

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
Tuesday, May 5, 2015**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 2:15 p.m. in the Treasurer's Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building E, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Patrick G. Call, Chairman; Ann English, Vice-Chairman
Absent: Richard R. Searle, Member
Staff Present: Michael J. Ortega
Lauri Owen, Civil Deputy County Attorney
Arlthe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board
Cathy Traywick, County Treasurer

Chairman Call called the meeting to order at 2:16 p.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

INTRODUCTIONS

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Board of Supervisors

1. Budget Work Session - Discussion of County budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 specifically: the Treasurer's Office.

Ms. Cathy Traywick, County Treasurer, gave an update on her budget. She noted that they would be 10% under the previous year's budget and that her office would no longer be using the program used so that special districts can have access to tax information. She explained that the cost for this program was about \$16,000 annually and it was very rarely used.

Vice-Chairman English asked how the districts would have access to the information without the program.

Ms. Traywick said she would notify all special districts of this change and would scan the information and email it if necessary.

Ms. Maria Pitzlin, Deputy County Treasurer, said that only five districts had used the system.

Ms. Traywick continued with her budget presentation and said that for this fiscal year she

would need help from the general fund to cover professional services related to clearing old tax liens.

Mr. Ortega confirmed that if a department needs help paying for professional services he usually assists them.

Ms. Traywick stated that although she had no budget requests or decision packages for the Board, but she did want their assistance in keeping the treasurer's system implementation moving forward. She added that she would be willing to contribute to hire a consultant if necessary, but felt this system was crucial for County business and efficiencies with how citizens pay their taxes.

Mr. Ortega said he would follow up with Mr. Tyson Mock, Information Technology Director.

Ms. Traywick said that she would also be working on reorganizing her office in the coming year with changes to positions and salaries.

The Board thanked Ms. Traywick for her continued fiscal responsibility.

Chairman Call adjourned the meeting at 2:44 p.m.

APPROVED:

Patrick G. Call, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board