

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE
COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2011 @ 1:30 P.M.
IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
LOCATED AT 1415 MELODY LANE, BUILDING G, BISBEE ARIZONA**

Chairman Call called the Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 4:00 p.m. All three supervisors were present: Pat Call, Chairman; Ann English, Vice-Chairman; Richard Searle, Supervisor. Also attending were Mike Ortega, County Administrator; Jim Vlahovich, Deputy County Administrator; Britt Hanson, Chief Deputy County Attorney and Katie Howard, Clerk of the Board.

Chairman Call called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m. with Vice-Chairman English joining the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

PRESENTATION

Presentation by Stefanie Smallhouse, Executive Director of the Arizona Natural Resource Conservation Districts Association, regarding Cochise County exercising Coordination with Federal Agencies. Ms. Smallhouse stated that the Natural Resource Conservation Districts Association would like to include local entities in decisions about public land.

Supervisor Searle wanted to ensure that public land is part of the County's plan and with the Board's support he directed Mr. Ortega to schedule a meeting with Fish and Wildlife to start coordinating between all agencies.

CONSENT

County Sheriff

1. Adopt Resolution 11-06 authorizing the Sheriff's Office to submit proposals to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for consideration in Arizona's 2011/2012 Highway Safety Plan and appointing Sheriff Larry Dever, or his designee, as Cochise County's appointed agent to conduct negotiations, and to execute and submit all documents in connection with such grants.

Facilities

2. Approve a Supplemental Agreement 001 to FAA Lease No. DTFA08-03-L-22502 for construction of a new platform for the Remote Communication Outlet (RCO) antennas at the Bisbee/Douglas International Airport (BDI).

Supervisor Searle made a motion to approve items 1 and 2 of the Consent Agenda. Chairman Call seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ACTION

Board of Supervisors

3. Adopt Resolution 11-07 making it clear that coordination will now be sought as to the planning process and management action implementation by Federal and State agencies administering lands and/or resources and/or conducting activities within Cochise County.

Supervisor Searle moved to adopt Resolution 11-07 making it clear that coordination will now be sought as to the planning process and management action implementation by Federal and State agencies administering lands and/or resources and/or conducting activities within Cochise County. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Ortega stated that the agencies involved wanted to include local entities in their decision making and Cochise County was happy to be included.

4. Authorize the County Administrator to submit a request for public records to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) under the Federal Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) regarding the establishment of policies relating to water use on BLM owned/controlled land within Cochise County.

Supervisor Searle moved to authorize the County Administrator to submit a request for public records to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) under the Federal Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) regarding the establishment of policies relating to water use on BLM owned/controlled land within Cochise County. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Ortega stated that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) had changed their water policy in order to coordinate with the County.

Chairman Call said that he was pleased with BLM's interest to include local entities and that he wanted to ensure they knew Cochise County was an active participant.

Cochise Aging & Social Services

5. Approve Resolution 11-08 to approve the policy/procedure for the establishment of a County Merit Award System Board and establishment of such Board.

Supervisor Searle moved to approve Resolution 11-08 to approve the policy/procedure for the establishment of a County Merit Award System Board and establishment of such Board. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Ortega stated that this new Board was important in order to give employees proper compensation for their hard work.

Vice-Chairman English stated that she would like to look at salary bases and make sure good employees were compensated.

Fleet & Heavy Fleet

6. Approve the establishment of a Merit Award policy and procedure for Fleet and Heavy Fleet Departments.

Vice-Chairman English moved to approve the establishment of a Merit Award policy and procedure for Fleet and Heavy Fleet Departments. Supervisor Searle seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

STATE & FEDERAL LEGISLATION

Discussion and possible action regarding state and federal legislative matters, including but not limited to the items in the attached agenda.

County Supervisors Association Legislative Policy Committee Agenda for February 17, 2011 (*see attached*)

The Board was not in favor of SB1411.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Call adjourned the meeting at 2:56 p.m.

APPROVED: _____

Patrick G. Call, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

Katie A. Howard, Clerk of the Board