

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

October 6, 2015

The Greenlee County Board of Supervisors met on this date in regular session in the Board Meeting Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Rapiert, County Attorney, and Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board.

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

Daniel Cervantez, Clifton resident, responded to the Call to the Public, stating that a Meal on Wheels client, Monty Bearden has passed away. He presented an announcement sent out by the Town of Clifton regarding a Clifton Cemetery cleanup day and stated that the monument of Mason Greenlee needs to be touched up.

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

Carol Telles, Clifton District Ranger, updated the Board on the following:

- She apologized to the Board for not showing up at the last Board meeting. Lightning hit the Ranger Station Communications tower and she and her staff were scrambling to get it up and going.
- There have been no fires due to the moisture we have received. Fire crews have been working in other states as needed.
- The Travel Management Rule currently is focused on roads and re-evaluation within the Wallow Fire footprint and a record of decision is expected in the summer of 2017.
- A NEPA for outfitters and guides is being drafted and will encompass the entire forest.
- The Wild Bunch environmental assessment is nearly complete and a new NEPA planner has been hired.
- The range improvement project continues with monitoring large gatherings, tank cleaning, fencing, trails and other items that require NEPA clearance.
- She acknowledged the Arizona Pilots Association who have volunteered and worked on the Double Circle Lodge historic cabin. This is a public structure that can be used for meetings.

- Tom Olsen has retired leaving the Forest Supervisor position vacant. Scott Russell will be acting Supervisor.

Mike Bailey, Recreation and Land Staff with Clifton Ranger District, updated the Board on the following:

- Improvements to the Black Jack campground continue with 12 new pedestal picnic grills installed. He has funding to gravel the roads in that area and still has 28 picnic grills left which will be installed at sites on the Coronado Trail.
- He stated that another part of his job is roads and stated that Ron Pearson made his job easy. He presented a Certification of Appreciation to Ron Pearson, former Public Works Manager, on behalf of the Clifton Ranger District for his many years of partnership and collaboration in maintaining the district roads in the safest and most professional means for county residents and forest visitors. Ms. Pearson accepted the award on behalf of Ron Pearson.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Public Hearing - Planning and Zoning – Request from Dan Burk to change the zoning district of Assessor Parcel 400-06-009 at 748 Jackrabbit Drive from RU 36 to LI.

Philip Ronnerud, Planning and Zoning Director, stated that this zoning change will properly zone Mr. Burk's property to commercial use. There were no public comments for or against the change. The Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approving the change.

The Board continued in Public Hearing - Planning and Zoning – Request from Robyn Hiatt to change the zoning map of Assessor Parcel 300-91-027C at 831 Bobcat Drive from RU 36 to TR 36.

Mr. Ronnerud stated that the change is necessary so that a manufactured home can be placed on the property. There were no public comments for or against the request. The Planning and Zoning Commission has recommended approving the change.

The Board reconvened into regular session.

Upon motion by Supervisor Corbell, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Planning and Zoning – Request from Dan Burk to change the zoning district of Assessor Parcel 400-06-009 at 748 Jackrabbit Drive from RU 36 to LI as presented.

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

- The Graham County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director has resigned as has the Board of Directors so replacements are being sought.
- A Poker Run is scheduled for October 24<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Clifton American Legion and will begin at the American Legion and run through Mule Creek, NM to Silver City, NM to Lordsburg, NM through Duncan and back to the Clifton American Legion.
- The Annual Colors of Copper festival will take place the first weekend in November
- Closing of escrow on a large commercial project will be done on October 15<sup>th</sup> and that business will open for business by the end of the year.
- A groundbreaking ceremony will take place near October 15<sup>th</sup> for a new apartment building complex in Clifton
- A second national chain business will be rehabilitating a vacant building in Clifton and is expected to be in business by the end of the year.
- The Javelina Chase bicycling event planning is well underway with a Fly-in event at the Airport to be planned during that same time.

Daniel Cervantez, Clifton resident, requested to speak to the Economic Development update item on the agenda. He stated that the property on Table Top which is owned by the Town of Clifton should be transferred to the County for development.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- She reported that Congress has adopted a continuing resolution on the federal budget which includes the payment of the balance owed on Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding. There is still no movement for PILT funding for the current year.
- She reviewed and explained each of the 24 legislative proposals that are on the table for supervisors to vote on at the County Supervisors Association (CSA) Legislative Summit next week.
- The Small Counties Association will vote for their CSA Board member representative at the November Small Counties Forum meeting.

The Calendar of Events was reviewed. Due to scheduling conflicts, the November 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting was rescheduled to Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Ms. Pearson requested that the minutes for September 23<sup>rd</sup> reflected in item A of the Consent Agenda be tabled. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by

Supervisor Corbell, the Board tabled the minutes for September 23, 2015 and approved the remaining Consent Agenda as follows:

- A. Clerk of the Board: Approval of minutes of previous meetings 9/01/15; 9/21/15; 9/30/15
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 1033; 1034
- C. Public Works Assistant Manager: Approval of Employee Transaction Form: R. Aguillo, PT Landfill Attendant
- D. County Sheriff: Approval of the Agreement with the Arizona Department of Corrections to provide Correctional Officer Certification Training and Advanced Training to qualified detention officer candidates as referred by the county.
- E. Superior Court Judge: Approval of the Contract for Provision of Indigent Representation 2015-2016 for attorney Travis Ragland

Supervisor Corbell reported the following:

- A. He attended the Transfer Public Lands National Strategy Summit where discussion took place and information was shared regarding; federal and state lands; legal action updates; a presentation on passing ordinances at the county level; increases in the number of federal employees; and economic impacts of healthy forests versus unhealthy forests.

The Board convened into work session regarding the Floodplain Ordinance. Philip Ronnerud, County Engineer, reviewed sections of the Floodplain Ordinance that are proposed to change and stated that the changes are based on a federal model to encompass all regulations. County elevation certificates and flood insurance requirements were discussed. The Letters of Map Revision (LOMR) process was explained by Mr. Ronnerud including the process of elevation determination for deciding if property is in or out of the floodplain. Derek Rapier, County Attorney, reviewed the County's responsibility on this issue. The Board directed another work session at the next meeting to further discuss this issue.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson  
Clerk of the Board