

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
Tuesday, June 23, 2015**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Patrick G. Call, Chairman; Ann English, Vice-Chairman; Richard R. Searle, Member

Staff Present: James E. Vlahovich, County Administrator
Edward T. Gilligan, Deputy County Administrator
Britt W. Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board

Attendees: Lisa Marra
David Horne
Walter Domann
Ruben Miranda
Julie Morales
Norm Sturm
Karen Riggs
Tyson Mock

Chairman Call called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

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

INTRODUCTIONS

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Board of Supervisors

1. Discussion and possible direction regarding the Web Mapping project and proposed Open Geospatial Data Policy.

Mr. Vlahovich said that the Information Technology Department had been working on web mapping projects to enhance the website capabilities. He said that the new web mapping would help citizens look at different features on maps to help them.

Mr. Leindecker asked if this new service could be used as a revenue source.

Mr. Walter Domann, GIS Coordinator, stated that most governments are already providing these services free of charge. He added that the initial cost would be \$25,000 and the ongoing cost would be \$1,000/annually. He added that these new services had been discussed with several departments and noted that offering these services related back to the County's strategic plan to be transparent and provide excellent customer service. He used a PowerPoint presentation to go over the new features and highlighted the use for services like the tax lien sale. He showed the tax lien map as an example of what the new web mapping features could do.

Supervisor English asked if the zoning of the parcel could be added.

Mr. Domann said that the zoning information could be added.

Chairman Searle asked if flood information would be included.

Mr. Domann said that the maps would point the user to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) website to get that information. He showed new filter tools, search tools, and related information grid.

Mr. Hanson asked if several filters could be used at the same time.

Mr. Domann said that they could be used simultaneously.

Ms. Riggs stated that her department endorsed the web mapping proposal since they typically get phone calls about information that would now be available to citizens online. She noted that she would suggest including a disclaimer that the boundaries do not constitute a land survey.

Ms. Terry Elliott, Recorder's Office, said that providing these services would mean that there would be less requests for maps, which saves citizen time, and is available 24 hours/day instead of a person having to come in during the week during office hours.

Mr. Domann said that although the information is free, requestors have to fill out forms so that the department can track types of requests. He noted that the forms do have disclaimers.

Supervisor English asked if the system was prepared to handle an increase in data searches.

Mr. Domann said that the site was prepared for the increase.

Mr. Mock confirmed that the server had capacity for an increase in requests.

Supervisor English asked if it would require additional staff.

Mr. Domann said that it would actually allow current staff to focus their time on other projects. He did note that there would be a loss of revenue as the County would no longer be charging to provide map services.

Chairman Searle said it was a good idea and was supportive since other counties were already doing it.

Mr. Vlahovich gave kudos to Mr. Domann for all the work that was done for the web mapping system, including digitizing parcel information.

The Board said that they were in support.

Chairman Call adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

APPROVED:

Patrick G. Call, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlathe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board