

GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CLIFTON, ARIZONA

June 6, 2011

The Greenlee County Board of Supervisors met on this date in regular session in the Board of Supervisors 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 Kay 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.

Ms. Gale responded to the Call to the Public expressing her appreciation for the condolences the family has received for the loss of her uncle, Jiggs Wagley. She also stated that her son-in-law is home for 15 days from Afghanistan. She thanked everyone for their support.

The Board presented Hector Ruedas with a plaque recognizing him for his 18 years of service for Greenlee County as Supervisor District 2. Mr. Ruedas retired effective March 31, 2011.

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

Steve Rutherford, Health and County Services Director, presented information to the Board regarding fees that are charged for certified vital records copies. He stated that the state is increasing their fees from \$1.00 to \$4.00 per copy plus a \$1.00 surcharge. He made a recommendation that Greenlee County consider increasing certified vital records copies to coincide with the state charges. A public notice regarding the possible increase of certified vital records fees will be posted on the bulletin board at the Courthouse Annex and on the County website for 60 days. Upon motion by Supervisor Gomez, seconded by Supervisor Campbell and carried unanimously, the Board approved that a 60 day public notice be posted to notify the public of the intent to increase vital records fees.

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 the Public Health Services District expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00
2. Health & County Services Director: Approval of Amendment #3 of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona Department of Health Services for the Immunization Program to change the contract number

The Board reconvened into regular session.

Kristen Davison, Health & Wellness Program Coordinator, Erin Collins & Associates, presented the Board with information on the Wellness Diabetes Program for County employees. She introduced Kelly Mooney who will be working with Ms. Davison on the program. She stated that the Diabetes Program that is currently in place is being revamped to be more effective and that more effort will be made to enroll more employees and their dependents who are diabetic into the program. She stated that studies show that these types of programs help keep premium costs down by educating persons with diabetes and that the program will pay for diabetic supplies. The Board thanked Ms. Davison for the information.

Ms. Gale updated the Board on the Wallow Fire which began on May 29th in the Bear Wallow area in the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. Mr. Rutherford, who also serves as the Emergency Management Coordinator, updated the Board on different situations that are taking place in the fire area. The Greenlee County Sheriffs Office has sent officers to assist Apache County with the evacuation of Alpine, Nutrioso and Greer. An officer has been sent to the Blue to assist with evacuation notification of those residents. The Board expressed their appreciation to all agencies involved in assisting with the fire.

Ms. Gale stated that she would review the calendar of events during the budget work session.

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 minutes to previous meetings: 05/02/11; 05/16/11; 06/01/11
- B. Clerk of the Board: Approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 - Vouchers 1066 and 1069
- C. Clerk of the Board: Approval of Arizona State Foresters Cooperative Fire Rate Agreement
- D. Superior Court Judge: Approval of Contracts for Provision of Indigent Representation for attorneys: Lynn T. Hamilton; Felisa Bermudez; David Griffith; Josi Lopez; Michael Peterson; Jeremy Waite; and Rebecca Johnson.

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 from the county attorney regarding the county involvement in the lawsuit - Arizona Medical Marijuana Act.

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

participation in the lawsuit of the Arizona Medical Marijuana Act.

The Board convened into Work Session on the fiscal year 2011/2012 budget.

Sheriff Steve Tucker addressed the Board stating that the deputies are paid 10% less than other local law enforcement agencies. He stated that the lower pay has caused deputy cadets to leave Greenlee County employment upon completion of certification to seek higher paying positions. He requested that the Board consider increasing the deputy pay to be more inline with local agencies.

Sheriff Tucker also addressed the need for a new jail kitchen and the need to replace weapons for deputies. He also requested that the Board consider changing the part time clerk position to a full time Administrative Assistant position with benefits. He stated that this position is working 40 hours weekly already.

Ms. Gale presented the following budget information to the Board:

- proposed property tax rate and valuation
- carry forward
- salaries - special requests were made from departments that the Justice of the Peace, District 2, clerk position be changed to Chief Judicial Clerk, 10% increase for deputies, that the Superior Court Secretary position be changed to Judicial Assistant, and the part time clerk position in the Sheriffs Department be changed to a full time Administrative Assistant position.
- individual department budgets were reviewed
- the Health Department has lost over \$30,000 in state and federal funding and a 18.5¢ Public Health Services District tax rate will be needed to balance that budget

The Board will meet again on Thursday, June 9th at which time salary proposals will be reviewed.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

The following listed expense claims against the County in excess of \$1,000.00 to one vendor as reflected in Vouchers 1066 and 1069 were reviewed and approved for payment; (A.R.S. §11-217)

ADVANCED AIR SYSTEMS \$2,681.28; AMERICAN JAIL ASSOCIATION \$1,120.00; AZ STATE TREASURER \$15,892.00; CANYON STATE WIRELESS \$1,243.12; CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP \$16,644.06; CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP \$10,392.93; CUETO DRILLING \$4,297.65; DELL MARKETING L.P.

\$3,049.37; DIANA GONZALES \$1,118.80; DUNCAN VALLEY ELECTRIC INC \$1,478.76; DUNCAN VALLEY ELECTRIC INC \$1,030.87; EMPIRE SOUTHWEST MACHINERY \$9,998.54; EMPIRE SOUTHWEST MACHINERY \$2,944.61; FREEDOM FORD-LINCOLN-MERCURY \$1,013.86; GILA HEALTH RESOURCES, LLC \$25,735.00; GREENLEE COUNTY ADVANCE TRAVEL \$5,804.53; HEINFELD, MEECH & CO., P.C. \$2,584.75; JEREMY J WAITE \$1,765.00; JEREMY J WAITE \$1,300.00; JOSI Y. LOPEZ \$1,460.00; KANSAS STATE BANK OF \$7,274.64; KIMBALL EQUIPMENT COMPANY \$13,356.00; MERLE'S AUTOMOTIVE \$1,613.97; MERLE'S AUTOMOTIVE \$2,154.88; MICHAEL D PETERSON, P.C. \$5,350.00; MORENCI WATER AND ELECTRIC \$4,286.77; OFFICE DEPOT INC \$1,657.04; OFFICE DEPOT INC \$2,397.14; OPTISTREAMS INC \$3,118.80; PIMA COUNTY GOVERNMENT \$3,567.00; POSTMASTER 2 \$1,300.00; REBECCA R. JOHNSON \$2,050.00; RESEARCH ADVISORY SERVICES, INC \$1,690.10; RICHARD LUNT \$1,089.61; SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF AZ \$5,685.39; SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF AZ \$1,837.04; THE AARONS COMPANY \$3,000.00 THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA \$5,576.75; TOWN OF DUNCAN \$1,157.36; TRANSOURCE COMPUTERS \$4,728.33; UNION DISTRIBUTING CO OF TUCSON \$22,625.50; UNION DISTRIBUTING CO OF TUCSON \$5,390.00; VALLEY TELECOM GROUP \$1,989.62; WALTON DRUGS \$1,829.99; WEST PAYMENT CENTER \$1,635.62; WEST PAYMENT CENTER \$1,680.10; WESTERN REFINING WHOLESAL, INC \$2,380.90; WILLDAN HOMELAND SOLUTIONS \$4,099.50; ZUMAR INDUSTRIES INC \$1,664.40

APPROVED: /s/ Richard G. Lunt, Chairman

ATTEST: /s/ Yvonne Pearson
Clerk of the Board