

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

March 19, 2013

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. Supervisor Campbell attended the meeting telephonically. Also present were Deborah K. Gale, County Administrator, 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.

Ms. Gale responded to the Call to the Public asking that everyone keep the troops in our thoughts and prayers especially the seven marines who were killed in a training exercise in Nevada this morning.

The Board of Supervisors convened as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Public Health Services District and upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, 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 Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, 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

The Board reconvened into regular session.

Ms. Pearson requested approval of a Supervisor's Deed on parcel #500-28-048 to Robert Kelly for the purchase of real property located in Greenlee County held by the State of Arizona by Tax Deed. Ms. Pearson explained that the required notice had been posted and that no other persons expressed interest in bidding on the property making Mr. Kelly the sole bidder. The property is known as the Duncan Theatre property in Duncan. Mr. Kelly has paid all back taxes and fees which will be distributed appropriately by the County Treasurer. Upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Supervisors Deed to Robert Kelly as presented.

Ms. Gale addressed the Board regarding the distribution of Secure Rural Schools (SRS) funds (Forest Fees). Greenlee County has received \$876,909.93 which is \$59,685.54 more than what was received last fiscal year. Greenlee County continues to lobby our congressional delegation to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools Act so this funding for roads and schools will continue. This is the last installment of the current legislation. Otherwise, funding will be based on an old formula which could reduce the funding level below \$100,000.00. She stated that she attended a congressional hearing regarding the SRS this morning where she learned that SRS funds are subject to the federal sequestration and counties throughout the nation who have already received the SRS distribution will be required to return 5.1%. She also stated that there was mention that the 5.1% may be withheld from the Title II funds instead. Ms. Gale stated that Greenlee County has not yet distributed any of the funding and made the following recommendation:

- The same level of distribution of funds continue with the policy set in previous years:
 - \$350,000.00 Road Fund
 - \$250,000.00 Accommodation School Fund
 - 40,000.00 Blue School District
 - 5,000.00 Eagle School District
 - \$ 50,000.00 held until it is known whether this amount will have to be returned or not or if the amount will be withheld from Title II funds. This amount reflects approximately 5.1% of SRS funds received.
 - The remaining funds will be distributed to Duncan, Clifton, and Morenci School Districts. The distribution to these school districts is based on their student count on the 100th day.
 - If the 5.1% is taken from Title II funds, then the amount held will be distributed to Duncan, Clifton, and Morenci School Districts using the 100th day student day count.

Tom Powers, County School Superintendent, stated that he is in agreement with the recommendation presented by Ms. Gale.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the distribution of Secure Rural Schools Act funds in the amount of \$876,909.93 as follows: \$350,000.00 to Road Fund; \$250,000.00 to Accommodation School; \$40,000.00 to Blue School District; \$5,000.00 to Eagle School District; \$181,909.93 distributed to Duncan, Clifton, and Morenci School Districts based on 100th day student count; the remaining \$50,000.00 to be held in Fund 104 – Forest Fees Fund, to be distributed either back to the federal government or to the school

districts based on 100th day student count, dependent upon information we receive from the U.S. Forest Service.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- She reviewed the analysis from the Department of Revenue on the impacts to counties due to the Transaction Privilege Tax reform.
- She reviewed the analysis from the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) on the impacts to counties due to the Transaction Privilege Tax reform.
- This is the last week the legislature will hear bills
- House Bill 2430 regarding Immunizations is a concern. Amendments will allow counties the ability to recoup costs by contracting with insurance companies
- The fire district bill is now at a legislative study committee to be worked on for amendments and to be brought back to the legislature next year
- County Supervisors Association (CSA) bills are moving forward with the county excise tax bill being held up due to amendment issues

The Calendar of Events was reviewed. The Board will hold a work session at 8:00 a.m. on April 2nd regarding the Duncan Annex. The next regular Board of Supervisors meeting is at 10:00 a.m. April 2nd.

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

- A. Clerk of the Board: Approval of minutes to previous meeting - 03/08/13
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 1059
- C. County Administrator: Approval of loan to Fair & Racing Revolving fund to cover immediate costs for the Spring Rampage in the amount of \$10,000.00 to be reimbursed immediately following the event
- D. Clerk of the Board: Adoption of Resolution 13-03-01 authorizing signers on National Bank of Arizona bank accounts for Fair & Racing Department

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board