

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION HELD ON  
Tuesday, November 15, 2016**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Richard R. Searle, Chairman; Patrick G. Call, Vice-Chairman; Ann English, 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: Chris Vertrees, Southeastern Arizona Government Organization  
Jerome Hesse, Archaeologist  
Randy Heiss, Southeastern Arizona Governments Organization Executive Director  
Dennis Donovan, Civil Engineer, Highway & Floodplain Division  
Karen Riggs, Highway & Floodplain Director  
Karen Lamberton, Transportation Coordinator, Highway & Floodplain Division

Chairman Searle called the meeting to order at 2:30 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**

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***INTRODUCTIONS***

***ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION***

**Community Development**

*This executive session is authorized under A.R.S. § 38-431.03, Subsection (A), paragraph 2.*

1. Discussion and possible direction on Federally funded major road projects; especially Davis Road Milepost 9.9.

Ms. Karen Riggs, Highway & Floodplain Director, Community Development Department, presented this item using a PowerPoint presentation. Ms. Riggs gave the background, went over the items of discussion, showed a map of the area, and asked the Board to give staff direction on how to proceed.

Ms. Lamberton said there were some issues on Davis Road and Supervisor English wanted the rest of the Board members to be briefed and give direction to staff. She gave more background about the project and moved over staff's suggested next steps.

Ms. Riggs said that there were funds to keep the project moving forward, but without any federal funding the project could take up to four years to complete.

Supervisor English asked about the issue with the archeological finding in the area.

Ms. Lamberton said that due to a recent archeological finding, the project had been stopped for further review. She added that the Arizona Historical Society would have to get the path cleared before moving forward. She noted that the biggest issues was the costs associated with clearing an archeological find and the time that would have to be given to archeological staff to clear and any additional time they would need if any artifacts were found.

The Board directed staff to do more research on the site and bring back to the Board for further consideration and direction.

Chairman Searle adjourned the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Richard R. Searle, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board