

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

October 15, 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 asking everyone to keep our troops and their families in their prayers and also for former Representative Bill Konopnicki who has been sent home from the hospital and is now under hospice care.

Chairman Lunt and Supervisor Gomez also responded to the Call to the Public and thanked all those involved with the ASU Tourism Project, especially those who provided food and lodging and took time to visit with the students.

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 Gomez, 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 reconvened into regular session.

Ben Gooden, acting Clifton District Ranger, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, updated the Board on the following forest issues:

- A prescribed burn will take place at the Bar Mesa
- The next public educational/information session will be on October 24th on Cultural Heritage
- New employees have finally been hired. The district is closer to being fully staffed.
- A meeting will take place regarding the second phase of the Wallow Fire Salvage Project for which the Board is invited to attend.

Mr. Tom Powers, County School Superintendent, requested approval to use County Jail Education Funds for providing GED classes to inmates. He stated that the grant funds that have historically been used to fund the GED program have been reduced from

\$15,000 to \$5,000. The Jail Education Funds will help cover the loss of grant funding to continue the program. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Sheriff Steve Tucker requested approval to use budgeted funds to pay overtime for deputies not to exceed 25 hours per week. He stated that his department is shorthanded with the resignation of one deputy and another deputy is undergoing field training and is not ready to be on his own yet. Ms. Gale stated that this is a budget adjustment to move the budgeted deputy salary funds to overtime. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved a budget adjustment from deputy salary to overtime as presented.

Derek Rapier, County Attorney, requested approval to fill the budgeted vacant Chief Deputy County Attorney position in his office. He recommended the promotion of Danielle Wright, Deputy County Attorney, into the position. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Mr. Rapier, requested approval to fill the budgeted Deputy County Attorney position in his office. 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 US Department of interior Bureau of Land Management Safford Field Office and Greenlee County as Cooperating Agency for the purpose of preparing the Environmental Assessment for the proposed Gila Unit Travel Management Plan.

Ms. Gale requested approval of the Property Lease Agreement with Freeport-McMoRan Morenci for the lease of county property for a short term parking facility for trucks. She stated that parking facility will be located at the Airport and the generated income will go into the Airport fund to be used for future airport improvements. The agreement has been approved by the County Attorney but the amount of rent still needs to be negotiated. The Board approved the lease agreement as presented and authorized the County Administrator to negotiate the monthly rental. Supervisor Ron Campbell recused himself from this item citing a conflict of interest due to his employment with Freeport-McMoRan Morenci.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- The County Supervisors Association has adopted policies and priorities for legislative issues to be addressed at the upcoming legislative session that begins in January. Work is already being done to introduce bills and preparation of

defense strategies against bills that are anticipated to be introduced that harm counties.

- Government Solutions, a magazine distributed nationwide, will showcase and recognize Greenlee County Public Works Department for their lifecycle cost savings with equipment which save tax payer dollars. The magazine article is scheduled to be printed later this fall.
- Ms. Gale and Supervisor Campbell will be attending a meeting regarding the planned replacement of wolves that have been lost by illegal means. The comment period ends on October 26th.

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:

- A. Clerk of the Board: Approval of minutes to previous meeting: 10/01/12
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 - Voucher 1022; 1023; 1024; 1025; 1026
- C. Chief Finance Officer: Approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$3,496.83: Fund146 - \$363.28; Fund 152 - \$1,059.43; Fund 186 - \$1,368.47; Fund 255 - \$705.65
- D. County School Superintendent: Approval of Payroll Change Notice - J. Stacy, Jail Teacher
- E. County Attorney: Approval of Payroll Change Notice - D. Wright, Chief Deputy County Attorney
- F. County Sheriff: Approval to purchase firearms and parts from Daniel Defense in an amount not to exceed \$5,249.95 with budgeted General Funds

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard G. Lunt

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board