

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

Date: January 20, 2015

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Chairman

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Clerk of the Board

TOMMIE C. MARTIN
Vice-Chairman

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Member

Gila County Courthouse
Globe, Arizona

PRESENT: Michael A. Pastor, Chairman; Tommie C. Martin, Vice-Chairman (via telephone); John D. Marcanti, Member; Don E. McDaniel, Jr., County Manager; Bryan B. Chambers, Deputy County Attorney/Civil Bureau Chief; Marian E. Sheppard, Clerk of the Board; and Laurie J. Kline, Deputy Clerk.

Item 1 – CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - INVOCATION

The Gila County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session at 10:00 a.m. this date in the Board of Supervisors' hearing room. Jeff Hessenius led the Pledge of Allegiance and Reverend Rula Colvin of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Globe delivered the invocation.

Item 2 – PRESENTATIONS:

A. Introduction of County Supervisors Association (CSA) President Clint Hickman by Craig Sullivan, CSA Executive Director.

Craig Sullivan, CSA Executive Director, stated that CSA is a service organization that works for the County Supervisors at the Arizona State Capitol. He added that the key to the CSA operation is the participation of all of the Arizona counties. He then stated that Gila County is well represented in the operation which helps CSA to serve the County. Mr. Sullivan added that CSA has an Executive Committee of which Vice-Chairman Tommie Martin serves as First Vice President. Mr. Sullivan then introduced Maricopa County Supervisor and CSA President, Clint Hickman.

Mr. Hickman provided a brief overview of his history and stated that he comes from a third generation Arizonan egg farming family. He was looking forward to meeting the Gila County Supervisors and other county supervisors, and working together with legislators regarding relevant issues that impact the counties, such as cost shifts in highway user revenue funds.

Chairman Pastor stated that he was pleased to have Mr. Hickman as the leader of the CSA team. Vice-Chairman Martin stated that Mr. Hickman is a marvelous addition to the leadership team, and that it will be a pleasure working with him. Supervisor Marcanti stated that he appreciated Mr. Hickman making the trip to Globe to attend the Board meeting today.

Item 3 – REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Information/Discussion/Action for the Board of Supervisors to consider affirming, modifying or reversing the decision of the Gila County Hearing Officer regarding Community Development Division Complaint No. HCP1402-003 on property at 4909 N. German Road in Strawberry.

Bob Gould, Community Development Division Director, provided an update on the installation of a septic system at the subject property. He advised that excavation of the tank has been completed and the trenching for the installation of the tank leach lines and piping to the septic system distribution box (D-Box) had been started. Due to recent rainfall, all work on the project has ceased. The ground is too soft to complete the trenching to the D-Box, and the truck that belongs to Payson Concrete Company, which was scheduled to deliver the septic tank, is out of service and awaiting repair with an estimated return-to-operation date of two weeks, as of January 9, 2015. Once the truck is repaired, the septic tank can be installed contingent on the ground drying out enough to support the weight of the truck. Mr. Gould advised that because so much progress has been made on this project and due to recent rainfall, he recommended that the Board allow an additional two weeks to complete the project upon recommencement of the work.

Chairman Pastor inquired if this truck was the only truck available to deliver the septic tank, to which Mr. Gould replied that is the only truck available in the area to deliver the septic tank. Chairman Pastor then asked for an approximate timeframe for the completion of this project. Mr. Gould replied that he believes the work could commence in approximately two weeks, which would be enough time to let the ground dry, and that it would require a total of two weeks to complete the project. Vice-Chairman Martin commented that it is unfortunate there was heavy rainfall which delayed the project, and the rain also may have been a factor in the truck failing. Once the truck is repaired, she believes two weeks is an ample amount of time to complete the project. Supervisor Marcanti agreed that the project is so close to completion that he doesn't have a problem allowing more time for the ground to dry enough to complete the installation of the septic system.

Chairman Pastor stated that the Board has no problem setting a two-week time limit for completion of the project once the septic tank is placed into the ground. Mr. Gould expressed his confidence that this issue could be presented to the Board on a meeting agenda for the second week in February, which is

the Board's February 17th meeting, in order for the Board to take a final action on this case. Chairman Pastor complimented efforts made by Mr. Wicks to rectify this issue of non-compliance and then he asked for a motion from the Board. Vice-Chairman Martin made the following motion, "Mr. Chair, I move that we do accept the recommendation of Bob Gould on getting a two-week extension starting on the day that the Payson Concrete truck can set the tank and to be able to sign off on that project." Supervisor Marcanti seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

B. Information/Discussion/Action to appoint Donald R. Voakes as a Hearing Officer for the Community Development Division's Code Enforcement Program.

Mr. Gould stated that staff highly recommends appointing Mr. Donald R. Voakes to replace Jim Weeks as a Hearing Officer for the Community Development Division Code Enforcement Program. Mr. Weeks is retiring and has recommended Mr. Voakes as his replacement. Mr. Gould listed some of Mr. Voakes' relevant work history and recommended the appointment.

Vice-Chairman Martin agreed that Mr. Voakes is an excellent choice to follow Mr. Weeks. She recommended that the Board schedule a meeting with Mr. Voakes, perhaps during a Board work session, in order to provide him with the Board's vision and direction with regard to code enforcement. She added that it would be nice to send a card to Mr. Weeks thanking him for his many years of service to the County, to which the Board members agreed.

Supervisor Marcanti stated that Mr. Voakes was highly qualified for this position and he was sure that Mr. Voakes would do a good job for the County.

Chairman Pastor asked County Manager Don McDaniel to set up a work session agenda item in order to discuss the goals and direction of the Board with Mr. Voakes. Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously appointed Donald R. Voakes as a Hearing Officer for the Community Development Division's Code Enforcement Program.

C. Information/Discussion/Action to authorize the advertisement of Request for Proposals No. 111714 for the purchase of one new or used hydraulic tail equipment trailer.

Jeff Hassenius, Finance Division Director, stated that this item is to seek Board authorization to advertise the Request for Proposals in the Arizona Silver Belt, which is the official County newspaper for 2015. The lift trailer currently in use by the Public Works Division was purchased in the late 1990s and it is not hydraulic; therefore, it is difficult for one individual to operate it, both from a

practicality standpoint as well as a safety standpoint. He added that this expenditure was included in the 2015 fiscal year budget.

Vice-Chairman Martin agreed that this piece of equipment was needed and she added that she didn't know of a time when the Public Works Division staff requested a piece of equipment that wasn't needed.

Supervisor Marcanti stated that he feels that purchasing a new hydraulic lift trailer would be safer for County employees and, overall, more cost effective for the County.

Mr. Hessenius added that the Public Works Division will sell the existing piece of equipment at an auction once a new hydraulic lift trailer is acquired.

Chairman Pastor inquired as to the location that the newly acquired lift trailer would be housed. Steve Stratton, Public Works Division Director, replied that this would be an additional lift trailer for use in the Timber Region (northern Gila County) of the County which is identical to the lift trailer that is being used in the Copper Region (southern Gila County). He affirmed that the existing lift trailer would be auctioned once a new lift trailer is received. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously authorized the advertisement of Request for Proposals No. 111714 for the purchase of one new or used hydraulic tail equipment trailer.

D. Information/Discussion/Action to approve Amendment No. 2 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. ADHS13-034421) between the Arizona Department of Health Services and Gila County in the amount of \$191,708 for the continued provision of Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program services for the period of January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2017.

Michael O'Driscoll, Health and Emergency Services Division Director, stated that the goal of this grant is to reduce teen pregnancy in Gila County. He stated that Gila County has the second highest teen pregnancy rate in Arizona; however, the number of teen pregnancies in Gila County has decreased significantly over the last 10 years. The amendment as described above will assist in continuing to fund the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program, which over the last 12 months has reached approximately 1,500 teen students in the County.

Vice-Chairman Martin inquired as to the use of early detection measures to ensure that the program is on track and is successful in reducing the number of teen pregnancies in the County. Mr. O'Driscoll replied that over the last 10 years the current Arizona prevention programs have reduced the number of teen pregnancies by approximately 30%. He stated that the hope is to double the number of schools that participate in the prevention programs and to

provide age-appropriate training in the schools. Vice-Chairman Martin requested that a work session be scheduled to discuss the changes that have been made to this program and any accompanying results. Chairman Pastor asked Mr. McDaniel to accommodate Vice-Chairman Martin's request.

Supervisor Marcanti inquired as to the number of County staff responsible for delivering the prevention programs to the schools. Mr. O'Driscoll explained that currently there are five grants which only allow one particular employee to teach one particular curriculum in the schools. The change is that the State has agreed to consolidate the grants and allow the County to choose the prevention program(s) that an individual school chooses to have presented in the school. Currently there are four employees that go into the schools and present one particular program of which there are two teen pregnancy experts, one in Payson and one in Globe. It is hoped that with the consolidation of the specific grants into one intergovernmental agreement, it will allow for five employees to deliver these preventions program services to the County schools.

Supervisor Marcanti inquired as to the effectiveness of the same employee presenting to different school-aged students. Mr. O'Driscoll replied that he is using Pinal County's best practices as a model to implement what will be termed the School Liaison Program. He stated that the prevention programs staff will be sent to the Pinal County training session along with the training provided by the State in order to become certified in training in these particular programs before going into the schools and teaching the curriculum. It is also beneficial that staff meets with school administrators and they choose the curriculum to be brought into the schools.

Chairman Pastor inquired as to the type of curriculum that would be presented to elementary, middle, and high school students, and to the public. Mr. O'Driscoll replied that the presentations would be age appropriate, for example, elementary students would be taught food safety, and high school students would be presented with teen pregnancy prevention information. There are programs that have been developed by the State for middle school-age students and he plans to meet with administrators to discuss the information that would be appropriate to present to the students. Currently, these programs are not available to the public because the consolidation of the grants has not yet been approved by the State. A meeting with the all of the Arizona counties and the State is scheduled in February 2015 to discuss consolidating the grant programs. He added that all 16 Gila County school administrators have indicated an interest in implementing prevention program curriculum trainings into the schools.

Chairman Pastor inquired as to whether the County employees were aware that these programs are 100% grant funded, so their employment may end if any of the grant programs end. Mr. O'Driscoll replied that the employees are aware of that fact; however, he doesn't foresee the funding ending anytime soon. Upon

motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved Amendment No. 2 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. ADHS13-034421) between the Arizona Department of Health Services and Gila County in the amount of \$191,708 for the continued provision of Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program services for the period of January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2017.

Item 4 – CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS: (Any matter on the Consent Agenda will be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and voted upon as a regular agenda item upon the request of any member of the Board of Supervisors.)

A. Approval of a technical amendment revising the language in Intergovernmental Agreement No. 071414 from "City of Globe-Globe Active Adult Center" to "City of Globe *through* the Globe Active Adult Center."

B. Approval of Amendment No. 2 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. ADHS13-040496) between Gila County and the Arizona Department of Health Services to continue to provide HIV care and support services to Gila, Apache and Navajo Counties for the period of April 1, 2014, through March 31, 2015.

C. Acknowledgment of the December 2014 monthly activity report submitted by the Clerk of the Superior Court's Office.

D. Acknowledgment of the December 2014 monthly activity report submitted by the Globe Regional Justice of the Peace's Office.

E. Acknowledgment of the November 2014 monthly activity report submitted by the Recorder's Office.

F. Approval of the January 6, 2015, Board of Supervisors' meeting minutes.

G. Acknowledgment of contracts under \$50,000 which have been approved by the County Manager for the weeks of December 22, 2014, to December 26, 2014; and December 29, 2014 to January 2, 2015.

H. Approval of finance reports/demands/transfers for the weeks of January 13, 2015, and January 20, 2015.

January 13, 2015

\$148,050.81 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 267275 through 267348.

January 20, 2015

\$1,496,600.443 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 267349 through 267482. **(An itemized list of disbursements is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda action items 4-A through 4-H.

Item 5 – CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Call to the Public is held for public benefit to allow individuals to address the Board of Supervisors on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. Board members may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute §38-431.01(H), at the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the Board of Supervisors may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the Board, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda for further discussion and decision at a future date.

There were no comments from the public.

Item 6 – At any time during this meeting pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(K), members of the Board of Supervisors and the County Manager may present a brief summary of current events. No action may be taken on issues presented.

Each Board member and the County Manager presented information on current events.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Pastor adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

APPROVED:



Michael A. Pastor, Chairman

ATTEST:



Marian Sheppard, Clerk of the Board