

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, November 3, 2015**

A regular board meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Richard R. Searle, Chairman; Patrick G. Call, Vice-Chairman; Ann English, Member
Staff: James E. Vlahovich, County Administrator; Edward T. Gilligan, Deputy County
Present: Administrator; Britt W. Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney; Kim Lemons,
Assistant to the Clerk of the Board

Chairman Searle called the meeting to order at 10:00 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

Board of Supervisors

1. Approve acceptance of Quit Claim Deed from Melvin H. and Susana Sherwood (Grantors) to Cochise County for real property described as "The Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 5, Township 19 North, Range 32 East of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, as filed in the office of the County Recorder, Cochise County, Arizona" (APN 402-66-005) as recommended by the Highway & Floodplain Division and the County Attorney's Office.
2. Approve an application for a Permanent Extension of Premises liquor license submitted by Mr. Robert Barnes for Turquoise Valley Golf Course located at 1794 W. Newell St, Naco, AZ 85620
3. Approve a letter of support to Mr. Mark A. Rose, Director, Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, for the Fort Huachuca Sentinel Landscape Conservation, Resource Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) proposal.

Finance

4. Approve demands and budget amendments for operating transfers.

Warrants Nos. 93700-93850 were issued in the amount of \$194,608.58.

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. The voided warrants are listed below:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
100	Edie Patricia	39.26
171	The Library Store	62.28
600	Willcox Auto Parts Inc.	25.57

Issued warrants are listed as an attachment at the end of the minutes.

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

ACTION

Board of Supervisors

5. Adopt Resolution 15-26 regarding Cochise County's 2016 State of Arizona Legislative Priorities.

Supervisor English moved to adopt Resolution 15-26 regarding Cochise County's 2016 State of Arizona Legislative Priorities. Vice-Chairman Call seconded the motion.

Mr. Jim Vlahovich, County Administrator, presented this item. Mr. Vlahovich stated that he had received an email from Mr. Craig Sullivan, CSA Executive Director to all County Managers asking for support of the seven global priorities set at the last legislative summit. Mr. Vlahovich is recommending approval. The Board asked that a letter detailing the approved proposals be sent to the state legislators and asking for support of the County's specific proposals.

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

County Sheriff

6. Approve agreement for services between Cochise County and H5 Production, INC., an Arizona Corporation to provide the Sheriff's Office with helicopter services for calendar year 2016 in the amount of \$1,508,413.60.

Vice-Chairman Call moved to approve agreement for services between Cochise County and H5 Production, INC., an Arizona Corporation to provide the Sheriff's Office with helicopter services for calendar year 2016 in the amount of \$1,508,413.60. Supervisor English seconded the motion.

Commander Genz, Sheriff's Office, presented this item. Commander Genz stated that is a redo of a previous contract. After cancellation of the last contract the Sheriff's Office reviewed several options in order to ensure the safety of the County's employees and public, while maintaining a useful program. They concluded that H5 Production, INC.'s Airbus 350 helicopter, was more powerful, is roomier, and the company will provide everything required; such as pilots, and

maintenance. The only cost to the County will be for law enforcement personnel and fuel and those will be funded by the Buffett s Foundation. The program will start January 1, 2016, after training law enforcement officers who will fly the helicopter. It is a one-year contract, that will be reviewed again mid-year, with all options still on the table.

Supervisor English asked for details about the usefulness of the previous program.

Commander Genz explained that the initial intent of the program was for high priority incidents, which we did not have so it was utilized as basic patrol. He summarized several incidents that arose during those patrols and noted that the possibility for critical incidents in the future is eminent. The flights will be managed following public use regulations, which provides for stringent law enforcement, mission-oriented flights.

Chairman Searle asked about the increased costs and pilot housing at the Sierra Vista Airport and Commander Genz said this is a newer, more expensive helicopter with higher maintenance costs. A remodel of the airport to include pilot housing is not part of this contract. The City of Sierra Vista has hired an architect for review and the Buffet Foundation has also expressed an interest in funding the remodel.

Britt Hanson, County Attorney said that he and Mr. Hardy, Executive Director, Arizona Insurance Pool, agreed that the ten million dollar insurance policy issued by the company would be adequate.

Supervisor English stated she is opposed, the mission is not necessary to spend the money based on the usefulness stated earlier.

Chairman Searle supports on the belief that this will improve the County.

Vice-Chairman Call is satisfied with the insurance issue and believes the offer is too good to pass up and thanked the Sheriff's Office.

Chairman Searle called for the vote and it was approved 2-0 (English opposed).

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Searle opened the call to the public.

No one chose to speak and Chairman Searle 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 had no report.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Report by District 1 Supervisor, Patrick Call

Supervisor Call said that he and Mr. Vlahovich attended a Cochise County Recharge Project work session last week, the group is looking for funding for the next project. The Steering committee for the Retire in the Sierra Vista project, have secured a volunteer project manager and there have been campaign discussions with an ad agency. The Sierra Vista Herald has donated their web production team to help the project. On Wednesday he will be attending the Military Affairs Committee Luncheon.

Report by District 2 Supervisor, Ann English

Supervisor English deferred her report.

Report by District 3 Supervisor, Richard Searle

Supervisor Searle mentioned the Board Retreat and the Election Campaign Finance training scheduled for next week.

Chairman Searle adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

APPROVED:

Richard R. Searle, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kim Lemons, Assistant to the Clerk of the Board