

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA**

Date: January 20, 2009

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Globe, Arizona

PRESENT: Shirley L. Dawson, Chairman; Tommie C. Martin, Vice-Chairman; Michael A. Pastor, Member; Steve Besich, County Manager/Clerk; Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk; and, Bryan Chambers, Chief Deputy County Attorney.

Item 1 – Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Invocation

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

Chairman Dawson stated that Item 4 would be presented first to accommodate all the children present at the meeting.

Item 4 - Presentation of the 2009 Dewey the Drug Dog Calendar Coloring Contest winners from the Globe School District.

Daisy Flores, County Attorney, passed out a calendar to the Board and stated that the contest was the combined efforts of the law enforcement agencies in Gila County. The young people in attendance were given a task to draw a picture of Dewey, the drug dog, and Officer Hudson, who both visit the Globe School District. Dewey was also present. Because the students have a special liking for Dewey, he was used as the center topic for their drawing along with a message about why drugs are bad. Each one of the students present were contest winners and their drawings were compiled into a calendar along with their picture. The contest winners were as follows: Cover winner—Areana Garcia; month of January winner—Sierra Lemke; February—Analycia Tarango; March—Corbin Van Hassel; April—Gabriel Padilla; May—Haley Chandler; June—Kyree Noline; July—Sebastian Olmedo; August—Russell DalMolin; September—Johsten Marquez; October—Deverae Escobedo; November—Tori Nasewytewa; and December—Samson Peden. Ms. Flores also thanked the Globe School District and the law enforcement agencies for participating in

helping make this event a success. Chairman Dawson thanked Ms. Flores and the students for their efforts.

Item 2 - Presentation of information regarding the Arizona Youth Partnership with a request to endorse the Responsible Host Pledge for Globe/Miami.

Cecilie Hudson, Parent Outreach Coordinator, stated that the Arizona Youth Partnership has been operating in Gila County since 2006. Its purpose is to promote positive growth within the community for the children. A new program recently funded is called the Parent Post and Pledge Program. It includes an invitation to parents to attend a PowerPoint presentation on the woes of underage drinking and teach them about the health and safety risks as well as the legal ramifications. It will also include asking parents to sign a pledge, a copy of which was passed out to the Board. Ms. Hudson read aloud part the pledge, which included asking parents the following: As responsible host participants, I pledge that I will not allow parties in my home when I am not present; to be an active chaperone at parties in my home; that I will not serve, nor willing allow, minors to consume alcohol or illicit drugs in my home or on my property, etc. She stated that an attempt is being made through this program to bring about some cohesiveness between the parents and children by having them both sign this pledge. She requested that the Board allow the Arizona Youth Partnership to use the emblem/seal of both Gila County and the Sheriff's Office on their pledge. Ms. Hudson noted that she has already received an endorsement by the Miami Town Council and has a meeting scheduled with the Globe City Council. Supervisor Pastor stated that in the introduction, it states that the 8th grade use of alcohol/drugs is highest in Greenlee, Mohave and Gila Counties and inquired how that survey was conducted. Ms. Hudson stated that the survey was done by the Governor's Office. Vice-Chairman Martin inquired if the program will also be extended to northern Gila County. Ms. Hudson stated that this is a brand new program and it was requested that she start in the Globe/Miami area at this time. The program is funded by a grant for both Gila and Pinal Counties. Vice-Chairman Martin made the motion to endorse the Responsible Host Pledge for Globe/Miami; however, Mr. Chambers advised that the agenda item does not call for any action and recommended that this item be placed on the following week's agenda. After continued discussion, Mr. Chambers stated that the Board could take action just to endorse. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously endorsed the Responsible Host Pledge for the Arizona Youth Partnership. Chairman Dawson thanked Ms. Hudson for her work with the youth.

Item 3 - Presentation of information regarding the Boys and Girls Club of Globe with a request for funding.

Russ Fetterman, President of the Boys and Girls Club of Globe, gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Board. He noted that several members of the

Board of Directors were present. The PowerPoint presentation included how it has been a struggle over the years to begin this club after the loss of community activities for the youth when the YMCA closed 20 years ago. The 2.5 acres of land and use of a 2100 square-foot building were provided by the City of Globe through a lease for \$1/year for 5 years, with a renewable lease for an additional 5 years. The building has been completely renovated by funding from community partnerships and individual donations. The focus is on providing positive alternatives and being proactive with the youth. The Club has been established under the umbrella of a parent club, which in this case is the Boys and Girls Club of the San Carlos Apache Nation, which will support and assist by assuming a legal responsibility for the unit Club, which is the Boys and Girls Club of Globe. The unit Club, however, will be responsible for its own fundraising and must be financially self-sufficient. He listed the programs that will be offered in the 5 core areas as well as outside activities, all of which will be overseen by a trained staff. The program will operate from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, for 6-18 year-olds. Membership dues of \$15/month for a single child and \$25/month per family will be charged so kids can gain "ownership" of their club. Busing of students to the center will be provided by both the Globe and Miami School Districts. Some bookshelves were provided by the Gila County School Superintendent's Office and some of the books are being supplied by the Gila County Library District. Photos were shown of the building, both before and after renovations. In addition to the building provided by the City of Globe, work is ongoing to complete monetary sponsorships from the United Fund, corporations and individuals. Mr. Fetterman requested that the Board of Supervisors assist the area and be proactive in the needs of the youth by joining in the alliance and partnership and committing \$15,000/year for 3 years toward the \$119,252 yearly budget. In conclusion, Mr. Fetterman stated, "With our request, we are asking for a change to invigorate our community, an opportunity to build bridges and consolidate community support, and a means to promote and move forward in establishing a positive culture for the youth in Gila County and the Globe/Miami community by partnering with an established program that has proven programs." He stated that he understands there is an economic downturn, but for \$15,000/year the County constituents would receive a program worth \$119,000 overall in the community, which is a 790% return per year on its investment. Chairman Dawson advised Mr. Fetterman that the County receives many requests for funds, but she agreed that there is not a better investment than the youth. She stated that she would place an item on the following week's work session for discussion of the County's finances and how to address requests for funding of projects such as this one. A Board action item could then be placed on the following week's agenda, assuming the Board can figure out a way to fund such requests. Chairman Dawson thanked Mr. Fetterman and those present for the individual and group efforts. Vice-Chairman Martin inquired if the County had been involved in helping to get this program established by providing money for the windows. Mr. Fetterman stated that former Board Chairman Jose Sanchez paid to replace the windows and the County had provided 3 dumps for removal of the

debris. Steve Stratton, Public Works Division Director, requested that Mr. Fetterman meet with Diana Jones of the Public Works Division about the possibility of the County helping to subsidize the transportation issue with lottery funds through the Cobre Valley Transit Program. No action was taken by the Board.

Item 5 - Information/Discussion/Action to approve the renewal of a Consultant Agreement between the County Attorney's Office and From the Eyes of a Child, LLC for the period January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

Ms. Flores requested approval to renew a Consultant Agreement with From the Eyes of a Child, LLC to conduct basic supervisory training for her staff in Globe with a supervisor coach. An agreement was approved last year for the County Attorney's staff in Payson to have this training and it was very successful with positive feedback from staff. There are 9 supervisors in the Globe staff, which includes the first and second tier, who will be developing toward the next level and working with the supervisor coach. The contract is for one year and the cost will not exceed \$10,000. Last year the cost for the Payson staff program was \$3,000. Ms. Flores stated that the program has been shared with Berthan DeNero, Personnel Director, and she has been invited to attend some of the supervisor coaching training. If Ms. DeNero believes it to be an effective program, she may share it with other departments. Mr. Besich inquired if the source of funding is from a special revenue fund or the General Fund. Ms. Flores replied that last year the contract was paid from the General Fund because the County Attorney's Office has a specific line item for consultants, but it hadn't previously been used. Supervisor Pastor stated that he liked the prospect of the departments working together and utilizing the program countywide instead of just in Ms. Flores' office. Ms. Flores stated that this program is for the supervisors; however, there is also once-a-month in-house training for the remainder of the staff. The first meeting of this program will be held this Friday from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Supervisors Hearing Room and the Board is welcome to attend. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously approved the renewal of the Consultant Agreement between the County Attorney's Office and From the Eyes of a Child, LLC for the period January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

Item 6 - Motion to convene as the Gila County Library District Board. Information/Discussion/Action to accept a Library Services and Technology (LSTA) Grant "Arizona Adult Education Programs and Arizona Public Libraries Collaboration Initiative Grant" and authorize the Chairman's signature on the Contract on behalf of the Gila County Library District.

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board convened as the Gila County Library District Board.

Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/Librarian, stated this is a request to accept a grant in the amount of \$12,396, which is a joint grant offered statewide by the Arizona State Department of Education and the Arizona State Department of Library Archives and Public Records. This grant is a collaborative effort by Leslie Owens, Adult Education Outreach Coordinator for the County School Superintendent's Office, which currently provides adult education opportunities through their current programs. There was \$40,000 available to help promote opportunities for adult basic education consisting of GED (General Educational Development) training and remedial training to get adults ready to pass the GED test. Gila County was one of the successful applicants for the funds. The total grant for Gila County was \$21,475 and \$12,396 of those funds is for Library Services and Technology Act monies, which the Board must officially accept. The current program will consist of Ms. Owens offering adult education training in Payson and Globe and this grant allows the opportunity for materials, both printed and non-printed, to be made available at the libraries and provides for outreach opportunities in the rural communities. Individuals residing in Young, Tonto Basin and Pine can participate in the classroom setting via web cam. There is also some funding included for equipment and web cams that will be under the direction of the library. Chairman Dawson stated that these adult education programs are so important and she hopes the program will also be coordinated with Gila Community College. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously accepted a Library Services and Technology Grant "Arizona Adult Education Programs and Arizona Public Libraries Collaboration Initiative Grant" and authorized the Chairman's signature on the Contract on behalf of the Gila County Library District.

Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board reconvened as the Board of Supervisors.

Item 7 - Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Resolution No. 09-01-06 to dispose of an unnecessary public roadway described as a portion of Six Shooter Canyon adjacent to Assessor's Parcel No. 102-12-019, Official Map No. 296, Gila County Records, Gila County, Arizona, to Joe R. Ortega and to authorize the Chairman's signature on the Quit-Claim Deed for said disposal.

Mr. Stratton stated that the adoption of this Resolution would be the last step in disposing of this property. Chairman Dawson inquired about some property in that area owned by the Machulas. Mr. Stratton stated that the County is waiting to address those issues after the completion of the realignment of the Six Shooter Canyon road and bridge and then that issue will be brought to the Board. The County needs to retain possession until it is known exactly what needs to be done. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 09-01-06 to dispose of an unnecessary public roadway described as a portion of Six Shooter

Canyon to Joe R. Ortega and authorized the Chairman's signature on the Quit-Claim Deed for said disposal. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Item 8 - Information/Discussion/Action to approve the authorization for William E. Doyle, d/b/a Elections Operations Services, to perform election programming services to Gila County for the two-year election cycle beginning in 2009.

Dixie Mundy, Elections Director, presented some background information on how the County arrived at this point in hiring Mr. Doyle, who has been the elections programmer for Gila County for at least 20 years. Mr. Doyle is one of a few programmers who possesses the qualifications to do optical scan programming using software that is compatible with Gila County's system. Every 2 years, Mr. Doyle is required by Premiere Election Solutions (Premiere), the vendor for the equipment and also the vendor of the software for the management of the election system, to acquire authorization from all of the counties with whom he does business. Upon receipt of the authorization, Mr. Doyle pays Premiere \$2,000 on behalf of Gila County to continue using the software to manage the County's election database. This is not a contract and does not bind the County to Mr. Doyle. Upon inquiry from Supervisor Pastor, Ms. Mundy advised that the County does pay Mr. Doyle for programming and also for consulting services as he provides quite a few other services such as making sure the ballots are printed, laid out and mailed. Mr. Doyle was paid \$17,550 as the County's consultant and programmer for the 2008 General Election and that's about 40% of the total cost. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved the authorization for William E. Doyle d/b/a Elections Operations Services, to perform election programming services to Gila County for a two-year election cycle beginning in 2009.

Item 9 - Information/Discussion/Action regarding a proposed 16-month rotation of service for Chairman of the Board.

Chairman Dawson proposed to the Board the possibility of rotating service for Chairman of the Board. She wanted to present the idea today and then proceed at a future time for action. She stated, "It is important that we all recognize we each are equal and sitting in the chair as Chairman means that if the other two Board members approve the items, then her signature goes on it. But as Chairman of the Board, I have no significance or authority than any other member on this Board. We only have authority when convened as the Board of Supervisors, but when we're out working in our individual districts, we do not speak as the Board and the Chairman certainly is not speaking as the Board. Only when we take action do we do that." She stated that this rotation of service was suggested at the County Supervisors Association's new board member orientation. No action was taken by the Board.

Item 10 – CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Approval of revised Public Works Policy No. DPW07-01 to change the policy's title from Safety Equipment Policy to Equipment Safety Policy, which better describes the scope of said policy.**
- B. Approval of the November 25, 2008, December 2, 2008, and December 9, 2008, BOS meeting minutes.**
- C. Approval of the December 2008 monthly departmental activity reports submitted by the Globe Regional Justice of the Peace and Payson Regional Justice of the Peace.**
- D. Approval of personnel reports/actions for the week of January 20, 2009.**

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Departures from County Service:

- 1. William Naber – County Attorney – Detective – 01-16-09 – General Fund – DOH 03-10-08 - Resigned

Temporary Hires to County Service:

- 2. Jacque Neely – Health and Community Services – Nutritionist – 01-19-09 - WIC Fund

Departmental Transfers:

- 3. Kimberly Rust – From Administrative Services – To Globe Constable – From Administrative Clerk – To Constable Clerk – 01-12-09 – General Fund

End Probationary Period:

- 4. Charlene Becker – Health and Community Services – Community Health Assistant – 01-09-09 – 94% WIC Fund – 6% Commodity Supplement Food Program Fund
- 5. Stephanie Hernandez – Payson Justice Court – Justice Court Clerk Associate – 01-07-09 – General Fund

Position Review

- 6. Cole Weaver – Recorder – Clerk – 01-19-09 – General Fund – From 40 hours per week – To 30 hours per week
- 7. Byron Cotney – County Attorney – Diversion Program Administrator – 02-01-09 – From 50% Bad Check Fund/50% Diversion Program Fund – To 100% Diversion Program Fund

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Hire to County Service:

- 8. Misty Cisneros – Sheriff's Office/Globe – Assistant Chief Administrative Officer – 02-02-09 – General Fund – Replacing Trudy Warrick

End Probationary Period:

9. Kathy Canizales – Sheriff’s Office/Globe – Certified Medical Assistant – 01-19-09 – General Fund

Position Review:

10. Candice Jorgenson – Sheriff’s Office/Payson – From 911 Dispatcher – To (Interim) 911 Dispatcher Supervisor – 01-08 -09 – General Fund

E. Approval of finance reports/demands/transfers for the week of January 20, 2009. (separate handout)

\$502,525.80 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 214910 through 215092. **(An itemized list of disbursements is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors’ Office.)**

Supervisor Pastor had a question on item C of the Consent Agenda items. His inquiry was in regard to the Globe Regional Justice Court monthly report that showed a 5% set aside and what that meant. Mr. Besich stated that Judge Nolan would be the best one to answer Supervisor Pastor’s question; however, he believed it was for various surcharges that are applied to tickets and fines, but he would get that information for Supervisor Pastor.

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda action items 10A-10E.

Item 11 - At any time during this meeting pursuant to A.R.S. §38-31.02(K), members of the Board of Supervisors and the Chief Administrator may present a brief summary of current events. No action may be taken on issues presented.

Each Board member and Mr. Besich presented information on current events.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Dawson adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

APPROVED:

Shirley L. Dawson, Chairman

ATTEST:

Steven L. Besich, County Manager/Clerk