

**COCHISE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 7, 2013**

A meeting of the Cochise County Flood Control Board was held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona. In attendance were, Ann English, Chairman; Richard Searle, Director (telephonic); Pat Call, Director; Mike Ortega, County Administrator; Jim Vlahovich, Deputy County Administrator; Britt Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney; and Arlethe Rios, Assistant to the Clerk of the Board.

THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING

ROLL CALL – All three directors were present.

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

CONSENT

Board of Supervisors

ITEM 1

Approve Minutes of the February 26, 2013 Flood Control District meetings.

ITEM 2

Approve expanded scope of work for Candace Lamoree, Hearing Officer for Zoning Violations, to include Hearing Officer for Floodplain Violations.

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

ACTION

Community Development

ITEM 3

Approve a grant of \$50,000 from The Nature Conservancy (TNC) to help fund a feasibility study for groundwater recharge at Riverstone and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) setting forth the parties' responsibilities.

Removed from Agenda per Chairman English's request.

ITEM 4

Approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract PSA 13-27-HFP-04 with West Consultants to process the Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) document to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to update the floodplain hazard in Fry Townsite in Sierra Vista.

This item was presented by Ms. Karen Riggs, Interim Community Development Director. Ms. Riggs explained that the original contract was not seen by the Board because it was a low cost and the contractor did not know the full scope of the project and this is the reason for the amendment, to cover the full amount of the mapping.

Director Searle asked if new areas would be added to the flood zone.

Ms. Riggs stated that new areas would be added to the flood zone and clarified that those areas should have always been in the flood zone. She said that approving this amendment would get current and new owners under the right flood zone designation.

Director Call made a motion to approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract PSA 13-27-HFP-04 with West Consultants to process the Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) document to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to update the floodplain hazard in Fry Townsite in Sierra Vista. Director Searle seconded the motion.

Chairman English called for the vote, approved 3-0.

ITEM 5

Approve funding for one of two options: Option 1) Install three ALERT stations and yearly system maintenance for collecting rainfall data for the total amount of \$34,347 (tasks 1 & 2 in contract), OR Option 2) Install three ALERT stations and yearly system maintenance for collecting rainfall data (tasks 1 & 2 in contract), and adding 8 Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) rain gauge system maintenance (task 3 in contract) of which 4 were installed in the Horseshoe II and Monument Fire areas, for the total amount of \$43,504.

This item was presented by Ms. Karen Riggs, Interim Community Development Director. Ms. Riggs explained the background of the study and said that she was present to approve options to the program as requested by the Flood Control Board. She gave the details of the two options and the list of the places countywide where they would be located.

Director Call asked if we owned or just maintained the gauges.

Ms. Riggs said that we did not own the gauges and ADWR was responsible for maintaining the gauges.

Director Call asked if there was a possibility of ADWR transferring ownership of the gauges to the County.

Ms. Riggs stated that she would work with ADWR to come to an agreement to own the gauges and felt confident that staff could also maintain the gauges. She also clarified the details of the two options, noted the sole cost for maintenance was not an option at this time, and that this option would only be in place for a year.

Director Call made a motion to approve funding for Option 2) Install three ALERT stations and yearly system maintenance for collecting rainfall data (tasks 1 & 2 in contract), and adding 8 Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) rain gauge system maintenance (task 3 in contract) of which 4 were installed in the Horseshoe II and Monument Fire areas, for the total amount of \$43,504. Director Searle seconded the motion.

Chairman English called for the vote, approved 3-0.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC (MATTERS RELATED TO COUNTY GOVERNMENT - LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER PERSON OR AT THE DIRECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN)

Chairman English opened the Call to the Public.

Mr. Mike Jackson addressed the Board on matters regarding the advisory board hearing officer, the building code, and other planning and zoning concerns.

No one else wished to address the Board and Chairman English closed the Call to the Public.

There being no other business before the Flood Control District Board, Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

(SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION IS AVAILABLE AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' OFFICE)