

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA
November 18, 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, and Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board, and Derek Rapier, County Attorney.

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

Ray West of the Business Association of Chase Creek responded to the Call to the Public and reported that the recent Colors of Copper Wine & Art Festival was a huge success. He stated that he wanted to publicly acknowledge and thank the Board of Supervisors and the Administrator for their support. The financial information for the event has not yet been prepared but the Association is in better financial position. He also stated that he believes that this event is creating better comrade between all communities in Greenlee County.

Daniel Cervantez, Clifton resident, responded to the Call to the Public and presented a copy of the agenda for the next meeting of the Town of Clifton Council pointing out item #8 addressing adoption of Resolution 2014-12 regarding designation of a Promise Zone. He pointed out that nominations for Mayor and Vice Mayor will also be considered. He stated that the Senior Nutrition Center is closed due to a mold issue and that the meals on wheels will continue with the food being delivered from Safford and that there is an attempt to relocate the Nutrition Center to the Clifton Schools.

Ms. Gale responded to the Call to the Public and stated that she will have a report on the Senior Nutrition Center situation later in this meeting. She reminded everyone to remember soldiers this Thanksgiving holiday.

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

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

1. Clerk of the Board: Approval of Public Health Services District expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Work Session.

Kim McReynolds, Cooperative Extension Coordinator, explained the grant that was awarded through the Coronado Resource Conservation & Development organization in 2011 for the eradication and control of noxious weeds. She reviewed several of the noxious weeds that are a concern in Greenlee County including: Hoary cress; Russian knapweed; Onionweed; Malta starthistle; and Yellow starthistle.

Frank Hayes, grant project coordinator, reviewed the three parts of the grant project: outreach, inventory and mapping, and treatment. He reviewed the acres that have been inventoried, the infestations and the treatments as well as successes and challenges to come.

Ms. McReynolds expressed the need to find long term funding for a position to continue the management of these invasive destructive plants in Greenlee County.

The Board thanked Ms. Reynolds and Mr. Hayes for the information.

The Board reconvened into regular session upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously.

John Armstrong, Chief Probation Officer, requested approval of the Joint Counselor Contract between Graham County and Greenlee County Juvenile Courts. He explained the difficulty in keeping appropriate and necessary counseling services between both counties. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Ron Pearson, Public Works Manager, presented bids for award as follows:

- A. The Board reviewed bids for the purchase of one (1) 2015 4X4 full size SUV for the County Assessor's office. The bids on the Ford vehicles did not meet specifications for engine size. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell the Board awarded the bid to Kempton Chevrolet for a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe in the amount of \$35,602 to be purchased with general funds.
- B. The Board reviewed bids for the purchase of one (1) 2015 4X4 full size SUV for Emergency Management. The bids on the Ford vehicles did not meet specifications for engine size. Upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board awarded the bid to Kempton Chevrolet for a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe in the amount of \$36,796 to be purchased with budgeted emergency management funding.

- C. The Board reviewed bids for the purchase of one (1) 2015 full size fleet car. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board awarded the bid to Kempton Chevrolet for a 2015 Chevrolet Malibu in the amount of \$21,071 to be purchased with budgeted general funds.
- D. Bids were reviewed for the purchase of one (1) 2015 mid-size SUV for the County Attorney's office. The Chevrolet Equinox did not conform to bid specifications. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board awarded the bid to Kempton Chevrolet for a 2015 Chevrolet Traverse in the amount of \$26,476 to be purchased with general funds.
- E. Bids were reviewed for the purchase of one (1) 2015 4X4 ¾ ton heavy duty extended cab truck for the Public Works Department. The bid on the Ford vehicle did not conform to specifications. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board awarded the bid to Kempton Chevrolet for a 2015 ¾ ton double cab 4X4 truck to be purchased with budgeted road funds.
- F. Bids for the purchase of one (1) 2015 4X2 Police Package Vehicle SUV for Sheriff's Detention Department were reviewed. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board awarded the bid to Kempton Chevrolet for a 2015 Chevrolet Police Package Tahoe in the amount of \$33,464 to be purchased with budgeted general funds.

Ákos Kovach, Economic Development Coordinator, updated the Board on the following:

- The Clifton Public Library has giveaways for anyone interested
- The monthly Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce mixer is this evening in Duncan at the School Cafeteria and is being hosted by the Pride Society
- The application and necessary documentation for a Promise Zone designation has been submitted
- The Greenlee Clarion newsletter has been developed. Items of interest can be sent to Mr. Kovach to be included in upcoming editions.

Derek Rapier, County Attorney, discussed personnel issues in his department. He stated that both his Chief Deputy Attorney and Deputy Attorney have resigned and that his legal secretary is scheduled to be out on medical leave for a few weeks in January. He has begun an outreach campaign to several agencies and has one individual who may be interested in the Chief Deputy position.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request by Mr. Rapier to fill a vacant budgeted Deputy County Attorney position and budgeted Chief Deputy County Attorney position in the County Attorney's office.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request by Mr. Rapier to acquire contract temporary prosecution services until he can fill positions in his office.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request by Mr. Rapier to hire a temporary part time Clerk I position in the Attorney's office.

In the absence of Sheriff Larry Avila, Undersheriff Pat Sexton requested approval to fill a budgeted Patrol Sergeant position in the Sheriff's Department. This position will be vacated by Sergeant Ruben Paz who is retiring effective January 2nd after 30 years of service as a Sheriff Deputy with the Greenlee County Sheriff's Department. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented to be advertised internally.

Upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request to fill a budgeted Detention Sergeant position in the Sheriff's Department as presented to be advertised internally. Melody Huntsinger will be retiring effective December 15th.

Upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request to fill a budgeted Administrative Assistant position in the Sheriff's Department. Yvonne Byrd will be retiring from her position effective January 2nd. She has worked for Greenlee County for 21 years.

The Board took the agenda out of order and upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Executive Session pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431.03.A.03 for legal advice from the County Attorney regarding the development of legal strategy in response to the proposed 10j Rule change and draft environmental impact statement for the management of the non-essential, experimental Mexican wolf population.

The Board reconvened into regular session.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board tabled the request for contribution to the Arizona/New Mexico Coalition of Counties Litigation Fund pending further information.

This being the date and time set for the canvass of the 2014 General Election held November 4, 2014, the Board proceeded to canvass the returns as presented. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the following listed candidates were officially declared elected to the

county offices listed opposite their names and the Clerk was directed to present each with a Certificate of Election.

Pamela Pollock	Clerk of the Court
Grace Nabor	Justice of the Peace, District 1
Karen Smith	Justice of the Peace, District 2
Nick Castaneda	Constable, District 1
Vicki Cook	Constable, District 2
Monica Stauffer	Superior Court Judge

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Public Hearing pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §4-201 for Application for Liquor License Agent Change – Acquisition of Control – Restructure by Michael Basha doing business as Basha’s #92, Morenci.

Ms. Pearson stated that the appropriate posting has been done within the correct timeframe and that there have been no comments for or against this item.

The Board reconvened into regular session upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Application for Liquor License Agent Change – Acquisition of Control – Restructure by Michael Basha doing business as Basha’s #92, Morenci.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

1. Letters to State Legislators have been drafted outlining Arizona county budget priorities. The Board directed Ms. Gale to send the letters as presented.
2. Ms. Gale withdrew presenting Resolution 14-11-03 regarding 2015 Legislative Priorities and will present the item at a future meeting.
3. Letters to congressional delegation urging their immediate support for PILT reauthorization have been drafted. The Board directed Ms. Gale to send the letters as presented.
4. Ms. Gale reviewed the current listing of Arizona legislative leadership and committee assignments.

Ms. Gale reported that the Senior Nutrition Center has been closed due an issue with mold that has developed as a result of a water leak. It has been estimated that the Center will be shut down for two weeks to clean the mold and she stated that all food will have to be thrown out due to contamination. She stated that Greenlee County can help with funding up to \$3,000 to help replenish the food inventory. The Board directed Ms. Gale to provide funding in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 to help replenish the

food inventory at the Senior Nutrition Center. Ms. Gale will be in contact with Basha's to see how they can also help.

Ms. Gale discussed the Fairgrounds/Annex waterline project stating that the Town of Duncan has been awarded a Freeport McMoRan Inc. Community Foundation grant in the amount of \$122,000 for the purchase of materials and engineering of a waterline from the area near the Mormon Church down Fairgrounds road to the Annex. This waterline will supply water to the Fairgrounds and Annex. The two wells at the Fairgrounds have failed and there is currently little or no water supply and is not potable. Greenlee County will assist with the engineering and installation of the waterline. The Board directed Ms. Gale to proceed with the project as presented.

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board tabled item A of the Consent Agenda and approved the remaining items as follows:

- A. Clerk of the Board: Tabled minutes to previous meeting – 11/06/14
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 1024, 1026
- C. Chief Probation Officer: Approval of Employee Transaction Form: G. Gallusky, Adult Probation Officer
- D. County Librarian: Appointment of Sandra Lundeen and Sara Rios and re-appointment of Loralie Martin as members of the Greenlee County Library System
- E. Clerk of the Board: Certification of Fill the Gap 5% Set Aside funds distribution to the State of Arizona pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §41-2421.G
- F. County Administrator: Approval of the formal proposal and engagement letter with Heinfeld and Meech for management advisory services and training

Supervisor Corbell reported the following:

- A. He attended the telephonic conference meeting of the Arizona/New Mexico Coalition of Counties on November 13th where litigation on the critical habitat of the Jaguar was discussed. Litigation on the wolf was also discussed with the plan being that New Mexico will take the lead so that the litigation will go through the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board