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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 23, 2024 – 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://www.youtube.com/@GreenleeCountyAZ>

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

**AGENDA AND MINUTES**

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Total financial impact to Greenlee County to date resulting from  
Sheriff's lawsuit against the Board of Supervisors = \$295,719.35

In attendance: Board of Supervisors members: Richard Lunt, Chairman, David Gomez, Member and Ron Campbell, Member Also present were Gary Griffith, County Attorney, Derek Rapiere, County Administrator, Austin Adams, HR Director, and Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

**1.) Call to Order**

Chairman Richard Lunt called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

Supervisor Gomez led those present in the pledge.

**B. Call to the Public**

Erin Miller, Administrator in Records Office responded to call to the public and stated the Recorder's office will mail out 90-day election notices for the Primary and General.

The board gave their condolences to Sheriff Sumner and his family.

Mr. Rapier responded to the call to the public and presented an article stating that Greenlee County was rated the best in Arizona county to live in.

**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 these items:**

**A. Consent Agenda**

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

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

**2.) 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 these items:**

**A. Consent Agenda**

**1. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of Flood Control District expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00**

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

**4.) Jean Schwennesen, Engineer Department**

**A. Information: Introduction of the AmeriCorps Team coming to Greenlee County to build rock dams in the Franklin/Duncan Watershed**

Ms. Schwennesen introduced the 8 AmeriCorp members who will be working on Franklin/Duncan watershed building rock dams, a 3-week project. She discussed the project they'll be working on. Each member gave a short introduction of themselves, explaining their experiences and the wide variety of projects in different states they've completed.

**5.) Reed Larson, County Engineer**

**A. Discussion/Action to consider awarding a bid to Hughes Supply for**

**corrugated high density polyethylene storm drainpipe for the grant-funded airport drainage project.**

Mr. Larson explained how the corrugated drainpipe will be used at the airport drainage project and gave the reason for his recommendation to use Hughes Supply.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell seconded by Supervisor Gomez and carried unanimously, the Board approved the recommendation as presented.

**B. Discussion/Action to request authorization to apply to the offices of Arizona's Congressional Delegation for congressionally directed spending to fund the design of a project to realign approx. 1,400 feet of Ward Canyon Road at Loma Linda Wash.**

Mr. Larson discussed the CDS projects that have already been undertaken in Greenlee County. He would like to apply for funds to complete this new project on Ward Canyon Road which enhances safety and help to replace a bridge.

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

**C. Discussion/Action to request authorization to apply to the offices of Arizona's Congressional Delegation for congressionally directed spending to fund the design of a project to realign Ward Canyon Road near the Mares Bluff Memorial to eliminate a problematic horizontal curve.**

Mr. Larson explained this project is on Ward Canyon Road and would address a safety issue that has been around for many years. This road is both in the county and Town of Clifton jurisdiction. This particular portion of the road lies within the town limits. Clifton town manager agrees with the application, and it is anticipated that this would be a joint venture between both town and county.

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

**D. Discussion/Action to request authorization to apply to the offices of Arizona's Congressional Delegation for congressionally directed spending to fund the construction of a project to rehabilitate the eastern portion of the taxiway. Design is currently underway.**

Mr. Larson stated the design portion of this project already underway and is requesting permission to apply for CDS funding to complete the project. He would like the board to sign a letter of support to turn in with the application.

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

**6.) Derek Rapier, Co. Administrator (T. Hines, R. Larsen, A. Adams)  
A. Presentation/Discussion – Capital Improvement Plan Tier 1 Updates.**

Mr. Rapier shared pictures of County projects. He discussed several ongoing projects, their current status, the progress, all that are completed and the gave estimated dates of completion.

**7.) Derek Rapier, Co. Admin (R. Ontiveros, A. Adams) – Budget Work session**

Mr. Rapier discussed several projects, new, remodeling or additions to public buildings or structures. Funding sources are general funds, sales tax and Capital Project funds. Discussed wage increases including ERE's, also with general funds. Mr. Rapier discussed the jail cost and presented a power point analysis. The Board directed staff to reconvene the jail committee to continue to study this option. Recommendation is to slow down on new capital projects, especially for any projects funded by General Funds, but to continue with the projects that have been already started.

**8.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator and Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board  
A. County and State budget and legislative issues**

Mr. Rapier stated that there has not been much talk about the budget at the state and discussed a potential hiring freeze throughout the county with falling revenues.

**B. Calendar and Events**

Calendar and events were discussed.

**9.) Consent Agenda  
A. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of minutes to previous meetings: 3/5/2024; 3/26/2024  
B. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 7029  
C. County Librarian: Consideration for approval to apply for State Grants In Aid (SGIA) funds of \$25,000 from the AZ State Library when money becomes available in the State of Arizona budget.**

**D. Superior Court Clerk: Consideration of approval of employee transaction form S. Murillo, Deputy Clerk**

**E. Emergency Manager: Consideration of approval for the service agreement with Air Comm for the maintenance of Greenlee County's radio communications sites, including our two (2) sites in Duncan, two (2) Clifton sites, Guthrie Peak, Rose Peak, Alpine, Glenwood, and microwave shot to Hoopes Hill on the FMI site in Morenci. This maintenance is critical for our radio systems throughout the county. Previously, this contract was with Canyon State Wireless for 4,953.00 per month.**

Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez seconded by Supervisor Campbell and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

- 10.) Supervisor Reports (Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(K), individual supervisors may present brief summaries of current events, but no discussion may occur, and no action may be taken regarding anything that is presented)**

Chairman Lunt attended the small counties meeting, speakers were Senator Bennet, Senator Gowan, Representative Griffin. A robust discussion was on water and elections procedure. CSA, voted on a NACo representative, WIR representative was also voted on. October 7-9 is the CSA Legislative Summit. Presented a book made by NACo.

- 11.) Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard Lunt, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Bianca Castaneda, 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.