

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

December 17, 2013

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, 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.

The Board of Supervisors convened as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Public Health Services District and upon motion by Supervisors 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
2. Health & County Services Director: Approval of Payroll Change Notices: C. Martinez, Tobacco Program Coordinator; B. Morales, Nutrition Education Coordinator/WIC Director

The Board of Supervisors convened as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County 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

The Board reconvened into regular session.

Daniel Cervantez, county resident, requested to speak to the several agenda items of the Sheriff. He stated that he had made a public records request and hasn't received the items. The Chairman informed Mr. Cervantez that his issue does not have anything to do with the agenda items. Ms. Gale offered that Mr. Cervantez contact her for a meeting to discuss his concerns.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request to fill a vacant budgeted Sheriff Deputy position in the Sheriff's Office as presented.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request to fill a budgeted Deputy Cadet position in the Sheriff's Office as presented.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request to fill a vacant budgeted full time Detention Officer position in the Sheriff's Office as presented.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request to fill a vacant budgeted part time Detention Officer position in the Sheriff's Office as presented.

Ron Pearson, Public Works Manager, requested approval to solicit bids for building materials for the proposed Public Works Shop. He stated that there will be two separate bid requests – one for the concrete work and one for the metal building. The Public Works Department will do as much in-house work to build the building as possible. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted Resolution 13-12-02 electing the full payment option of Title 1 of the Secure Rural Schools Community Self Determination Act Forest Fee Reserve Payment.

#### **RESOLUTION 13-12-02**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GREENLEE COUNTY, ARIZONA, ELECTING FULL PAYMENT OPTION OF TITLE 1 OF THE SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT FOREST FEE RESERVE PAYMENT SYSTEM.**

WHEREAS, Title I of the "Secure Rural Schools Community Self-Determination Act of 2000" offers Greenlee County the opportunity to select either: (a) the traditional 25% Forest Fee Reserve payment system; or (b) selecting the full payment system set forth in Title I of PL110-343; and

WHEREAS, Greenlee County is required to notify the Arizona State Treasurer of its decision by December 24, 2013; and

BE IT THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Greenlee County, Arizona, elects the full payment system pursuant to PL110-343 which will be used to fund schools, roads, and forest projects.

ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013, by the Greenlee County Board of Supervisors.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted Resolution 13-12-03 designating 15% of Forest Fee reserve funding to be allocated to Title II local projects.

### **RESOLUTION 13-12-03**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GREENLEE COUNTY, ARIZONA, DESIGNATING 15% OF FOREST FEE RESERVE FUNDING TO BE ALLOCATED TO TITLE II LOCAL PROJECTS.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Greenlee County, Arizona, by resolution, has elected the full payment option pursuant to the provisions outlined in Title I of the "Secure Rural Schools Community Self-Determination Act of 2000" (Act); and

WHEREAS, forest counties having United States National Forests within their boundaries have received Forest Fee Reserve payments for roads and schools under the terms of the Agricultural Reapportionment Act of 1908; and

WHEREAS, these receipts were a regular but cyclical source of revenue for schools and counties during most of the last century; and

WHEREAS, federal land policies during the past decade have shifted away from multiple use land management; and

WHEREAS, Congress has recognized that these policy shifts have negatively impacted local communities and the health of our National Forests; and

WHEREAS, Congress has amended and reauthorized the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act for fiscal year 2013 by P.L. 113-40, which requires each county in which a national forest is situated to elect to receive a share of the payment.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Greenlee County, Arizona, has elected to receive Forest Fee Reserve payments under the provisions of PL113-40, and hereby designates 15% of its Forest Fee payments to be allocated to Title II projects under this legislation.

ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013, by the Greenlee County Board of Supervisors.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Corbell, and carried unanimously, the Board appointed Chairman Gomez to represent Greenlee County on the 2014 County Supervisors Association Legislative Policy Committee.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- With the participation of Ron Pearson, Public Works Manager, the County will host four Mud Bogg/Drag events leading up to the main event at the County Fair. Mr. Pearson stated that the events will be self-sustaining.
- Ms. Gale read two separate Thank You letters that were received. One from Rose Awtry, Blue, AZ, and one from the Community of Blue thanking the County for the emergency response and repair work as a result of the flooding of the Blue River in September.
- She reviewed a letter that will be sent to the Arizona Congressional Delegation regarding the reauthorization of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT).
- The Centrally Assessed Valuation for Greenlee County will increase to \$335 million representing a \$117 million increase.
- Ms. Gale thanked all the elected officials who participated and helped with the setup and cleanup of the Christmas Party.

The Calendar of Events was reviewed. The next Board of Supervisors meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2014 to begin at 10:00 a.m.

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

- A. Clerk of the Board: Approval of minutes to previous meeting: 12/03/2013
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 1033; 1035; 1036
- C. Chief Finance Officer: Approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$5,031.34 to be reimbursed upon receipt of funding: Fund 160 - \$895.73; Fund 243 - \$4,135.61
- D. County Sheriff: Approval of Payroll Change Notices: J. Smerglia, Sheriff Deputy; J. Mennen, Deputy Cadet; M. Sanders, Part Time Detention Officer; T. Tellez, Full Time Detention Officer

- E. Superior Court Clerk: Approval of Payroll Change Notice; M. Montoya, Deputy Court Clerk
- F. County Administrator: Approval of the Southeastern Arizona Workforce Connection WIA Five Year Business Plan
- G. Health & County Services Director: Approval of the Communications Tower Lease Agreement for Emergency Services with Copper Valley Telephone, Inc. for the placement of equipment on Copper Valley Telephone, Inc. property located in Duncan
- H. County Recorder: Approval of the Electronic/Digital Recording Memorandum of Understanding with Data Services, Inc. for the recording of real property documents electronically

Supervisor Campbell reported the following:

- A. He attended an Informational Meeting and Public Hearing on Gray and Mexican Wolf Proposals in Pinetop where it is estimated that 400-500 persons were in attendance. Elected Officials in attendance were allowed to make comments for which he commented on behalf of Greenlee County. He expressed appreciation that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service held the hearing in Arizona providing the opportunity to have our voice heard.
- B. He attended the Arizona Small Counties Forum meeting which was hosted by Santa Cruz County. Round table discussion took place with each county discussing issues and concerns regarding their county. Greenlee County relayed the good news that the population has increased as well as the Assessed Valuation.
- C. He attended the County Supervisors Association meeting where Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and Secure Rural Schools funding was discussed as well as other issues.

Supervisor Gomez reported the following:

- A. He attended the Eastern Counties Organization meeting where the following discussions took place: a change in salary for the Director was approved; contracting with James Candland and Ward Nichols as lobbyists for the group was approved; the group is waiting to hear if the Natural Resources Study Grant application was approved; Wolf proposals and comments were reviewed; U.S. Fish & Wildlife Services meeting with cooperating agencies will be held on December 10<sup>th</sup>; and an update on Four Forest Restoration Initiative (4FRI) was given.
- B. He attended the Southern County Chairman & Managers Conference Call with Representative Ann Kirkpatrick where discussion took place regarding: the House passed a two year budget with over 330 votes and

will hopefully pass the Senate this week; PILT and Secure Rural Schools issues; WRDA projects need to be prioritized and sent to Corps of Engineers; and flooding issues in Greenlee County.

- C. He met with Rick Stilgenbauer and Shay Saucedo, members of Senator McCain's staff, where discussion took place regarding PILT & Secure Rural Schools funding and other issues.
- D. He participated in a tour of Greenlee County with State Demographer Jim Chang and Akos Kovach of SEAGO. As a result, the population count for Greenlee County has been posted at 10,913 which represents an approximate 22% increase since the 2010 Census.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors the meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board