

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

Date: April 14, 2009

**SHIRLEY L. DAWSON**  
Chairman

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

**TOMMIE C. MARTIN**  
Vice-Chairman

By: Marian Sheppard  
Chief 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); 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. Jacque Griffin led the Pledge of Allegiance and Captain Gary Smith of the Salvation Army delivered the Invocation.

**Item 2 - Information/Discussion/Action to acknowledge the filing of a petition and bond for the creation of the Little Creek Land Company Domestic Water Improvement District and set a public hearing on said petition.**

Dixie Mundy, Elections Director, advised that on April 3, 2009, a petition for the creation of the Little Creek Land Company Domestic Water Improvement District was filed with Gila County. The property where the proposed District will be located is owned by three people and it is located approximately 23 miles northwest of Payson, Arizona, in the Christopher Creek area. Ms. Mundy officially presented the petition to the Board and by statute the Board must set a date for the public hearing on the petition to establish the District no later than 40 days after presentation of the petition. She referred to a public hearing and notification schedule she provided the Board which lists the statutes and the required process to establish this special taxing district. The dates of May 5<sup>th</sup> or May 12<sup>th</sup> were suggested by Ms. Mundy for the public hearing. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously accepted the petition for this proposed District and set a date of May 5, 2009, for the public hearing.

**Item 3 - Information/Discussion/Action to review and submit written comments on the Boundary Change Impact Statement for the proposed annexation of Zane Meadow Subdivision into the Hellsgate Fire District.**

Ms. Mundy presented this agenda item. On December 10, 2008, the Hellsgate Fire District's Board of Directors held a meeting to accept a letter from the Collins Ranch Water Users Association, which is a parcel owner in the area of Zane Meadows Subdivision, just west of and adjacent to Collins Ranch, which is part of the Hellsgate Fire District, requesting the annexation of Zane Meadow Subdivision into the Hellsgate Fire District. On January 7, 2009, a public hearing was held by the Board of Directors at which time it accepted the Boundary Change Impact Statement. Ms. Mundy advised that the next step in the process is for the Board of Supervisors to review the Boundary Change Impact Statement and if it so chooses, to submit written comments to the Board of Directors. A public hearing has been set for April 15, 2009, at which time the Board of Directors will review any written comments submitted by the Board of Supervisors and may vote to circulate petitions within this area for annexation into the Hellsgate Fire District. Chairman Dawson and Vice-Chairman Martin complimented the excellent work being done by the Hellsgate Fire District as that area continues to grow. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously accepted the Boundary Change Impact Statement for the proposed annexation of the Zane Meadow Subdivision into the Hellsgate Fire District.

**Item 4 - Information/Discussion/Action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Gila County Division of Health and Community Services and Cenpatico Behavioral Health of Arizona for the period March 23, 2009, through June 30, 2010, whereas Cenpatico will take the lead in coordinating behavioral health services in the event of a terrorist initiated health emergency.**

David Fletcher, Health and Community Services Division Director, presented this item and there were no questions or comments submitted by Board members. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously approved the Memorandum of Understanding with Cenpatico Behavioral Health of Arizona as presented.

**Item 5 - CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. Approval of an Amendment to a Contract between Superstition Mountain Mental Health Center and Gila County which provides Title 36 mental health evaluation services. Said Amendment increases the daily rate from \$650 to \$750 (inclusive of medical services) and extends the contract to January 1, 2011, with the effective date of January 1, 2009, for this Contract Amendment.**

**B. Approval of personnel reports/actions for the week of April 14, 2009.**

Departures from County Service:

1. Rachel Sluyter – County Attorney – Temporary Transcriptions – 02-05-09 – General Fund – DOH 06-19-06 – Job Completed

Hires to County Service:

2. Patrice Etter – Clerk of Superior Court – Court Services Supervisor – 04-13-09 – General Fund – Replacing Lana Dever – Position vacant as of 09-29-08

Departmental Transfers:

3. Linda Eastlick – From BOS – To Elections – From Supervisor’s Staff Specialist – To Elections Director -05-25-09 – General Fund
4. Erica Raymond – From Recorder – To Personnel – From Records Clerk – To Personnel Assistant – 04-13-09 – General Fund

End Probationary Period:

5. Charles Bowling - Health and Community Services – Administrative Clerk – 04-27-09 – 75% TB Fund – 25% Immunization Fund
6. Martin Clay - Health and Community Services – Business Services Representative/One-Stop Manager – 03-30-09 – WIA Fund
7. Lana Dever – County Attorney – Legal Secretary Senior – 03-30-09 – General Fund

Position Review:

8. Dana True - Health and Community Services – Accounting Clerk Senior – 03-30-09 – Percent changes within the WIA fund

**SHERIFF’S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS**

Hires to County Service:

9. Nancy Hannigan – Sherriff’s Office/Globe – 911 Dispatcher – 04-13-09 – General Fund – Replacing Tamara Renteria
10. Lyndi Lopez – Sheriff’s Office/Globe – 911 Dispatcher – 04-13-09 – General Fund – Replacing Crissy Nozie

End Probationary Period:

11. Terry Blevins – Sheriff’s Office/Globe – Deputy Sheriff Sergeant – 04-13-09 – General Fund
12. Jane Hoist – Sheriff’s Office/Globe – Detention Office – 04-13-09 – General Fund
13. Ruben Mariscal – Sherriff’s Office/Globe – Detention Officer – 4-13-09 – General Fund

**C. Approval of finance reports/demands/transfers for the week of April 14, 2009. (separate handout)**

\$1,012,262.75 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 216800 and 216934 through 217078. **(An itemized list of disbursements is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors’ Office.)**

Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda action items 5A-5C.

**Item 6 - 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 weren't any members of the public who requested to address the Board during the Call to the Public.

**Item 7 - 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.

### **WORK SESSION**

**Item 8 - Presentation by Patricia A. Power, Vice President of Bose Public Affairs Group, regarding opportunities for federal funding.**

Ms. Power referred to a telephonic meeting she had with the Board in February 2009 to discuss the federal economic stimulus package, Gila County's list of projects should stimulus money be allocated to the County and the prioritization of those projects. The purpose of today's meeting with the Board was for Ms. Power to present information on the federal process for achieving positive legislative results or as she stated "federal legislation 101." She provided each Board member with a binder of materials she obtained from Senate and House of Representatives websites. She then provided an overview of the following: structure of the legislative branch, types of legislation, legislative process, authorization bills and appropriation bills. A discussion ensued and examples were provided of Bose Public Affairs Group's role in pushing forth issues and/or proposed projects on behalf of Gila County. The status of specific Gila County issues/projects that have already been submitted for funds were discussed. Some of the services provided to Gila County by Bose is attending various committee meetings at the House and Senate, meeting with Senators and Representatives, coordinating other meetings on behalf of Gila County, tracking proposed bills through the House and Senate, assisting the County with any paperwork that needs to be submitted, etc. Ms. Power also talked about the timelines to get paperwork to Senators and House

members, and also the need to have that paperwork as specific as possible. She named certain Senators, House members and others that could be instrumental in helping Gila County. Each Board member thanked Ms. Power for the presentation.

At 11:24 a.m. Chairman Dawson recessed the meeting until 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:10 p.m. by Chairman Dawson. Vice-Chairman Martin was not able to participate in the afternoon discussion as she was attending another meeting; however, her assistant, Pam Fisher, attended the meeting via ITV from Vice-Chairman Martin's conference room in Payson.

**Item 9 - Discussion of the strategic planning process to include:**

- **Icebreaker**
- **Mission statement**

Berthan DeNero, Personnel Director, began her presentation with an icebreaker, which was to have each Board member and Steve Besich, County Manager/Clerk, form a square from pieces of paper with various shapes without talking to one another. After the exercise a discussion was held on how participants helped one another, if needed, with non-verbal gestures.

Ms. DeNero presented various handouts and addressed writing a mission statement for Gila County. She reviewed a handout entitled "How to Write a Mission Statement" by Janel M. Radtke, and then a discussion was held on the following 3 questions: What are the opportunities or needs that we exist to address? What are we doing to address these needs? What principles or beliefs guide our work? A review was conducted of an old Gila County mission statement, which was found by Ms. DeNero. She thought it was written in 1999; however, no one believes that a mission statement has ever been adopted for Gila County. Maricopa and Pinal Counties' mission statements were also reviewed. At the end of the discussion, a draft Gila County mission statement was prepared which will be sent to Vice-Chairman Martin for her review and input.

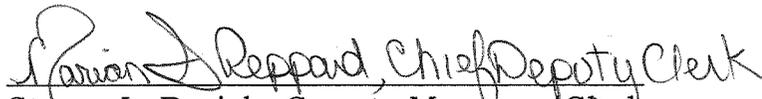
At the conclusion of the meeting it was agreed that all elected officials and their deputies would be invited to attend a work session with the Board of Supervisors and Mr. Besich on the afternoon of May 26, 2009, for an interactive presentation on communication styles called "Success Signals."

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors,  
Chairman Dawson adjourned the meeting at 2:13 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Shirley L. Dawson, Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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Steven L. Besich, County Manager/Clerk