

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

Date: November 1, 2011

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Clerk of the Board

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Vice-Chairman

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Member

Gila County Courthouse
Globe, Arizona

PRESENT: Tommie C. Martin, Chairman (via ITV conferencing); Shirley L. Dawson, Vice-Chairman; Michael A. Pastor, Supervisor; Don McDaniel, Jr., County Manager; John Nelson, Deputy 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 a regular session at 10:00 a.m. this date in the Board of Supervisors hearing room. Nyra Hillery led the Pledge of Allegiance and Reverend Kelly Woolridge of the Payson First Assembly of God Church delivered the invocation.

Item 2 – PRESENTATIONS:

2A. Public recognition of 14 employees for September's and October's "Spotlight on Employees" Program, as follows: Nancy Rutherford, William Swede Carlson, Sarah White, Betty Vanta, Nyra Hillery, Michael Ybarra, Zack Andrade, Tiffany Sanchez, Richard Stockwell, Tim Scott, Jack Mathews, Sine Scott, Johnnie Perez and Anthony Puskaric.

Erica Raymond, Human Resources Assistant, presented gift cards as recognition awards to 14 employees for September's and October's "Spotlight on Employees" Program as follows: Nancy Rutherford, William Swede Carlson, Sarah White, Betty Vanta, Nyra Hillery, Michael Ybarra, Zack Andrade, Tiffany Sanchez, Richard Stockwell, Tim Scott, Jack Mathews, Sine Scott, Johnnie Perez and Anthony Puskaric. Each Board member thanked the employees for their dedicated work.

Item 3 – PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3A. Public Hearing - Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Resolution No. 11-11-01 designating Homestead Avenue and Kachina Trail as Country Dirt Roads and accepting said roads into the Gila County Maintained Roadway System and to authorize the Chairman's signature on the Country Dirt Road easement.

Steve Stratton, Public Works Division Director, stated that in May of this year a citizens' petition was accepted by the Board of Supervisors to begin the process of designating these roads. The Public Works Division then prepared the easements for the signatures of the citizens residing on these 2 roads, which was a lengthy process to acquire all of the signatures. He recommended that the Board accept these 2 roads into the County's Maintained Roadway System. Chairman Martin opened the public hearing for comments from the public. Hope Barnett, a resident of Globe, inquired as to the time when maintenance on Kachina Trail would begin. Mr. Stratton stated that if the Board accepted these roads into the County's Maintained Roadway System, then they would be scheduled for maintenance; however, he could not provide a definite date at this time. Chairman Martin closed the public hearing and entertained a motion. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Dawson, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 11-11-01 designating Homestead Avenue and Kachina Trail as Country Dirt Roads and accepting said roads into the Gila County Maintained Roadway System, and authorized the Chairman's signature on the Country Dirt Road easement. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Item 4 – REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

4A. Information/Discussion/Action to appoint the following employees: Shane Stuler, Kevin Kenney, and Michael O'Driscoll as hearing officers for the Gila County Animal Control Department.

Michael O'Driscoll, Health and Emergency Services Division Director, stated that he has some additional work to do on this particular item and requested that it be pulled from the agenda and he would present it at a later date. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Dawson, the Board unanimously tabled this agenda item until after the first of the year.

4B. Information/Discussion/Action to approve the Order to adopt changes to voting precinct boundaries and regular polling place locations, as set forth in Exhibits A-I, effective upon preclearance by the Department of Justice.

Linda Eastlick, Elections Director, stated that as a result of the County's redistricting process to change the boundaries of the supervisorial districts and

college districts, there are now a number of precinct changes that will be made of which she recommended the Board's approval. A summary of all the changes was provided to the Board, which Ms. Eastlick reviewed with the Board including the old and new revised maps using the new mapping tool.

The summary is as follows:

Pine-Strawberry East and Pine-Strawberry West Precincts – The Pine-Strawberry precinct shall be divided north to south along Highway 87 and the new community college district boundary. That portion of the precinct to the east of the highway shall be designated as the Pine-Strawberry East precinct. That portion of the precinct west of the highway shall be designated as the Pine-Strawberry West precinct. The reason for the change is to accommodate new community college district boundaries. Both precincts shall be co-located for voting purposes and the polling place for both shall remain the First Baptist Church of Pine.

Sierra Ancha and Carrizo Precincts – The Sierra Ancha precinct shall be divided north to south along the White Mountain Apache Reservation, which is the new supervisorial boundary. That portion of the precinct to the west shall be designated as the Sierra Ancha precinct. The Eastern portion of the precinct shall be merged into the Carrizo precinct. The reason for the change is to accommodate new supervisorial boundaries and to include additional reservation lands in reservation precincts. The Sierra Ancha polling place will remain in the Roosevelt Baptist Church. There are only two voting age people in the eastern portion being merged into the Carrizo precinct. Voter access will be greatly improved since their polling place is currently located off the reservation in Roosevelt, 77 miles away. The Carrizo polling place, which remains at the Assembly of God Church, is on the reservation, 13 miles away.

Wheatfields Precinct – A new precinct shall be formed along the boundary of the Miami No. 1 and the Globe No. 1 precincts between Hicks Road on the south, Wheatfields Road and the new community college district boundary on the west, Jesse Lane on the north and the new supervisorial boundary on the east. The new precinct shall be designated as Wheatfields. The reason for the change is to accommodate new supervisorial and community college district boundaries. The polling place for this precinct shall be co-located with the Globe No. 1 polling place at the Globe/Miami Regional Chamber of Commerce. While this polling place is not located within the precinct, voters will be going to the same polling place as they did previously. There is no appropriate polling place inside the precinct boundaries.

Upon inquiry by Chairman Martin, Ms. Eastlick explained that co-location means there will be more than one precinct at the same polling place.

Pinal Creek and Claypool No. 2 Precincts – A new precinct shall be formed along the boundary of the Miami No. 1 and Globe No. 1 precincts and from the northern portion of the Claypool No. 2 precinct, between Bixby Road, Pinal Creek Road and the new supervisorial boundary on the east, Highway 188 and the new community college boundary on the west and the new community college boundary on the south. The new precinct shall be designated as Pinal Creek. The southern portion of the Claypool No. 2 precinct shall be designated

as the Claypool No. 1 precinct. The reason for the new precinct is to accommodate new supervisorial and community college district boundaries. The Pinal Creek polling place shall be co-located with Claypool No. 2 polling place at St. Paul's Lutheran Church as there is no appropriate location in the Pinal Creek precinct. By co-locating the polling place, those voters moving from Claypool No. 2 to the new Pinal Creek precinct will be going to the same polling place as they did previously. For those voters moved from the Globe No. 1 precinct to the Pinal Creek precinct, St. Paul's Lutheran Church is 2.0 miles closer than the previous polling place, which was the Globe-Miami Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Miami No. 1 and Miami No. 3 Precincts – The Miami No. 1 precinct shall be divided east to west beginning just south of Los Arcos Flore Street to the east and following the new college district boundary west to the Gila and Pinal County line. The northern portion shall be designated as the Miami No. 1 precinct. The southern portion shall be merged into the Miami No. 3 precinct. Additionally, the boundary between Miami No. 1 and Miami No. 3 beginning at Canyon Avenue on the west to approximately Latham Boulevard on the east shall be changed to follow the new community college district boundary. The reason for the change is to accommodate new community college district boundaries. The polling place for Miami No. 1 remains at the First Southern Baptist Church. The polling place for Miami No. 3 remains at the Miami Town Hall. The Miami No. 1 polling place is 0.4 miles from the Miami No. 3 polling place.

Claypool No. 3 Precinct – The current polling place for the Claypool No. 3 precinct located at the National Guard Armory/Regional Skill Center shall be eliminated. The new polling place shall be the First Baptist Church, which is located within the Claypool No. 3 precinct. Voting has been conducted at this facility in the past with good success. The reason for the change is the deteriorating physical condition of the Armory building and difficulties moving large equipment located in the polling place in order to conduct voting. The new voting location is 0.5 miles from the old voting location and thus voters will not be significantly impacted.

Globe No. 1 and No. 2 Precincts – The northern and northeastern portions of the Globe No. 2 precinct shall be merged into the Globe No. 1 precinct. The new boundary line between the Globe No. 1 and Globe No. 2 precincts shall begin at US 60 and Broad Street on the west and follow the college district boundary eastward to Third Street. The southwest portion of the Globe No. 2 precinct shall be designated as the Globe No. 2 precinct. The reason for the change is to accommodate new community college district boundaries. Voters impacted by the move into Globe No. 1 precinct will now vote at the Globe-Miami Chamber of Commerce, which is 1.0 mile from the previous polling place at the Lutheran Church. The Globe No. 2 polling place at St. Peter's Lutheran Church shall be eliminated and the Globe No. 2 polling place shall be co-located with the Globe No. 3 polling place at St. John's Episcopal Church. The St. Peter's Lutheran Church shall be eliminated as a polling place due to space constraints, inadequate ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliance, and

declining demographics. The new voting location is .04 miles from the old voting location and thus voters will not be significantly impacted.

Globe No. 3 and East Globe Precincts – The northeastern portion of the Globe No. 3 precinct along the community college boundary at Third Street to the eastern boundary of the precinct shall be merged into the East Globe precinct. The southern portion of the Globe No. 3 precinct shall be designated as the Globe No. 3 precinct. The reason for the change is to accommodate new supervisorial and community college district boundaries. The Globe No. 3 polling place at St. Paul's Methodist Church shall be eliminated and the Globe No. 3 polling place shall be co-located with Globe No. 2 polling place at St. John's Episcopal Church. The reason for the polling place change is to eliminate the use of an ADA noncompliant polling location. The Episcopal Church, which is located in the Globe No. 3 precinct, has appropriate disabled voter access and is located across the street from the previous polling place. Voters will not be impacted by this move. The East Globe polling place shall remain at the Church of the Nazarene. For voters affected by the Globe No. 3 boundary change, the Church of the Nazarene is located 2.3 miles from the previous polling place at St. Paul's Methodist Church.

Globe No. 4 and Globe No. 5 Precincts – The northeastern portion of the Globe No. 4 precinct along the community college boundary at Sixth Street (Josephine) shall be consolidated with the East Globe precinct. The remainder of the Globe No. 4 precinct and the entire precinct shall be consolidated. The new precinct shall be designated as Globe No. 4. The reason for the change is to accommodate new community college district boundaries. The reason for the merging of the remainder of Globe No. 4 and Globe No. 5 is declining demographics. The East Globe polling place shall remain at the Church of the Nazarene. For voters affected by the Globe No. 4 boundary changes, the Church of the Nazarene is located 1.4 miles from the previous polling place at the Gila County Courthouse. The polling place for the merged precinct Globe No. 4 shall be at the Elks Lodge. The Globe No. 4 polling place at the Gila County Courthouse shall be eliminated due to logistical challenges. The Courthouse must be used immediately following the closing of the polls for public access to election results. This has caused the poll workers at the Courthouse, not to mention the public who is waiting, a great deal of consternation as poll workers try to get the polling place shut down in order for the public to enter. The Elks Lodge is not located in the Globe No. 4 precinct; however, it is the most suitable place available and is only 0.5 miles from the center of the precinct. The Courthouse was not located in the Globe No. 4 precinct and was approximately 0.7 miles from the center of the merged precinct.

Globe No. 6 Precinct – The current polling place for the Globe No. 6 precinct shall be moved from the Maranatha Baptist Church and co-located with the Globe No. 4 polling place at the Globe Elks. The reason for this change is to eliminate the use of an ADA noncompliant polling location. The Elks Lodge building has appropriate disabled voter access and is located 2.2 miles from

the previous polling place. Voters will not be seriously impacted by the move as both facilities are just off the same major highway.

Hayden, Winkelman, Christmas Precincts Combined Into Copper Basing Precinct – The boundaries between the Hayden, Winkelman and Christmas precincts shall be dissolved and the entire area shall become a new precinct. The new precinct shall be designated as the Copper Basin precinct. The voting place for the new Copper Basin precinct shall be the Hayden High School. The Hayden, Winkelman and Christmas precincts shall be combined. The reason for the change is declining population, increased permanent early voting and difficulties in recruiting poll workers in these areas. The new precinct shall be called the Copper Basin precinct. The new polling place shall be located at the Hayden High School. This new polling place is 1.9 miles from the Hayden Town Hall polling place, 0.3 miles from the Winkelman Town Hall polling place and 9.0 miles from the Christmas polling place. Hayden and Winkelman voters will not be significantly impacted by the change in the polling place. It is recognized that the Christmas voters will have to drive ten miles further to the new polling place, but they must drive to their current polling place as this is a rural area and it has become extremely difficult to get poll workers to continue to man the previous Christmas polling place in Dripping Springs.

San Carlos and Christmas Precincts – The southeastern boundary between the Christmas and the San Carlos precincts shall be moved to the west to follow the reservation and new community college district boundaries. The reason for the change is to accommodate new college district boundaries and to include additional reservation lands in reservation precincts. There is zero population contained in the area being merged into the San Carlos precinct and, therefore, no voters are affected.

Board members had some questions for clarification about various precincts and polling places, which Ms. Eastlick reviewed with them. Vice-Chairman Dawson stated that during the redistricting 10 years ago, “A lot of updating didn’t take place and the public was not aware of the changes that were being made. These are significant changes and we need constant public information going out and there needs to be some kind of checks and balances on this so that come petition time and election time people aren’t signing petitions in the wrong precincts, the wrong supervisor district, the wrong college district. On those races it becomes a really significant difference and can cause heartache and anguish and difficulties.” Vice-Chairman Dawson recommended that the Recorder’s Office get ready for these precinct changes. She will also be encouraging precinct committeemen to become familiar with the new boundaries for their precincts. Ms. Eastlick stated that the Elections Department has already begun working with the Recorder’s Office and their staff will now have access to the new mapping tool. She stated that one of the problems in the past was simply the lack of maps with detailed views so this new mapping tool will help tremendously. She also stated that Tom Homan, GIS Systems Analyst Sr. for the Public Works Division, is trying to coordinate all data so that all departments involved will be accessing the same database. The Recorder’s Office is already beginning to plan these moves out so that they

can get their records updated; however, the boundaries will not have to be in place for the February election, which is the Presidential Preference Election, so they have some time to complete all the changes. Supervisor Pastor stated that none of these changes will become permanent until they have been cleared by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and inquired how long that process will take. Ms. Eastlick replied that he was correct and if everything goes right, before Thanksgiving there will be 4 submissions sent to the DOJ. The submission of the supervisorial districts is almost complete, which will be followed by the college district submission, the precinct boundary changes and lastly a submission for the Presidential Preference Election advising of the County's consolidation plan. Once the submissions are sent, the DOJ will have 60 days to report back to the County and, in the meantime, there will be the finishing up of the implementation of the changes in the Recorder's Office. Chairman Martin stated she would like to see the County more proactive than it was 10 years ago and as soon as the detailed maps are available, that the Board be advised of same and that a notice be issued to the public. She also inquired of Ms. Eastlick as to the time the petitions would be available for next year's elections. Ms. Eastlick replied that petitions will be available in January assuming that it is known what the state is doing and that nothing that the state is doing will impact the County. There is a possibility that the boundaries that the state draws could impact either the County's supervisorial or college districts or the precinct boundaries. She did not believe that would be the case right now as it appears that the state is following the reservation lines until getting into the Salt River Canyon and the Roosevelt area, but it is unknown what the state will end up doing and there is a lot of ongoing discussion right now. She stated that the state's plan could drag on, but as long as the County has approval, the Elections Department can go ahead and work within the boundaries that it has and the packets will be available for candidates probably by mid-January. Chairman Martin stated, "I would think that part of the packet needs to be the maps that we are talking about here or access to the maps. I know it's more work, but I think we need in that regard to be more proactive in handing them the information they absolutely need when they walk out of there with a packet as to where the boundaries are, ease to get back to us and at the same time it needs to go out to the precinct committee people as quick as we can get it. We need some maximum public relations on this. We need to have that information out to as many people as possible absolutely as quick as possible... The Recorder's office will have enough on their hands without also expecting them to do the information outreach that I think needs to happen here." Ms. Eastlick replied, "I think it needs to come under the auspices of the Board and we need to put together a publicity campaign." Ms. Eastlick stated that in terms of the website itself she was not sure that the Public Works Division Engineering Department was going to be equipped to launch this into the public preview right away and inquired about this to Mr. Stratton. Mr. Stratton stated that this is an ongoing project. The legal descriptions of the boundaries have to be reviewed and the new boundary changes of the supervisorial and college districts have to be incorporated and

then Tom Homan, GIS Systems Analyst Sr., will plot the boundaries on an aerial mapping photo. Mr. Stratton stated, "I want to make it very clear that right now this is only an in-house tool and there's problems with things we have to work on and it's not ready to go live with the public. This is the very first time anybody has used it other than ourselves inside our department so we want to be very cautious. My instructions to Tom (Homan) and that department have been that I don't want it out to the public until all the bugs are out because I don't want any problems out there. We can work with Linda (Eastlick) and the Recorder's Office in a one-on-one situation, but I really want everybody to understand that this is an ongoing project. We're still working on the land parcel database which is integral to this in layering and making sure the lines are exactly where they need to be. So I want to caution everybody that it's not ready to go live yet." Chairman Martin inquired when Mr. Stratton thought it would be completed. Mr. Stratton replied that it's going to be 6 months to a year before it is done because the County still has its surveying crew out in the field tying points and they have a lot of work to do out there and then that field information has to be put into the database. He reiterated that in order to have very good accuracy of the whole County, it's going to be quite a while. He stated that in certain areas of the County the work is complete, but not the whole County at this time. Chairman Martin inquired, "Is there something that could be done between what we don't have anything of and where we have everything in the next couple of months; just some hard maps that could be used for boundary lines without having to do interactive work; just some good hard maps in January that folks picking up their petitions can count on those maps?" Mr. Stratton replied, "We work on it every day. With a legal description, we can absolutely plot those and feel good about it and we can work with Linda (Eastlick) to get those, but as far as this layering as you're seeing today, that's an ongoing process." Supervisor Dawson stated, "The experience was not a pleasant one 10 years ago and when you have candidates in races with contested elections, which we will have, these maps, when they pick up their petitions, the maps need to be ready to hand to them...We've taken a big step forward and I appreciate that we don't want to put out anything that isn't accurate, but as the mapping people get what the DOJ approves, that has to be available for those candidates so that they know for certain what district boundaries are and likewise the political parties have to know where they can register people for these contested elections. I think the thing that we didn't realize 10 years ago was the fact that when a candidate goes gathering petitions in an area that isn't in their district, lawsuits can result and that instead of it costing Gila County, it ends up costing the innocent candidate who was following just what we thought was the right thing to be doing. I just see a real urgency to get this and if we're going to follow the law and have petitions available, then we need to follow the law and have these accurate maps available and then if there is a lawsuit, it's us that defends, not the candidates." Mr. Stratton stated, "The Engineering Department will work closely with the Elections Department, specifically in those areas where things have changed and one side of the road is one precinct or district and the other

side is another and provide whatever we can in assistance to them.” Supervisor Pastor stated that it’s going to be a little difficult with the Globe area because of the splitting of precincts down the middle, but the landmarks are pretty distinct and the changes made in the Payson No. 2 precinct into District 3 is also pretty distinct. However, Supervisor Pastor felt that most of the candidates running for positions in those areas would be aware of most of those landmarks so he didn’t believe it would be too difficult, but the more information available, the better it would be. Chairman Martin then inquired of Darryl Griffin, Internet Technology Director, that as the County launches its new website, if it would be possible to have all of this information and plans available to the public within the next 90 days. Mr. Griffin stated that it would be available and much easier to find. Chairman Martin thanked Ms. Eastlick for her presentation and all of the work she and her staff have completed. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Dawson, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously approved the Order to adopt changes to voting precinct boundaries and regular polling place locations, as set forth in Exhibits A-I, effective upon preclearance by the Department of Justice.

4C. Information/Discussion/Action to implement Phase II (a) of the Gila County Courthouse Security Plan at a cost not to exceed \$85,000 and to return to the Board of Supervisors in February 2012, for further review and possible approval of Phase II (b) and Phase III.

Berthan DeNero, Human Resources Director, provided an update on Courthouse security both in Globe and Payson, which included working on operational, procedural and training issues; the ongoing process of issuing new employee badges, which is 90% complete in Globe; and scheduling a workplace violence class. In Globe work has been ongoing with panic bars in the stairwells and jury selection is now being held in the Board of Supervisors Hearing room with potential jurors being wanded. An additional team has been formed with Joe Heatherly, Finance Director, in charge which will work on security procedures for cash handling. She requested that the Board approve this item so Phase II (a) can be implemented, which will include big-dollar items such as the installation of key card access, and work on the doors and the elevators so that they can be closed or shut down if needed. Supervisor Pastor related an incident where a potential juror left the Board Hearing room and was wandering around in the Board of Supervisors’ office area and he requested that some type of process be implemented to keep that from happening again. Ms. DeNero stated that she would address that issue and notify the Clerk of the Court of same. Supervisor Pastor also inquired when it would be a requirement that all employees wear the new badges. Ms. DeNero stated that as part of the update of the Gila County Merit System Rules & Policies, once it is adopted by the Board, then it will become a requirement; right now it is highly requested. Chairman Martin inquired whether Ms. DeNero has received any feedback from the public or employees on the security changes that have already been implemented. Ms. DeNero stated that she has

not received any comments. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Dawson, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously approved the implementation of Phase II (a) of the Gila County Courthouse Security Plan at a cost not to exceed \$85,000 and to return to the Board of Supervisors in February 2012, for further review and possible approval of Phase II (b) and Phase III.

4D. Information/Discussion/Action to authorize the Chairman's signature on the amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Globe and Gila County pertaining to the Broad Street Phase II Project.

Mr. Stratton advised that for the past 10 years the County and the City of Globe have discussed this project. All of the details of the project have been worked out with the City of Globe with regard to funding and the responsibility of each entity for each particular item in the project. Vice-Chairman Dawson inquired whether sidewalks are included in this phase of the project. Mr. Stratton replied that on the majority of the project there will be sidewalks; however, the County still lacks 2 particular easements of which his department is working on obtaining those easements. If those 2 property owners grant an easement, then the sidewalk will be for the whole distance and if they do not, the sidewalk will skip those 2 properties. He stated that the volume of traffic on that road dictates that something must be done, not only with regard to the vehicular traffic, but also the pedestrian traffic. This project will eliminate the "Y" intersection at the Walliman Road-Skyline intersection and it will become a "T" intersection, which is much safer. The project will begin at the location where Phase 1 ended all the way to the underpass of the railroad, which is the reason the County widened the railroad underpass a couple of years ago. Chairman Martin inquired whether there are any plans to extend this project at some future time. Mr. Stratton advised that there has been discussion about a Phase III, which would tie Six Shooter Canyon into Walliman Road with another creek crossing on Upper Pinal. A study was conducted about 4-6 years ago extending it on out to Highway 77; however, at this time, it is his opinion that the County needs to work with the Arizona Department of Transportation because the new proposed routes on the new highway could be in conflict with the extension to Highway 77. Chairman Martin stated that she likes the Phase III part because it would give an additional exit out of that area in the event of a potential forest fire. Mr. Stratton stated that a potential forest fire and also flooding were being reviewed. Chairman Martin encouraged him to continue working on Phase III. Mr. Stratton stated that work is continuing at the current time; however, because of the limitation of funds and grants through Central Arizona Association of Governments, it is going to slow down the process. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Dawson, the Board unanimously authorized the Chairman's signature on the amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Globe and Gila County pertaining to the Broad Street Phase II Project.

4E. Information/Discussion/Action to authorize the Chairman's signature on Termination and Release of Lease for the real property location at 4053 East Highway 60, Claypool, AZ between Freeport-McMoRan Miami, Inc. and Gila County effective July 1, 2011.

Mr. Stratton stated that the effective date for the termination of this lease was July 1, 2011; however, the County was asked to remain on the books a little bit longer until the Gila County Community College District had in place a good lease with Freeport, which they now have. This property is better known as the "Old Armory" and it was occupied by the County's Facilities Department. This was presented to the Board in 2009 at which time the County was looking at obtaining bond funds. One of the proposed uses of the bond funds was to relocate the Facilities Department to a County-owned building rather than remaining at the Armory building. The Facilities Department has since relocated to a County-owned facility, so the lease can now be terminated. Mr. Stratton stated that this termination is agreeable to Freeport McMoRan and he recommended approval by the Board. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Dawson, seconded by Supervisor Pastor, the Board unanimously authorized the Chairman's signature on the Termination and Release of Lease for the real property location at 4053 East Highway 60, Claypool, AZ between Freeport-McMoRan Miami, Inc. and Gila County effective July 1, 2011.

4F. Information/Discussion/Action to adopt the County Supervisors Association 2011 Legislative Summit Report and authorize the County Manager and Deputy County Manager to support or oppose any legislation which furthers those goals and priorities or is in the best interests of Gila County.

Don McDaniel, County Manager, stated that each Board member has had the opportunity to review the various pieces of legislation that CSA (County Supervisors Association) has brought forward and the supervisors voted on those at the Legislative Summit in October. This agenda item will provide an opportunity for the Board to vote on and support the legislation. As the opportunity arises and the proposed legislation moves forward, each Board member may individually support these pieces of legislation knowing that the full Board has approved them. Approval will also give authorization to the County Manager and Deputy County Manager to speak on behalf of the Board with regard to these pieces of legislation. Vice-Chairman Dawson noted that there were also 3 other statements included in the legislative packet. Supervisor Pastor stated that those 3 were considered the CSA policy priorities and included the prisoner shifts, the mandated county contributions and HURF (Highway User Revenue Funds) funding shifts along with the 14-15 legislative proposals that the Board was reviewing today. Mr. McDaniel stated that there were 11 proposals that CSA supported and 4 that the County was going to jointly support with other agencies. He reviewed the 3 top priorities that are not specifically legislative matters. One priority is to repeal the adult

prisoner shift that was passed last year and will go into effect July of next year; the second was to eliminate the freeze or freeze-mandated county contributions that Gila County has so far been able to escape; and the third was to also eliminate or freeze the shifts from HURF to the Department of Public Safety and the Motor Vehicle Division. Vice-Chairman Dawson stated that she wanted to make sure that publicity goes out locally and especially emphasizes the repeal of the prisoners shift. Mr. McDaniel stated that the County has just issued a press release of a summary of the Legislative Summit and what topics the County values that will go to all of the media in Gila County. Depending on the newspaper print dates, it should be coming out in the next week or so. Mr. McDaniel also encouraged personal contacts with the legislators. Upon motion by Supervisor Pastor, seconded by Vice-Chairman Dawson, the Board unanimously adopted the County Supervisors Association 2011 Legislative Summit Report and authorized the County Manager and Deputy County Manager to support or oppose any legislation which furthers those goals and priorities or is in the best interests of Gila County.

Item 5 – CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:

5A. Approval of Amendment No. 5 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. DE111006001) between the Arizona Department of Economic Security and Gila County Board of Supervisors to add subsection 34.2 to Section 34.0 - Audit, and add subsection 35.2 to Section 35.0 - Applicable Law.

5B. Approval to accept the reappointment of Cindy Fletcher, representing the private sector, to the Gila/Pinal Workforce Investment Board for an additional four-year term retroactive from July 27, 2011, to July 26, 2015.

5C. Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement for Election Services between Gila County Department of Elections and the Town of Payson to provide voting equipment for their mayor and council election on March 13, 2012, and run-off election on May 15, 2012, (if needed).

5D. Acknowledgment of the resignation of Mr. Harry Jones from the Whispering Pines Fire District Governing Board and the appointment of Mr. Chris Oberg to complete the term of Mr. Jones, which expires November 30, 2014.

5E. Acknowledgment of the resignation of Ms. Brenda Straw from the Tonto Basin Fire District Governing Board and the appointment of Ms. Kathryn Ann Dorsett to complete the term of Ms. Straw, which expires November 30, 2012.

5F. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to a U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Special Use Authorization to allow the Forest Service to dump at the Buckhead Mesa Landfill and the Forest Service will be extended a fee credit at the landfill in the amount of the annual landfill bill through December 31, 2012.

5G. Approval of the September 2011 Monthly Office Activity Report submitted by The Payson Regional Constable's Office.

5H. Approval of the September, 2011 monthly departmental activity report submitted by the Globe Regional Justice Court.

5I. Approval of the September 2011 monthly departmental activity report submitted by Clerk of the Superior Court.

5J. Approval of the March 1, 2011, March 3, 2011, March 15, 2011, April 12, 2011, April 19, 2011, and June 7, 2011, BOS meeting minutes.

5K. Acknowledgement of the Human Resources weekly reports for all personnel action items approved by the County Manager for the month of October 2011, as follows: October 3, 2011, October 11, 2011, October 18, 2011, and October 25, 2011.

October 3, 2011

Temporary Hires to County Service:

1. Paul R. Larkin – Globe Regional Justice Court – Temporary Pro-Tem – 09/20/11 – General Fund

End Probationary Period:

2. Joseph Williams – Assessor – Appraiser – 10/11/11 – General Fund

Position Review:

3. Robert Whittle – Public Works – Solid Waste Operations Worker – 09/26/11 – Probationary Period extended to October 24, 2011

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Departures from County Service:

4. Kevin M. Fane – Sheriff's Office – Detention Officer – 09/28/11 – General Fund – DOH 11/13/06 – Resignation
5. Carl Melford – Sheriff's Office – Detention Officer – 09/29/11 – General Fund – DOH 02/09/09 – Resignation

Week of October 11, 2011

Departures from County Service:

1. Pablo Lopez – Probation – Deputy Probation Officer Supervisor – 09/30/11 – Various Funds – DOH 08/25/83 – Retirement

Request Permission to Post:

2. Community Services – Administrative Clerk (Temporary) – Vacated by Dawn VanPraag – Date Vacated 09/23/11

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Hires to County Service:

3. Kevin Paul Roberts – Sheriff's Office – Detention Officer – 10/13/11 – General Fund – Replacing Rion Ramirez

Departmental Transfers:

4. Keith Johnson – Sheriff's Office – From Detention Officer – To Detention Officer Sergeant – 10/10/11 – General Fund
5. David Christopher Kell – Sheriff's Office – From Detention Officer – To Detention Officer Sergeant – 10/10/11 – General Fund

Week of October 18, 2011

Departures from County Service:

1. Mark Clark – Animal Control – Hearing Officer (Contractor) – 09/03/11 – Rabies Control Fund – DOH 03/21/01 – Resigned
2. Roxanna Dennhardt – Community Services – Administrative Clerk – 10/07/11 – Multiple Funds – DOH 03/05/07 – Lack of funding
3. Carolyn Haro – Community Services – Manager Community Services – 10/07/11 – Multiple Funds – DOH 10/01/96 – Lack of funding
4. Kimberly Salcido – Probation – Juvenile Detention Officer - 10/03/11 – General Fund – DOH 02/02/09 - Job abandonment

Hires to County Service:

5. Alfonso Alvarez – Recorder – Recorder's Clerk – 10/24/11 – General Fund – Replacing Cheryl Hale
6. Tayari Coatie-Flemming – Probation – Juvenile Detention Officer – 10/24/11 – General Fund – Replacing Kimberly Salcido
7. Elacio Martinez – Probation – Juvenile Detention Officer – 10/24/11 – General Fund – Replacing Michael Collett
8. Colleen Valencia – Clerk of Superior Court – Court Clerk – 10/20/11 – Drug Enforcement Fund – Replacing Jolene Myers

Departmental Transfers:

9. Charlotte Williams – Recorder – From Recorder's Clerk – To Senior Recorder's Clerk – 09/26/11 – General Fund

Request Permission to Post:

10. Health and Emergency Services – Community Health Assistant – Vacated by Charlene Becker – Waiver of 120 Day Hiring Freeze approved on 10/05/11
11. Finance – Accounting Senior – Vacated by Jeremy Thurman – Waiver of 120 Day Hiring Freeze Approved on 10/04/11

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Departmental Transfers:

12. Sharisse Dee – Sheriff's Office – From 911 Dispatcher – To Detention Officer – 10/06/11 - General Fund – Replacing Carl Melford

Position Review:

13. Lisa Dzera – Sheriff's Office – From Part Time Administration Clerk – To Full Time Administration Clerk – 10/10/11 – General Fund

Week of October 25, 2011

Departures from County Service:

1. Gail Widner – Clerk of the Superior Court – Court Administrative Assistant – 10/12/11 – General Fund – DOH 11/14/94 – Resignation
2. Pascal Brown – County Attorney’s Office – Deputy County Attorney Senior – 11/04/11 – General Fund – DOH 06/23/06 – Resignation
3. Cory Riley – Public Works – Temporary Solid Waste Operations Worker – 09/24/11 – Solid Waste Fund – DOH 08/17/11 – Temporary position, services no longer required
4. Brenda Christine Kell – Health and Emergency Services – Administrative Clerk Sr. – 10/10/11 – Immunization Fund – DOH 08/20/07 – Unsuccessful completion of probationary period
5. Marilyn Cruz – Public Works – Custodian – 10/07/11 – Facilities Management Fund – DOH 11/30/92 - Retirement

Temporary Hire to County Service:

6. Stephanie Chaidez – Public Fiduciary – Administrative Clerk – 10/20/11 – General Fund

Departmental Transfers:

7. Larry Dooly – Public Works – From Building Maintenance Technician – To Building Maintenance Technician Senior – 11/7/11 – Facilities Management Fund

End Probationary Period:

8. Kevin Kenney – Health and Emergency Services – Rural Addressing Analyst – 10/11/11 – General Fund
9. Charles Turney – Health and Emergency Services – Community Health Assistant Sr. – 10/11/11 – Community Health Grant Fund

SHERIFF’S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

10. Richard Corso – Sheriff’s Office – Deputy Sheriff – 10/11/11 – General Fund – DOH 02/18/08 – Termination

5L. Approval of finance reports/demands/transfers for the weeks of October 25, 2011, and November 1, 2011.

October 25, 2011

\$1,247,151.11 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 240813 through 241079.

November 1, 2011

\$1,726,856.83 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 241080 through 241271. **(An itemized list of disbursements is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors’ Office.)**

5M. Acknowledgment of contracts under \$50,000 which have been approved by the County Manager for weeks ending October 14, 2011, and October 21, 2011.

Copies of the contract reports are permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.

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

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.

Jesse Bryant, a resident of Globe, provided an update to the Board on the state redistricting for the congressional and the legislative districts of Arizona. He again invited the support of Gila County to join with other entities which have passed resolutions in support of the proposals he had previously presented to the Board.

Item 7 - At any time during this meeting pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(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 presented information on current events.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Martin adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

APPROVED:



Tommie C. Martin, Chairman

ATTEST:



Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk