

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE APACHE COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

September 7, 2021

St. Johns, Arizona

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

Chairman Shirley 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.

Liz Castillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Lehi Montierth gave the invocation.

Chairman Shirley called for the Health District items.

Mr. Patterson requested approval of Intergovernmental Agreement #CTR041404, Amendment #4 Woman, Infant, Children and Breastfeeding Peer Counseling Services, effective October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022 in the amount of \$97,500. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Patterson requested approval of two (2) full-time Public Health Nurse positions. These are grant-funded and will not result in an increase to the FY22 budget. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Davis moved to adjourn the Public Health Services District meeting, seconded by Mr. Shepherd. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Shirley called for the regular agenda items.

Mr. Davis made the motion to sit as the Board of Supervisors sat as the Board of Equalization, seconded by Mr. Shepherd. Vote was unanimous. **Mr. Davis moved to accept the following Petitions for Review of Real Property determinations heard by Hearing Officer Charles Johnson on August 25, 2021, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.**

Acceptance of hearing determination of Petition for Review of Real Property valuation for JFP-AG Springerville LLC-Safeway CPTS #2076 for parcel 105-18-025B.

Acceptance of hearing determination of Petition for Review of Real Property valuation for MM Associates Fund I Partners LLC for parcel 207-26-350B.

Acceptance of hearing determination of Petition for Review of Real Property valuation for David & Melissa Kittle for parcel 107-14-001G.

Acceptance of hearing determination of Petition for Review of Real Property valuation for Herbert & Janice Havins Living Trust for parcel 212-10-019.

The vote was unanimous to accept Hearing Officer Johnson's decision regarding the Petition for Review of Real Property valuation appeals. **Mr. Davis moved to close the Board of Equalization and resume sitting as the Board of Supervisors, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Patterson presented the Consent Agenda items A-I and recommended approval, **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd. County Manager/Clerk of the Board: A.** Request approval of demands as distributed to the Apache County Board of Supervisors between August 6, 2021 to September 7, 2021. Payee Amount A & E REPROGRAPHICS 13,728.21 CORTEZ VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS INC 4,194.08 HIGH COUNTRY SIGNS LLC 1,970.00 NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY 2,420.75 QUILL CORP 3,395.00 RICOH USA INC 30,127.50 SAFELITE AUTO GLASS 1,013.68 STAPLES BUSINESS CREDIT STAPLES ADVANTAGE 8,878.75 APACHE COUNTY HSA 3,809.74 APACHE COUNTY MEDICAL 162,309.07 APACHE COUNTY TAX WITHHOLDING 139,659.18 ASRS LEGACY EORP 8,270.90 AZ STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM 107,428.66 COLONIAL LIFE AND ACCIDENT INS 1,396.80 CORRECTIONS OFFICER RET PLAN 11,304.51 CORRECTIONS OFFICER RETIREMENT PLAN 520 1,872.64 EORP LEGACY 1,360.17 NATIONWIDE 2,545.05 NATIONWIDE TRUST FSB 3,692.54 PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL 401 13,443.69 PUBLIC SAFETY SHERIFF RET 9,187.06 ALL MOUNTAIN RV SERVICE & SUPPLY 8,865.00 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC 8,250.94 APACHE COUNTY FAIR 25,000.00 AZ COUNTIES INSURANCE POOL 3,008.08 AZ DEPT OF HEALTH SERVICES 1,295.00 BREWER LAW OFFICE PLLC 8,500.00 C&I SHOW HARDWARE & SECURITY SYSTEMS INC 2,393.40 COMFORT INN LUCKY LANE (FLAG) 1,040.64 CREATIVE MULTIMEDIA INC (CMI) 19,140.00 CREATIVE MULTIMEDIA INC (CMI) 5,038.75 EMPIRE MACHINERY 5,203.31 FRONTIER 1,420.37 HAMBLIN & ASSOCIATES LLC 4,900.00 HAMBLIN LAW OFFICE PLC 8,500.00 HIGH COUNTRY PROPANE 1,227.38 HILLYARD/FLAGSTAFF 1,457.02 HOME DEPOT 1,308.19 HWY 64 TRUCK & AUTO SALVAGE 1,700.31 INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES 3,734.42 INLAND KENWORTH INC (FARMINGTON) 32,789.98 JONES SKELTON & HOCHULI PLC 3,892.00 KIMBALL EQUIPMENT COMPANY 1,786.95 NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY 4,198.95 NAVOPACHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 4,858.32 NORCHEM DRUG TESTING LAB (CORDANT) 1,059.70 PACIFIC PONDEROSA CO INC 7,095.15 DANA BRYCE PATTERSON 8,500.00 PUBLIC SAFETY CANCER INSURANCE 1,050.00 QUILL CORP 3,451.71 R JOHN R JOHN LEE ATTORNEY AT LAW 8,500.00 RHINEHART OIL CO 11,778.29 RIGG LAW FIRM PLLC 2,752.00 SECURUS TECHNOLOGIES INC 1,837.79 ST JOHNS CITY 1,808.33 ST JOHNS EMERGENCY SERVICES 1,063.26 VERIZON WIRELESS 1,463.24 WRIGHT EXPRESS FSC WEX 4,308.98 YAZZIE'S AUTO PARTS INC 1,010.68 PATRICK J SANDOVAL 1,378.32 ALLEGRA 1,122.93 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC 2,601.28 AMAZON COM INC (Health & Library) 1,087.81 ARIZONA COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS ASSOCIATION INC 2,500.00 AZ DEPT OF REVENUE 1,852.20 AZ SUPREME COURT 22,825.70 AZLGEBT 324,029.45 BLUE HILLS ENVIRONMENTAL 1,013.05 BRAD HALL &

ASSOCIATES INC 63,150.34 CHANGEPOINT INTEGRATED HEALTH 2,200.00
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9,189.86 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 August 16, 2021. C. Request approval of a proclamation supporting
the Diaper Bank of Southern Arizona.

Proclamation 2021-13

Apache County Support of the Diaper Bank of Southern Arizona and Proclaim September 27 – October 3, 2021 as Diaper Need Awareness Week in Apache County

Whereas, Diaper Need, the condition of not having a sufficient supply of clean diapers

to ensure that infants and toddlers are clean, healthy and dry, can adversely affect the health and welfare of infants, toddlers and their families; and

Whereas, national surveys and research studies report that one in three families struggle with diaper needs and 48% of families delay changing a diaper to extend the available supply; and

Whereas, infants and toddlers go through six to twelve diapers each day during the two to three years they wear diapers; and

Whereas, purchasing enough diapers to keep a baby or toddler clean, dry and healthy can consume 14% of a low wage family's post-tax income, making it difficult to provide the necessary supply; and

Whereas, during COVID-19 pandemic, diaper banks across the country saw enormous increases in demand for diapers and expanded their distribution of diapers by an average of 86%; and

Whereas, a daily or weekly supply of diapers is generally an eligibility requirement for babies and toddlers to participate in childcare programs and quality early education programs that enable children to thrive and parents to work; and

Whereas, without enough diapers, babies and toddlers risk infections and health problems that may require medical attention resulting in medical costs, and parents may be prevented from, accessing childcare needed to go to work or school thereby destabilizing the family's economic prospects and well-being; and

Whereas, the people of Apache County recognize that diaper need can lead to economic opportunity for the state's families and communities and improved health for children, thus ensuring all children and families have access to the basic necessities required to thrive and reach their full potential; and

Whereas, Apache County is proud to be home to trusted community based organizations including the Diaper Bank of Central and Southern Arizona, that recognize the importance of diapers in ensuring health and providing economic stability for families and thus distribute diapers to families through various channels; and

Whereas, these diaper banks and their staff and volunteers continue to serve on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic response, helping families in our communities weather the crisis: and

Whereas, while experiencing double, triple or greater, increase in demand for diapers due to the pandemic and economic shutdown, these diaper banks continue to do everything in their ability to increase diaper distributions and support children and families in need of immediate assistance: and

Whereas, now that our states is recovering from the pandemic, diaper banks are playing

a critical role in supporting families and advancing our collective economic growth; now

Therefore, the Board of Supervisors of Apache County, do hereby proclaim the week of September 27th through October 3rd 2021 as

DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK

in Apache County thank the aforementioned diaper bank, their staff, volunteers and donors, for their courageous service during the crisis, and encourage the citizens of Apache County to donate generously to diaper banks, diaper drives and support those organizations that collect and distribute diapers to families struggling with diaper need, so that all of the Apache County children and families can thrive and reach their full potential.

Approved this 7th day of September 2021.

/s/ Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board

D. Request approval of a resolution declaring recognition of fallen firefighters and emergency services personnel.

A RESOLUTION DECLARING RECOGNITION OF FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL

WHEREAS, the United States Congress and the President of the United States have designated the day of the annual National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service as a day to honor firefighters and emergency services personnel who have sacrificed their lives to save others by lowering the American flag on all federal buildings to half-staff; and

WHEREAS, an average of 90 firefighters courageously make the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty each year, including nineteen firefighters who lost their lives during the Yarnell Hill Fire in Arizona on June 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the events of September 11, 2001, brought national attention to the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices faced by fire and emergency services personnel on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, the Rodeo-Chediski, Wallow, Cedar Creek, Rattlesnake, and Whiting Knoll Fires brought awareness of the local sacrifices, hazards, duties, responsibilities that we as a community face and those faced by emergency responders; and

WHEREAS, firefighters and emergency services personnel are at a higher risk for chronic heart problems and respiratory issues. Today they are in a higher risk group during this terrible Covid-19 pandemic, several emergency responders have paid the ultimate sacrifice this year with our health pandemic; and

WHEREAS, firefighters and emergency services personnel play an essential role in the protection of lives and property in our local community; and

WHEREAS, the National Memorial Service marks the beginning of the annual Fire Prevention Week observance; and

WHEREAS, it is of major importance that we increase our efforts to reduce deaths, injuries, and property losses from fire;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Apache County, Arizona, now calls upon all citizens of Apache County and upon all patriotic, civic, and educational organizations in Apache County to observe the first Saturday in October, October 2, 2021, in recognition of the patriotic service and dedicated efforts of our fire and emergency services personnel by lowering American flags on all buildings to half-staff. The Board encourages appropriate services and ceremonies in which all of our citizens may participate to honor fire and emergency services personnel, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to duties, have rendered invaluable service to our community and its citizens.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Apache County, further calls upon citizens of Apache County to remember all fire and emergency personnel who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community and to pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

Adopted this 7th day of September 2021

/s/ Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board

E. District III: Request approval to donate a 2015 Chevy Tahoe, VIN 1GNSKAKC6FR233750 to the Vernon Fire District. Human Resources' Department: F. County Attorney's Office: request approval to hire two (2) Legal Assistant IV's within the salary range. G. IT Department: Request authorization to eliminate two (2) Network Administrator I positions (Range 54) and create one Network Administrator II position (Range 62) School Superintendent's Office: H. Request approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Association of County School Superintendents for state association services. Treasurer's Office: I. Request approval of a "Certificate of Removal and Abatement of Taxes" pursuant to ARS §42-18351(1) and §ARS 42-18351(5). Total taxes, penalties and interest to be abated in the amount of \$484.74 for personal property account number M0100276 and M9700037. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Patterson requested approval of the back-tax parcels to be offered at public auction. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Brian Hounshell, Emergency Management Director, requested approval of State Homeland Security Grant (Subrecipient Agreement Number 200100-02) in the amount of \$22,250 along with an extension for the grant due to NEPA study delays due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Roscoe Herrera requested approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Northeastern Arizona Law Enforcement Training Academy to continue utilizing their AZ POST approved facility to train and certify deputies hired and appointed by the Sheriff's Office. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Roscoe Herrera requested approval of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Chinle Unified School District and the Apache County Sheriff's Office for a School Resource Officer Program. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Michael Whiting, County Attorney, requested approval of the Attorney General's Office Program for Victim's Rights FY2022, AG#2022-001 in the amount of \$15,322 for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Shirley opened the floor for the call to the public.

Jay Cook, with the Arizona Game and Fish Department addressed the Board and invited the Board to a meeting in Greer on September 24, 2021 located at the community center in Greer beginning at 8:00 a.m. to discuss promotion of outdoor recreation and conservation and how that can help communities grow with economics.

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

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

Approved this 5th day of October, 2021.

ATTEST:

/s/ Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board