

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON  
Tuesday, October 27, 2015**

A regular board meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 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 James E. Vlahovich, County Administrator; Edward T. Gilligan, Deputy County  
Present: Administrator; Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board; Elda Orduno, Civil Deputy County  
Attorney

Chairman Call called the meeting to order at 10:02 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**

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***PRESENTATION***

Presentation by Ms. Vada Phelps, Executive Director, Southeastern Arizona Workforce Connection, on the status of the partnership and highlights on the annual report.

Ms. Vada Phelps, Executive Director, Southeastern Arizona Workforce Connection, said that the Board had been provided with the annual report, pointed out the organization chart, meeting schedule, and asked if the Board had any specific questions about the Workforce Connection.

Vice-Chairman English asked if the purpose of the workforce was to get citizens employed or help them get ready to apply for work.

Ms. Phelps said that the purpose was to help citizens find jobs, but also help them prepare resumes, learn how to dress for an interview, and practice common interview questions and answers. She noted that during the previous year number of citizens seeking assistance had declined, but that was due to loss of county population.

Chairman Call asked about the partnership with Cochise College.

Ms. Phelps said that they would be partnering with Cochise College by moving into the old hospital building, which the College has purchased. She noted that the College has always been a great partner to the program and that she looked forward to working closer with them to help citizens get jobs. She also asked the Board to possibly assist with recruiting more members for the Workforce Board as there were some vacancies.

The Board thanked Ms. Phelps for the update.

## ***CONSENT***

### **Board of Supervisors**

1. Approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of October 13, 2015.

Chairman Call noted that the minutes being approved were from the October 20, 2015 meeting.

### **Finance**

2. Approve demands and budget amendments for operating transfers.

Warrants Nos. 93484-93693 were issued in the amount of \$512,982.54.

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.

### **Workforce Development**

3. Approve the appointment of Mr. Mark Gallego to the Local Workforce Investment Board to fill an unexpired term, effective immediately and through 6/30/2016.
4. Approve Amendment #2 to Title IB Adult, Youth, and Dislocated Worker contract DE14052279 between Cochise County and the Arizona Department of Economic Security for the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Service Delivery Area from April 1, 2013 to December 31, 2016.

Chairman English moved to approve items 1-4 on the consent agenda. Supervisor Searle seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## ***PUBLIC HEARINGS***

### **Board of Supervisors**

5. Approve a new liquor license application for a series #10 (beer & wine store) liquor license submitted by Ms. Barbara C. Holmes for Fort Willcox RV Park located at 1765 West Fort Willcox Loop, Willcox, AZ 85643.

Ms. Arlethe Rios, Clerk of the Board, presented this item. Ms. Rios said the Sheriff's Office did not have a recommendation and the Planning and Zoning Department had recommended approval. The Environmental Health Division noted that they have no concerns with the issuance of the liquor license; the Treasurer's Office noted that all property taxes are current. The applicant has paid the \$100 processing fee and the Board staff recommended approval.

Chairman Call opened the public hearing.

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

Supervisor Searle moved to approve a new liquor license application for a series #10 (beer & wine store) liquor license submitted by Ms. Barbara C. Holmes for Fort Willcox RV Park located at 1765 West Fort Willcox Loop, Willcox. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

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

6. Approve a new liquor license application for a series #6 (bar) liquor license submitted by Ms. Dolores Cortez-Foote for Uptown 3 Theatre located at 4341 S. Hwy 92, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650.

Ms. Arlethe Rios, Clerk of the Board, presented this item. Ms. Rios said the Sheriff's Office did not have a recommendation and the Planning and Zoning Department had recommended approval. The Environmental Health Division noted that they have no concerns with the issuance of the liquor license; the Treasurer's Office noted that all property taxes are current. The applicant has paid the \$100 processing fee and the Board staff recommended approval.

Vice-Chairman English asked if having liquor at a theater was usual for liquor licenses.

Ms. Rios noted that this was becoming a new trend across the nation.

Chairman Call opened the public hearing.

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

Vice-Chairman English moved to approve a new liquor license application for a series #6 (bar) liquor license submitted by Ms. Dolores Cortez-Foote for Uptown 3 Theatre located at 4341 S. Hwy 92, Sierra Vista, AZ 85650. Supervisor Searle seconded the motion.

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

7. Approve a new liquor license application for a series #12 (restaurant) liquor license submitted by Ms. Renee Lewis for Double R Guest Ranch located at 1092 W. Highland Rd., Pearce, AZ 85625.

Ms. Arlethe Rios, Clerk of the Board, presented this item. Ms. Rios said the Sheriff's Office did not have a recommendation and the Planning and Zoning Department had recommended approval. The Environmental Health Division noted that they have no concerns with the issuance of the liquor license; the Treasurer's Office noted that all property taxes are current. The applicant has paid the \$100 processing fee and the Board staff recommended approval.

Supervisor Searle said that this site had been opened years ago, but they had to reapply for the liquor license since it would be under new ownership.

Chairman Call opened the public hearing.

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

Supervisor Searle moved to approve a new liquor license application for a series #12 (restaurant) liquor license submitted by Ms. Renee Lewis for Double R Guest Ranch located at 1092 W. Highland Rd., Pearce, AZ 85625. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

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

## **Community Development**

8. Adopt Resolution 15-25 to amend the policy and procedure for the Public / Private Partnership Program for Cochise County road improvement, as described therein.

Ms. Karen Riggs, Highway & Floodplain Director, Community Development, presented this item. Ms. Riggs showed the proposed flow chart, noted that the Board had discussed this topic during a work session and listed changes.

Changes for program sustainability:

Remove non-County maintained roads from the program

Increase Application Fee from \$100 to \$200 (to provide Brief Initial Analysis)

Add Board of Supervisor's annual review to determine if a proposed PPP project should proceed based on available resources

Other changes:

Define that substantial property owner support is a majority

Add that continued maintenance, after project completion, is based on available resources

Add 90 day time limit for applicant to respond to Brief Initial Analysis

Add that a project may be reduced in scope due to exceeding statute monetary limitation

Add that the Applicant may withdraw from the program if (1) a project is postponed to a subsequent Board annual review, or (2) a project is reduced in scope due to exceeding statute monetary limitation

Chairman Call opened the public hearing.

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

Vice-Chairman English moved to adopt Resolution 15-25 to amend the policy and procedure for the Public / Private Partnership Program for Cochise County road improvement, as described therein. Supervisor Searle seconded the motion.

Chairman Call noted that it was unfortunate that the Board had to move in this direction, but due to the economy and State cost shifts, the Board cannot afford to do as much as they would like.

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

## ***ACTION***

### **Board of Supervisors**

9. Approve Amendment A to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Sierra Vista regarding funding of a consultant to promote retention and expansion of missions of the U.S. Army at Fort Huachuca.

Mr. James E. Vlahovich, County Administrator, presented this item. He gave the background on the original agreement and noted that the purpose of amendment A was to clarify that contribution towards this effort will not exceed \$35,000.

Supervisor Searle moved to approve Amendment A to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Sierra Vista regarding funding of a consultant to promote retention and

expansion of missions of the U.S. Army at Fort Huachuca. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

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

10. Elect \_\_\_\_\_ as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, effective November 1, 2015.

Vice-Chairman English moved to elect Supervisor Richard Searle as the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, effective November 1, 2015. Chairman Call seconded the motion.

Chairman Call called for the vote and it was approved 2-0-1 (Searle abstained).

11. Elect \_\_\_\_\_ as Vice-Chairman to the Board of Supervisors, effective November 1, 2015.

Supervisor Searle moved to elect Supervisor Pat Call as Vice-Chairman to the Board of Supervisors, effective November 1, 2015. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

Chairman Call called for the vote and it was approved 2-0-1 (Call abstained).

### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Chairman Call opened the call to the public.

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 JAMES E. VLAHOVICH, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR -- RECENT AND PENDING COUNTY MATTERS**

Mr. Vlahovich reported on the changes he would be making to the budget process: he would first meet with finance staff, put a schedule together, meet with each department, and then set up meetings with the Board. He also noted that he had established a budget committee to research areas where the County could save money.

### **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

#### **Report by District 1 Supervisor, Patrick Call**

Chairman Call listed the events he would be attending during the next two weeks: Valley Verde Tour of the Palominas Recharge Project; Cochise Conservation Recharge Network Work Session; Military Affairs Chamber of Commerce Luncheon; meeting with a consultant for the Fort Huachuca mission effort; Upper San Pedro Partnership Executive Committee meeting; Mayor/Managers Luncheon; and a meeting in Sierra Vista focused on bringing retirees to Cochise County.

**Report by District 2 Supervisor, Ann English**

Vice-Chairman English said that she had attended a candle light vigil in Douglas for Domestic Violence Awareness and Make a Difference Day in Elfrida focused on cleaning up Main Street.

**Report by District 3 Supervisor, Richard Searle**

Supervisor Searle said he attended a presentation to the Willcox/San Simon Natural Resource Conservation District (NRCD) on water issues; a community meeting for the Northern Cochise County Hospital to discuss the future in a bad economy; and a meeting on water issues with the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) to get support from local legislatures on how much water should be used in basin areas.

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Chairman Call adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

APPROVED:

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Patrick G. Call, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board