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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 Thursday, October 5, 2023 – 8:00 a.m.
Audio/Visual Streaming of this meeting may be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@GreenleeCountyAZ>

**Board of Supervisors Meeting Room, 2nd floor Courthouse Annex, 253 5th Street,
Clifton, Arizona**

**Total financial impact to Greenlee County to date resulting from Sheriff's lawsuit against
the Board of Supervisors = \$224,273.92**

AGENDA AND MINUTES

In attendance: Board of Supervisors members: Richard Lunt, Chairman, David Gomez, Member (Via Telephonic), and Ron Campbell, Member. Also present were Gary Griffith, County Attorney, Derek Rapier, County Administrator, Austin Adams, HR Director, and Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

1.) Call to Order

Chairman Richard 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

Mr. Rapier responded to call to the public and stated the Landfill Crew recently went through an inspection with no deficiencies, which is rare. He acknowledged and thanked Mr. David Manuz and his crew.

- 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 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.) **Irvin Talley, Greenlee County Chief Probation Officer and Derek Rapier, County Administrator**
- A. Discussion/Action regarding funding for salary increases for Greenlee County Probation Staff.**

Mr. Irvin presented a power point and discussed how local probation office's budgets are set at the state level for each probation office based on the previous year's salaries and cost. He explained the funding change in legislation for probation offices and stated he is still waiting on approval from the state, with a 5% raise for his employees to be included in the budget for the upcoming year. A 5% raise will cost \$23,000.00 total including ERE's.

Mr. Rapier explained the structural change in the legislation and the risk to the county regarding future funding and recommended the board to front the \$23,000.00 for the salary increases.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez, and carried unanimously, the board moved to approve funding for the probation department raises at 5% with the amounts outline by Mr. Talley's presentation with the remainder coming from the county general services fund.

5.) Monica Miller, Clifton Social Club President
A. Presentation regarding the Festival of Lights Funding

Ms. Miller explained the town of Clifton will no longer host the Festival of Lights, and stated the Social Club will take over the event. Marina Morales Chairperson on the committee explained the organization in a nonprofit, she discussed the plans for the festivities, would like to keep the same traditions and make new ones. The town of Clifton will be donating \$4,000.00. Mr. Rapier recommended staff to work with the committee to come up with an exact donation amount.

6.) Eric Bejarano, Director, EAC Small Business Development Center,
representing the Gila Valley Small Businesswomen of the Year Committee
A. Presentation and consideration of adoption of a Proclamation regarding
National Women's Small Business Month

Mr. Bejarano, discussed the Small Businesswomen of the year program, the program serves Greenlee, Graham Counties and the Gila Valley and recognizes women who own small business owners.

Upon motion by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Gomez and carried unanimously, the Board approved the adoption of the Proclamation as presented.

7.) Tony Hines, Public Works Fleet/Facilities and Derek Rapier, County
Administrator
A. Presentation regarding alleged wiring issues in and maintenance of
vehicles assigned to the Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Hines presented a PowerPoint presentation and explained pictures of vehicles assigned to the Sheriff's office that were presented to the board in a previous meeting. Mr. Hines gave a brief explanation of each picture to assure maintenance and wiring are not an issue in the Public Works Fleet Department. After speaking to upfitters who install add-on equipment to law enforcement vehicles regarding the alleged issues and wiring, they expressed no concerns. Mr. Hines also briefed the board on and expressed his confidence in his employees' experience in working on these kinds of issues.

Mr. Rapier presented a PowerPoint and discussed issues among elected officials and county piers. He addressed conflicts and acknowledged the way things are handled can change.

The Board commented on Mr. Rapier's presentation, well received and gave their appreciation to his discussion.

8.) Derek Rapiere, County Administrator and Bianca Castañeda, Clerk of the Board

A. County and State budget and legislative issues

Mr. Rapiere discussed county and legislative issues, county will play defense and not have any items for the CSA agenda for next week's summit. Because there will not be as much money in the State budget, new spending initiatives will most likely not be heard. Mr. Rapiere will present the County's first quarter revenues distributions data at next meeting to begin analyzing how the current fiscal year's budget is doing.

B. Calendar and Events

Calendar and events were discussed.

9.) Consent Agenda

A. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of minutes to previous meetings: 8/21/2023; 9/6/2023

B. Clerk of the Board: Consideration of approval of expense warrants in excess of \$1,000.00 – Voucher 7007; 7008; 7009

C. Chief Finance Officer: Consideration of approval of General Fund loans in the amount of \$ 3,827.40 to be reimbursed upon receipt of funds: Fund 139 - \$517.58; Fund 159 - \$794.94; Fund 160 - \$918.05; Fund 169 – \$1,000.00; Fund 304 - \$596.83

D. Public Works: Consideration of approval for employee transaction form: L. Lovell, Landfill Attendant, PT; D. Paz, Tech I

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

10.) Supervisor Reports (Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(K), individual supervisors may present brief summaries of current events, but no discussion may occur, and no action may be taken regarding anything that is presented)

Chairman Lunt attended small counties forum, discussed housing, broadband discussion, state received almost a million dollars, counties still have not received any. CSA board of directors meeting, speaker was Kris Mayes Arizona Attorney General discussed water issues and projects she'd like to accomplish. Elections conflicts were discussed. Will set CSA legislative agenda next week. Vice President Danny Smith with small counties resigned from the Graham County Board of Supervisors so a seat will open on the CSA Board. Medium county Caucus will vote on a 3rd Vice President position. Two positions will be voted on at the next meeting. He also attended WIR, which focused on local issues.

11.) Work session - Greenlee County Fairgrounds Park Development

Board Staff and department heads lead a discussion by the Board and staff to reimagine how the county fairgrounds could be used to accommodate different recreational activities including a softball/little league complex, splash pad, walking trails, and other potential uses. The Board gave their ideas on development and directed staff to work with stake holders to continue the development fairground use concepts.

12.) Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

APPROVED: /s/ Richard Lunt, Chairman

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