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**AGENDA FOR REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2025 at 10:00 AM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING ROOM
1415 MELODY LANE, BUILDING G, BISBEE, AZ 85603**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(H), the public will have physical access to the meeting place fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING

The Board may vote to recess into an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Board's attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

Members of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors will attend either in person or by telephone, video or internet conferencing.

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The Board may permit public comment during the discussion of any item on this agenda. To speak on an agenda item or during the Call to the Public, complete and return the [speaker request form](#) to the Clerk of the Board by 9:00 am on the day of the meeting.

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ROLL CALL

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda.

PRESENTATION

Presentation by Ms. Vada Phelps, Executive Director of Arizona@Work - Southeastern Arizona, on the Annual Report for July 2023 to June 2024, to highlight events and accomplishments.

CONSENT

Board of Supervisors

1. Approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of February 11, 2025.

Elections

2. Approve the appointment of three Democratic Party Precinct Committeemen, by recommendation of their Cochise County Party Chairman, to serve through the October 1, 2026 term.

Finance

3. Approve demands and budget amendments for operating transfers.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Development Services

4. Adopt Zoning Ordinance 25-05 to rezone tax parcel 407-83-006 (District 2) from R-36 (Residential District, one dwelling per 36,000 square feet) to RU-4 (Rural District, one dwelling per 4 acres) pursuant to the application of Pedro De Castro.
5. An appeal by Michael Clement (applicant) of the Planning and Zoning Commission's denial of Docket SU24-19, a Special Use Authorization request for two guest lodging units at 163 N. Cherokee Trail (District 3).

ACTION

Board of Supervisors

6. Adopt Resolution 25-02 expressing the Board of Supervisors' support for proposed legislation requiring that all mail-in ballots be returned by 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before Election Day to improve election efficiency, transparency, and timely ballot processing.
7. Approve the Over-the-Counter sale of tax deed properties as set forth in the attached Exhibit A, plus related administrative fees.

County Schools

8. Approve grant agreement between Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative (SSVEC) and Cochise County Schools for the Student Advisory Council, in the amount of \$19,993, effective upon approval.
9. Approve grant agreement between SSVEC and Cochise County Schools for the CommunityShare Initiative, in the amount of \$20,000, effective upon approval.

County Sheriff

10. Approve Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) 2025-027, between the State of Arizona Department of Public Safety (AZDPS), and Cochise County Sheriff's Office (CCSO), to enhance law enforcement services to deter, apprehend, prosecute and detain individuals charged with drug trafficking, human smuggling, illegal immigration and other border-related crimes within Cochise County, through the cooperative efforts of AZDPS and the CCSO-Local Border Support, in the amount of \$1,924,858.19, effective July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2026.

Development Services

11. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Allo Fiber, committing \$2,000,000 in matching funds to support Allo's forthcoming application for the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program administered by the Arizona Commerce Authority.

Facilities

12. Approve the office lease agreement between Cochise County and the Arizona Board of Regents on behalf of the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension to provide 140 square feet of office space in the Cochise county building located at 1012 N. G Avenue, Douglas Arizona.

Human Resources

13. Approve the Cochise Combined Trust premium rate structure for medical, dental and vision benefits for fiscal year 2025 - 2026.

STATE & FEDERAL LEGISLATION

14. Discussion and possible action regarding state and federal legislative matters listed or described in the attached County Supervisors Association Legislative Policy Committee Agenda, the Arizona Association of Counties (AACo) Legislative Policy Committee Agenda, and the proposed State budget, and other matters related thereto.

REPORT BY SHARON GILMAN, INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR -- RECENT AND PENDING COUNTY MATTERS

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Report by District 1 Supervisor, Tom Crosby

Report by District 2 Supervisor, Kathleen L. Gomez

Report by District 3 Supervisor, Frank Antenori

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