

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
Tuesday, April 3, 2018**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Ann English, Chairman; Patrick G. Call, Vice-Chairman; Peggy Judd, Member

Staff Present: Edward T. Gilligan, County Administrator
Britt W. Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board

Attendees: Ruben Miranda, Internal Services Director
Jay Howe, Facilities Director
Carrie Langley, Health & Social Services Director
Amanda Baillie, Public Information Officer
Shar Porier, Sierra Vista Herald

Chairman English 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

INTRODUCTIONS

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Board of Supervisors

1. Discussion and possible direction regarding the County's Strategic Plan specifically discussing an update on the Sierra Vista Building and Animal Welfare.

The Board and staff continued their discussion of office space countywide and possible options to optimize space and better County services. The two buildings focused on were the Old Bisbee High School and the Service Center at Colonia de Salud.

The Board directed staff to get costs for any options by April 17, 2018.

Chairman English moved on to discuss Animal Control.

Mr. Hanson gave the background of the topic. He said that the total cost for the County for

this service was \$132,000, which is shared by the County and the cities we contract with. Staff needs to streamline financing for this service and contracts have to be updated.

Vice-Chairman Call suggested moving the animal control component to the Health Department.

Ms. Langley said that she wanted a partnership working with animal control and environmental health division. She stated that wherever the service falls, it needs to be critical that proper procedures are adhered to.

Mr. Hanson said that a decision would have to be made to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of this system and look at investing in the system to insure this.

Mr. Gilligan said that staff will look at all options and bring them back to the Board with associated costs.

Chairman English said that the priority is for animals to be in a safe place, taken care of following the required regulations.

Mr. Gilligan said that the first step was shoring up the contract agreements; fund necessary system functions in the Health Department; review in a year to make a decision on moving animal control to the Health Department.

Chairman English asked that for the next meeting staff provide enough information to make budgeting decisions.

Vice-Chairman Call asked for a plan to move forward with having animal control run by the appropriate department.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board