A regular board meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors’ Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present:  Peggy Judd, Chairman; Ann English, Vice-Chairman; Thomas E. Borer, Supervisor
Staff Present:  Edward T. Gilligan, County Administrator; Sharon Gilman, Associate County Administrator; Britt W. Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney; Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board

Chairman Judd called the meeting to order at 10:18 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

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Judd opened the call to the public.

No one chose to speak and Chairman Judd 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.

CONSENT

Board of Supervisors

1.  Approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of July 9, 2019.

2.  Approve an application for a Temporary Extension of Premises liquor license submitted by Mr. Keith Wilson for American Legion #52 located at 12 Theatre Drive, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 on July 3, 2019, for the American Legion Riders ALR Post 52 15th Annual Bikefest & Centennial Celebration.

3.  Renew and/or revise committee appointments for members of the Board of Supervisors and executive staff for the 2019-20 Fiscal Year and approve continuing annual memberships for 2019-20, with payment of associated dues as described herein.
County Assessor

4. Accept the Assessor's recommendation to approve the attached list of seventy-four 2019 property tax exemption applications that qualify for the exemption, but were filed with the Assessor after the statutory filing deadline of March 1, 2019.

Court Administration

5. Approve Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Court Security Improvements funding agreement as provided by the Arizona Supreme Court, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 in the amount of $9,000.

Finance

6. Approve demands and budget amendments for operating transfers.

Human Resources

7. Approve the appointments of Ms. Mary Gomez and Mr. Jim Vlahovich to the Cochise County Merit Commission commencing August 1, 2019 and ending March 22, 2020 to complete unexpired terms due to resignations.

Vice-Chairman English moved to approve items 1-7 on the consent agenda. Supervisor Borer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Board of Supervisors

8. Approve a new series #12 (restaurant) liquor license application submitted by Mr. Bobby Eugene Douglas, for Chuckwagon Grill & Saloon, located at 7216 S. Hwy. 92, Hereford, AZ 85615.

Ms. Arlethe Rios, Clerk of the Board, presented this item. Ms. Rios said the Sheriff’s Office had no recommendation; the Treasurer’s Office advised that the property taxes are current; the Development Services Department has recommended approval; and the Health Department is working with the applicant. There have been no formal protests and the $100.00 processing fee has been paid. Board staff recommended approval.

Chairman Judd opened the public hearing.

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

Supervisor Borer moved to approve a new series #12 (restaurant) liquor license application submitted by Mr. Bobby Eugene Douglas, for Chuckwagon Grill & Saloon, located at 7216 S. Hwy. 92, Hereford, AZ 85615. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

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

ACTION

County Attorney
Approve the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) Drug, Gang and Violent Crime Control Grant Agreement DC-20-021 in the amount of $152,218, between the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) and Cochise County, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

Mr. Hanson presented this item. Mr. Hanson said that this funding was to cover the salary of a full time Attorney III and 60% of an Attorney II. He added that there was a County match of $38,000 but that was covered with criminal enhancement funds so the County's general fund was not impacted at all.

Vice-Chairman English moved to approve the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) Drug, Gang and Violent Crime Control Grant Agreement DC-20-021 in the amount of $152,218, between the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) and Cochise County, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Supervisor Borer seconded the motion.

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

County Schools

10. Approve levy for cash deficit correction for Benson, Douglas and Sierra Vista Unified School Districts prior to adopting tax rates on August 19, 2019.

Ms. Debra Prow, County Schools Superintendent's Office, presented this item. She went over the requesting entities:

1. Benson Unified $150,000 Cash Deficit Correction Tax Rate: 0.3338
2. Douglas Unified $1,900,000 Cash Deficit Correction Tax Rate: 2.6389
3. Sierra Vista (El) $953,966 Cash Deficit Correction Tax Rate: 0.2389
4. Sierra Vista (HS) $576,543 Cash Deficit Correction Tax Rate: 0.1432

Ms. Cathy Traywick, County Treasurer, explained that changes in statute allowed for this request and noted that the need for corrections could come from tax roll corrections or changes in student numbers. She said that approving these corrections would allow these entities to avoid cutbacks in some of their programs. She noted that the Property Tax Oversight Commission (PTOC) would have to approve these corrections as well to ensure accuracy.

Supervisor Borer moved to approve levy for cash deficit correction for Benson, Douglas and Sierra Vista Unified School Districts prior to adopting tax rates on August 19, 2019. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

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

County Sheriff

11. Approve Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) Grant No. DC-20-003 to fund overtime for the Sheriff's Office Special Operations Division in support of narcotics and smuggling investigations, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, in the amount of $122,971.

Lieutenant Curtis Wilkins, Sheriff's Office, presented this item. Lt. Wilkins said that this was an annual grant for overtime in support of narcotics and smuggling investigations.
Vice-Chairman English moved to approve Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC) Grant No. DC-20-003 to fund overtime for the Sheriff's Office Special Operations Division in support of narcotics and smuggling investigations, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, in the amount of $122,971. Supervisor Borer seconded the motion.

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

Court Administration

12. Approve Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) funding agreement as provided by the Arizona Supreme Court, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, in the amount of $116,850.

Ms. Rita Shipley, Superior Court Budget & Finance Director, presented this item. Ms. Shipley said that this funding was to train interested advocates and cover two full time positions and a part time position.

Supervisor Borer moved to approve Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) funding agreement as provided by the Arizona Supreme Court, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, in the amount of $116,850. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

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

REPORT BY EDWARD T. GILLIGAN COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR -- RECENT AND PENDING COUNTY MATTERS

Mr. Gilligan gave an update on the position of Finance Director and current building renovations at Melody Lane.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Report by District 1 Supervisor, Thomas E. Borer

Supervisor Borer deferred his report.

Report by District 2 Supervisor, Ann English

Vice-Chairman English gave an update on the status of the Port of Entry project and said that additional funding and partnerships would be needed to continue moving this project forward.

Report by District 3 Supervisor, Peggy Judd

Chairman Judd deferred her report.

Chairman Judd adjourned the meeting at 10:39 a.m.
APPROVED:

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Peggy Judd, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board