

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2011 @ 3:30 P.M.
IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
LOCATED AT 1415 MELODY LANE, BUILDING G, BISBEE ARIZONA**

Pursuant to 38-431.02 (D) In case of an actual emergency, a meeting, including an executive session, may be held on such notice as is appropriate to the circumstances. If this subsection is utilized for conduct of an emergency session or the consideration of an emergency measure at a previously scheduled meeting the public body must post a public notice within twenty-four hours declaring that an emergency session has been held and setting forth the information required in subsections H and I of this section.

Chairman Call called the Special Emergency Meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order at 3:32 p.m. All three supervisors were present: Pat Call, Chairman; Ann English, Vice-Chairman; Richard Searle, Supervisor. Also attending were Mike Ortega, County Administrator (via telephone); Jim Vlahovich, Deputy County Administrator; Dave Fifer, Deputy County Attorney; Mike Evans, Emergency Manager; Elizabeth Philhower, Emergency Services Coordinator and Katie Howard, Clerk of the Board.

ACTION

Board of Supervisors

ITEM 1

Adopt Resolution 11-25 declaring a state of local emergency in Cochise County regarding both the Horseshoe Two Fire and the Monument Fire, and requesting that the Governor also declare a State of Emergency.

Chairman Call explained that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss and pass a Resolution declaring a state of emergency in Cochise County and to request that the Governor also declare an emergency.

Vice-Chairman English stated that with the two fires burning and the loss of homes, it might cause the Governor to reconsider calling an emergency. Chairman Call stated that there have already been 40 homes lost and probably more now on Stump Canyon and Wild Horse. These are significant losses. Supervisor Searle stated that he is in full support of the Resolution. Supervisor Searle made a motion to declare a state of local emergency in Cochise County regarding both the Horseshoe Two Fire and the Monument Fire, and requesting that the Governor also declare a State of Emergency. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

Chairman Call asked Mr. Evans if there was any indication of what sort of relief will be provided. Mr. Evans responded that it would likely be individual assistance, depending on the insurance coverage of homeowners. The State, he said, will probably be in Cochise County tomorrow and may get individual assistance for homeowners who weren't covered under insurance. He pointed out that the losses burned were private structures, not public.

Chairman Call called for a vote on the motion and it passed unanimously, 3-0. There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Call adjourned the meeting at 3:41 p.m.

APPROVED:

Patrick G. Call, Chairman

ATTEST:

Katie A. Howard, Clerk of the Board