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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 20, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.**

**Zoom Video Conferencing. To join the meeting enter the following URL into your
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Meeting ID: 810 1701 5487
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**Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, 2nd floor Courthouse Annex, 253 5th Street,
Clifton, Arizona**

AGENDA

In attendance: Board of Supervisors members: Richard Lunt, Chairman, David Gomez, Member and Ron Campbell, Member. Also present were Jeremy Ford, County Attorney; Derek Rapier, County Administrator, Austin Adams, Deputy County Administrator and Bianca Figueroa, Deputy 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.

B. Call to the Public

Daniel Cervantes, Clifton resident responded to Call to the Public and thanked the Board members and staff for making the 2021 Clifton Hill Climb possible and a success. He stated he was able to take several photos of the event.

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.

**3.) Melaine Tluczek, Gila Watershed Partnership of Arizona
A. Discussion Only – Presentation on Gila Watershed Project and request for renewal of annual donation in the amount of \$8,300. This request will be addressed with other budget requests during the budget process.**

Ms. Tluczek is the Executive Director of the Gila Watershed Partnership she has been with the organization for 4 years. She discussed the annual donation the County has donated in previous years to help support the operational budget of the GWP. Donation requests are based on population of the member entities. She stated due to COVID, and budget restrictions no request was made last year. Ms. Tluczek requested that the donation be reinstated in the County's annual budget. She presented a history of projects that have been completed in Greenlee County and discussed grants that have been distributed to GWP in support of these projects. She also stated part of the GWP's mission is to enhance the local economy, so money is spent in the County with local vendors and local contractors. Ms. Tluczek discussed the projects and improvements throughout the County, also stated the Gila Watershed assists landowners with managing their operations.

**4.) Vincent Buccellato, IT Manager
A. Discussion/Action regarding request to purchase of Cisco 9300 Switch**

Mr. Buccellato stated the request to purchase the 9300 switch is to replace one of the 6 switches that are currently in service but are past warranty, he stated he is trying to spread out the replacement of the old devices to fit the new preventative maintenance schedules.

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

5.) Reed Larson, County Engineer
A. Discussion/Action regarding approval of easement to Morenci Water & Electric Company to facilitate installation/construction of a water pumping station on county property (Assessor parcel number 200-64-027)

Mr. Larson stated that Morenci Water and Electric (MWE) has requested an easement located on County property in a small unused corner, west of the Elections Building. MWE is contemplating water line upgrades to customers on smelter hill and is trying to increase the quality and reliability to those customers. The propose is to construct a pumping station building housing one or more pumps sheltered by a metal building.

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

6.) Tim Sumner, County Sheriff
A. Discussion/Action to change the part-time kitchen position to full-time position.

Mr. Sumner discussed the history of the Jail cook position, one full time and one part time, the job duties consist of providing meals to the inmates with 10-hour shifts. Mr. Sumner stated the part time employee is working over 20 hours a week, typically working the part time position as a full-time position. He requested that the part-time position be formally made a full-time position.

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

7.) Austin Adams, HR Director
A. Discussion/Action regarding position change in Board of Supervisor's Office and filling of vacant position.

Mr. Adams discussed the vacant position in the Board of Supervisors Office, he requested that the current Clerk 1 position be moved up to an Account Clerk 1 to provide for greater stability in the position and to add additional job duty expectations.

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

8.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator
Discussion/Action Regarding Proposed Policy Changes

A. Travel Reimbursement Policy

Mr. Rapier discussed the changes of the Travel Policy. Mileage rate is currently from the Department of Administration Mileage rate. Mr. Rapier discussed meal reimbursement rates, in State meal reimbursement rate will remain unchanged. Out of state meal reimbursement rates will also follow Department of Administration rates and the policy adopts those rates. Mr. Rapier explained his suggested changes, special considerations for special circumstances need to be first approved by Elected Officials or Department Head and accompanied by adequate supporting reasons for the special circumstance, these will be the exception not become the new rule. Mr. Rapier suggested and discussed changes in methods of obtaining lodging and how the proposed policy encourages employees to use the method most likely to save the county money. The proposed policy also addresses how to deal with different receipts. The proposed policy also anticipates changes in the way fares for common carrier can be purchased again to encourage cost savings to the county. Lastly, he discussed a change in the policy that would allow the County to better recoup funds if travel advancements are not timely reconciled.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board approved travel reimbursement policy changes as presented.

9.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator A. Set Dates for Budget Workshops

Mr. Rapier discussed dates for budget workshops, his recommended dates are May 4th, May 11th, and May 18th. Two of those dates are regular scheduled Board Meetings, workshops will follow. Mr. Rapier suggested the workshops to start at 12:00pm and adjust accordingly to accommodate all board members. If changes to these dates and start time need to be made, the board can adjust following meetings in time for statutory requirements for notice and publication to be made.

The Board agreed on suggested dates and times as presented and agreed to hold the meetings in person in the Board room. COVID protocols will be developed and implemented for this meeting.

10.) Derek Rapier, County Administrator A. County and State budget and legislative issues

Mr. Rapier stated not much has changed in the legislature since two weeks ago but things have slowed down. Discussed budget negotiations, that one could possibly effect County Government and one that has direct effect on our County, which is reduction in the commercial property tax rate from 18% to 17%. He stated caps on residential property taxes could limit the amount of tax that is

raised through property tax, many counties will have to raise their overall rate to compensate for the loss of revenue by the proposed lowering of the commercial property tax rate. Mr. Rapier stated due to the budget stalling, some bills have failed while others have been resurrected and passed.

B. Calendar and Events

Calendar and events were discussed.

11.) Consent Agenda

- A. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of minutes to previous meetings: 4/6/2021**
- B. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher: 4033**
- C. Chief Probation Officer: Consideration of approval of Fiscal Year 2021-2022, Arizona Supreme Court, Juvenile Justice Services Division, Family Counseling Program Resolution in the amount of \$1,424.00 required matching funds.**
- D. Elections Director: Consideration of approval of the Extension Agreement with ScytI for Election Night Reporting Services in the amount of \$3,532.00 annual**
- E. County Administrator: Consideration of approval of the Consulting Extension between Greenlee County and Fester & Chapman, PLLC**
- F. County Administrator: Consideration of approval of the Cooperative Service Agreement between Greenlee County and the US Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services**

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

12.) Supervisor Reports

Supervisor Richard Lunt

A. County Supervisors Association (CSA) meeting

Chairman Lunt attended the CSA meeting and stated several things took place. He reported on information from presenters, including State Treasurer Yee and reports from CSA staff. Chairman Lunt stated it's been slow and short at the Legislator, floor action was very minimal during the week. As negotiations continue it's possible the next few weeks of Legislative action will be similar to the current slow paste. Chairman Lunt reported that several bills have not been moved in the last few weeks.

B. Legislative Policy Committee (LPC) meeting

Chairman Lunt stated several items at the LPC meeting have been discussed at the CSA meeting. He reported that several bills CSA has been monitoring have stalled and things are very slow. Some bills have been held by leadership or committee chairmen.

C. Small Counties meeting

Chairman Lunt stated discussions were similar to CSA meeting. He discussed concerns multiple counties had throughout the state.

Supervisor Ron Campbell

A. County Supervisors Association (CSA) Board of Directors meeting

Supervisor Campbell attended the CSA meeting and stated the discussion regarding the State Treasurer budgeting classes for students, he stated was very interesting and would like to know more about it to possibly implement it for the Counties School Districts Juniors and Seniors. He also reported that Resolution Copper, which presented at the meeting, is still preceding with the current issues they have.

13.) Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard Lunt, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Bianca Figueroa
Deputy 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 Figueroa at 928-865-2072 (TDD 928-865-2632). Requests should be made as soon as possible to allow time for arrangement of the accommodation.