H/Youth Development position.
- The federal district court in Tucson has lifted a temporary ban on Proposition 200 clearing the way for local governments to start enforcing the provisions.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, upon motion by

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Supervisor McCullar, seconded by Supervisor Lunt, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Hector Ruedas, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Asst. Clerk of the Board