

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

Date: December 17, 2013

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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. Steve Stratton led the Pledge of Allegiance and Linda Eastlick delivered the invocation.

Item 2 – PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Resolution No. 13-12-04, which approves Gila County Planning and Zoning Case No. CUP-13-04, an application submitted by Candese Bridges (applicant/owner) for a Conditional Use Permit on Gila County Assessor's tax parcel number 301-31-143A located at 5659 Chaparral Lane in Pine, AZ to allow the home to be used as a retreat destination with paying guest services along with meals served to guests. Premises to accommodate up to sixteen (16) guests and will include a gift shop.

Robert Gould, Community Development Division Director, provided some background information on this item. In August 2006, this applicant was issued a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) on this parcel to be used as a weekend retreat. Upon receipt of an inquiry by the Gila County Assessor's Office regarding possible commercial activity on this property, an inspection was conducted, which revealed that this location is being used as a "bed and breakfast" type of establishment with a coffee shop and customers were being charged; thereby, it was determined that the terms of the existing CUP were

being violated, which makes it necessary for the applicant to re-apply for a CUP for the purposes as described in the agenda item. The Gila County Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on November 21, 2013, and unanimously recommended the Board of Supervisors' approval of the CUP. Mr. Gould received one letter of protest and he cited the concerns as outlined in the letter. He stated that these concerns have been addressed, and the applicant has agreed to comply with the conditions and requests presented in order to be in compliance with the CUP. Chairman Pastor advised that the timed outdoor lighting should be adjusted to go off at 11:00 p.m. Supervisor Marcanti inquired as to whether or not there were smoke detectors in each of the rooms in the building, to which Candese Bridges (via ITV) stated that there are smoke detectors in every room. Chairman Pastor asked Ms. Bridges if she had any objection to another inspection of the premises to which Ms. Bridges replied that she had none. Chairman Pastor asked Bryan Chambers, Deputy Attorney Principal, if the Board should wait until after the inspection or approve the item contingent on the applicant complying with the requirements set forth today. Mr. Chambers advised that the Board could take either course of action today. Chairman Pastor called for public comment to which there were no requests to speak from the public; therefore, he closed the public hearing.

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 13-12-04, which approves Gila County Planning and Zoning Case No. CUP-13-04, an application submitted by Candese Bridges (applicant/owner) for a Conditional Use Permit on Gila County Assessor's tax parcel number 301-31-143A located at 5659 Chaparral Lane in Pine, AZ to allow the home to be used as a retreat destination with paying guest services along with meals served to guests. Premises to accommodate up to sixteen (16) guests and will include a gift shop. The following two amendments were included in the motion; 1) the applicant must agree to another inspection to ensure compliance; and 2) the establishment must comply with Gila County building and code requirements for this type of business. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

B. Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Resolution No. 13-12-05, which approves Gila County Planning and Zoning Case No. CUP-13-05, an application submitted by Verizon Wireless (Applicant: Leanne Stolte and Owner: Joseph Bigge) for a Conditional Use Permit on Gila County Assessor's tax parcel number 205-09-010H, located at 4045 South Crosswind, Globe, AZ to allow a 100 foot tall monopole cell tower.

Mr. Gould advised that this property is located on U.S. Highway 60 on the route toward Show Low. The property zoning is R1D10, which allows for residential use of 2½ to 3 dwelling units per acre. Joseph Bigge owns the property and he is agreeable to the placement of a tower by Verizon Wireless on his property. The property is approximately 1¾ acres in size. The tower will be

enclosed on the property by a fence and there will be a 12 foot wide easement for ingress and egress.

Mr. Gould advised that two issues were brought forth by an adjoining property owner at the November 21, 2013, public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission, as follows: 1) the adjoining property owner believes that the tower would intrude upon his property, and 2) he is concerned about the electromagnetic field (EMF) emissions. He stated that due to the concerns, the applicant has since modified the plans. Mr. Gould stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously recommends the Board of Supervisors' approval of this CUP with the following conditions:

1. That the ingress/egress easement be approved with a surface that will control road dust and eliminate difficult travel in wet weather attributable to the clay in the soils.
2. That the current locations on the site plan are not acceptable and the applicant will resubmit a site plan showing compliance of all structures with the side setbacks of 7 feet and a rear setback of 20 feet.
3. That the applicant will obtain a building permit for this project.
4. That the fence enclosing this compound shall not exceed a height of 6 feet.
5. That the applicant will provide for the ability to co-locate other antennas on this tower.
6. That this conditional use permit will run with the land, but there will be an inspection every two years to ensure compliance with all conditions and regulations. Should the applicant be in violation of any condition listed above the conditional use permit may be revoked.

Supervisor Marcanti inquired as to the dimensions of the fence around the tower, to which Mr. Gould answered that according to the plans that were submitted, the fence is approximately 25 feet by 25 feet. Chairman Pastor inquired as to whether or not there was a representative from Verizon Wireless present, to which Mr. Gould replied that there was not. Chairman Pastor stated that there is a request by Joe Mounce of Globe, Arizona to address the Board on this agenda item. He then called on Mr. Mounce to address the Board. Mr. Mounce advised that he is part owner of the land to the east of the subject property. He expressed a concern regarding the health issues of having a tower so close and the fencing surrounding the Verizon tower; however, since hearing the discussion this morning, he advised that all of his concerns have been addressed. Chairman Pastor called for public comment and there being no additional requests to speak from the public; he closed the public hearing. Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 13-12-05, which approves Gila County Planning and Zoning Case No. CUP-13-05, an application submitted by Verizon Wireless (Applicant: Leanne Stolte and Owner: Joseph Bigge) for a Conditional Use Permit on Gila County Assessor's tax parcel number 205-09-010H, located at 4045 South Crosswind, Globe, AZ to allow a 100 foot tall

monopole cell tower. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

C. Public Sale – Information/Discussion/Action for the public sale of a portion of South Main Street as shown on Official Map No. 52, and to accept bids in the amounts of \$76.00 from Doreen Badilla and \$89.00 from David Quintero.

Steve Sanders, Public Works Division Deputy Director, advised that this road was never built and it serves no purpose. The County received a petition from homeowners living in the area with a request for the County to abandon this portion of road. Mr. Sanders advised that on July 2, 2013, the Board of Supervisors authorized the process to begin to dispose of this property. The public sale was advertised in the official County newspaper and bids were received from Doreen Badilla and David Quintero, of which both residents met the County bid requirements. No additional bids were submitted and no objections were filed with the County; therefore, staff recommended that the Board accept Ms. Badilla's and Mr. Quintero's bids. Mr. Sanders added that three landowners were contacted and given the opportunity to submit a bid for the portion of South Main Street adjacent to their property. Chairman Pastor called for public comment and there being no requests to speak from the public; he closed the public hearing. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously accepted a bid from Doreen Badilla in the amount of \$76.00 and a bid from David Quintero in the amount of \$89.00 for the sale of a portion of South Main Street as shown on Official Map No. 52.

Item 3 – REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

Vice-Chairman Martin stated that Kenny Evans, Town of Payson Mayor, was present in the audience; therefore, she requested that the Chairman allow the Board to address agenda item 3-H at this time, to which the Chairman agreed.

H. Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Resolution No. 13-12-07 which states that Gila County concurs with the intent of the Tonto Apache Indian Tribe's (Tribe) Resolution No. 41-13, and supports and acknowledges the principles contained in Addendum No. 1 including the use of up to 200 acre feet per annum of water from C.C. Cragin Reservoir as well as contracting with the Town of Payson (Town) to use the Town's pipeline, filtration plant, and other Town infrastructure to deliver the water to the Tribe as described in the Town's Rural Water Supply Program Grant Application for funding.

Don McDaniel, County Manager, provided a succinct recap of the resolution listed above and added that the resolution shows the agreement and support of the County of this amendment to the application submitted by the Town of

Payson to collaborate with the Tonto Apache Indian Tribe as stated in Resolution No. 13-12-07. Supervisor Marcanti stated that he met with Mayor Evans with regard to this subject and is in agreement with moving forward to get this process started. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 13-12-07 which states that Gila County concurs with the intent of the Tonto Apache Indian Tribe's (Tribe) Resolution No. 41-13, and supports and acknowledges the principles contained in Addendum No. 1 including the use of up to 200 acre feet per annum of water from C.C. Cragin Reservoir as well as contracting with the Town of Payson (Town) to use the Town's pipeline, filtration plant, and other Town infrastructure to deliver the water to the Tribe as described in the Town's Rural Water Supply Program Grant Application for funding. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Chairman Pastor returned to regular agenda item 3-A.

A. Information/Discussion/Action to approve a new Human Resources Policies and Procedures format and to adopt Policy Number BOS-HRS-110, Equal Opportunity, Unlawful Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation (replacing the current Rule 4); and Policy Number BOS-HRS-115, Americans With Disabilities and Reasonable Accommodation (replacing the current Rule 25). All other Gila County Merit System Rules and Policies will remain in effect unless or until amended by the Board of Supervisors.

Linda Eastlick, Human Resources/Risk Management Department Director, stated that it has been approximately 12 years since the Human Resources policies have been updated making them overdue for review. One of the reasons it is necessary to review policies at this time is that some laws and procedures have changed. It is the intent of the Human Resources Department to adopt the new policy format that has been approved by the Board, whereby the first page contains the policy followed by the procedures and they will be titled Human Resource Policies rather than Merit System Rules. Ms. Eastlick added that also included in this item is a draft copy of the "Table of Contents" for the Board's review and ease of finding policies and grouping them in sections. Chairman Pastor advised that it should be clear that these policies apply to all County staff "top to bottom" and that there are procedures in place for reporting discrimination, harassment, and retaliation that should be followed. He also recommended that investigations should be discussed with all the parties involved so there can be closure to an investigation. Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved a new Human Resources Policies and Procedures format and adopted Policy Number BOS-HRS-110, Equal Opportunity, Unlawful Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation (replacing the current Rule 4); and Policy Number BOS-HRS-115, Americans With Disabilities and Reasonable Accommodation (replacing the current Rule 25). Ms. Eastlick

advised that all other Gila County Merit System Rules and Policies will remain in effect unless or until amended by the Board of Supervisors.

B. Information/Discussion/Action to approve an Agreement-Economic Development Grant (Agreement No. 110513) between Gila County and Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens Area Agency on Aging whereby the County will disburse up to \$21,500; and further the Board determines this is for the benefit of the public and will improve or enhance the economic welfare of the inhabitants of Gila County.

Mr. McDaniel stated that the Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens Area Agency on Aging has been in existence since 1974 and the Board of Supervisors has supported the Agency by contributing \$21,500 annually since 1979. The funds are used in order to support the administration and program services such as the "Meals on Wheels" program, which provides home-delivered meals for senior citizens and persons with disabilities in Gila County. In making this disbursement it expends the funds budgeted for Community Services for this non-profit agency for the year. Supervisor Marcanti inquired as to the reason there isn't a budgeted line item for this disbursement, to which Mr. McDaniel explained that this item and several other items that are non-County functions are placed on the line item entitled "Community Agency and Economic Development." Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously approved an Agreement-Economic Development Grant (Agreement No. 110513) between Gila County and Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens Area Agency on Aging whereby the County will disburse up to \$21,500; and further the Board determines this is for the benefit of the public and will improve or enhance the economic welfare of the inhabitants of Gila County.

C. Information/Discussion/Action to review all bids submitted for Invitation for Bid No. 101413 for the purchase of four (4) new all-wheel drive (AWD) utility police interceptors or equal; award to the lowest, responsible and qualified bidder; and authorize the Chairman's signature on the award contract for the winning bidder.

Jeff Hassenius, Finance Division Director, stated that the Invitation for Bid was advertised in the Arizona Silver Belt, the official County newspaper for 2013. Three bids were received by the submittal deadline; however, one bid was not submitted on time, so it was returned unopened to the supplier. Berge Ford was the lowest, responsible and qualified bidder with a quote of \$31,710.11 for each of the four (4) 2014 vehicles. Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously awarded a contract pertaining to Invitation to Bid No. 101413 to Berge Ford for the purchase of four (4) new all-wheel drive (AWD) utility police interceptors or equal at a cost of \$31,710.11 per vehicle, and authorized the Chairman's signature on the award contract.

D. Information/Discussion/Action to authorize the quarterly posting of a public notice of on-line auction of surplus materials in the Arizona Silver Belt newspaper per A.R.S. §11-251(9).

Mr. Hessenius explained that the County's process to auction surplus materials may either be handled by conducting a competitive online auction or a public attendance auction. The County historically conducts quarterly online auctions. He added that the County is required to post a 30-day public notice of the auction listing the items to be auctioned. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board authorized the quarterly posting of a public notice of on-line auction of surplus materials in the Arizona Silver Belt newspaper per A.R.S. §11-251(9).

E. Information/Discussion/Action to review all bids submitted for Invitation for Bid No. 101013 for the purchase of TRMSS oil; award to the lowest, responsible and qualified bidder; and authorize the Chairman's signature on the award contract for the winning bidder.

Mr. Hessenius stated that the Invitation for Bid was advertised in the Arizona Silver Belt newspaper on November 6th and 13th for a supplier to provide the County with TRMSS oil that will be used in the Timber Region (northern Gila County) and the Copper Region (southern Gila County) of the County. The opening of the bids took place on November 20th with only one respondent. It is the recommendation of Mr. Hessenius and Steve Stratton, Public Works Division Director, to award this contract to Wright Asphalt Products Company, which is a qualified bidder, for a period of 16 months through April 16, 2015. The contract also allows for two (2) one-year renewal options. Chairman Pastor inquired if it was unusual to have only one bidder for this product, to which Mr. Hessenius replied that historically there has been only one bidder. Mr. Stratton advised that there is only one oil company that produces this blend of oil and that there is a local refinery. Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously awarded a contract pertaining to Invitation for Bid No. 101013 to Wright Asphalt Products Company for a period of 16 months through April 16, 2015, at a price as quoted within the bid documents for the purchase of TRMSS oil, and authorized the Chairman's signature on the award contract.

F. Information/Discussion/Action to support the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension FY2015 budget as submitted by the Board of Regents; request that any state-wide reorganization of the Cooperative Extension units not reduce the individual attention and effectiveness of the Extension in Gila County; and, submit a letter to the Governor and the nine (9) State Legislators representing Gila County.

John Marcanti, District 3 Supervisor, expressed concerns regarding the consideration being given by the University of Arizona, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences to reorganize the county extension units around the state to a more regional approach. He stated that the County supports the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension Program for Gila County by providing \$60,000 annually and the concern is having these funds not being spent in Gila County, but rather going to metropolitan areas. He explained that this letter is also requesting that any reorganization of the county extension units must not reduce the individual attention and effectiveness of the Cooperative Extension Program provided in Gila County. Mr. McDaniel concurred with Supervisor Marcanti adding that the issue of regionalization is a concern to all of the agricultural extension offices around the State of Arizona, and this letter is a way to express the importance of the Cooperative Extension Program in Gila County. Vice-Chairman Martin agreed with sending the letter and having a voice on this issue. Chairman Pastor gave kudos to Dr. Jim Sprinkle and Chris Jones for their leadership of Gila County's Cooperative Extension Program. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously approved to support the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension FY 2015 budget as submitted by the Board of Regents, and submit a letter to the Governor and the nine (9) State Legislators representing Gila County requesting that any state-wide reorganization of the Cooperative Extension units not reduce the individual attention and effectiveness of Cooperative Extension Program in Gila County.

G. Information/Discussion/Action to name the 15 to 20 potential Committee members to the final list of potential members and assign equal numbers to each Board member to contact to determine their interest in serving on the Citizens Transportation Tax Continuation Committee with the understanding that the list of potential members who agree to serve will be placed on the Board's Regular Agenda of January 7, 2014, for approval and appointment to the Committee.

Mr. McDaniel briefly explained the steps that were taken to create the final list of Citizens Transportation Tax Continuation Committee members for consideration of appointment by the Board of Supervisors at its January 7th meeting.

Chairman Pastor recessed the meeting at 11:05 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Each Board member offered suggestions regarding developing the list of Committee members for the purpose of supporting the continuation of the ½ tax transportation excise tax. The Board agreed that the Committee members should reside in Gila County and they must first agree to sit on this Committee before being placed on any list of *potential* Committee members. The Board discussed the matter of having representation from each of the three

supervisory districts. Vice-Chairman Martin expressed a concern that this item should have been discussed in a work session prior to being on the regular agenda to allow ample time to discuss the selection of the Committee members as well as to ascertain the interest of the potential candidates. Supervisor Marcanti stated that the Board should ask potential candidates if they have a desire to serve on this Committee and stressed the importance of having strong representation from each area of the County. Mr. McDaniel added that the sole purpose of the Committee would be to study the transportation needs of the County and determine if it would be appropriate to recommend that the Board call for an election to decide upon continuing the ½ cent transportation excise tax. Chairman Pastor added for clarification that each Committee member would serve a term of two to three months. He then directed that this item be continued to the next Board meeting and requested that each Board member provide additional names to Mr. McDaniel by Friday, December 20, 2013. Additionally, he directed Public Works staff to provide recommendations of potential interested candidates to the Board. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously continued this item to the January 7, 2014, meeting.

I. Information/Discussion/Action to adopt Resolution No. 13-12-06 electing the full Gila County share of the State Payment option for the "Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000" reauthorized for one year pursuant to HR 527 Helium Stewardship Act and further allocates 80 percent of the Gila County share to Title I - Secure Payments for Schools and Roads and 20 percent of the Gila County share to Title II - Special Projects.

Jacque Griffin, Assistant County Manager/Librarian, provided background information regarding the governmental process for the County to apply for and receive the "Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000" funds. She explained that the County must elect which kind of payment is desired and how the payment will be allocated in order to receive the funds. She added that historically, the County has elected for the full amount which this year equates to approximately \$1.6 million. She then explained that the County must have this election document to the State Treasurer by December 24, 2013, which will then be sent by the State Treasurer to the federal government in order to meet the deadline of December 31, 2013. Upon motion by Supervisor Marcanti, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 13-12-06 electing the full Gila County share of the State Payment option for the "Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000" reauthorized for one year pursuant to HR 527 Helium Stewardship Act and further allocates 80 percent of the Gila County share to Title I - Secure Payments for Schools and Roads and 20 percent of the Gila County share to Title II - Special Projects. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

J. Information/Discussion/Action to approve the Gila/Pinal Workforce Investment Area Business Plan for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2017.

Malissa Buzan, Community Services Division Director, requested that the Board approve the Plan as presented and she explained that the formulation of this Business Plan has been a collaborative effort of the Arizona Commerce Authority as well as a consultant hired by the Department of Economic Security (DES). She further stated that meetings have been held with Gila/Pinal Workforce Board members in order to develop each section of the Business Plan for submission to DES.

Mr. McDaniel added that he was contacted by Greg Stanley, interim Pinal County Manager, who stated that he would like to have further discussion with his Board of Supervisors regarding the administration of the Business Plan. Mr. McDaniel added that any changes to the Business Plan could be made early next year in order to meet the deadline for submission to DES by December 31, 2013. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Marcanti, the Board unanimously approved the Gila/Pinal Workforce Investment Area Business Plan for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2017.

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. 10 to an Agreement for Energy Wise Low-Income Weatherization Program Implementation (P.O. No. 700518523) between Arizona Public Service (APS) and the Gila County Division of Community Services, Weatherization Program, whereby APS will provide funding in an amount not to exceed \$106,429 to be used to provide weatherization services to eligible citizens residing in Gila County for the period from January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2014.

B. Approval of Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. Gila 10101 between Gila County and Central Arizona College to increase the Program Year 2013 contract amount from \$673,402 to \$1,047,453 to provide youth services for eligible clients within the Gila/Pinal Workforce Investment Area.

C. Approval of Amendment No. 5 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. DE111093-001) between the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES) and the Gila County Division of Community Services, Gila Employment and Special Training Program (GEST), of which said amendment replaces Section 20, Background Checks for Employment

through the Central Registry, effective on the date of last signature, through September 30, 2015.

D. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. ADHS13-040496) between Gila County and the Arizona Department of Health Services to continue to provide HIV care and support services to Gila, Apache and Navajo Counties for the period of September 20, 2013, through March 31, 2015.

E. Approval of Modification 1 of Road Project Agreement 13-RO-11031200-022 between the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Tonto National Forest and Gila County to extend the expiration date from December 31, 2013, to August 30, 2014, to allow the County to use the remaining amount of the agreement, \$34,761.01 in the Spring of 2014 for additional work on Forest Road 55 (Russell Road).

F. Ratification of a Special Event Liquor License Application submitted by the Father Virgil Genevrier Council #1158 Globe Knights of Columbus to serve liquor at the Gila County Fairgrounds for a Christmas Celebration/Party for 5D Mining & Construction to be held on December 14, 2013.

G. Acknowledgment of the resignations of Sam Baker and Jerry Nicholas from the Beaver Valley Domestic Water Improvement District governing board, and the appointment of Ian Linton to said board to fulfill Mr. Baker's unexpired term of office through December 31, 2016, and the appointment of Scott Smith to said board to fulfill Mr. Nicholas's unexpired term of office through December 31, 2016.

H. Acknowledgment of contracts under \$50,000 which have been approved by the County Manager for the weeks of November 18, 2013, to November 22, 2013; and November 25, 2013, to November 29, 2013.

I. Approval of finance reports/demands/transfers for the weeks of December 10, 2013, and December 17, 2013.

December 10, 2013

\$1,986,780.28 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 258352 through 258503.

December 17, 2013

\$991,681.13 was disbursed for County expenses by check numbers 258504 through 258658. **(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-I.

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 of Strawberry, Arizona expressed his concern regarding the need to call for an election of the Pine-Strawberry Water Improvement District (PSWID). He stated that the actions of five former board members have led to a recall action and five resignations. He stated, “A Board that will work together with ethical ideas is needed now, and without further delay.” Communications by residents will continue to maintain an awareness of the ongoing needs of the PSWID. He stated that PSWID respectfully requests an election be held as soon as possible.

Pam Mason of Pine, Arizona stated that the Board of Supervisors is scheduled to be in Pine, Arizona on Thursday, January 16, 2013, for a community meeting and she requested that a call for an election is placed on that meeting agenda. She respectfully requested that a special election be held on January 21, 2014.

Chairman Pastor confirmed that the Board of Supervisors (acting as the PSWID Board of Directors) will conduct a community meeting on January 16, 2014, in order to meet with residents of Pine and Strawberry.

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 11:45 a.m.

APPROVED:

Michael A. Pastor, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marian Sheppard, Clerk of the Board