

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

February 21, 2012

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: 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 Campbell led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Lunt asked for a moment of silence for the speedy recovery of Carl Holiday who has been hospitalized with a serious illness.

The Board of Supervisors convened as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Public Health Services District.

In the absence of Steve Rutherford, Health & County Services Director, Ms. Gale requested approval to apply for the Arizona Department of Health Services Community Transformation Grant for a Health Policy Manger position. She stated that, if awarded, the position would include assisting the schools with health and wellness programs for students. The position is dependent on this specific grant funding and will continue as long as the grant funding continues into the future. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Ms. Gale requested approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Graham County so that Greenlee County can provide Epidemiology Services to Graham County. Ms. Gale stated that this service is a requirement of the Bio-Terrorism Program and that the Assistant Health & County Services Director has the certification to provide this service. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, 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 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 of Supervisors convened as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Flood Control District and upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor

Campbell, 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.

Steve Tucker, Sheriff, presented the Board with an overview of Jail Kitchen costs. He stated that a weekly menu is prepared which is approved by a certified dietician to ensure that the meals meet daily requirements. Currently, meals cost approximately \$11.10 per inmate per day versus \$16.60 per inmate per day before the in-house program was implemented. He stated that the cost includes the salary for one full-time and one part-time employee who handle preparing and serving the meals. An average of 22-25 inmates are served each day. In addition to the cost savings, the in-house program offers added control and security versus having the meals prepared by an outside vendor. Ms. Gale added that the County switched from bidding out to have an outside vendor provide inmate meals to the in-house program to address concerns that vendors would not be able to provide 24/7 service of meals to inmates. She stated that utility costs are not included in the per day costs and that a new kitchen facility is in future plans. The Board thanked Sheriff Tucker for the information and expressed their appreciation in his cost saving efforts.

Ms. Gale requested approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with Cenpatico Behavioral Health of Arizona, LLC to provide crisis assessment, intervention, stabilization and referral, and critical incident stress management for aid workers and residents of Greenlee County in the event of a mass emergency situation or disaster. She stated that this replaces the former Southeastern Arizona Behavioral Services contract and is necessary for continuity of services as required for emergency management. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Ron Pearson, Public Works Manager, requested approval to go forward on drilling a well at the Loma Linda Landfill to provide water for dust control, equipment washing and emergency situations in an amount not to exceed \$26,000 with budgeted Landfill Funds. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Mr. Pearson requested approval for the purchase and installation of one (1) well pump for the Loma Linda Landfill in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 with budgeted Landfill Funds. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request to build a wash rack for washing equipment at the Loma Linda Landfill to meet the requirements of the Storm Water Protection Plan in an amount not to exceed \$21,000 with budgeted Landfill Funds.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- Both the House and Senate have drafted state budgets that are similar to the Governor's budget but still have differences. Both budgets do include the elimination of prisoner shifts to counties and the mandatory contribution from the 5 large counties to the state.
- Discussions in the legislative appropriations committee indicate that Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF) shifts from cities and counties used to fund the Department of Public Safety and the Motor Vehicle Division will be reduced.
- A court ruling against the Arizona State Employee Retirement Contribution rate change will require employers to retroactively repay the 3% difference to employees. The state retirement contribution rate changed on July 1<sup>st</sup> with employers paying 47% and employees paying 53% from the previous 50-50 contribution rate. The court ruled that this was not allowed by the Constitution and requires the rate be changed back to the 50-50 rate. Ms. Gale stated that this will cost the County approximately \$17,000 if the change takes affect in March. This affects counties, schools, community colleges, cities, towns and state employers.
- The Community College subsidy remains in the drafted budgets as well as ALTHCCS payments. The budgets continue to require that counties pay 100% Restoration to Competency and 50% of the cost to house sexually violent criminals.
- The ability for Arizona Department of Environmental Quality to increase Landfill fees has been strengthened by the state. The fees paid by Greenlee County have increase approximately 500% over the last couple of years.
- A federal bill proposed by the Natural Resources committee, HR4019, is a Secure Rural Schools/Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) legislation called the Federal Forest County Revenue and Jobs Act of 2012. It requires forming a school trust fund for payments and includes 5 years appropriation of full funding of PILT.

Ms. Gale reviewed the Calendar of Events with the Board.

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

- A. Clerk of the Board: Approval of minutes to previous meeting - 02/06/12
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 - Voucher 1036; 1037
- C. Clerk of the Board: Approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$42,628.90; Fund 133 - \$2,671.01; Fund 145 - \$430.05; Fund 152 - \$2,497.69; Fund 202 - \$419.00; Fund 239 - \$20,970.60; Fund 255 - \$15,640.55
- D. County Engineer: Approval of payment to C & S Companies for Airport CFT Apron Rehabilitation in an amount not to exceed \$7,477.38 with budgeted Airport Funds

Supervisor Campbell reported the following:

- A. The construction activity going on in Morenci will result in a retaining wall between the highway and plaza. Sidewalks are going in and rock pillars with lampposts and oak trees to give Morenci a "small town" feel and look. Improvements to the Fairbanks Road to the High School will follow with addition beautification efforts around the Fairbanks School. Construction will soon begin on a 500 unit apartment complex around the Conoco area which reflects phase one of three as well as construction of a state-of-the-art Fitness Center.

Supervisor Gomez reported the following:

- A. He attended the County Supervisors Association meeting where the Governor's budget as well as the House and Senate budgets was reviewed. A presentation was given regarding the Affordable Care Act which becomes effective in 2013. Graham County was recognized for their efforts in establishing GovNet Communication Network throughout the state which was funded with a 39.2 million dollar commerce grant.
- B. He attended the SouthEastern Arizona Governments Organization (SEAGO) Executive Board meeting which was hosted by the Town of Clifton and Greenlee County and was well attended. SEAGO just went through a major audit with three minor findings that were addressed. He stated that with the reduction in funding means that there is a reduction in programs due to the lack of funding. The next meeting will be in Santa Cruz County on May 18<sup>th</sup> and SEAGO will be able to move into their new building by July 2012.

Supervisor Lunt reported the following:

- A. He attended a meeting with Shane Burgess, Dean, University of Arizona College of Agricultural and Life Sciences over County Extension

programs. He stated that they visited with the employees and the Extension Board and discussed programs. He stated that Mr. Burgess expressed their appreciation for the support of Greenlee County.

- B. He attended the Eastern Counties Organization (ECO) & Environmental Economic Communities Organization (EECO) meeting where discussed took place regarding the direction the organization is going and each of the member counties were asked to submit a fact sheet with information regarding what the organization has done and contributed over the past 10 years. County Managers have asked for feedback regarding the Workforce Investment Act programs in their counties.
- C. He attended the Arizona Small Counties Forum meeting where state budgets were discussed. He stated that the group is very cohesive and well organized and is able to get legislative issues passed because they work hand-in-hand as a group with common goals and issues. Small counties do not have the staffing that larger counties do and rely on their county managers.

Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Executive Session pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431.03.A.4 for legal advice regarding the ramifications of development and implementation of a permit for heavy duty haul trucks on the Carlisle Road in Duncan.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard G. Lunt, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson  
Clerk of the Board

he following listed expense claims against the County in excess of \$1,000.00 to one vendor as reflected in Vouchers 1036 and 1037 were reviewed and approved for payment: (A.R.S. §11-217)

1ST SOURCE BANK \$3,304.35; AIR EVAC SERVICES \$2,671.01; ALPINE EXCAVATION & CONSTRUCTION CO. \$20,984.00; AZ DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION \$1,219.09; BANKCARD CENTER \$1,605.60; CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP \$18,941.70; DES - UNEMPLOYMENT TAX \$4,032.45; DESERT CROSS VETERINARY \$1,402.50; DUNCAN VALLEY ELECTRIC INC \$3,842.07; ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE, LLC \$1,191.20; EMPIRE SOUTHWEST MACHINERY \$6,993.42; GILA HEALTH RESOURCES, LLC \$25,500.00; GREENLEE COUNTY \$4,200.00; GREENLEE COUNTY ADVANCE TRAVEL \$4,034.91; HARALSON TIRE CO. INC \$4,675.10; JE FULLER /

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HYDROLOGY \$20,600.00; JEREMY J WAITE \$2,550.00; JOSI Y. LOPEZ \$3,535.00; KANSAS STATE BANK \$3,465.22; LIN-CUM, INC \$1,121.92; MERLE'S AUTOMOTIVE \$1,599.47; MICHAEL D PETERSON, P.C. \$1,200.00; MORENCI WATER AND ELECTRIC \$4,858.80; MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC \$3,778.17; OFFICE DEPOT INC \$2,267.94; REBECCA M JOHNSON \$2,800.00; ROUGH COUNTRY CONSTRUCTION, LLC \$12,661.54; SAFFORD ACE \$7,421.05; SOURCECORP PHOENIX \$1,832.75; SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION \$1,377.15; UNION DISTRIBUTING CO OF TUCSON \$25,984.98 VALLEY TELECOM GROUP \$3,015.61; WESTERN REFINING WHOLESALE, INC \$3,988.00