

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

August 3, 2015

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.

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

Daniel Cervantez, Clifton resident, responded to the Call to the Public and stated that he saw the publication of the notice of the Budget and Truth in Taxation hearing to be held today and is disappointed that he was the only one from the public in attendance. He thanked the Board for the continued support of the Senior Nutrition Center and that the Meals on Wheels program will be continued and that the Center has a new stove and restrooms.

Ms. Gale responded to the Call to the Public stating that there were bombs at two churches in Las Cruces, NM over the weekend and asked everyone to pray for everyone.

The Board of Supervisors convened as the Board of Directors of the 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 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 Flood Control District expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00
2. Emergency Management Coordinator: Approval of the annual Greenlee County ALERT System Maintenance Agreement for fiscal year 2015-2016 in the amount of \$33,135.00 to be paid with budgeted Flood Control District Funds.

The Board of Supervisors reconvened into regular session.

Ms. Gale reviewed a slide presentation on the fiscal year 2015-16 Budget as follows:

- General Fund will increase by 7.5% to \$12,427,243
- Total Budget will increase by .56% to 24,114,602
- Proposed total combined County tax rate is \$1.0626, an increase of \$.0926
- Primary & Secondary Assessed Values and rates were reviewed
- Greenlee County tax rate history was reviewed and compared to other Arizona counties. Greenlee County still has one of the lowest rates in the state.
- The cost shifts that the state continues to impose on counties were reviewed including new impacts for fiscal year 2016: 18% of the Department of Revenue administrative costs; 25% of Juvenile Corrections Department costs shifted to counties; and Greenlee County will continue to fund a portion of the cost to keep the local Motor Vehicle Department office open.
- Estimated revenues and expenses were reviewed
- Position changes includes the reclassification of an Administrative Assistant to Personal Property Appraiser in the Assessor's office; a new IT Technician position in the IT Department
- The Capital Improvement Plan was reviewed and includes: a new Duncan Annex Building; ongoing Airport Construction/Improvement; a new Correctional Facility; replacement of the Campbell Blue Bridge; a new Blue Public Works facility; and several minor projects for Public Works

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Public Hearing pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §42-17104 – Budget and Truth in Taxation Hearing.

Daniel Cervantez, Clifton resident, asked if the cost of the new kitchen and modifications to the sallyport at the Jail were included in the budget. Ms. Gale explained that the costs are included in the budget if the Board decides to move forward.

No other public was present and no other comments were received for or in opposition to the proposed budget and tax rates.

The Board reconvened into regular session.

Supervisor Campbell stated that the increase in the tax rate is not taken lightly but that the County needs the increase in funds in the Public Health Services District for continued programs and for the Flood Control District to be able to become proactive with needed infrastructure. He believes the increase makes fiscal and common sense and he also stated that he has the support of his constituents.

Supervisor Corbell stated that he does not have the support to raise taxes, that he would like to leave them the same. He stated that he could support Public Health

Services District and Flood Control District increases but with the current economy he does not support an increase.

Chairman Gomez stated that he does support the proposed increase.

Supervisor Campbell moved to set the fiscal year 2015-2016 Primary Property Tax Rate at \$0.5626 per \$100 of assessed value. Chairman Gomez seconded the motion. Chairman Gomez called for a roll call vote with Supervisor Campbell voting aye, Supervisor Corbell voting no, and Chairman Gomez voting aye. The motion passed setting the fiscal year 2016 tax rate at \$0.5626.

Supervisor Campbell moved for the adoption of the fiscal year 2015-16 Greenlee County budget as follows: General Fund budget in the amount of \$12,427,243 and the Total Budget in the amount of \$24,114,602. This includes the Flood Control Budget in the amount of \$175,000 and the Public Health Services District Budget in the amount of \$2,005,636. Supervisor Corbell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE FINAL BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Title 42 Chapter 17, Articles 1-5, Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.), the Board of Supervisors did on July 7, 2015, make an estimate of the different amounts required to meet the public expenditures for the ensuing year, also an estimate of revenues from sources other than direct taxation, and the amount to be raised by taxation upon real and personal property of Greenlee County, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with said chapter of said title, and following due public notice, the Board met on August 3, 2015, at which meeting any taxpayer was privileged to appear and be heard in favor of or against any of the proposed expenditures or tax levies, and

WHEREAS, it appears that publication has been duly made as required by law, of said estimates together with a notice that the Board would meet on August 17, 2015, at the Office of the Board for the purpose of hearing taxpayers and making tax levies as set forth in said estimates, and

WHEREAS, it appears that the sums to be raised by taxation, as specified therein, do not in the aggregate amount exceed that amount as computed in A.R.S. §42-17051(A);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the said estimates of revenue and expenditures/expenses shown on the accompanying schedules as now increased, reduced or changed, are hereby adopted as the final budget of Greenlee County for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
THIS 3rd DAY OF AUGUST, 2015.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board

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

- The Mud Drag event on July 25 was successful
- The planning of the County Fair is coming along very well
- The Javelina Chase Bicycle Event is in planning stages with a planned 2 to 3 day event
- A home ownership fair will be hosted by CBL at the Fairgrounds to offer the ability to prequalify interested home buyers
- New efficiency apartments building will break ground in Clifton in a couple of weeks
- 9th edition of the Clarion has been published
- The Yarborough Band will perform at the Fairgrounds on August 8th

Ms. Pearson requested approval to utilize the Pinal County Request for Proposal to purchase a new voting system including voting equipment, a server and Election Management System software. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Ms. Pearson requested approval of Vote Center locations for Greenlee County. She stated that the Board previously approved going from Polling Places to Vote Centers in Greenlee County. Vote Centers will provide voters the ability to vote at any Vote Center as opposed to only being allowed to vote at designated polling places within each precinct. The proposed Vote Center locations are the Morenci Club in Morenci, the Train Depot in Clifton and the Fairgrounds in Duncan. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the proposed Voter Center locations as presented.

Ms. Pearson requested approval to purchase election voting equipment, server and software program from Election Systems and Software (ES&S) in an amount not to exceed \$252,000.00 with budgeted General Funds. Upon motion by Supervisor

Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Ms. Gale reported that Greenlee County underwent an inspection by the state Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Reports will be submitted soon and that she was advised of two possible serious issues but that those issues will be determined by OSHA management and will be in the report.

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

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 meetings – 06/16/15; 06/26/15; 06/30/15; 07/07/15
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 1002; 1003; 1006; 1007; 1008; 1085; 1086
- C. Chief Finance Officer: Approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$23,289.27 to be reimbursed upon receipt of funds: Fund 133 - \$301.25; Fund 146 - \$1,189.84; Fund 167 - \$2,203.84; Fund 195 - \$1,999.60; Fund 196 - \$871.59; Fund 219 - \$16,723.15
- D. County Recorder: Appointment of Kathy Valenzuela as Deputy County Recorder
- E. Events Coordinator: Approval of Employee Transaction Forms – K. Bejarano, Temporary Worker; A. Sanchez, Temporary Worker
- F. Assistant Public Works Manager: Approval of Employee Transaction Form – B. Lucero, Public Works Analyst; C. White, Operations Tech II
- G. County Sheriff: Approval of Employee Transaction Form – A. Villalba, Detention Sergeant
- H. Clerk of the Board: Approval of the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) Corrections Officer Retirement Plan Cancer Insurance Program Employer Enrollment
- I. County Sheriff: Approval to pay invoice from Americana Polygraph and P.I. Services, Inc. for Internal Affairs Investigations in the amount of \$12,803.00 to be paid with General Funds
- J. Clerk of the Board: Adoption of Resolution 15-08-01 authorizing the County to execute, issue, sell and deliver the County Revolving Line of Credit Loan Agreement and County Revolving Line of Credit Promissory Note to National Bank of Arizona commencing July 1, 2015 and ending on June 30, 2016, in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,500,000; approving a form of County Revolving Line of Credit Loan Agreement and County Revolving Line of Credit Promissory Note; and related matters

Supervisor Campbell reported that he attended the National Association of Counties (NACO) Rural and Agricultural Steering Committee meetings which met each day of the NACO conference. Discussion centered on farming and growth and genetically modified crops. He stated it was very interesting and that he was able to speak with supervisors across the nation and hear their concerns and accomplishments. He added that one of the highlights of the conference was meeting Brad Dougherty, retired basketball player, who spoke of Dean Smith, former basketball coach who died recently. He was told that Mr. Smith called each player each week to make sure they were spending their money wisely and that after his death every player he coached received a \$200 check with a note telling them to spend it wisely.

Supervisor Gomez reported the following:

- A. He attended the NACO Public Lands Steering Committee meetings where the main topic of discussion was funding for Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and Secure Rural Schools (Forest Fees) to counties. Issues regarding Waters of the US were also discussed.
- B. He attended the NACO conference and the many workshops that were offered. Featured speakers were Jerry Abramson, Deputy Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs, Ashton Carter, US Secretary of Defense, and Anthony Foxx, US Secretary of Transportation. He stated that he also helped Coconino County Supervisor Liz Archuleta campaign for the 2nd Vice President position of NACO. She did not win her campaign.
- C. He attended the Eastern Arizona Counties Organization (ECO) meeting where discussion took place regarding state funding and the ability to find other funding. SRP will help with the Healthy Forest Summit that will take place in September.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board