

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, December 16, 2014**

A regular board meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Patrick G. Call, Chairman; Ann English, Vice-Chairman; Richard R. Searle, Member
Staff Michael J. Ortega, County Administrator; Jim Vlahovich, Deputy County Administrator;
Present: Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board; Elda Orduno, Civil Deputy County Attorney

Chairman Call called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

CONSENT

Chairman Call noted that Item 8 would be removed from the consent agenda.

Board of Supervisors

1. Approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of December 2, 2014.
2. Approve a letter from the Board of Supervisors to the Rillito Race Foundation allowing the Cochise County Fair Association to enter into a contract with the Rillito Race Foundation for Horse Races on February 7, 8, 14, and 15, 2015 and not yet determined dates in 2016 and 2017.
3. Approve the Annual Joint Funding Agreement (JFA No. 2) with United States Geological Survey (USGS) in the amount of \$58,700 for the period of October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015 to conduct hydrologic investigations and data collection.

Facilities

4. Approve the Airport Development Reimbursable Grant Agreement #E5F2H from the Arizona Dept of Transportation Aeronautics Group (ADOT) in the amount of \$4,231 with a local match share of \$4,233 for the acquisition of a pavement sweeper for the Bisbee-Douglas International Airport.

Finance

5. Approve demands and budget amendments for operating transfers.

Warrants Nos.85299-85321, 85326-85446, 85465-85472, 85613-85647 were issued in the amount of \$673,155.12

Pursuant to A.R.S. §11-217(C), the published minutes shall include all demands and warrants approved by the Board in excess of one thousand dollars except that multiple demands and warrants from a single supplier or individual under one thousand dollars whose cumulative total exceeds one thousand dollars in a single reporting period shall also be published. Issued warrants are listed as an attachment at the end of the minutes.

Housing Authority

6. Approve an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Cochise County and the Housing Authority of Cochise County for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) Program for Grant Agreement #AZH140014 for a term of three years from 1/1/15 to 1/1/18.

Indigent Defense

7. Approve an award of contract to Robert Hicks, PLLC for Indigent Defense Contract Services pursuant to Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 14-03-IDC-01 for the period of December 17, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

Vice-Chairman English moved to approve Items 1-7 on the Consent Agenda. Supervisor Searle seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Solid Waste

8. Approve the award of Invitation for Bids (IFB) 15-17-SWD-04 to furnish and install a Landfill GPS System for the Solid Waste Department to AMW Machine Control, Inc. in the amount of \$61,488.

Mr. Michael Ortega, County Administrator, presented this item. Mr. Ortega explained the purpose of the system and said it would help ensure that we are getting enough compaction. He added that the system would notify the operator when optimum compaction has been reached and noted that the Rate Review Advisory Board had recommended approval.

Vice-Chairman English said that this was a good project that would save the County money.

Vice-Chairman English moved approve the award of Invitation for Bids (IFB) 15-17-SWD-04 to furnish and install a Landfill GPS System for the Solid Waste Department to AMW Machine Control, Inc. in the amount of \$61,488. Supervisor Searle seconded the motion.

Chairman Call called for vote and it was approved 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Community Development

9. Adopt Resolution 14-84, establishing Ramsey Canyon Multi-Use Path as described therein, as a County Highway.

Ms. Karen Riggs, County Engineer, presented this item using a PowerPoint presentation. Ms. Riggs gave background and reason for establishing the multi-use pathway. She showed a map of the location, said that it was 1.1 mile in length, and added that staff has worked with utility companies in that area. She stated that negotiations were underway for the right of way acquisition with the property owners to the south and that the project was scheduled for 2015.

Supervisor Searle asked if Ramsey Canyon Road was already part of the County Highway System.

Ms. Riggs noted that Ramsey Canyon Road was already part of the County system, but an adequate right of way was still pending in order to comply with State statutes.

Chairman Call opened the public hearing.

No one chose to speak and Chairman Call closed the public hearing.

Supervisor Searle moved to adopt Resolution 14-84, establishing Ramsey Canyon Multi-Use Path as described therein, as a County Highway. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

Chairman Call called for the vote and it was approved 3-0.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Call opened the call to the public.

Cindy Beeman, Saint David resident, addressed the board on the death of her husband at County transfer station.

Jack Cook addressed the Board on matters of personal concern.

No one else chose to speak and Chairman Call closed the call to the public.

This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda.

REPORT BY MICHAEL J. ORTEGA, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR -- RECENT AND PENDING COUNTY MATTERS

Mr. Ortega said that the recount was almost complete and that the results would be released later in the week by Maricopa County. He thanked staff and added that counties statewide are discussing forming a partnership to purchase a large election system to enhance resources and improve the efficiency of the process.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Report by District 1 Supervisor, Patrick Call

Chairman Call said he attended a Community Session with the Department of the Army on December 2, 2014 regarding Fort Huachuca's impact on the County and that he will attend the Sierra Vista Chamber Leadership Meeting on Wednesday and the Local Emergency Planning Committee on Friday.

Report by District 2 Supervisor, Ann English

Vice-Chairman English congratulated staff for winning two awards at the Arizona Association of Counties Winter Conference for the Palominas Recharge Project and wished everyone a Happy Holiday Season.

Report by District 3 Supervisor, Richard Searle

Supervisor Searle said he had attended a meeting with the Arizona/Mexico Coalition regarding the Mexican Wolf, the Willcox Chamber Annual meeting and would be attending the Natural Resources Conservation District meeting, and the potluck for Judge Knoblock's retirement.

6.

Chairman Call adjourned the meeting at 10:39 a.m.

APPROVED:

Patrick G. Call, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlenthe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board