

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

October 7, 2014

The Greenlee County Board of Supervisors met on this date in regular session in the Board Meeting Room, 2nd floor Courthouse Annex, Clifton, Arizona, with the following members present: David Gomez, Chairman; Ron Campbell, Member; and Robert Corbell, Member. Also present were Deborah K. Gale, County Administrator, Derek Rapier, County Attorney, and Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board.

Chairman Gomez called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and Supervisor Corbell led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Daniel Cervantez, Clifton resident, responded to the Call to the Public stating that he recently sent a copy of a 1952 Quit Claim Deed between Clifton School District and Freeport-McMoRan to the legal counsel of Freeport-McMoRan which states that if the school no longer is in business that the property reverts back to Freeport-McMoRan. He hopes that the Clifton School District will consolidate with Morenci School District and feels that this would be an economic development plus in attracting more residents.

Richard Kaler, County Rancher in the Sheldon area, responded to the Call to the Public expressing concerns that he was told that the road through his property was trying to be opened to the public. This road has never been maintained by the County and has never been open to the public and that he will not allow it to be open to the public.

Mitchell Umphreys, Burma Road resident, responded to the Call to the Public stating that he lives near Mr. Kaler's Ranch and that sometimes he is blocked in for a couple weeks with the only way out is with a four wheel drive. He stated that Burma Road needs to be maintained better.

Denise Campbell, Burma Road resident, responded to the Call to the Public stating the road is not maintained appropriately and that the only way out is with a four wheel drive vehicle and that she would like to know what level of responsibility the County has to maintain the road, what can be expected from the County and when to expect it.

The Board of Supervisors convened as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Public Health Services District and upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Public Health Services District Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Clerk of the Board: Approval of Public Health Services District expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00
2. Health & County Services Director: Approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Health Services for Accreditation effective October 1, 2014 ending September 30, 2015

3. Health & County Services Director: Approval of the Scope of Work Agreement with Willdan Homeland Solutions for Greenlee County Public Health Accreditation Board accreditation

The Board reconvened into regular session.

Monica Stauffer, Superior Court Judge, requested approval of a new Baliff/Pre-trial Services Officer/Pre-Sentence Report Writer position in Superior Court. She stated that the position will be paid one-third with Cost of Prosecution Funds, one-third with Adult Probation Services Funds, and one-third with General Funds. The Cost of Prosecution Funds will fund the position only for the remainder of the current fiscal year with that funding to be reviewed during budget for fiscal year 2016. Upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented with the position to be advertised internally, the position is non-exempt, and will fall under the Personnel Policy of the Superior Court.

Larry Avila, Sheriff, requested approval to fill a Deputy Cadet position. He stated that the Patrol Sergeant is retiring after 31 years of service and this Cadet will fill that vacancy. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

In the absence of the County Treasurer, Ms. Gale requested approval to increase the County Revolving Line of Credit with National Bank of Arizona from \$1,800,000 to \$2,500,000. She stated that is necessary to cover the Morenci School District credit line. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Ron Pearson, Public Works Manager, requested approval to solicit bids for: one (1) full size SUV 4x4 for the Assessor; one (1) mid-size SUV for the Attorney; one (1) full size fleet car; one (1) full size SUV for Emergency Management; one (1) $\frac{3}{4}$ ton 4x4 truck for Public Works (Roads); five (5) full size SUV's for the Sheriff. Upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

The Board moved to item #10 of the agenda and convened into work session to discuss Greenlee County Road issues, specifically, Burma Road. Ms. Gale opened the discussion stating that Greenlee County has discussed issues regarding Burma Road in the past. Ron Pearson added that Burma Road is not a Greenlee County Road and that only courtesy maintenance is done on the road. During monsoon season a road can be fixed on one day and completely undone the next minute with the next rain. The Public Works department do the best they can with the limited resources they have and at least make roads passable when rains hit until they can come back to do

maintenance. He stated that during the monsoon season the entire county is impacted with every roadway impacted.

The Board reviewed a map showing the Burma Road area including ownership of the road with Greenlee County owning only a very short section at the beginning of the road from Highway 75 in Duncan. The remaining portions of the road is partly state land, partly BLM land and private land.

Ms. Gale stated that she spoke with a representative of BLM and that they are willing to look at giving the County an easement for the portion of the road that they own. The State Land Department will be contacted to see about obtaining an easement on their portion. In the meantime Public Works will continue working their maintenance schedule as they currently are.

The Board discussed liability issues regarding citizens altering the road on their own and issues with locked gates. If a citizen alters the road in any way the liability will revert to that citizen and Greenlee County will no longer maintain that road. Also, once a road gate is locked the County will no longer go back on that road.

The Board moved to item B of the work session to review the County Supervisors Association (CSA) Legislative Proposals. The Board discussed Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding and Highway User Revenue Funding (HURF) as well as transportation issues as related to the CSA legislative proposals.

The Board moved to item #7 of the agenda.

Ms. Gale requested approval to fill the Economic Development Coordinator position. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Ms. Gale reported that comments on Waterways of the US are due by October 20th.

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as follows:

- A. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Vouchers 1012; 1013; 1014; 1015; 1016
- B. Chief Finance Officer: Approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$166,173.21: Fund 139 - \$931.61; Fund 146 - \$387.78; Fund 152 - \$1,459.53; Fund 159 - \$71.63; Fund 167 - \$3,182.33; Fund 186 - \$577.46; Fund 195 - \$1,327.82; Fund 219 - \$9,259.29; Fund 222 - \$41,684.57; Fund 237 -

\$19,890.77; Fund 239 - \$4,735.07; Fund 243 - \$20,886.02; Fund 601 - \$4,024.54; Fund 800 - \$57,754.79

- C. County Sheriff: Approval of Employee Transaction Form: J. Cota, full time Detention Officer
- D. County Administrator: Approval of Employee Transaction Form: A. Kovach, Economic Development Coordinator
- E. Elections Director: Approval of 2014 General Election Governor's Proclamation
- F. Emergency Management Coordinator: Approval of the Arizona Mutual Aid Compact
- G. Clerk of the Board: Approval of the Governmental Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the purchase of one (1) new 140M2 Motor Grader in the amount of \$164,554.82 to be paid in 72 monthly payment with budgeted Road Funds
- H. Clerk of the Board: Approval of the Governmental Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement with Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation for the purchase of one (1) used 420E Caterpillar Backhoe Loader in the amount of \$51,500 to be paid in two (2) annual payments with budgeted Road Funds

Supervisor Corbell reported that he attended the Gila Watershed Partnership meeting where Scott Koch with BLM gave a presentation on fire suppression, the way fires are managed and the cost associated with fires.

The Board recessed and reconvened at the Greenlee County Airport to tour the new Public Works Shop Facility.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors the meeting was adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board