

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

Date: May 19, 2009

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Clerk of the Board

TOMMIE C. MARTIN
Vice-Chairman

By: Marilyn Brewer
Deputy Clerk

MICHAEL A. PASTOR
Member

Gila County Courthouse
Globe, Arizona

PRESENT: Shirley L. Dawson, Chairman; Tommie C. Martin, Vice-Chairman (via video conferencing); Michael A. Pastor, Member; Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/County Librarian; 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. Jacque Griffin led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dixie Mundy delivered the invocation.

Item 2 - Information/Discussion/Action to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between Gila County and Graham County wherein the Gila County Division of Health and Community Services offers to Graham County the opportunity to employ members of its Epidemiological Team and Graham County agrees payment to Gila County of an hourly rate, mileage, and expenses for the hours worked as set forth in the Agreement.

Matthew Bolinger, Director of Emergency Management Operations and Health Preparedness, stated that this Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) offers Graham County the opportunity to have epidemiological services provided by Gila County employees and affords Gila County the opportunity to recoup some of its expenses. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved an IGA with Graham County wherein the Gila County Division of Health and Community Services offers to Graham County the opportunity to employ members of its Epidemiological Team and Graham County agrees payment to Gila County of an hourly rate, mileage, and expenses for the hours worked as set forth in the IGA.

Item 3 - Information/Discussion/Action to approve an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Weatherization Low-Income Assistance Contractual Agreement (Commerce # C037-09-02) between Gila County Housing Services and the Arizona Department of Commerce Energy Office in the amount of \$1,744,457.

Malissa Buzan, Housing Services Program Manager, requested that the Board approve this ARRA Weatherization Low-Income Assistance Contractual Agreement in the amount of \$1,744,457. Last year the amount received was \$120,000. There will be new reporting requirements; however, Ms. Buzan is looking forward to being able to help more low-income residents. A total of 6 contractors from northern and southern Gila County have signed up to participate in this program and will attend a one-week weatherization camp on June 1, 2009. The amount of low-income assistance will go up 200%, from \$2,500 to \$6,500 per household. This is vitally important especially in the rural areas because of the quality of the housing stock. Ms. Buzan stated, "We are excited and slightly nervous, but ready to go." Each Board member complimented Ms. Buzan and staff on her efforts in this program. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously approved an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Weatherization Low-Income Assistance Contractual Agreement (Commerce # C037-09-02) with the Arizona Department of Commerce Energy Office in the amount of \$1,744,457.

Item 4 - Information/Discussion/Action to approve an Agreement between VitalChek Network, Inc. and the Gila County Treasurer for the processing and reimbursement of credit cards for the payment of property taxes.

Martha Gonzales, Deputy Treasurer, stated that the Treasurer's Office has been trying to implement this program for the past 2 years, but it was put on hold; however, it is now anticipated that the program will be on line in time to get the information printed on the 2009 tax bills. The fees for the point of sale processing for debit cards will be \$2.50 per transaction with a maximum transaction of \$1,000. Credit cards fees will be \$2.50 per transaction up to a value of \$50 and transactions over \$50 will be based on a 4% processing fee with a maximum transaction of \$5,000. Remote transactions through the website will be 3% of the transaction value with a maximum transaction of \$5,000. The taxpayers will also have the option of paying the card fees up front. All other transactions will be handled by cash or cashier's check. Supervisor Pastor inquired if a test run has been completed to avoid the problems last year in getting the tax bills printed in a timely manner. Ms. Gonzales stated that this system has been implemented at Navajo County, so they have been working out all the "bugs" and her hope is that the system will work well for Gila County. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved an Agreement

between VitalChek Network, Inc. and the Gila County Treasurer for the processing and reimbursement of credit cards for the payment of property taxes.

Item 5 – Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Resolution No. 09-05-02 authorizing the submittal of an application on behalf of and in partnership with the Payson Multi-Purpose Senior Center for consideration of funding by the Gila River Indian Community’s State-Shared Revenue Program.

Vice-Chairman Martin stated that the letter included in the Board’s informational packet explains the purpose of this request. Reed Cox, Director of the Payson Senior Center, is applying to the Gila River Indian Community for funding through the State-Shared Revenue Program. In order to apply, the application must go through a government entity and Mr. Cox would like to apply through Gila County as was done last year. The Payson Multi-Purpose Senior Center was not successful in receiving funds last year; however, it is anticipated that they have a good chance of receiving funds this year. The Payson Multi-Purpose Senior Center program has been very successful in Payson and 125 home-bound senior citizens are provided with a hot lunch from Monday through Friday. This funding would assist with fuel and food costs. There will be no cost to Gila County. She also advised that another application will be forthcoming from the Town of Star Valley. Chairman Dawson stated that with State budget cuts to senior funding, any assistance to maintain these programs will be very much appreciated. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 09-05-02 authorizing the submittal of an application on behalf of and in partnership with the Payson Multi-Purpose Senior Center for consideration of funding by the Gila River Indian Community’s State-Shared Revenue Program. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors’ Office.)**

Item 6 - CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Approval of an application submitted by Paul Machula of Miami High School (MHS) to provide a fireworks display during MHS’s graduation ceremony on May 22, 2009, at MHS.**
- B. Approval of an application submitted by Anthony Giandrea to temporarily extend the premises/patio of Sidewinders located in Pine, Arizona, on June 27, 2009.**
- C. Approval to appoint the following as members to the Census 2010 Complete Count Committee for Gila County: Susan Keown-Payson; Diana Wheeler-Globe; Rudy Carrizosa-Globe; Norma Rios-Miami; and Terry Morris-Payson.**

D. Approval of revised Public Works Division Policy No. DPW 02-16, Accident or Injury Reporting.

E. Approval of the March 31, 2009, April 7, 2009, April 14, 2009, April 21, 2009, April 28, 2009, and May 5, 2009, BOS meeting minutes.

F. Approval of the April 2009 monthly departmental activity reports submitted by the Payson Regional Constable and the Recorder.

G. Approval of personnel reports/actions for the week of May 19, 2009.

Departures from County Service:

1. DeeJaye Poarch – Health and Community Services – CAP Program Manager – 06-05-09 – CAP Fund – DOH 08-22-05 – Resigned
2. Rachel Freeman – Child Support – Caseworker – 05-08-09 – IV-D Incentive/SSRE Fund – DOH 03-06-06 - Resigned

Position Review:

3. Tina Reyes – County Attorney – From Legal Secretary – To Legal Secretary Senior - 06-22-09 – General Fund

H. Approval of finance reports/demands/transfers for the week of May 19, 2009. (separate handout)

\$2,306,731.00 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 217778 through 217983. **(An itemized list of disbursements is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda items 6A-6H.

Item 7 - CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Call to the Public is held for public benefit to allow individuals to address issue(s) within the Board's jurisdiction. Board members may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute §38-431.01(G), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to criticism, or scheduling the matter for further discussion and decision at a future date.

There were no requests to speak from the public.

Item 8 - 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 Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/County Librarian, on behalf of Steve Besich, County Manager/Clerk, who is on vacation, presented information on current events.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Dawson adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

APPROVED:

Shirley L. Dawson, Chairman

ATTEST:

Steven L. Besich, County Manager/Clerk