

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE APACHE COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

May 2, 2023
St. Johns, Arizona

Present were, Chairman Alton Joe Shepherd and Vice Chairman Nelson Davis. Also present, County Manager/Clerk of the Board Ryan Patterson, County Attorney Michael Whiting and Chief Deputy Attorney Celeste Robertson. Supervisor Joe Shirley, Jr. participated via the telephone.

Chairman Shepherd called to order the Board of Supervisors meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' chambers, County Annex Building, 75 West Cleveland Street, St. Johns, Arizona, and welcomed all in attendance.

Matt Fish gave the invocation.

Stephanie McCarthy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Patterson presented the item following a public hearing, discussion, and possible approval of the proposed Escudilla Domestic Water Improvement District. Mr. Patterson stated prior to the meeting today, a copy of the petitions and boundary map are available for the public to view in the County Manager's Office. Mr. Patterson stated there are 76 property owners within the proposed water district and as required by statute and signatures by over 51% of the landowners within the proposed boundaries were collected by the petition process. Mr. Patterson stated letters outlining the proposed water district with the date, time, and location of today's public hearing were sent to all 76 property owners within the proposed boundaries as well as notice of today's public hearing regarding the proposed water district was advertised in the White Mountain Independent, which ran April 21, and April 28, 2023. Mr. Patterson stated per statute 48-906, in establishing the improvement district, the board shall eliminate any territory described in the petition which it finds will not be benefited by the establishment of the district. Mr. Patterson stated this action can be done by residents requesting their property be excluded from the water district and so far, we received two written requests to opt out of the proposed district; Stan and Angela Watkins, parcel 102-62-034, and Robert and Lisa Gilbert parcel 102-55-025. Chairman Shepherd called for a motion to open the public hearing, **Mr. Davis moved approval To open the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Fern Braddock a property owner within the boundary of the proposed district, voiced her support of the formation of the domestic water district.

Frank Cassidy, the attorney representing Mr. & Mrs. Knobee to assist in establishing the water District, stated he was available if the board had any questions.

Gary Scruggs parcel 102-55-026B, a resident within the proposed district, requested to be excluded from the water district.

Robert Gilbert, 102-55-025 and 102-55-025A, a resident within the proposed boundary, voiced his opposition to the formation and requested to be excluded from the water district. (Mr. Gilbert had also submitted a letter requesting the exclusion).

Sheri Tetzloff, a resident outside the boundary of the proposed water district, stated she also sent in a letter to the board, voiced her opposition to the creation of the water district.

Carol Glasgow, Parcel 102-62-013, a resident within the boundary of the proposed water district, stated the Knobee's have done a good job trying to solve the water problem, but she was not in support of the water district. Mr. Patterson asked Ms. Glasgow if she was requesting to opt out of the district. Mrs. Glasgow stated yes. (Mrs. Glasgow submitted a letter on May 3, 2023 requesting to rescind her request to be excluded, and to now be included in the District).

There was no one else who requested to speak during the public hearing.

Mr. Davis moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Shirley. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Davis thanked everyone for their comments and stated there is always two sides to an issue and he supports the creation of the water district. **Mr. Davis made the motion to approve the creation of the water district with the requested parcels removed, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Matt Fish, Community Development Director, presented the item, following a public hearing, discussion, and possible approval of the Fourth Amended Plat of the Hidden Paradise Subdivision, allowing Becky Ivins to split her +/- 5-acre lot and create two (2) +/- 2.5-acre lots for residential use. The property is located at 54 County Road 8405 in Vernon, Arizona A.P.N. 106-25-004. The Apache County Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval on April 6, 2023. **Mr. Davis moved to open the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** There was no one wanting to address the board during the public hearing. **Mr. Davis moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous. **Mr. Davis moved to approve the amended plat, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Patterson presented the consent agenda items. A-I. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Davis.** County Manager/Clerk of the Board: A. Request approval of demands as distributed to the Apache County Board of Supervisors between April 4, 2023 to May 2, 2023. Payee Amount AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC 6,591.75 B&R TRUCKING 14,063.59 BAUMAN HOME AND AUTO INC (CARQUEST) 3,232.68 BLUE HILLS ENVIRONMENTAL 2,490.78 BOOT BARN 1,303.04 BRAD HALL & ASSOCIATES INC 49,826.10 CDW GOVERNMENT LLC 10,001.94 CLARK TRUCK EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC 2,159.00 CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS 1,849.96 DELL COMPUTER CORPORATION 1,967.17 EPIC MOTORSPORTS CORP 1,361.89 FUTURE TIRE 3,176.77 GALLUP BLUEPRINT 1,020.00 HATCH CONSTRUCTION 4,484.64 HOME DEPOT 2,966.74 HWY 64 TRUCK & AUTO SALVAGE 1,919.25 J MARBLES LAND SURVEYING LLC 1,250.00 GENEVA L JACKSON 1,049.00 MOUNTAIN COMFORT HEATING AND COOLING 5,710.42 NAVOPACHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 2,333.02 QUILL CORP 1,603.80 RDO EQUIPMENT CO 10,697.44

RHINEHART OIL CO 14,151.37 RUSH TRUCK CENTER 2,048.38 SIERRA PROPANE 3,013.35 SPEEDY SALES AND SERVICE 1,073.25 STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES 28,358.84 TRACTOR SUPPLY CO 1,211.55 TREAD MASTERS TIRE & LUBE 2,115.75 TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC 101,996.71 VANAFIRE LLC 30,000.00 WHITE MOUNTAIN PUBLISHING CO 1,098.23 WILLIAMS BROTHERS AUTO SERVICE, LLC 1,872.82 WOODLAND BUILDING CENTER C/O NATIONS BEST 1,314.15 YAVAPAI COUNTY GOVERNMENT 7,000.00 APACHE COUNTY TAX WITHHOLDING 170,415.94 ASRS LEGACY EORP 10,075.98 AZ STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM 129,906.58 CORRECTIONS OFFICER RET PLAN 12,040.66 CORRECTIONS OFFICER RETIREMENT PLAN 520 1,602.22 EORP LEGACY 2,777.35 NATIONWIDE 1,890.22 NATIONWIDE TRUST FSB 2,888.32 PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL 401 14,035.08 PUBLIC SAFETY SHERIFF RET 10,062.52 ALLEGRA 1,075.07 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC 4,251.52 ANDREWS REFRIGERATION INC 1,072.50 BAUMAN HOME AND AUTO INC (CARQUEST) 1,851.22 C & E CONCRETE INC 4,191.04 CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION 35,982.51 CDW GOVERNMENT LLC 1,359.61 John Lucas COMMUNITY BROADBAND ADVOCATES LLC 3,562.50 CECILIA DIAZ 1,838.49 ELECTION CENTER 1,018.00 EMPIRE MACHINERY 1,822.66 FRONTIER 4,296.35 GLAXO SMITHKLINE PHARMACY 2,328.10 ROBERT JAMES HIGGINS 3,108.51 HIGH COUNTRY SIGNS LLC 2,050.00 GENEVA L JACKSON 1,755.88 MELISSA MEEKS 1,013.13 MOHAWK AUTOMOTIVE LIFTS SOUTHWEST 1,142.00 NTUA WIRELESS, LLC 5,220.02 OVERDRIVE INC 1,552.61 DAVID J PADILLA 1,300.00 DOUGLAS LANCE PEARCE 1,062.53 QUILL CORP 5,682.90 RIGG LAW FIRM PLLC 10,000.00 CELESTE ROBERTSON 2,549.91 RUNBECK ELECTION SERVICES INC 18,022.42 RUSH TRUCK CENTER 5,684.83 SAFELITE AUTO GLASS 1,264.64 SANDERS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 3,250.00 SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES INC 1,986.41 SHOW LOW FORD INC 3,218.53 SIERRA PROPANE 1,901.10 SPORTS WORLD INC 4,044.90 ST JOHNS EMERGENCY SERVICES 1,186.98 THE AARONS COMPANY LLC 3,000.00 THE GUIDANCE CENTER 2,045.00 TRINITY SERVICES GROUP INC 19,200.08 TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC 112,009.84 VERIZON WIRELESS 1,164.50 WOODSON ENGINEERING & SURVEYING INC 34,357.50 WRIGHT EXPRESS FSC WEX 3,930.33 REDACTED 1,108.00 NATIONAL BANK 14,916.88 NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA 13891,694.33 ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE INC 39,086.01 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC 4,584.72 APACHE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT 3,003.26 ARIZONA ELEVATOR SOLUTIONS INC 3,167.29 AZ COUNTIES INSURANCE POOL 6,927.80 AZ COURTS ASSN 1,140.00 AZ DEPT OF RISK MANAGEMENT 2,518.00 AZLGEBT 352,918.95 BLUE KNIGHT SECURITY LLC 4,425.00 BRAD HALL & ASSOCIATES INC 30,097.27 BURNHAM MORTUARY 1,000.00 CDW GOVERNMENT LLC 2,211.45 CLARK TRUCK EQUIPMENT COMPANY INC 3,353.00 CONDITIONED RESPONSE TRAINING 2,764.70 CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS 10,864.93 CONTINUANT INC 3,748.60 DIAMONDBACK POLICE SUPPLY CO INC 1,934.75 EMPIRE MACHINERY 2,650.52 ESRI INC 14,992.75 EXPEDITION COMMUNICATIONS LLC 3,995.00 FERRELLGAS 1,144.21 FUTURE TIRE 1,264.45 GRAINGER 2,426.15 KLINT HEAP 1,773.67 HILLYARD/FLAGSTAFF 1,462.08 JOHN (JACK) INGRAM 1,108.44 JUSTICE BENEFITS INC 1,334.08 LOWES COMPANIES INC 1,947.86 MCCOOK BOILER AND PUMP COMPANY 2,895.00 NAVAJO COUNTY

FAMILY ADVOCACY CENTER 2,025.00 NAVOPACHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 1,574.57 NFOCUS SOLUTIONS 1,947.00 OFFICE DEPOT 1,520.57 PACIFIC PONDEROSA CO INC 6,172.56 DANA BRYCE PATTERSON 8,500.00 PREMIUM PROPANE LLC 2,899.96 QUILL CORP 4,602.11 R JOHN R JOHN LEE ATTORNEY AT LAW 8,500.00 REDW LLC 9,850.00 REINOSO, ROSS 32,000.00 RHINEHART OIL CO 40,798.72 SALT RIVER PROJECT - SRP – MARS 1,091.00 SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES INC 3,522.46 SKAGGS PUBLIC SAFETY UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT 1,115.83 ST JOHNS CITY 1,590.04 THOMSON REUTERS WEST 2,184.68 TRUCK PRO DBA AZ BRAKE & CLUTCH SUPPLY 1,289.42 VERIZON WIRELESS 3,717.44 WHITE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS 1,091.82 SAMUEL A WOOD 1,589.12 APACHE COUNTY HSA 4,559.39 APACHE COUNTY MEDICAL 169,516.94 APACHE COUNTY TAX WITHHOLDING 184,293.98 ASRS LEGACY EORP 10,075.98 AZ STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM 128,041.15 COLONIAL LIFE AND ACCIDENT INS 1,139.10 CORRECTIONS OFFICER RET PLAN 11,888.74 CORRECTIONS OFFICER RETIREMENT PLAN 520 1,380.30 EORP LEGACY 2,777.35 NATIONWIDE 3,045.10 NATIONWIDE TRUST FSB 2,891.21 PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL 401 14,035.08 PUBLIC SAFETY SHERIFF RET 10,732.21 SUPPORT PAYMENT CLEARINGHOUSE 1,424.82 NAVOPACHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 16,927.48 PEACE CHAPEL FUNERAL HOME 1,000.00 ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE INC 39,144.92 ALERTUS TECHNOLOGIES LLC 4,950.00 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC 2,957.48 AZ COUNTIES WORKERS COMPENSATION PLAN 108,032.63 AZ DEPT OF HEALTH SERVICES 1,240.00 BAUMAN HOME AND AUTO INC (CARQUEST) 2,877.65 BLINDS.COM 1,621.67 BRAD HALL & ASSOCIATES INC 30,279.33 BREWER LAW OFFICE PLLC 8,500.00 BAUER K BROWN 1,049.16 CBT NUGGETS LLC 1,307.02 ALBERT N CLARK 2,386.99 DELL COMPUTER CORPORATION 10,451.63 DYLLIN RICK ELLINGTON 2,386.99 EMPIRE MACHINERY 6,620.44 EPIC MOTORSPORTS CORP 15,082.83 FRONTIER 1,460.42 HAMBLIN LAW OFFICE PLC 8,500.00 HIGH COUNTRY PROPANE 2,032.18 HILLYARD/FLAGSTAFF 1,288.71 INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES 7,162.02 KUBL GROUP LLC 14,800.00 LAW OFFICE OF HUNTER T LEWIS 1,008.00 LAW OFFICE OF MICHAEL S PENROD PLC 7,608.00 LSQ GROUP HOLDINGS LLC 3,471.86 CHRIS MCCARTHY 1,254.06 MOUNTAIN COMFORT HEATING AND COOLING 3,824.02 NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY 5,785.82 NAVOPACHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 2,383.49 O'REILLY AUTO PARTS 1,650.01 OFFICE DEPOT 1,465.20 OVERDRIVE INC 2,450.30 PACIFIC PONDEROSA CO INC 12,931.63 PIMA COUNTY MEDICAL 2,500.00 QUILL CORP 2,198.30 RHINEHART OIL CO 14,182.82 SATURDAY CONSULTING PLLC 2,625.00 SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES INC 1,140.50 SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP 2,265.72 SIERRA PROPANE 1,478.55 SITECH SOUTHWEST LLC 64,005.24 SKAGGS PUBLIC SAFETY UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT 7,048.16 SOUTH FORK PROPERT LLP 4,500.00 ST JOHNS EMERGENCY SERVICES 1,306.28 SUMMIT HEALTHCARE MEDICAL ASSOCIATES 3,400.00 TREAD MASTERS TIRE & LUBE 7,280.80 UMB Bank N.A 1,000.00 WHITE MOUNTAIN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER 1,956.61 KTNN RADIO STATION 1,696.00 GENEVA L JACKSON 1,089.73

Demands are payments made, or to be made, by the County. Specific details of the demands may be requested through the County public record request process. B. Request approval of minutes dated April 4, 2023, and April 24, 2023. Emergency Management: C. Request approval to appoint Ferrin Crosby as the Applicant Agent

for DR-4620AZ. This will allow Mr. Crosby to be the signatory on all projects for the July 2021 flood event. Treasurer's Office: D. Request approval of "Certificate of Removal and Abatement of Taxes" pursuant to A.R.S. §42-1835(15). Total taxes, penalties, and interest abated for the following properties: \$177.31 for property account M8600123 \$465.71 for property account P1223832 \$548.62 for property account P0106419 \$1,205.50 for property account M0900170 Community Development: E. Request approval to waive the \$300 fee for a Temporary Use Permit allowing the Greer Civic Association, a non-profit organization to hold the annual Greer Days community event June 9 & 10, 2023. F. Request approval of a conditional use permit allowing Commnet of Arizona, LLC to construct a 195' telecommunications tower within a 100' x 100' fenced compound. The property is located adjacent to the Vernon Fire Station at 1 County Road N3115 in Vernon, Arizona A.P.N. 106-74-002F. The Apache County Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval on April 6, 2023. G. Request the appointment of Bob Pollock from Greer, to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission for District III, for a four (4) year term, effective May 8, 2023. Recorder's Office: H. Request approval to extend the current support agreement with Saul's Creek Engineering to conduct everyday recording functions. This is a four-month extension until Tyler Technologies is implemented. Engineering Department: I. Request approval of relocation reimbursement in the amount of \$1,000 in accordance with Apache County Human Resources Policy Manual Section 1.7 for newly hired Senior Project Engineer Christopher Padilla. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Patterson, on behalf of the Election Department, requested approval to allow the White Mountain Communities Special Health Care District to hold a vote by mail election on November 7, 2023 to re-authorize the authority to levy a secondary property tax. Jerry Campos, the Chairman of the White Mountain Communities Special Health Care District, Mr. Campos requested approval of the request for the all-mail election to reauthorize, since it is an off year and no in-person election will be held. Mr. Campos stated the county will be compensated for the cost of the all-mail election. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Commander Soderquist, on behalf of the Sheriff's Office, requested approval of the Modification of Grant #22-LE-11030100-034 to increase an additional \$5,000 for continue campground/forest patrol. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Davis.** Vote was unanimous.

Steve Kizer, Information Technology Director, requested approval of the Registration Services Agreement with the American Registry for Internet Numbers. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Paul Hancock, Probation Services Director, requested approval to appoint Timothy Hinton, Finance Director, as the Chief Fiscal Officer for both the Adult and Juvenile Divisions in accordance with the Arizona Code of Judicial Administration. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Paul Hancock, Probation Services Director, requested and possible approval to provide an additional \$2,574 in matching funds for an ongoing Family Counseling grant. The State of Arizona will disburse an additional \$10,295 for a total of \$24,956 for FY23. **Mr. Davis moved**

approval. Seconded by Mr. Shirley. Vote was unanimous.

Paul Hancock, Probation Services Director, requested approval to change the Juvenile Community Restitution Coordinator (Range 26) \$29,707, to a Probation Specialist (Range 26) \$29,707 and will result in no increase to the budget. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Davis.** Vote was unanimous.

Ferrin Crosby, County Engineer, on behalf of District II, requested approval to purchase a new Super18 Dump Truck, utilizing District II funds in the amount of \$318,206. **Mr. Shirley moved approval seconded by Mr. Davis.** Vote was unanimous.

Ferrin Crosby, County Engineer, on behalf of District II, requested approval to purchase a new CAT 150-15AWD through the OMNIA contract with trade in, and financed for three (3) annual payments, from Caterpillar Financial Services Corporation. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Davis.** Vote was unanimous.

Ferrin Crosby, County Engineer, requested approval to update the yearly contract trucking bid. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Davis.** Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Patterson presented notification of the following meetings where two or more members of the Apache County Board of Supervisors may be in attendance. No action was needed or taken.

- The Eastern Arizona Counties Organization meeting on May 24, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. held at the County Supervisors Association building, 1905 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ.
- Small Counties Forum meeting on May 24, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. held at the County Supervisors Association building, 1905 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ.
- The County Supervisors Association (CSA) meeting on May 25, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the County Supervisors Association building, 1905 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ.

There was no one wanting to address the board during call to the public.

Mr. Davis moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Shirley. Vote was unanimous.

Approved this 6th day of June, 2023.

/s/ Alton Joe Shepherd
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board