

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, March 22, 2016**

A meeting of the Cochise County Flood Control District was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Richard R. Searle, Chairman; Ann English, Director
Absent: Patrick G. Call, Vice-Chairman
Staff Present: James E. Vlahovich, County Administrator
Edward T. Gilligan, Deputy County Administrator
Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board
Elda Orduno, Civil Deputy County Attorney

Chairman Searle called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.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

CONSENT

Board of Supervisors

1. Approve the Minutes of the Flood Control District meeting for December 15, 2015.

Director English moved to approve item 1 on the consent agenda. Chairman Searle seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Community Development

2. Adopt Resolution FCD 16-01 to approve a variance from elevation requirements of Cochise County Floodplain Regulations for both a substantial improvement to a non-conforming residence in Richland Ranchettes north of Sunsites, and to the residence itself, parcel 206-21-343.

Mr. Joaquin Solis, Assistant Highway & Floodplain Director, presented this item using a PowerPoint presentation. Mr. Solis gave the background, showed a map of the location and gave the reasons that the applicant had submitted in order to be granted a variance:

- The owner would like to build a 1,230 sq. ft. addition, plus a carport. In order to comply with County, State and Federal Floodplain Regulations, the addition and the existing home would be required to be elevated two feet above grade.
- The existing single family residence is 810 sq. ft., approximately 30 years old and is non-conforming (built at grade) with current floodplain regulations.
- The citizens requesting the variance state they have never had flood issues.
- The request is that they do not have to elevate either the existing home or the addition.

Mr. Solis then stated that staff had originally recommended disapproval, but upon further review staff now recommended approval of the variance.

Director English asked if the applicant would still need flood insurance.

Mr. Solis said that the applicant would still be required to obtain flood insurance. He added that current flood maps were more detailed and gave better information as to the flood areas in the County.

Chairman Searle opened the public hearing.

No one chose to speak and Chairman Searle closed the public hearing.

Director English moved to adopt Resolution FCD 16-01 to approve a variance from elevation requirements of Cochise County Floodplain Regulations for both a substantial improvement to a non-conforming residence in Richland Ranchettes north of Sunsites, and to the residence itself, parcel 206-21-343. Chairman Searle seconded the motion.

Chairman Searle called for the vote and it was approved 2-0-1 (Call absent).

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Searle opened the call tot the public.

No one chose to speak and Chairman Searle closed the 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.

Chairman Searle adjourned the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

APPROVED:

Richard R. Searle, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlthe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board

