

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION HELD ON  
Monday, May 8, 2017**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, May 8, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Ann English, Chairman; Patrick G. Call, Vice-Chairman; Peggy Judd, Member  
(telephonic)

Staff Present: Edward T. Gilligan, County Administrator  
Lynette Nowlan, Finance Director  
Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board

Attendees: Karen Riggs, Highway & Floodplain Director  
Jerry Stabley, Planning & Zoning Director  
Marty Haverty, Solid Waste Management Director  
Joaquin Solis, Highway & Floodplain Engineer  
Paul Esparza, Planning Manager  
Jason Faccio, Solid Waste Operations Manager  
Steve Jones, Solid Waste Financial Manager  
Ron Ellis, Highway & Floodplain Operations Manager  
Anissa Acedo, Highway & Floodplain Budget Manager  
Nike Noack, Budget Manager, Finance Department

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 2:00 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***

**Board of Supervisors**

1. Budget Work Session - Discussion of County budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 specifically: the Highway & Floodplain, Planning & Zoning, and Solid Waste Management Departments.

#### Highway & Floodplain

Ms. Riggs referred to an executive summary sheet with attached funding requests. She stated that she was not asking for any additional funding and noted that the Highway and Floodplain Division's total operational cost was \$12,000,000 (\$10,000,000 for Highways and \$2,000,000 for Floodplain). She said that the funding requests included two new staff members, a trailer, and equipment that would be used to fix pot holes and clean culverts. She added that the two new staff members would also be used for other projects as needed.

Mr. Gilligan said that he was in favor of the funding request and he would look at highway operations more closely to further understand their needs.

Ms. Riggs said that the second funding requests was for software to help track data related to highway work and costs.

Chairman English asked if the two operations were being tracked separately.

Ms. Riggs said that they were. She noted that Mr. Ellis would discuss the work plan very briefly, but the details would be discussed at a future work session.

Chairman English asked how the solid waste management and community development function were working together.

Ms. Riggs said that having these three functions together was beneficial to share resources and work load.

Mr. Ellis gave an overview of the current work plan.

Vice-Chairman Call said he would like staff to review all roads in the system to ensure that the proper roads were being maintained.

Ms. Riggs said that roads could be swapped, but the mileage had to remain the same in order to receive the same amount of funding from the Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF).

Chairman English asked if flood control permits were still mandatory.

Ms. Riggs said that citizens who lived in mapped floodplain areas had to have them.

#### Planning & Zoning

Mr. Stabley said he was the interim director and he was currently focused on staffing issues, duties, and operations.

Mr. Esparza said that there was a decrease in building countywide. He gave a brief overview of staff, projects, and the overall budget.

Vice-Chairman Call asked about area plans.

Mr. Esparza said that there were currently eight area plans in the County and staff would be reviewing these.

Chairman English said it would be useful to have a work session to decide how to proceed with future area plans and how to address current area plans.

Mr. Esparza said that he was not requesting any increase in the overall budget and that staff would be reviewing software that could assist with tracking projects and data.

#### Solid Waste Management

Mr. Haverty said that he was excited to be back at the County. He added that with a new tipping fee the department could start paying back about \$60,000 towards the \$2,400,000 that the system owed the County. He went over some changes he had already made and some that he would make in the future to address costs. He also gave an overview on the new cell, current competitors, and the recycling program.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Arlthe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board