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## **MEETING NOTICE and AGENDA**

**Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431, et. seq.  
and amendments thereto, the**

**GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
also sitting as Board of Directors for  
GREENLEE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT  
and**

**GREENLEE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT  
hereby gives notice that a**

**Regular Meeting**

**will be held on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 – 8:00 a.m.**

**Zoom Video Conferencing. To join the meeting enter the following URL into your  
browser:**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85624287276?pwd=SW9vU0haTXk2Z3loN0NEaGFqUGNoUT09>**

**Meeting ID: 856 2428 7276**

**Password: 510693**

**Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, 2nd floor Courthouse Annex, 253 5th Street,  
Clifton, Arizona**

## **AGENDA AND MINUTES**

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In attendance: Board of Supervisors members: Richard Lunt, Chairman; David Gomez, Member; and Ron Campbell, Member. Also present were Derek Rapiere, County Administrator, Jeremy Ford, County Attorney, Austin Adams, HR Director and Bianca Figueroa, Deputy Clerk of the Board

### **1.) Call to Order**

Chairman Richard Lunt called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

### **A. Pledge of Allegiance**

Supervisor Ron Campbell lead the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **B. Call to the Public**

Dustie Robinette of Duncan responded to the call to the public and addressed the Board regarding the Duncan 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration and the protective measures that had been planned regarding COVID-19 exposure.

Alek Miller of Morenci responded to the call to the public and addressed the Board regarding her concerns about a mandatory mask wearing regulation. Mr. Miller had prior to the meeting provided the Board with a request to speak form. Not being familiar with Board protocol, he used his time in call to the public to present his comments on agenda item #3.

Sheriff Tim Sumner responded to the call to the public and stated his concerns regarding the Coronavirus and regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**2.) PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT – the Board of Supervisors will convene as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Public Health Services District and will reconvene as the Board of Supervisors following consideration of these items:**

**A. Consent Agenda**

- 1. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of Public Health Services District expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00**
- 2. Health Manager: Consideration of approval regarding the agreement for Professional Services with Greenlee County Health Department and Gila Health Resources for Medical Services**

On motion of Supervisor Gomez and seconded by Supervisor Campbell, the Board unanimously approved the Public Health Services District consent agenda.

**B. Derek Rapier, County Administrator**

**1. Discussion/Action regarding Employee Transaction Form for S. Rutherford, Health Services Department Director**

Mr. Rapier explained to the Board that the Bio-Terrorism Program had received additional funds for the coming fiscal year that can only be used for salary of the director. The funds do not require any match from the county and will have no fiscal impact on any county general or special revenue funds. Mr. Rapier recommended that the Board accept the additional funds and approve the employee transaction form.

On motion of Supervisor Campbell and seconded by Supervisor Gomez, the Board unanimously approved the Employee Transaction Form (ETF).

**3.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator**

**A. Discussion/Action for consideration and possible approval of Greenlee County mask wearing regulations**

The following individuals requested to speak to the Board on this agenda item. Alek Miller as noted above, Sheriff Tim Sumner of Duncan, Dustie Robinette of Duncan, Rachel Griffin of Duncan, Suzanne Menges of Duncan, Eric Ellison of

Duncan, Johnny Basteen of Duncan each expressed their concerns about a mask wearing regulation and asked the Board to not approve such a regulation.

Susan Breen of Clifton, Amanda Gray of Morenci, Theresa Campbell of Morenci, each addressed their concerns regarding the dangers of further spread of COVID in the county and urged the Board to approve a mask wearing regulation. David Woodall submitted a statement to the Board in support of the regulation.

Mr. Rapier gave a brief history of the issue of mask wearing and why this agenda item was on the agenda at this meeting. This included discussion of Gov. Ducey's Executive Order 2020-40, the Statement on Mask Wearing approved by the Board on June 25, 2020 and the desire of the Board to consider a mask wearing regulation. He explained the Board's options to not adopt the regulation, to modify the regulation presented, or to adopt the regulation as presented.

Supervisor Campbell expressed his gratitude for those who addressed the Board on this topic.

County Attorney Jeremy Ford presented a draft of a proposed mask wearing regulation which was modeled after a similar regulation in Maricopa County, but which was adapted to conditions in Greenlee County. He discussed the law that authorized such a regulation.

The Board reviewed the draft regulation and gave Mr. Ford directions on modifications they desired to be in the regulation. As direction was given, Mr. Ford edited the document consistent with the Boards direction.

Supervisors Campbell and Gomez expressed their reasons for wanting to pass the regulation and Chairman Lunt reemphasized his position from the previous meeting that he wished to give citizens the opportunity to implement mask wearing without a mandate.

Supervisor Campbell moved to approve the proposed Regulation Requiring Face Covings in Greenlee County as presented by the County Attorney with the edits made by the Board during the meeting. Supervisor Gomez seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion with Supervisors Campbell and Gomez voting in favor of the motion and Chairman Lunt, voting against the motion and briefly explaining his vote.

**4.) Austin Adams, HR Director**  
**A. Discussion/Action regarding Employee Transaction Form for B. Morales, Clerk I**

Austin Adams, HR Director presented the efforts that were undertaken to fill the vacant position the Board of Supervisors office as had been previously directed by the Board.

Supervisor Gomez moved to approve the proposed EFT and Supervisor Campbell seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the EFT as presented.

**5.) Karen Soohy, County Librarian**  
**A. Discussion/Action regarding Greenlee County Annual Library System Report**

Karen Soohy, County Librarian, presented her annual report on the County Library System. She reported on grants received, including several special grants related to technology and COVID related funding and she reported on how these funds were used to enhance the delivery of library services throughout the county.

Supervisor Campbell moved to approve the report which was seconded by Sup. Gomez. The Board unanimously approved the report.

**6.) Vincent Buccellato, IT Manager**  
**A. Discussion/Action regarding safety cameras for Elections Building**

Mr. Buccellato presented a proposal to add four additional security cameras to elections building and pointed out that the cameras were suggested by the Secretary of State's office. Administrator Rapier discussed the history of increased physical, procedural and systems election security and how the proposed cameras would enhance the physical security of our elections.

Sup. Campbell moved to approve the purchase of the safety cameras as presented with authorization to spend not more than \$8,000. Sup. Gomez seconded the motion which was passed by the Board unanimously.

**7.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator,**  
**A. Discussion/Action for approval of annual Animal Damage Control Financial Plan between Greenlee County and USDA/APHIS Wildlife Services.**

Mr. Rapier presented the annual USDA/APHIS Wildlife Services Financial Plan for approval and pointed out that the cost has gone up some this year. The County's agreement is a partnership with the USDA and pays for approximately half of the cost of an Animal Damage Control position.

Sup. Gomez moved to approve the Financial Plan as presented, seconded by Sup. Campbell and passed unanimously by the Board.

**8.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator**  
**A. Discussion/Action to approve payment of annual aviation insurance binder and premium payment**

Mr. Rapier presented the annual insurance binder and premium payment for liability insurance at the airport and recommended approval. This year is the second in a three-year agreement with Falcon Insurance.

Upon motion of Sup. Campbell to approve the aviation binder and premium payment, which was seconded by Sup. Gomez, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

**9.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator**  
**A. Discussion/Action regarding payment of annual Eastern Arizona Counties Organization assessment.**

Mr. Rapier presented the Board with the annual dues statement from the Eastern Arizona Counties Organization (ECO) and emphasized that ECO is a valuable partner on many projects with the county. He recommends approval.

Upon motion of Sup. Gomez to approve the payment of the ECO assessment, and seconded by Sup. Campbell, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

**10.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator**  
**A. Discussion/Action to distribute FY 20 National Forest Fees to Greenlee County Schools and Roads Department**

Mr. Rapier explained that the final amounts that are distributed to the County pursuant to the National Forest Fees program aren't known until the end of the current fiscal year. The presented memo represents the final amount received and the proposed distribution is in accordance with a standing agreement between the counties and the school districts in the county. He recommends approval.

Sup. Campbell moves to approve the distribution as presented. Sup. Gomez seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

**11.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator**  
**A. County and State budget and legislative issues**  
**B. Calendar and Events**

Mr. Rapier pointed out that there is very little legislative activity at this time and no timeline for when the legislature might return in a special session.

Mr. Rapier discussed the upcoming calendar and events.

**12.) Consent Agenda**  
**A. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of minutes to previous meetings: 06/16/2020;06/25/2020**  
**B. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of expense warrants in excess**

**of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 3043**

**C. County Recorder: Consideration of approval of the cost-sharing agreement for the statewide voter registration database between Greenlee County and the Office of the Secretary of State**

**D. County Engineer: Acknowledgement of appointment to Planning & Zoning Commission for: F. Gallegos, J. Edwards, A. Carrillo, C. Woodall, P. Ortega and D. Herrera**

Motion was made by Sup. Campbell to approve Consent Agenda items A, B, and C, which was seconded by Sup. Gomez and passed unanimously by the Board.

Assessor Linda Durr provided a request to speak to the Board regarding Consent Agenda Item D. Item D was removed from the Consent Agenda and was discussed separately.

Ms. Durr informed the Board that she had been approached by a constituent from Verde Lee who had expressed a desire to be appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission and asked that she be considered as an alternate.

Motion was made by Sup. Campbell to acknowledge the appointments to the planning and zoning commission. Supervisor Gomez seconded the motion which was passed unanimously by the Board.

### **13.) Supervisor Reports**

Supervisor Richard Lunt

#### **A. County Supervisors Association (CSA) meeting**

The meeting was held on Zoom and Deputy State Health Director Jessica Rigler spoke on the current state of COVID in Arizona and capacity to address health needs. Various other reports were given about State issues. The importance of the Census was emphasized that if the count is low, it will have an effect on funding as well as representation in Congress.

#### **B. Western Interstate Region (WIR) meeting**

Discussion of federal legislation followed with an extensive presentation on federal public lands. Discussion regarding the cost of National Parks up-keep.

#### **C. Eastern Arizona Counties Organization (ECO) meeting**

Reports were given regarding the Mexican Wolf EIS, Mexican Spotted Owl Injunction and the state of the Bio-mass project and securing a market for the product. ECO annual financial statements were presented, and the annual dues were set.

#### **14.) Budget Work Session**

Mr. Rapier presented the nearly complete FY 21 budget and reported on the various items the Board had previously directed him to include or reduce. He expressed his appreciation that nearly all departments and offices had presented budgets with reductions or with no requests for increases and that the small increases had been accommodated. Most of the savings and reductions that will enable the budget to be balanced, have come from funds the under the Board's authority and reductions are possible because of prudent planning and execution of major projects in previous years when the budget allowed for such projects to be completed. Sheriff Tim Sumner disagreed that his budget represented a slight increase over the previous year and Mr. Rapier explained the differences between his budget from the previous FY and the current FY. Mr. Rapier asked if there was any further direction from the Board. No additional direction was given.

#### **15.) Adjournment**

Having addressed all items on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

All agenda items are for discussion and/or action as deemed necessary. The Board reserves the right to consider any matter out of order. The Board may retire into Executive Session for any of the purposes that are allowed by law, including but not limited to legal advice and/or personnel matters; as authorized by A.R.S. §38-431.et.seq. Persons with a disability may request accommodation for special assistance by contacting Bianca Figueroa at 928-865-2072 (TDD 928-865-2632). Requests should be made as soon as possible to allow time for arrangement of the accommodation.