

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

August 20, 2012

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: Richard Lunt, Chairman; David Gomez, Member; and Ron Campbell, Member. Also present were Deborah K. Gale, County Administrator, and Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board.

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

Ms. Gale responded to the Call to the Public offering condolences to the Tenney family for the loss of former Navajo County Supervisor Louis Tenney who has passed away.

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

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

The Board reconvened into regular session.

Ms. Gale reviewed a comparison of values, levies, and tax rates between all taxing entities in Greenlee County comparing rates for last fiscal year and for the current rates to be adopted. She explained that each entity calculates and adopts their tax rate which is then presented to the Board of Supervisors so that all calculations are on one tax bill. The Greenlee County property tax rate of \$.6213 is \$.1523 less than last fiscal year due an increase in assessed value. Supervisor Campbell moved to adopt the tax rates and tax levies as presented in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes §42-17151 including the county primary property tax rate of \$.6213 and levy of \$2,349,223 and the secondary property tax rate for the Public Health Services District of \$.1850 and the levy of \$699,728 and the secondary property tax rate for the Flood Control District of \$.1426 and the levy of \$87,972. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously.

Sean Wenham, Community Development Manager, Freeport-McMoRan Copper and Gold – Morenci, updated the Board on a study that is being done for the possible relocation of Highway 191 through the mine. He stated that the environmental impact study is in progress and expected to be completed soon which will be the deciding factor to go forward with an environmental impact statement. Freeport-McMoRan is

financing the study and potential move in coordination with the Arizona Department of Transportation.

Steve Tucker, Sheriff, requested approval to fill one (1) vacant part-time Detention Officer position and one (1) vacant part-time Control Room Operator position in the Sheriff's Department. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously the Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding with the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management; U.S. Department of Energy, Western Area Power Administration concerning relationship as a Cooperating Agency on the Southline Transmission Line Project.

Ms. Gale advised the Board that the County has been approached by Freeport-McMoRan Copper and Gold – Morenci to lease some property located at the Airport area to manage trucks and truck traffic outside the mine. She stated that the property is sufficient and that there are no FAA issues. The Board directed Ms. Gale to go forward and draft a plan for this matter to be brought back for further consideration at a later date.

John Armstrong, Chief Probation Officer, requested approval to fill a vacant Teen Court Assistant position in the Probation Department. He stated that the position is budgeted and that the position will be filled with a senior student from one of the county high schools. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- The first draft of legislation from counties has been reviewed by county managers and that Greenlee County's issues are included in the list of priorities which includes restoration of HURF, state shared revenue diversion, County Assistance Funding restoration, shifting the funding responsibility of sexually violent prisoners back to Arizona State Hospital, state administrative and program responsibilities that have been shifted to counties.
- The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as follows – item A was tabled for approval at a future meeting:

- A. Clerk of the Board: Tabled minutes to previous meeting - 08/06/12
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 - Voucher 1063; 1007; 1008

- C. Clerk of the Board: Approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$43,323.76; Fund 145 - \$433.25; Fund 146 - \$354.90; Fund 150 - \$2,934.15; Fund 255 - \$39,601.46
- D. County Sheriff: Approval of Payroll Change Notices - C. Young, full time Control Room Operator; T. Lopez, full time Control Room Operator; S. Davis, part time Control Room Operator; J. Grindle, full time Detention Officer; D. Gomez, part time Detention Officer
- E. Public Works Manager: Approval of an increase to the Fair & Racing Revolving Fund in an amount of \$10,000.00 to cover extraordinary expenses to be reimbursed immediately following the Fair

Supervisor Campbell reported the following:

- A. He attended the Greenlee County Cattle Growers meeting which was well attended. He stated that various agencies gave presentations regarding their entities including the University of Arizona Extension, NRCS, State Lands, Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, US Department of Agriculture, and Livestock Inspection. Supervisor Campbell gave a presentation on behalf of Greenlee County.

The Board convened into Work Session to review the preliminary proposal of the new Duncan Annex building presented by BWS Architects. Philip Ronnerud, County Engineer, stated that this proposal is a starting point for consideration which will be edited and revised to be in line with what is needed and with budget.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard G. Lunt, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board