

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA**

Date: November 19, 2013

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Chairman

MARIAN E. SHEPPARD
Clerk of the Board

TOMMIE C. MARTIN
Vice-Chairman

By: Laurie J. Kline
Deputy Clerk

JOHN D. MARCANTI
Member

Gila County Courthouse
Globe, Arizona

PRESENT: Michael A. Pastor, Chairman; Tommie C. Martin, Vice-Chairman (via ITV); John D. Marcanti, Supervisor; Don E. McDaniel Jr., County Manager; Bryan B. Chambers, Deputy Attorney Principal; Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/Librarian; Marian E. Sheppard, Clerk of the Board; and Laurie J. Kline, Deputy Clerk.

Item 1 – CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – INVOCATION

The Gila County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session at 10:00 a.m. this date in the Board of Supervisors' hearing room. Bod Gould led the Pledge of Allegiance and Rula Colvin of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Globe delivered the invocation.

Item 2 – PRESENTATIONS:

A. Presentation of the Officer of the Quarter award by Bradley D. Beauchamp, Gila County Attorney, to Officer Brandon Buckner of the Payson Police Department.

Bradley D. Beauchamp, Gila County Attorney (via ITV), explained how Officer Brandon Buckner was invaluable and very instrumental in getting a conviction in a recent trial of a lengthy, difficult case involving multiple charges. He presented the Officer of the Quarter award and thanked Officer Buckner for a job well done, and then presented Donald B. Engler, Chief of Payson Police Department the Agency of the Officer of the Quarter plaque. The Board thanked and commended Officer Buckner and the Payson Police Department for all their hard work.

Item 3 – REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Proclamation No. 2013-08, to proclaim November 23, 2013, and the week that follows as a time of prayer and thanksgiving in Gila County in order to recall into proper perspective the true intention of our Thanksgiving holiday.

Jesse R. Bryant, a Gila County resident, requested that a day be marked by citizens to organize and hold brief ceremonies of public prayer and thanksgiving for the past, present, and future kindnesses of Providence on our nation and our community, with the week that follows to be remembered by all citizens as a time of prayer and thanksgiving. He extended an invitation for all public officials and private citizens to attend a ceremony that will be held in the City of Globe on Saturday, November 23, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in front of the old courthouse building, which is now the Center for the Arts. He publicly thanked Chris Brusca of the Globe-Miami Chamber of Commerce for her help and ideas to do something to show appreciation for the public servants in Gila County. Mr. Bryant read the proclamation out loud, after which time the Board thanked him for his service to the community. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously adopted Proclamation No. 2013-08, to proclaim November 23, 2013, and the week that follows as a time of prayer and thanksgiving in Gila County in order to recall into proper perspective the true intention of our Thanksgiving holiday. **(A copy of the Proclamation is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

B. Supervisors' Annual Property Tax Sale/Auction for the sale of real property deeded to the State of Arizona by Treasurer's Deed in the year 2013.

Marian Sheppard, Clerk of the Board, stated that this auction is being held in Globe and also by interactive television at the Payson County Complex. She advised that Sherry Grice, Executive Assistant the Chairman Pastor, and Cheryl Sluyter, Executive Assistant to Vice-Chairman Martin, were present in Globe and Payson, respectively, to assist in gathering information from the successful bidders. Ms. Sheppard then provided background information regarding the logistics of the Supervisors' Annual Property Tax Sale/Auction and she advised that all sales would be final and that no refunds would be given for a purchase.

Chairman Pastor read each of the 16 tax parcel numbers listed for sale and the Board addressed each parcel separately. The auction results were as follows:

Tax Parcel Number	Lien Amount	Sale Amount	Successful Bidder
101-07-014	\$4,034.31	No Bids	
101-07-023	\$686.20	\$690.00	Jose Vasquez
101-07-024	\$2,547.76	\$2,547.76	Jose Vasquez

Tax Parcel Number	Lien Amount	Sale Amount	Successful Bidder
101-07-305	\$1,706.58	No Bids	
101-12-188-A	\$4,984.96	\$4,984.96	Jose Vasquez
102-13-032-F	\$1,538.64	No Bids	
206-06-304-A	\$383.30	\$383.30	Donald Sullivan
206-21-045-A	\$413.40	\$413.40	Joshua Sulwer
207-15-245	\$919.50	\$919.50	Margaret Dugan
301-07-009-M	\$4,564.78	No Bids	
302-14-021-A	\$1,561.67	No Bids	
302-35-005-E	\$3,708.59	No Bids	
302-60-199-A	\$8,527.09	No Bids	
302-60-200-A	\$7,625.72	No Bids	
602-60-205-D	\$8,272.48	No Bids	
304-03-192-A	\$435.70	No Bids	

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously approved the sale of tax parcel number 101-07-023 to Jose Vasquez in the amount of \$690.00.

Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved the sale of tax parcel number 101-07-024 to Jose Vasquez in the amount of \$2,547.76.

Mr. Vasquez stated that there are people living in the dwelling on tax parcel number 101-07-305 and he inquired if the property would be sold “out from under them?” Chairman Pastor deferred to Ms. Sheppard to answer the question. Ms. Sheppard stated that the Gila County Treasurer is currently working with the property owner of this parcel to collect the back taxes. If anyone were to bid on this property today, Ms. Sheppard advised that she would ask the Board to defer selling it at this time. She added that in a typical situation for *this* auction the sale is “as is.” It is not always known if there is anyone living on the property and it is up to the property owner to address that issue.

Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved the sale of tax parcel number 101-12-188-A to Jose Vasquez in the amount of \$4,984.96.

Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved the sale of tax parcel number 206-06-304-A to Donald Sullivan in the amount of \$383.30.

Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved the sale of tax parcel number 206-21-045-A to Joshua Sulwer in the amount of \$413.40.

Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved the sale of tax parcel number 207-15-245 to Margaret Dugan in the amount of \$919.50.

Chairman Pastor closed the Supervisors' Annual Property Tax Sale/Auction.

C. Information/Discussion/Action to consider a sealed bid for the purchase of Assessor's tax parcel numbers 206-19-502, 206-21-515, 206-21-517, 206-21-518, 206-21-519, 206-21-520, 206-21-521, 206-21-522, 206-21-523, 206-21-524, 206-21-525, 206-21-526, 206-21-527, 206-21-529, 206-21-531, and 206-22-500.

Ms. Sheppard briefly explained the process for the sale of properties that are not sold at the Supervisors' annual property tax sales/auctions, such as the auction that was just concluded in the previous agenda item. She advised that Dan Mead of Cornerstone Lands/DLM/LLC, on behalf of Desert Fox Van Dyke Company, submitted a bid to purchase (16) parcels as listed above. She further advised that all of these parcels pertain to the purchase of only the subsurface rights. Ms. Sheppard stated that Mr. Mead offered to purchase each parcel for the total lien amount, which totals \$23,444.35 for all 16 parcels. In addition, the new owner would be required to pay \$10.00 per parcel to record the quit claim deeds.

Vice-Chairman Martin asked for clarification about the purchaser, to which Ms. Sheppard re-stated the name of the bidder, Dan Mead, and Chairman Pastor provided further clarification that Desert Fox Van Dyke Company is a new mining company that is doing an exploration project on the Van Dyke properties in this area. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously accepted a bid in the amount of \$23,444.35 for the purchase of Assessor's tax parcel numbers 206-19-502, 206-21-515, 206-21-517, 206-21-518, 206-21-519, 206-21-520, 206-21-521, 206-21-522, 206-21-523, 206-21-524, 206-21-525, 206-21-526, 206-21-527, 206-21-529, 206-21-531, and 206-22-500.

D. Information/Discussion/Action to authorize the submission of a FY 2013-2014 Community Development Block Grant Application to the Arizona Department of Housing to apply for \$300,000 of State Special Project Funds to be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation projects for qualified Gila County residents.

Malissa Buzan, Community Services Division Director, asked that the Board approve the submission of this Community Development Block Grant Application as stated. Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously authorized the submission of a FY 2013-2014 Community Development Block Grant Application to the Arizona Department of Housing to apply for \$300,000 of State Special Project Funds to

be used for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation projects for qualified Gila County residents.

E. Information/Discussion/Action to approve a one-time lump-sum payment to employees based upon the annual change in the Consumer Price Index (June 30, 2013 at 1.8%) and instruct staff to implement the payment in accordance with the details outlined in this staff report at a total cost of approximately \$525,000.

Don McDaniel, County Manager, stated that staff is proposing a one-time lump-sum payment to all full- and part-time Gila County employees to be paid in the December 6th paycheck. He explained that in order for employees to be eligible for the payment, they must have a hire date of on or before October 1, 2013. Amounting to an estimated cost to the County of approximately \$750,000 gross; this would, if approved, be the third one-time lump-sum payment given to employees. The payments given were approximately one year ago based on a Consumer Price Index increase; six months ago, based on performance evaluations; and the one currently being proposed. The payment will not affect the Classification and Compensation Study results, currently in progress, nor will it affect the salary structure going forward.

The completion and implementation of the Classification and Compensation Study is anticipated to be late spring or June 2014, so this is an opportunity to recognize the hard work and dedication of employees before the results of the Classification and Compensation Study can be implemented. The Board members expressed their appreciation for the hard work of Gila County employees. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously approved a one-time lump-sum payment to employees based upon the annual change in the Consumer Price Index (June 30, 2013 at 1.8%) and instructed staff to implement the payment in accordance with the details outlined in the staff report of this agenda item at a total cost of approximately \$525,000.

Item 4 – CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS: (Any matter on the Consent Agenda will be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed and voted upon as a regular agenda item upon the request of any member of the Board of Supervisors.)

A. Approval of Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. Gila 10102 between Gila County and Central Arizona Association of Governments for Program Year 2013 to add carryover funds to provide Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult Services in the amount of \$373,133 for a total contract amount of \$1,095,584.

B. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to a 2013-2014 Independent Contractor Agreement (Contract No. 07012013-2014) between the Arizona

Community Action Association (ACAA) and the Gila County Division of Community Services, Community Action Program, whereby ACAA will allocate additional Utility Repair Replacement Deposit (URRD) funds in the amount of \$48,000, that will be used to provide additional repair and replacement services to eligible families residing in Gila County for the period from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014.

C. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Gila County Division of Health and Emergency Services and Globe Unified School District No. 1 to continue providing Tobacco Free Environments Program services in the schools for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014.

D. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Gila County Division of Health and Emergency Services and Miami Area Unified School District No. 40 to continue providing Tobacco Free Environments Program services in the schools for the period July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014.

E. Acknowledgment of the resignation of Ernie Borgoyne from the Pine Creek Canyon Domestic Water Improvement District Governing Board and the appointment of Michael Roberts to complete Ernie Borgoyne's term which expires December 31, 2014.

F. Approval of the following precinct committeemen appointments as submitted by the Gila County Republican Committee: Payson #2 - Darlene S. Younker and Payson #4 - Richard M. Williams.

G. Approval of the following precinct committeeman appointment as submitted by the Gila County Republican Committee: Globe #4 - Sylvia A. Kuras.

H. Acknowledgment of the September 2013 monthly activity report submitted by the Recorder's Office.

Acknowledgment of the October 2013 monthly activity report submitted by the Globe Regional Justice of the Peace's Office.

J. Approval of the October 29, 2013, Board of Supervisors meeting minutes and November 5, 2013, Board of Equalization meeting minutes.

K. Acknowledgment of contracts under \$50,000 which have been approved by the County Manager for the weeks of October 21, 2013, to October 25, 2013; and October 28, 2013, to November 1, 2013.

L. Approval of finance reports/demands/transfers for the weeks of November 12, 2013, and November 19, 2013.

November 12, 2013

\$2,103,000.33 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 257791 through 257966.

November 19, 2013

\$438,641.77 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 257967 through 258058. **(An itemized list of disbursements is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda action items 4-A through 4-L.

Item 5 – CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Call to the Public is held for public benefit to allow individuals to address the Board of Supervisors on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. Board members may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute §38-431.01(H), at the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the Board of Supervisors may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the Board, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda for further discussion and decision at a future date.

Richard James, a Strawberry, Arizona resident, inquired as to what the Board plans to do with regard to the resignation letters submitted by five Pine-Strawberry Water Improvement District governing board members and asked if the remaining two board members could be permitted to continue to operate the business of the District, as they were elected, until an election can be held to replace them. Vice-Chairman Martin advised Mr. James that during the Call to the Public the Board of Supervisors cannot address any concerns or answer questions. Chairman Pastor stated that the Board of Supervisors has directed staff to look into this issue, and he added that there are discussions being held with regard to addressing this matter.

Item 6 – At any time during this meeting pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(K), members of the Board of Supervisors and the Chief Administrator may present a brief summary of current events. No action may be taken on issues presented.

Each Board member and the County Manager presented information on current events.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors,
Chairman Pastor adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Michael A. Pastor, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marian Sheppard, Clerk of the Board