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MEETING NOTICE and AGENDA
Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431, et. seq.
and amendments thereto, the
GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
also sitting as Board of Directors for
GREENLEE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT
and
GREENLEE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
hereby gives notice that a
Regular Meeting

will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 – 8:00 a.m. The Public will have physical access to the Board Meeting Room be no later than 7:45 a.m.

Audio/Visual Streaming of this meeting may be found at:

<https://greenlee.az.gov/link/live/>

**Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, 2nd floor Courthouse Annex, 253 5th Street,
Clifton, Arizona**

AGENDA AND MINUTES

In attendance: Board of Supervisors members: Chairman, David Gomez Member Ron Campbell, Member and William Wearne, Member. Also present County Attorney, Gary Griffith, Derek Rapier, County Manager and Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

1. Call to Order

Chairman David Gomez called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

a. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Wearne led those present in the pledge.

b. Call to the Public

No responses to call to the public.

2. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT – the Board of Supervisors will convene as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Public Health

Services District and will reconvene as the Board of Supervisors following consideration of the following items:

a. Consent Agenda

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

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Public Health Services District Consent Agenda as presented.

3. FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT – the Board of Supervisors will convene as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Flood Control District and will reconvene as the Board of Supervisors following consideration of the following items:

a. Consent Agenda

- i. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of Flood Control District expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00.**
- ii. Emergency Management: Consideration of approval to use a State Contract Provider, JE Fuller, to update the Greenlee County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Greenlee County has used this provider for greater than ten (10) years.**

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Flood Control District Consent Agenda as presented.

4. Marshall Lehman

a. Information and Possible Discussion Only: Duncan Valley Foundation, County Fairgrounds

Mr. Lehman introduced himself as volunteer for the Duncan Valley Foundation and provided his background in law and real estate. He discussed and outlined his thoughts of redevelopment of the county fairgrounds and various events he would like planned for the fairgrounds, including rodeos, tractor pulls, car shows and a charity event.

The board expressed support for the nonprofit's efforts and wished them luck.

5. Bianca Castañeda, Elections Director

a. Discussion/Action regarding the cancellation of Elections for Precinct

Committeemen and to deem as elected Precinct Committeemen nominees who have filed nomination petitions or write-in nomination forms since the number of candidates does not exceed the number of vacancies, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §16-410 and §16-822(B)

Ms. Castañeda provided an update on the upcoming election on July 21 for precinct committeeman positions. Discussed the number of candidates and vacancies for each precinct with some positions still needing to be filled.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved the cancelation of elections for precinct committeemen where the number of candidates does not exceed the number of vacancies and deemed elected those candidates who have filed nomination petitions or write-in forms.

6. Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board and Derek Rapier, County Administrator

- a. Discussion/Action regarding adjusting Greenlee County Board of Supervisors Tentative Meeting Dates and Times to accommodate for new election dates and budget setting requirements pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §11-214.**

Ms. Castañeda presented the proposed meeting dates for July and August, which are adjusted to accommodate the Primary Election and budget setting requirements. Proposed November changes and December Schedule.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Tentative Meeting Dates and Times to accommodate for new election date and budget setting requirements as presented.

7. Tyler Attaway, Jail Commander and Eric Ellison, Sheriff

- a. Discussion/Action for permission to purchase portable radios for the Sheriff's Office with necessary accessories, and 4 portable radios for the Ambulance Service using a \$120,000 United Way Grant, from Aircom, a State Contract radio supplier.**

Sheriff Ellison discussed the need for new radios and infrastructure due to outdated equipment. The Sheriff's office received a \$120,000 grant, which will cover majority of the cost for new radios for patrol, EMS and other first responders.

Upon motion by Supervisor Wearne, seconded by Supervisor Campbell and carried unanimously, the Board approved the purchase of portable radios and accessories for the Sheriff's office and EMS using grant \$120,000 funds from Aircom, a State Contract radio supplier.

8. Derek Rapier, County Administrator and Rene Ontiveros, Chief Finance Officer

- a. Discussion/Action regarding distribution of Secure Rural Schools (SRS) funds received for Federal FY24. (Received in Greenlee County FY26)**

Mr. Rapier explained the distribution of Secure Rural Schools funds received for federal fiscal year 2024. The funds will be distributed to local schools, with minimal amount going to roads department to meet state law requirements and direct the majority of funds to local school districts. Mr. Rapier's recommendation is to change the formal distribution as outlined in the Memo submitted.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved distribution of SRS funds received in federal Fiscal Year 24 as presented.

9. Tony Hines, Public Works Fleet/Facilities Manager

a. Discussion/Action regarding the approval vehicle auction list

Mr. Hines presented the vehicle auction list; the auction is set for June 6th in Safford.

Upon motion by Supervisor Wearne, seconded by Supervisor Campbell and carried unanimously, the Board approved the auction list as presented.

b. Discussion/Action regarding permission to acquire sewer line materials and supplies to connect the ball field complex to the main sewer line and an expected cost between \$15,000 and \$100,000

Mr. Rapier proposed to the board a more efficient purchasing process for items between \$15,000 and \$100,000 instead of asking the Board for permission and then gathering quotes, staff has already obtained written quotes in advance and will now present them alongside the request of approval. This allows the Board to approve both purchase and vendor at the same time, reducing the procurement timeline by 2-4 weeks, while still complying with requirements for prior Board approval.

Mr. Hines presented the item under the new purchasing approach described just before it, where staff brings both the request and the quotes to the Board at the same time for approval. He requested for the Board to approved purchasing materials/services for a sewer line project at the fairgrounds, the project includes connecting sewer service to the quad core and the playground area. Installing service for new arena restrooms tying in existing old restrooms and extending the sewer line out to the main town sewer line along the road. Obtained a quote from Sprinkler World for \$16,303.59

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved to acquire sewer line materials from Sprinkler World in the amount not to exceed \$16,303.59.

10. Tony Hines, Public Works Facilities Manager and Derek Rapier, County Administrator

a. Discussion/Action for permission to acquire quotes/bids for metal building to replace the 4H kitchen at the fairgrounds

Mr. Hines is seeking approval to start collecting bids for work on the 4-H kitchen building at the fairgrounds, aligning with their effort to make purchasing more efficient and streamlined. Uncertain of the total cost of the project, once enough information is gathered to estimate the cost, if the project is expected to be under \$100,000 they will proceed with collecting quotes, if it is expected to over \$100,000 they will move forward with a formal bid process.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved to acquire quotes/bids for metal building to replace the 4-H kitchen at the fairgrounds.

b. Discussion/Action for permission to acquire quotes/bids to assemble a metal building to replace the 4H kitchen at the fairgrounds

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved to acquire quotes/bids to assemble the metal building to replace the 4-H kitchen at the fairgrounds.

c. Discussion/Action for permission to acquire quotes/bids to replace metal siding on east side of Exhibit Buildings B & C at the fairgrounds

Mr. Hines requested permission to begin a closed bidding process to replace siding on B & C buildings, as part of a coordinated upgrade tied to the 4-kitchen project, ensuring the entire side of the facility is improved consistently in one project.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved to acquire bids to replace the metal siding on the east side of the Exhibit Building B & C at the fairgrounds as presented.

11. David Manuz, Public Works Roads Manager

a. Discussion/Action regarding the approval to award the bid for the 3/8" Chip Seal Project

Mr. Manuz explained that one bid was received and requested the Board to award the bid for the annual chip seal project to Tri County Materials.

Upon motion by Supervisor Wearne, seconded by Supervisor Campbell and

carried unanimously, the Board approved to award the bid to Tri County Materials as presented.

b. Discussion/Action regarding permission to acquire additional horse stalls at the fairgrounds at an expected cost between \$15,000 and \$100,000

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved to purchase the shade structure for the existing horse stalls and proposed new horse stalls at the fairgrounds from Seven Peaks in the amount of \$49,149.57

c. Discussion/Action regarding permission to acquire shade structures for existing horse stalls and proposed new horse stalls at the fairgrounds at an expected cost between \$15,000 and \$100,000.

Mr. Manuz explained that last year the county purchased 28 horse stalls at the Fairgrounds. This year, they want to add shade structures to those existing stalls to improve usability and conditions. He received quotes from multiple vendors. Mr. Manuz requested permission to purchase shade structures for the horse stalls in the amount of \$16,092.00

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved to purchase the shade structure for the existing horse stalls and proposed new horse stalls at the fairgrounds from Seven Peaks in the amount of \$49,149.57.

12. Derek Rapier, County Administrator

a. Discussion/Action regarding proposed new policies or policy revisions for 1. Lobbying and Government Relations: 2. Licenses, Certifications, and Credentialing, 3. Revised Travel Reimbursement

Mr. Rapier created clearer policies to fix audit-related issues especially around expense justification and travel decisions and is asking the Board for direction on how to proceed with them.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Wearne and carried unanimously, the Board approved the new policy revisions for Lobbying and Government Relations, Licenses, Certifications, and Credentialing, and Revised Travel Reimbursement

13. Derek Rapier, County Administrator and Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

a. County and State budget and legislative issues

Mr. Rapier gave a legislative and revenue update. Legislators are meeting only briefly or inconsistently. Real progress is on hold; it's a waiting phase until the House and Senate reach agreement on a state budget proposal. County revenues, especially sales tax are performing strongly and consistently, putting the county well above budget projections, and likely leading to higher revenue forecasts for the upcoming budget cycle.

b. Calendar and events

Calendar was discussed and changes were made to the Tentative Meeting dates schedule

14. Consent Agenda

- a. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of minutes of previous meetings: 4/7/2026**
- b. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 9026; 9027**
- c. Public Works Facilities: Consideration of approval of employee transaction form: K. Morton, Tech II and J. Corbin, Tech II**
- d. Recorder: Consideration of approval of employee transaction form: A. Guerra, Administrative Assistant**
- e. Sheriff: Consideration of approval of employee transaction form: D. Ahumada, Detention Officer I**

Upon motion by Supervisor Wearne, seconded by Supervisor Campbell and carried unanimously, the Board approved the consent agenda as presented.

15. Supervisor Reports, pursuant to ARS 38-431.02(K), individual supervisors or the county's chief administrator may present brief summaries of current events, but no discussion may occur, and no action may be taken regarding anything that is presented.

Supervisor Wearne thanked county employees, managers, and department heads for their work, especially in supporting activities at the fairgrounds helping projects move forward efficiently and on schedule. He highlighted the successful Little League season, indicating strong community programs continued momentum and progress at the fairgrounds. He emphasized that the county is on track with its plans, particularly in preparation for the upcoming county fair.

Chairman Gomez briefly mentioned attending ECO, Small County Forum and CSA meetings. Guest speaker Clint Chandler, from Department of Water Resources, presented an update on water conditions and was concerning, signaling potential future issues the county should monitor.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ David Gomez, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

All agenda items are for discussion and/or action as deemed necessary. The Board reserves the right to consider any matter out of order. The Board may retire into Executive Session for any of the purposes that are allowed by law, including but not limited to legal advice and/or personnel matters; as authorized by A.R.S. §38-431.et.seq. Persons with a disability may request accommodation for special assistance by contacting Bianca Castañeda at 928-865-2072 (TDD 928-865-2632). Requests should be made as soon as possible to allow time for arrangement of the accommodation.