

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA

Date: January 31, 2006

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Clerk of the Board

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Vice-Chairman

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Member

Gila County Courthouse
Globe, Arizona

PRESENT: Jose M. Sanchez, Chairman; Shirley L. Dawson, Member; Steven L. Besich, County Manager/Clerk; Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk; and, Bryan Chambers, 2nd Chief Deputy County Attorney.

The Gila County Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. this date. Bryan Chambers led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Dixie Mundy delivered the Invocation.

Mary Anne Moreno, Executive Director of the Globe Miami Regional Chamber of Commerce/Economic Development Corporation, requested the adoption of Resolution No. 06-01-07 in support of the continuation of the Enterprise Zone Program. Ms. Moreno presented the following information. The Enterprise Zone Program was established in the mid-1990s which authorized rural counties to offer certain State supportive incentives, such as tax credits and property tax benefits, to entice businesses and industries to locate to rural Arizona. An application was made and Gila County was designated as an Enterprise Zone as an entire County in 1996. Every five years the Enterprise Zone has to be reestablished within the County. During the last evaluation cycle, Gila County did not meet the criteria required under the categories of poverty or unemployment in order for the entire County to be designated as an Enterprise Zone. As a result, six census tracts were identified

within the County as the Gila County Specified Enterprise Zone. The identified census tracts include the areas of Hayden, Winkelman, San Carlos, Whiteriver, Pleasant Valley, Tonto Basin and two census tracts in the Payson area, which includes the Payson Industrial Park. The Gila County Specified Enterprise Zone was created primarily because an industry from Phoenix was relocating to Payson, and the only reason the company would entertain the move was if it could receive Enterprise Zone tax credits. The Gila County Specified Enterprise Zone was accomplished by using the six census tracts and doing some contiguous configurations in order to get the Payson area of Gila County into the Specified Enterprise Zone so that industry could relocate to the Payson Industrial Park. Ms. Moreno stated that the Enterprise Zone Program is up for renewal as it sunsets this year. She stated that a bill is being delivered to the Arizona State Legislature asking to preserve funding for the Enterprise Zone Program. Ms. Moreno stated that it is important for the San Carlos Reservation, part of the Whiteriver Reservation that is located in Gila County, and Tonto Basin to be able to offer tax credits. Supervisor Dawson inquired if Globe and Miami are part of the Gila County Specified Enterprise Zone. Ms. Moreno stated that Globe and Miami are not a part of the Specified Enterprise Zone because they did not meet poverty or unemployment guidelines. Ms. Moreno stated that she and her group held a four-hour meeting and looked over everything trying to get census tracts that were contiguous to each other that would fall within the guidelines. They were able to form the Specified Enterprise Zone on the basis of unemployment, and that was because of the Reservations. The San Carlos Reservation is not contiguous to Globe/Miami because there is a portion of the Dripping Springs census tract that intervenes between Globe/Miami and San Carlos, and Dripping Springs did not qualify because it did not meet the income guidelines. She stated that the requirements for the Enterprise Zone have to be based on the Arizona Department of Economic Security unemployment statistics, and if unemployed people are not actively seeking employment, they are not counted. Chairman

Sanchez called on Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/County Librarian, to read the Resolution aloud. Ms. Moreno stated that the Payson Town Council is going to entertain a similar resolution at its February 9, 2006, meeting. Chairman Sanchez thanked Ms. Moreno for her presentation. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board adopted Resolution No. 06-01-07. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Chairman Sanchez stated that he received a letter from Vice-Chairman Martin stating that she would be unable to attend today's meeting as she would be facilitating a natural resources conference out of state. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board excused Vice-Chairman Martin from today's meeting.

Agenda item number 3 had been removed from the agenda prior to the meeting.

Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board tabled Consent Agenda item M because of a conflict of interest for Supervisor Dawson. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board approved Consent Agenda items A-L, as follows:

- A. Approved a Special Event Liquor License Application submitted by the Knights of Columbus for a fundraiser to be held on February 5, 2006.
- B. Approved changing companies for computer recycling from End of Life Electronics to Westech Recyclers with no change in rates.
- C. Approved the Gila County Racing Committee conducting the annual Horse Racing Meet at the Gila County Fairgrounds during the weekends of September 30-October 1, and October 7-8, 2006.
- D. Approved Amendment No. 2 to Contract No. E5205006 between the Arizona Department of Economic Security and the Gila County Health and Community Services Division decreasing the five-year contract amount from \$598,309.00 to \$422,154.95 for the contract period July 1, 2004, to June 30, 2009.

- E. Approved the request to re-certify the Gila/Pinal Workforce Investment Board membership by the Governor for a two-year period as required by the Workforce Investment Act of 1998.
- F. Authorized the Chairman's signature on a Municipal 36-month Lease Agreement with the Bank of America and a 36-month Maintenance Agreement with Digital Imaging Systems for one Panasonic copy machine to be used by the Facilities Management Department.
- G. Authorized the Chairman's signature on a Municipal 36-month Lease Agreement with the Bank of America and a 36-month Maintenance Agreement with Digital Imaging Systems for one Panasonic copy machine to be used by the Community Development Department.
- H. Authorized the Chairman's signature on a Municipal 36-month Lease Agreement with the Bank of America and a 36-month Maintenance Agreement with Digital Imaging Systems for one Panasonic color copy machine to be used by the Public Works Administration and Engineering Department.
- I. Approved the December 6, 2005, BOS minutes.
- J. Approved the December 2005 monthly departmental activity reports submitted by the Recorder and the Payson Regional Justice of the Peace.
- K. Approved the personnel reports/actions for the week of January 30, 2006, as follows:

Departure from County Service:

- 1. Animal Control Officer II – Rabies Control – 02-04-06 – Rabies Control Fund - Dennis Harger – Hire 06-10-03 – Resigned for other employment

Hire to County Service:

- 2. Animal Control Officer II – Rabies Control – 01-22-06 – Rabies Control Fund - Dustin Van Zwol – replaces Scott Pratter
- 3. Training Specialist II – REPAC – 01-23-06 – Community Services Fund
Tina Chaffin – replaces Holly Tompkinson-Nelson
- 4. J.P. Court Clerk I – Globe Justice Court – 02-06-06 – General Fund

Melanie Fikus – New position

5. Personnel Assistant – Personnel – 01-30-06 – General Fund

Angelo Cutter – New position

End Probationary Period:

6. Training Specialist III – REPAC – 02-20-06 – Community Services Fund

DeeJaye Poarch

7. Program Manager – Community Action Program – 01-23-06 – Community

Services Fund - Kelli Robbins

Position Review:

8. Anniversary Date Increase – 02-06-06 – Sandy Lautigar

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS:

Hire to County Service:

9. Detention Officer – Globe S.O. – 01-23-06 – General Fund -

Joseph Meza – replaces Robert River

10. Detention Officer – Payson S.O. – 01-23-06 – General Fund –

James Carroll – replaces Victor Thompson.

- L. Approved the finance reports/demands/transfers for the week of January 30, 2006, as follows: \$409,855.78 was disbursed for County expenses by voucher numbers X149211 through X149271, X149273 through X149354, and X379738 through X380028. The hand issued warrants listing is as follows: voucher number X149210 in the amount of \$133.19; voucher number X379734 in the amount of \$468.00; voucher number X379733 in the amount of \$6,301.28; and, voucher number X379737 in the amount of \$90.86. **(An itemized list of vouchers is permanently on file in the**

Board of Supervisors.)

- M. Request to approve a payment for services in the amount of \$525.60 to Fly-A-Way Travel. **(Item tabled to next week's meeting because of a conflict of interest for Supervisor Dawson.)**

At this time each Board member and the Chief Administrator were presented the opportunity to give a brief summary of current events as allowed by A.R.S. §38-431.02(K).

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

Jose M. Sanchez, Chairman

ATTEST:

Steven L. Besich, County Manager/Clerk