

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

March 1, 2012

The Greenlee County Board of Supervisors met on this date in regular session in the Board Meeting Room, 2nd floor Courthouse Annex, Clifton, Arizona, with the following members present: Richard Lunt, Chairman; David Gomez, Member; and Ron Campbell, Member. Also present was Deborah K. Gale, County Administrator.

Chairman Lunt called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and Supervisor Gomez led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Gale responded to the Call to the Public asking that the families of the Marines who were killed in a tragic accident in Yuma be kept in prayers and all military who are serving.

Chairman Lunt stated that Carl Holiday, Greenlee County employee, has come out of his coma and is home today.

The Board of Supervisors convened as the Board of Directors of the Greenlee County Public Health Services District and upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, 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 reconvened into regular session.

Ms. Gale reviewed the Ordinance regarding permits to operate on county roads for vehicles or combination of vehicles of a size or weight of vehicles or load exceeding the maximum specified in the Arizona Revised Statutes or rules or regulations of the Arizona Department of Transportation. She stated that the ordinance has been drafted in light of an issue involving large haul trucks on Carlisle Road in Duncan and concerns of public safety. The trucking company has indicated that they are willing to use best management practices. The ordinance will allow the county to be able to regulate the use of certain vehicles on county roads and protect our citizens. Michael McCarthy, Chief Deputy County Attorney, reviewed the ordinance and penalties that give Greenlee County the tools to impose regulation in the event that public safety is being jeopardized up to and including a class 2 misdemeanor and jail time and \$750 fine with each day that a violation continues being a separate offense. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request to proceed with the publishing of a public notice for a public hearing regarding this ordinance.

Mr. Philip Ronnerud, County Engineer, requested approval to relinquish AZ24170 easement to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). He stated that the easement was originally given to Greenlee County by BLM to build a road to the San Francisco River from Corral Road. The easement has never been used and will not be used. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, the Board approved the request of Mr. Ronnerud to apply for Federal Aeronautics and Aviation and State grants to prepare an Environmental Assessment for land acquisition for runway safety zones, State Route 78 boundary strip easement fee and entrance roadway relocation at Greenlee County Airport.

Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Public Hearing pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §4-201 for Application to Sell Alcoholic Beverages by Charles D. Bitner doing business as Michelle's Bar & Grill, LLC.

Ms. Gale stated that the required notice has been posted and that there have been no comments received for or against the application. There were no comments from the public present.

Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board reconvened into regular session

Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Application to Sell Alcoholic Beverages by Charles D. Bitner doing business as Michelle's Bar & Grill, LLC.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- At the meeting of the Legislative Policy Committee the budgets of the Governor and the legislature were reviewed.
- Bills are being watched for any impacts to Greenlee County
- The Sheriff's Department has experienced the loss of deputies which are difficult to replace and there are no academy classes for Cadets in the near future.

Sheriff Tucker explained that the next academy is in August and that it will be January before the Cadet will be fully qualified as a Deputy. He stated that his overtime budget has been used because of the shortage of deputies. Ms. Gale stated that using the budget from unfilled positions for overtime has been done in

the past and that the Board would be presented with the estimates at the next meeting for consideration.

- The merger of the Greenlee County Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program with Cochise Workforce Program is moving forward. Graham County will be included in the merger. She stated that Greenlee County is not able to meet the performance measurement requirements because there are not enough people eligible to put through the program and there is not enough WIA grant funds allocated to Greenlee County to run the program. The Department of Economic Security (DES) will remodel the DES office in Clifton so that the WIA Program and staff can relocate there.
- The 2009 county audit has been completed. Ms. Gale reviewed the process of audits including the fact that it is the Arizona Auditor General who hires and assigns audit firms to counties. She reviewed the audit findings which have been addressed. The tri-annual audit of the courts has been scheduled. Greenlee County is continuously being audited by the different agencies that provide grant funding including Homeland Security, Arizona Department of Health Services, DES, Administrative Office of the Courts, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, and Arizona Department of Emergency Management.
- In fiscal year 2010/2011 8,093 Purchase Orders were processed and 5,429 warrants written all handled by two persons in the Board of Supervisors office.

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

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

- A. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Vouchers 1038; 1039
- B. Public Works Manager: Approval of Payroll Change Notice – T. Hines, Public Works Operations Tech IV
- C. County Engineer: Approval of payment to PLS Group for surveying of Wood Ranch Road in an amount not to exceed \$1,260.00 with budgeted Road Funds
- D. County Engineer: Approval of final payment to PAVEX for Airport Apron Rehabilitation in an amount not to exceed \$31,694.55 with budgeted Airport Grant Funds

Chairman Lunt reported the following:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
MARCH 1, 2012
PAGE 4

- A. He attended the meeting with Congressman Gosar that was very positive. He stated that Congressman Gosar listened and addressed the several issues that were presented to him.
- B. He attended a meeting with the Forest Service where roads and material pits were discussed.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard G. Lunt, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board