

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

Date: June 16, 2009

**SHIRLEY L. DAWSON**  
Chairman

**STEVEN L. BESICH**  
Clerk of the Board

**TOMMIE C. MARTIN**  
Vice-Chairman

By: Marilyn Brewer  
Deputy Clerk

**MICHAEL A. PASTOR**  
Member

Gila County Courthouse  
Globe, Arizona

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PRESENT: Shirley L. Dawson, Chairman; Tommie C. Martin, Vice-Chairman (via video conferencing); Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/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 in the Board of Supervisors’ hearing room. Bryan Chambers led the Pledge of Allegiance and Reverend Jim Knight of the Nazarene Church delivered the invocation.

Chairman Dawson noted for the record that Supervisor Pastor was enroute to Washington, DC and Vice-Chairman Martin was appearing via video conferencing from Payson.

**Item 2 - Information/Discussion/Action to acknowledge the receipt of petitions to establish the Beaver Valley Domestic Water Improvement District and accept the presentation of petitions, set a public hearing on the petitions, and pursuant to A.R.S. § 48-904 approve the filing of a \$500 bond.**

Dixie Mundy, Elections Director, acknowledged that the petitions to establish the Beaver Valley Domestic Water Improvement District (BVDWID) had been received by the Elections Department. In this proceeding to present the acceptance of those petitions to the Board, she also requested that the Board set a public hearing on the petition and approve the filing of a \$500 bond. She provided a copy of the bond to the Board and verified that a \$500 check had accompanied the bond. Ms. Mundy stated that once a hearing date is set, the responsibility of the Election Department will be to prepare and mail a notice of the public hearing. Pursuant to Arizona statute the hearing must be held no more than 40 days from today. She recommended that the hearing be held on

the last available day within the 40-day period, which would be Monday, July 20, 2009, as it would allow her department ample time to prepare, mail and publish the notice and also to ask approval for the filing of the \$500 bond, which is on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office. The bond will only be used to cover expenses such as the publication of the notice, mailing and costs for verifying petition signatures in the event that the district is not created. Vice-Chairman Martin recommended that because this hearing will be held on a Monday and most people are used to the Board of Supervisors' meetings being held on Tuesday, that Ms. Mundy make sure the notices emphasize that this hearing will be held on a Monday to which Ms. Mundy agreed. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Chairman Dawson, the Board acknowledged receipt of the petitions to establish the Beaver Valley Domestic Water Improvement District, accepted the petitions, set a public hearing on the petitions for Monday, July 20, 2009, and pursuant to A.R.S. § 48-904 approved the filing of a \$500 bond.

**Item 3 - Information/Discussion/Action to approve the following Agreements with Gila County d/b/a the Gila/Pinal Workforce Investment Board:**

- A. Intergovernmental Agreement with Central Arizona Association of Governments (CAAG) for office space at the Globe and Casa Grande One-Stop Centers. (5/1/09 to 6/30/14)**
- B. Agreement with Manpower International Inc. for office space at the Casa Grande One-Stop Center (5/1/09 to 6/30/14)**
- C. Intergovernmental Agreement with Re-Employment Pre-Layoff Assistance Center (REPAC) for office space at the Globe and Casa Grande One-Stop Centers. (5/1/09 to 6/30/14)**
- D. Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES) for office space at the Globe and Casa Grande One-Stop Centers. (5/1/09 to 6/30/14)**
- E. Property Lease Agreement with Central Arizona College for office space at the Casa Grande One-Stop Center. (5/1/09 to 4/30/14)**

Barbara Valencia, WIA Program Coordinator, stated that under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) there is a One-Stop Delivery System in Arizona called the Arizona Workforce Connection and one of the requirements for the local area is to have a Comprehensive One-Stop Center where all of the WIA services are provided in one location instead of at several different locations. Gila and Pinal Counties, whose programs are combined, have 2 Comprehensive One-Stop Centers—one located in Casa Grande and the other one located in Globe (Central Heights). There are also affiliate and satellite One-Stop Centers located in additional areas throughout Gila and Pinal Counties. Ms. Valencia reviewed each of the 5 contracts with the Board. The Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES), which provides a majority of the services, will relocate 2 staff members from the Globe ADES office to the One-Stop Center. She stated that because Gila County is the grant recipient, the leases and distribution of funds will be handled through the Globe WIA office. Upon

inquiry by Chairman Dawson about the location of the Globe One-Stop Center in Central Heights, Ms. Valencia advised the Board that initially there were concerns about the location as well; however, since moving to the location, those people needing services have had no problem in locating the offices as those offices are more centrally located between Globe and Miami. Chairman Dawson requested that her office be provided with some maps for those people requesting directions to the Central Heights location to which Ms. Valencia agreed. Vice-Chairman Martin inquired if these services are available in Payson. Ms. Valencia replied that all of the same services are provided in Payson and the CAAG (Central Arizona Association of Governments) staff goes to the Payson area several times a month. Vice-Chairman Martin requested that she be provided with a schedule of the dates that CAAG staff is in Payson. An inquiry was made by Chairman Dawson about the RSVP program in relation to WIA; however, that program is not funded by WIA, but rather through the Gila-Pinal Senior Citizens program. Mr. Stratton inquired if he understood correctly that ADES will be paying the County \$13,516.21 per year for office space and indirect costs. Ms. Valencia stated that was correct and it would include office space, telephone and internet services, which is ADES's proportionate share of the total costs for the One-Stop Center. She stated that the total budget will be \$154,000 and Gila County's portion will be approximately \$13,000. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Chairman Dawson, the Board approved the following: A) an Intergovernmental Agreement with Central Arizona Association of Governments for office space at the Globe and Casa Grande One-Stop Centers for the period 5/1/09 through 06/30/14; B) an Agreement with Manpower International Inc. for office space at the Casa Grande One-Stop Center for the period 5/1/09 through 06/30/14; C) an Intergovernmental Agreement with Re-Employment Pre-Layoff Assistance Center (REPAC) for office space at the Globe and Casa Grande One-Stop Centers for the period 5/1/09 through 06/30/14; D) an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES) for office space at the Globe and Casa Grande One-Stop Centers for the period 5/1/09 through 6/30/14; and E) a Property Lease Agreement with Central Arizona College for office space at the Casa Grande One-Stop Center for the period 5/1/09 through 4/30/14.

**Item 4 - Information/Discussion/Action to authorize the Health and Community Services Division to submit a Grant Application Contract No. FTF-RC004-10-0129-00 to the State of Arizona, Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board requesting \$56,650 to be used for the Gila County Early Childhood Screening Program for the period October 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010.**

Paula Horn, Health Programs Manager, provided a copy of the Grant Executive Summary to the Board and then read it aloud. She requested approval to submit the Grant Application. Chairman Dawson briefed the Board on the upcoming closure of the Developmental Learning Center, which has been operating for over 40 years to provide services for birth to pre-school children

with potential problems. State budget cuts are the cause for the closure; however, now the State is funding this new program known as First Things First and Chairman Dawson believes the funds for this new program may be swept by the State Legislature in 2011. Vice-Chairman Martin inquired if the County could utilize the experience and knowledge of the personnel from the Developmental Learning Center for possibly a year or two and then perhaps the program might be funded again. Ms. Horn stated that she has had a wonderful working relationship with staff at the Developmental Learning Center and she will continue to send referrals there as long as the Center remains open and that information has been incorporated into this program, which would provide some funding to the Center. She stated it is absolutely detrimental to this community to lose those services. Chairman Dawson stated that she had checked into the matter and the requirements for First Things First are that it must be a brand new program. Chairman Dawson stated that she appreciates Ms. Horn's work on this vital program and hopes she will do as Vice-Chairman Martin suggested and not reinvent services that are well established. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Chairman Dawson, the Board authorized the Health and Community Services Division to submit a Grant Application Contract No. FTF-RC004-10-0129-00 to the State of Arizona, Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board requesting \$56,650 to be used for the Gila County Early Childhood Screening Program for the period October 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010.

**Item 5 – Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Resolution No. 09-06-02 authorizing the Gila County Board of Supervisors to purchase from BHP Copper, Inc. that property described in Fee No. 2009-006355 and more particularly shown on Record of Survey/Lot Line Adjustment Map No. 3692, Gila County Records, Gila County Arizona.**

Steve Sanders, Public Works Division Deputy Director, stated that this agenda item is in regard to some land owned by BHP Copper, Inc. that is adjacent to some creeks just south and adjacent to some previously purchased land near the hospital. The 7 acres of land will be purchased at a cost of \$20,800 and will be paid with HURF (Highway User Revenue Funds) monies and not from the County's General Fund. It is anticipated that this land will be the future location of the Public Works Division to include the road yard and shop. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Chairman Dawson, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 09-06-02 authorizing the purchase from BHP Copper, Inc. that property described in Fee No. 2009-006355 and more particularly shown on Record of Survey/Lot Line Adjustment Map No. 3692, Gila County Records, Gila County Arizona. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

**Item 6 – CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. Information/Discussion/Action to allow the Chief Deputy Clerk to proceed with the administrative process of selling Assessor's tax**

**parcels 101-07-224--8 and 101-10-029--7, which are owned by the State of Arizona to Gila County for the sales price of \$1 per parcel, and to authorize the Chairman's signature on the quit claim deeds. Said purchase is to allow Entact Environmental Services on behalf of ASARCO to clean up contaminated property in the Hayden/Winkelman area of which all costs will be paid by ASARCO.**

- B. Approval of Amendment No. 2 to a Contract between Gila County and Central Arizona Association of Governments to provide American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds under the Workforce Investment Act Title IB Program as authorized on February 17, 2009, to provide Youth, Summer Youth Employment and Adult Program services for the period February 17, 2009, through June 30, 2011. Adult Program = \$273,477 and Youth Program = \$585,491.**
- C. Approval of the appointment of Cecil C. Barton, Mark Ernest Reza and Shirley R. Beck as precinct committeemen to the Gila County Democratic Party.**
- D. Approval of the May 26, 2009, BOS Order to Abate Appeal Hearing minutes, and the May 26, 2009, and June 2, 2009, BOS meeting minutes.**
- E. Approval of the May 2009 monthly departmental activity report submitted by the Recorder.**
- F. Approval of personnel reports/actions for the week of June 16, 2009.**

Departure from County Service:

1. Nancy McBride – County Attorney – Administrative Clerk – 06-03-09 – Deferred Prosecution Program Fund – DOH 08-23-93 - Retirement

Hire to County Service:

2. Kasey Escobedo – Health and Community Services – Community Health Assistant Part Time – 06-17-09 - Health Start Program Fund – Replacing Sheila Hibdon – Position vacant as of 03-27-09
3. Denise Hansen - Health and Community Services – Administrative Clerk – 06-17-09 – WIC Fund

Departmental Transfers:

4. Monique Usher – From BOS – To Community Development – From Administrative Clerk – To Building Safety Assistant/Administrative Clerk (Underfill) – 06-22-09 – General Fund

**SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS**

Departure from County Service:

5. Curtis Lane - Sheriff's Office/Globe – Detention Officer – 05-30-09 – General Fund – DOH 04-27-09 – Resigned

**G. Approval of finance reports/demands/transfers for the week of June 16, 2009. (separate handout)**

\$1,796,149.57 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 218439 through 218664. **(An itemized list of disbursements is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Chairman Dawson stated that Supervisor Pastor had some questions regarding consent agenda item G, which is the approval of the finance reports/demands/transfers for this week. She has contacted the Finance Department regarding Supervisor Pastor's concerns. She has also contacted John Nelson, Deputy County Manager, regarding continued billings to Gila County by Harry Jones (HDJ Management), a consultant to Gila County. Chairman Dawson stated that a group of concerned citizens from the Pine-Strawberry area, who are opposed to creating a new water improvement district in that area, feel that the County is financing opposition to the desire of many of these concerned citizens by continuing to utilize the services of Mr. Jones. Chairman Dawson stated that she assured these concerned citizens months ago that she had met with the County Manager and had been assured that Harry Jones was not working on the Pine-Strawberry water issues as he had completed his work for Gila County and was subsequently hired by the new Pine-Strawberry Water Improvement District Board of Directors. Because people have expressed their concerns to Chairman Dawson, she has requested a full report from Mr. Nelson regarding payments to Mr. Jones for the past 6-months. Vice-Chairman Martin inquired if Chairman Dawson was requesting to pull that item from the consent agenda. Chairman Dawson stated that she was not requesting any item to be pulled from the agenda. Chairman Dawson advised that she would probably place an item on the next Board agenda for discussion of payments to Mr. Jones.

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Chairman Dawson, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda items 6A-6G.

**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.**

Jesse Bryant, a resident of Globe, gave a presentation to the Board on an upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration in the Globe and Miami areas and looked forward to the Board and County participating.

**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/Librarian, on behalf of Steve Besich, County Manager/Clerk, who is ill, presented information on current events.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Dawson adjourned the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

**APPROVED:**

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Shirley L. Dawson, Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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Steven L. Besich, County Manager/Clerk