

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

February 2, 2016

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 Rapiere, County Attorney, and Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board.

Chairman Gomez called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and Supervisor Campbell led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 Memorandum of Understanding with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) Program Management Office regarding the use of Greenlee County Emergency Management Interoperable System(s) and IPAWS Open Platform for Emergency Networks

The reconvened into regular session.

Ákos Kovach, Economic Development Coordinator, reported that more and more people are recognizing where Greenlee County is. He reported the following:

- He will be meeting with a hotelier this week to look at the possibility of building a hotel in Greenlee County
- Longtime resident Mike Mitchell has passed away.
- The Chamber of Commerce has averaged 90 attendees at the last three mixer events. The next meeting is the annual membership meeting with the theme of "We Love Our Chamber". Community Awards will be awarded at this meeting including small business of the year, rookie business of the year, people's choice, community champion, and non-profit of the year.
- The Clarion will be posted later today
- He will be attending a trade show in Anaheim, California, which is labeled as one of the largest in the nation. He will be talking about Greenlee County to the estimated 7,000 attendees to pursue attracting businesses.

Lendsey Basteen, Events Coordinator, updated the Board on upcoming events at the fairgrounds:

- She has drafted new fairgrounds related contracts and has submitted them to the County Attorney for review and approval.
- She is sending out sponsorship opportunities for the upcoming events that Greenlee County will have at the fairgrounds.
- The Spring Rampage is in final planning stages and is scheduled for April 8th & 9th. She has not been able to secure a carnival for this event and is looking for other options. A car show, mud drags, ranch rodeo, Jr. Rodeo, and home and garden show are all being planned.
- New rules and regulations for horses being boarded at the fairgrounds stalls are being drafted to avoid the issue of horses boarded in damaged dangerous stalls and avoid the possibility of diseases being transmitted as is an issue at other places in the state.

Ms. Basteen requested consideration of contracts with Turf Paradise and/or Rillito Racing for the sale of the Greenlee County race dates for 2016. She stated that there was concern that if Greenlee County sells horse race dates that we will not get the opportunity to get the dates back. She has spoken with the State Racing Division and has been informed that Greenlee County has the ability to sell race dates annually – Greenlee County will not lose the ability to race in a future year if dates are sold the year before. She stated that we need to submit the paperwork to sell dates and recommended selling to Turf Paradise and to have the ability to negotiate the selling price. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board directed staff to sell race dates for 2016 and to move forward with negotiations with the contract and selling price to Turf Paradise.

Ms. Gale presented a survey request from Senator Allen and Representative Barton titled “Transfer of Federally Managed Lands Study Committee Survey of Counties Land Management and Conditions.” A response from each county is requested. Ms. Gale recommended that the Board have a work session at the March 1st meeting to determine the process and adopt the response at the March 16th meeting. The Board directed Ms. Gale to move forward with the work session and adoption on the dates as recommended.

Ms. Gale requested approval to move forward with the construction of the Blue Public Works Facility which is estimated to cost \$350,000 and will be paid with Contingency funds. The facility will have three functions including storage and maintenance of public works equipment; provide emergency services functions including emergency operations center; and a polling place/meeting space. She stated that portions of constructing the facility will go out for bid and portions will be built in-house. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board directed Ms. Gale to move forward with the project.

Ms. Gale reported that 1015 bills have been filed with the legislature as of Monday and one-quarter of the bills impact counties one way or another. The hearing on pension reform to refer the issue to the May ballot will be on Friday.

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 minutes to previous meetings – 01/05/2016; 01/19/2016
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 1064
- C. Chief Finance Officer: Approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$1,047.25 to be reimbursed up receipt of funds: Fund 139 - \$978.03; Fund 237 - \$69.22
- D. County Sheriff: Approval of Employee Transaction Form: C. Barrett, Part time Jail Cook; D. Villela, Detention Officer
- E. Elections Director: Appointment of Kathy Valenzuela as the Election Management System (EMS) Software and Program Installation Observer pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes 16-447(E).
- F. Clerk of the Board: Adoption of Resolution 16-02-01 authorizing the closure of the Greenlee County Fair & Racing Bank Account with National Bank of Arizona
- G. County Engineer: Approval of funding agreement IGA/JPA 15-0005615-1 with ADOT for the Campbell Blue Bridge design and construction

Chairman Gomez reported the following:

- He attended the Eastern Counties Organization meeting where a field trip was planned to Graham, Greenlee, and Cochise Counties with legislators regarding mining. He stated that there is an attempt to defund the organization by several individuals.
- He attended the County Supervisors Association Legislative reception where he had the opportunity to meet with legislators regarding county issues.
- He attended the County Supervisors Association Board meeting where the several bills that have been filed with the legislature were reviewed.
- He attended the telephonic County Supervisors Association Legislative Policy Committee meeting the many bills with county impacts filed with the legislature were reviewed.
- He attended the Eastern Arizona College Advisory Committee meeting for Greenlee County. He stated that everything is moving along well with our local schools.

Supervisor Campbell reported the following:

- He attended a meeting with Ms. Gale and Freeport-McMoRan where discussions took place regarding using the Morenci Club for elections. The state of the industry was also discussed. Due to the current copper market Freeport is in a wait-and-see mode with all assets on the table for sale. He stated that the mine is still profitable.

Supervisor Corbell reported the following:

- He attended the County Supervisors Association Legislative Reception where he had the opportunity to talk to legislators about issues.
- He attended the County Supervisors Association Board meeting where the National Association of Counties provided a presentation on Public Lands transfers. Bills and sales tax revenues were also discussed.
- He attended the El Morro meeting where discussion took place on what has to be done to legally put on a horse race event.

The scheduled Work Session to tour the Fairgrounds was postponed to the next meeting due to weather.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board