

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

May 16, 2011

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 were Deborah K. Gale, County Administrator, and Yvonne Pearson, Clerk of the Board.

Chairman Lunt called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and Supervisor Campbell led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Ms. Roberta Norton, Co-Chairman, Tour de Safford Bicycle Run, thanked the Board on behalf of the Bicycle Committee and the Mount Graham Medical Board for the use of roads in Greenlee County for the Bicycle Run that took place in October 2010. She stated that the Run will consist of 101 miles this year and include an air show. Money made from the event will be used for the new gastroenterology department and equipment at Mt. Graham Regional Medical Center. She asked that a letter be drafted in support of the upcoming Run and authorization for use of roads in October. The Board directed the Clerk to draft a letter.

Item #4 was tabled due to the absence of Ms. Nancy Gregory and Deborah Mendelson.

Mr. Mike Crockett, Dean, Eastern Arizona College, requested approval of the Fiscal Year 2011/2012 Intergovernmental Agreement with Eastern Arizona College for community college extension courses. Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Agreement as presented in the amount of \$35,000.00.

Ms. Gale reported the following:

- Comments on the Forest Planning Rule need to go out today
- The state of Utah has filed a lawsuit against the federal government over the Order issued by the Secretary of the Interior on Wild Lands which allows the Department of the Interior to set up Wilderness areas without

going through the usual process. She stated that the County Attorney and herself would like to meet with the Arizona Attorney General to discuss the possibility of the state joining the lawsuit or Greenlee County joining in separately. The Board indicated that they would like to see if the state will be joining and let them know that Greenlee County is interested. Ms. Gale will go forward with meetings with the Attorney General and Governor on this issue.

- She has received information regarding a change in the Water of the US and Clean Water Act which will impact permits. Comments will be drafted and brought back to the Board for approval before July 1st.
- B. 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 - minutes for the May 2, 2011 meeting were tabled:

- A. Clerk of the Board: Approval of minutes to previous meeting - 04/19/11, tabled 05/02/11 minutes
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 - Vouchers 1064, 1065
- C. Clerk of the Board: Approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$24,353.53 to be reimbursed upon receipt of funds: Fund 154 - \$1,616.66; Fund 150 - \$12,636.87; Fund 219 - \$10,000.00
- D. County Sheriff: Approval of Payroll Change Notice - M. Crandell, Deputy Sheriff
- E. Probation Department: Approval of Payroll Change Notice - T. Gonzales, Teen Court Coordinator
- F. Public Works Department: Approval of Payroll Change Notice - J. Shupe, Operations Tech II

Supervisor Gomez reported the following:

- A. He attended the SouthEastern Arizona Governments Organization (SEAGO) Executive Board meeting where discussion took place regarding funding cuts, less spending and doing more with less funds.

Supervisor Campbell reported the following:

- A. He attended the meet and greet with the Governor that was sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Senator Allen and Representative Brenda Barton were also in attendance.

Supervisor Lunt reported the following:

- A. He attended the Greenlee County Cattle Growers meeting where very few members were in attendance. A presentation was given on grass fed beef and Kim McReynolds gave a presentation on noxious weeds.

The Board convened into Work Session – Fiscal Year 2011/2012 Greenlee County Budget. The following budget items were discussed:

- The final assessed value abstracts for Greenlee County have been received and were reviewed.
- Employee Related Expenses were reviewed as follows:
 - There are no changes to the percentages withheld for Medicare and FICA
 - Arizona State Retirement will change from a 50/50 split to a 53/47 split as a result of Senate Bill 1609 with the employee paying 11.39% and the employer paying 10.10%
 - Elected Officials Retirement will change as a result of Senate Bill 1609 with the Elected Official paying 10% and the employer paying 17.96%
 - Public Safety Personnel Retirement will change as a result of Senate Bill 1609 with the employee paying 8.65% and the employer paying 14.63%
 - There is no rate increase for workmen's compensation
 - There is no rate increase in Healthcare Premiums
 - There is no change in the maximum weekly allowance in Unemployment Compensation
 - There is no recommendation for a change in the phone stipend
- The County Revenue Projections for Fiscal Year 2011/2012 as outlined by the County Supervisors Association (CSA) were reviewed.

Mr. Philip Ronnerud spoke to the Board regarding issues with Flood Plain Maps. Ms. Gale requested direction from the Board regarding how much to keep as reserve in the Flood Control District funds for emergencies. The Board gave direction to set the tax rate for the Flood Control District to maintain \$50,000 revenue income and maintain \$250,000 in reserves for emergencies.

Mr. Ron Pearson, Public Works Manger, presented a report outlining the accomplishments and activities of the Public Works Department which includes the Fairgrounds, Facilities, Parks and Recreation, Fleet, Landfill, and Roads. He reviewed the projects and purchases for fiscal year 2011/2012.

Mr. Pearson presented the need to increase the number of Operations Tech III positions by 2 and the need to add another Operations Tech II position for facilities and parks.

Ms. Gale stated that during the past four years the Public Works Department has been going through a restructure and has not filled budgeted positions. Mr. Pearson stated that he has just completed interviews to fill a vacated position and would like to fill the proposed positions above from those persons who were interviewed before the chip seal project begins on June 6th. The Board approved the request with payroll change notices to be presented for approval at the June 1st Board meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

The following listed expense claims against the County in excess of \$1,000.00 to one vendor as reflected in Vouchers 1064 and 1065 were reviewed and approved for payment: (A.R.S. §11-217)

1ST SOURCE BANK \$3,271.63; AZ STATE PRISON COMPLEX \$1,110.00; BANKCARD CENTER \$1,290.92; BELNICK, INC. \$1,653.05; BLACK BOX NETWORK \$2,843.08; BURKS VALLEY SANITATION \$1,033.94; CATERPILLAR FINANCIALSERVICES CORP \$20,107.69; CLH INTERNATIONAL INC \$8,027.01; CLIFTON MORENCI FOOD BANK \$5,000.00; DAVID BRUCE GRIFFITH \$3,250.00; DES - UNEMPLOYMENT TAX \$8,377.90; DOVETREE COUNSELING ASSOC, INC \$3,309.00; EMPIRE SOUTHWEST MACHINERY \$1,232.04; FAIR & RACING ASSOCIATION \$11,850.90; GILA HEALTH RESOURCES, LLC \$2,875.54; GRAHAM CNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISO \$7,345.50; GREENLEE COUNTY AMBULANCE \$1,459.10; GREENLEE COUNTY ADVANCE TRAVEL \$4,933.19; H&S FEED, TACK & WESTERN WEAR \$1,363.75; HARALSON TIRE CO. INC \$1,531.45; INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR, INC. \$1,294.16; JOSI Y. LOPEZ \$1,515.00; KANSAS STATE BANK OF \$7,274.64; MARKS RANCH \$2,000.00; MERLE'S AUTOMOTIVE \$1,386.98; MT GRAHAM REGIONAL \$5,785.67; OFFICE DEPOT INC \$1,405.14; SAFFORD ACE \$1,834.98; SJHMC PHYSICIAN SERVICES \$1,050.00; STANLEY CONVERGENT SECURITY \$5,607.00; SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF AZ \$4,243.45; TRANSOURCE COMPUTERS \$3,054.92; VALLEY TELECOM GROUP \$2,869.75; WALMART COMMUNITY \$1,071.58; WALTON DRUGS \$5,922.03; WAXIE SANITARY SUPPLY \$1,002.76; WEST PAYMENT CENTER \$1,090.46; WESTERN REFINING WHOLESALE, IN \$2,306.24; WESTERN TECHNOLOGIES INC. \$2,000.00.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard G. Lunt, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board