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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, December 16, 2025 – 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**

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In attendance: Board of Supervisors members: David Gomez, Chairman, Ron Campbell, Member and William Wearne, Member Also present were Gary Griffith, County Attorney, Derek Rapier, County Administrator, 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 Campbell 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.**

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

- 4. Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board**

- a. Discussion/Action regarding adoption Greenlee County Board of Supervisors Tentative Meeting Dates, Times, and Posting Locations pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §11-214**

Ms. Castañeda presented the 2026 tentative meeting dates. The regular meeting sessions are scheduled for the first and third Tuesday of every month, starting at 8 AM. Changes to meeting dates due to holidays were highlighted, with specific dates for canvassing primary and general election results. The board discusses the need to move the May 5 meeting date due to the WIR conference.

Upon motion by Supervisor Wearne, seconded by Supervisor Campbell and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Tentative meeting dates, times, and posting locations as presented.

- 5. Derek Rapier, County Administrator**

- a. Discussion/Action regarding appointments to EAC Greenlee County Advisory Committee as part of the county's IGA with EAC to provide education opportunities for Greenlee County residents**

Mr. Rapier provided background on the long-standing intergovernmental agreement with Eastern Arizona College. The agreement covered various academic and community interest subjects. Mr. Rapier requested the board's direction on reappointing committee members whose terms have

expired. The board agreed to reach out to potential committee members and make appointments at the first or second meeting in January.

The board gave Mr. Rapier the direction

**6. Reed Larson, County Engineer and Derek Rapier County Administrator**  
**a. Discussion/Action for permission to seek bids to construct lighting for ball fields and playground area at the Greenlee County Fairgrounds**

Mr. Rapier and Mr. Larson discussed the need for formal sealed bids for ball field lighting. Initial estimates for lighting were significantly higher than expected, prompting the need for a formal bidding process. The board agreed to seek bids for lighting the ball fields, with a target decision date in January. Mr. Larson explained the performance-based specifications for the lighting project

Upon motion by Supervisor Wearne seconded by Supervisor Campbell and carried unanimously, the Board approved to authorize staff to go out for sealed bids on lighting the ball fields

**7. Eric Ellison, Sheriff**  
**a. Discussion/Action regarding approval to award the bid to purchase 40x60 concrete pad**

Sheriff Ellison presented bids for creating a concrete pad for the Sheriff's office. Four bids were received, ranging from \$31,000 to \$40,000 with differences in footing size and materials used. Sheriff Ellison discussed the quality and cost of bids, with a preference for Yentsch's Concrete due to past experience and quality.

Upon motion by Supervisor Wearne seconded by Supervisor Campbell and carried unanimously, the Board approved to award the bid to Yentsch's Concrete LLC, in the amount of \$35,400 based on past experience and best value to Greenlee County.

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

Mr. Rapier provided an update on county revenue, noting that the half-cent sales tax is tracking slightly above projections. The state shared sales tax is slightly below the three-year average, but overall revenue is still above projections. Mr. Rapier discussed upcoming legislative issues, including changes to the primary election date and conforming state tax laws to federal changes.

**b. Calendar and events**

Calendar and events were discussed

**9. Consent Agenda**

- a. **Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of minutes of previous meetings: 11/18/2025**
- b. **Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 9015**
- c. **Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval for Certification of the 5% Fill the Gap Set Aside funds collected for fiscal year 2024/2025 in the amount of \$20,071.40 to be distributed pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §41-2421.E**
- d. **Chief Financial Officer: Consideration of approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$ 211,740.62 to be reimbursed upon receipt of funds:  
Fund  
159 – \$349.06, Fund 167 - \$618.20, Fund 310 - \$6998.08, Fund 313 - \$203,775.28**
- e. **County Administrator: Consideration of approval regarding the Arizona@Work Southeastern Arizona Consortia Agreement**
- f. **Judge of Superior Court: Consideration of approval regarding reappointment of Justice of the Peace Pro Tem Ricardo Guerena and appointment of Karen Smith**
- g. **Justice of the Peace 1: Consideration of approval regarding employee transaction form: E. Cabrera, Administrative Assistant, Temp. and G. Benitez, Administrative Assistant**
- h. **Sheriff: Consideration of approval regarding employee transaction form: A. Gutierrez, Detention Officer II and S. Chavarria, Dispatcher and A. Morales, Detention Officer**

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

**10. Supervisor/Administrator 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 attended the ATRA conference; it was good conversation about what is coming up in the future and involving taxation and some deeper financial agendas that are going on with the state. It was a good experience

Chairman Gomez attended the AACo conference. There were good presentations, highlighting one presenter who he thought was excellent. There was a lot of conversation regarding Elections. He also attended the CSA

meeting, discussion was on housing. Also attended state land meeting, positive outcome. One application completed, three applications pending. Greenlee County was noted as smallest county with the most state land applications. Officials were receptive and supportive.

Mr. Rapier gave a report on the CSA meeting. Housing issue is a statewide trend every county is facing housing challenges, though problems and solutions vary. Greenlee County has a unique challenge, land availability, not just affordability. No concrete solutions provided yet, other counties are also still studying options. PSPRS unfunded liability, critical financial issue that will require ongoing attention and planning. Maricopa County is currently engaged in litigation, issues regarding funding authority disputes and election responsibilities that unclear in statute.

## **11. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 9:01a.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.