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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, March 20, 2018 – 8:00 a.m.**
**Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, 2nd floor Courthouse Annex, 253 5th Street,
Clifton, Arizona**

AGENDA AND MINUTES

In attendance: Board of Supervisors members: Richard Lunt, Chairman; David Gomez, Member; and Ron Campbell, Member. Also present were Deborah K. Gale, County Administrator, Jeremy Ford, County Attorney, and Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board.

1.) Call to Order

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

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Campbell led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Call to the Public

Daniel Cervantez, Clifton resident, responded to the Call to the Public and stated that the Greenlee County Health Department will be cooking lunch at the Senior Center today. He also stated that the podiatrist who comes once a month to the Senior Center will be retiring at the end of the month leaving a vacancy. He distributed an obituary notice from March 2013 of Tony Boling stating that Mr. Boling was instrumental in providing good schooling and that he had Mr. Boling as a teacher in the 9th grade.

Tim Sumner, Sheriff, responded to the Call to the Public and stated that one bid was received on an impounded seized vehicle and that the amount of \$1,550 collected will be added to RICO funds.

C. Presentation to Charles Berube

The Board of Supervisors presented Charles Berube with a plaque in appreciation for his 23.5 years of dedicated service to Greenlee County. Ms. Gale expressed her gratitude for his service. Mr. Berube stated that he was grateful for the opportunity to have worked for Greenlee County. Mr. Berube retired after 23.5 years of service to Greenlee County.

D. Presentation of the NADO Award

Akos Kovach, Economic Development Coordinator, explained that each year the National Association of Developers Organization (NADO) recognizes member organizations that demonstrate innovative approaches to regional, economic, and community development called the Innovation Award Program. Mr. Kovach submitted "Health – the Highway to Greenlee County" in 2017 and as a result Greenlee County was awarded the only award in Arizona. Supervisor Gomez added that Greenlee County has received three Innovation Awards over the past years including Growing Greenlee, a Borderless Solution, and Health – the Highway to Greenlee County. Steve Rutherford, Health & County Services Director and his staff were recognized for their dedication to community health services.

E. Graham County presentation to Tim Sumner

Commander Tim Graver of the Graham County Jail, presented a letter from Graham County Sheriff P.J. Allred expressing his appreciation for the help from Greenlee County moving into their new jail.

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**
- 2. Health & County Services Director: Consideration of approval of Employee Transaction Form: S. Ortega, Clerk II**

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

4.) Vince Buccellato, IT Manager

A. Discussion/Action to create a Help Desk Technician position in the IT Department

Mr. Buccellato requested approval to create a Help Desk Technician position in the IT Department and eliminate the Assistant IT Manager position and stated that he believes this position would be more beneficial to the needs of the department at this time. Mr. Buccellato will bring more information regarding an apprentice type position he would like to establish at a future meeting. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented and to add the apprentice type position on a future agenda for more discussion.

5.) Philip Ronnerud, County Engineer

A. Discussion/Action ground lease for hangar at the Greenlee County Airport

Mr. Ronnerud explained that the ground lease presented reflects the sale of an existing hangar located at the Airport from the current owner to a new owner. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

B. Discussion/Action acceptance of the Campbell Blue Bridge from the Central Federal Lands Highway Division

Mr. Ronnerud explained that this is the last document that needs approval regarding the Campbell Blue Bridge project. He expressed gratitude for the

support and commitment of the Board over the past years to get this bridge built under challenging circumstances. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the request as presented.

6.) Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board

A. Discussion/Action regarding the purchase of an electronic time clock and timesheet program

Ms. Pearson requested approval to purchase an electronic time clock and timesheet program to be utilized across all departments in the County. She explained that the vendor chosen has the capability to sync and integrate with the current payroll system used by Greenlee County. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board tabled the item to the next meeting pending meeting individually with each Elected Official and Department to get their input on the program.

7.) Discussion/Action regarding the distribution of Secure Rural Schools Funds

Ms. Gale asked that this item be tabled to a future meeting when funding is received. She added that letters have been submitted to the delegation in Washington D.C. asking that Secure Rural Schools (SRS) and Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) be included in the federal budget and be fully funded. Ms. Gale stated that losing the SRS funding results in losing funding for the Road Department budget in the amount of \$300,000 which would have to be replaced with General funds. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell, and carried unanimously, the Board tabled the item to a future meeting.

8.) Kay Gale, County Administrator

A. Discussion/Action regarding the proposed revisions/clarification to the County Holiday Pay Policy

Ms. Gale presented a draft copy of the Premium Pay policy which includes holiday payments. She stated that she worked with the County Attorney and the Sheriff to update, clarify, and standardize policy making it easier to understand. The Board reviewed the draft and discussion took place regarding the several sections. The Board directed Ms. Gale to revise the policy based on discussions and bring back for approval at the next meeting.

B. County and State budget and legislative issues

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- The County Supervisors Association has drafted a document regarding the state budget and solutions to assist counties with the cost shifts. There are concerns that there will be no circuit breaker included to relieve counties on Elected Officials Retirement which could rise to 63.5%.
- The Department of the Interior is proposing implementation of regions and Arizona has been included with Los Angeles in the proposed maps.
- The podiatrist who holds a podiatry clinic in Clifton and Duncan once a month at the Senior Citizen Centers is retiring at the end of the month. She has been in contact with a podiatrist in Safford to fill this very much needed service for Greenlee County citizens.
- She has received a draft of the County financial statements and advised the Board that because of a new component that may need to be added the financial statements may not be done until after March 31st. She will keep the Board updated.
- All employees have been moved from the old annex into the new South Annex and demolition of the old building will begin on Thursday. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be planned for a future date.

C. Discussion/Action regarding Fiscal Year 2019 County Healthcare Premiums

Ms. Gale reported that healthcare premiums for employees will increase by 9.66% this year. Three components contribute to the increase including no ability to decrease benefits, 21 large claims that made up 26% of the claim budget, and the addition of the Mayo Clinic to the preferred physicians list by Blue Cross Blue Shield. The Board asked Ms. Gale to calculate different options including having the increase split evenly between employees and the county and bring back for review and discussion at the next meeting.

D. Calendar of Events

The Calendar of Events was reviewed.

9.) Consent Agenda

- A. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of minutes to previous meetings – 01/02/18; 01/16/18; 02/06/18; 02/20/18**
- B. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 1057; 1063; 1065, 1067, 1070**
- C. County Sheriff: Consideration of approval of Employee Transaction Forms: R. Holguin, Deputy; D. Rooks, Deputy**
- D. County Assessor: Consideration of approval of Employee Transaction Form: B. Alvarez, Part-time Clerk I**

- E. Public Works Landfill: Consideration of approval of Employee Transaction Form: J. Rainbolt, Public Works Operations Tech III**
- F. Superior Court Judge: Consideration of appointment of Judge Pro Tempore for the Honorable Gary Scales, Honorable C. Allan Perkins, Honorable D. Corey Sanders, and Honorable Travis W. Ragland effective July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019**
- G. County Administrator: Consideration of adoption of Resolution 18-03-01 Authorizing renewal of Greenlee County's membership in the Arizona Local Government Employee Benefit Trust and appointing trustees to serve during the renewal period**
- H. Elections Director: Consideration of approval of the purchase of one (1) DS450 Ballot Counter/Scanner and Election Day support from Election Systems and Software (ES&S) in an amount not to exceed \$60,450.00 to be paid with budgeted elections funds**
- I. County Engineer: Consideration of approval of Change Order #6 on the South Annex Project in the amount of \$11,000.00 to be paid with budgeted capital project funds**
- J. Superior Court Clerk: Consideration of approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Economic Security for the 4D Program grant funding for a term beginning May 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2023**
- K. Public Works Manager-Fleet: Consideration of approval of the Equipment Management Services Total Maintenance and Repair Agreement with Empire Cat for the 950M Loader for the Landfill to be paid with budgeted Landfill funds**

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

10.) Supervisor Reports

Supervisor Ron Campbell

A. National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference

He attended the NACo Conference where time was spent meeting with the Arizona Congressional delegation including Senator Flake, Senator McCain staff, Congressman Biggs, Congresswoman McSally, Congresswoman Sinema and the Forest Service Chief discussing PILT funding, Secure Rural Schools funding, Four Forest Restoration Initiative (4FRI), Wolf Recovery Plan, US Security and Economy issues, and the Critical Minerals listing missing copper. He also attended a White House conference where information was shared from the U.S. Departments of Transportation and Energy, the special assistant to the President for Infrastructure Policy, Rick Dearborn, Assistant to the President, Department

of Veterans Affairs, External Affairs and the Department of Health Services. The conference was very busy and productive and he appreciates the ability to be at the table discussing these issues affecting Greenlee County.

Supervisor David Gomez

A. Greenlee County Chamber of Commerce Annual meeting

He attended the Annual Chamber of Commerce meeting that was very well attended with approximately 135 persons attending. The dinner was excellent and the overall event was very positive with Graham County Chamber of Commerce also supporting the event.

B. National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference

He echoed the comments made by Supervisor Campbell and added that the new appointed Forest Chief was once the State Forest Chief which is a plus for Arizona. The NACo Conference was very rewarding.

Supervisor Richard Lunt

A. National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference

He echoed the comments made by Supervisors Campbell and Gomez regarding the NACo Conference and stated that there was good conversation with the Delegation members they met with.

B. Mexican Gray Wolf Management meeting

He attended the Mexican Gray Wolf Management meeting where he learned that the comments made by Arizona and New Mexico counties were heard and a representative will be added to the Memorandum of Understanding. Budgets and management costs were also discussed.

C. County Supervisors Association (CSA) meeting

Supervisor Lunt attended the CSA meeting where the several bills affecting counties were reviewed. Counties present at the meeting discussed issues affecting their county.

D. Small Counties Forum (SCF) meeting

Supervisor Lunt attended the SCF meeting that was hosted by Navajo County. He stated that an initiative by billionaire Tom Steyer proposing to amend the Arizona State Constitution to require that Arizona utility companies obtain 50% of

their energy from renewable sources by 2030. Supervisor Lunt stated that this would be an annual \$1,200 increase to residential homes annually.

E. Eastern Counties Organization (ECO) meeting

Supervisor Lunt attended the ECO meeting where the new intern Chief Forest Supervisor Vicki Christiansen was announced. ECO staff will be reaching out to Ms. Christiansen regarding the 4FRI to help get it moving better.

F. Four Forest Restoration Initiative (4FRI) Industry meeting

Supervisor Lunt attended the 4FRI meeting where the atmosphere between the different groups involved was more cooperative in developing plans. The plan is to restore 50,000 acres of land annually. Currently only 15,000 – 18,000 acres are being restored.

11.) Executive Session pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431.03 for legal advice from the County Attorney regarding Economic Development and the Attorney Client Privilege

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board convened into Executive Session.

12.) Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors the meeting was adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard Lunt, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board