

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
Tuesday, August 29, 2017**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, 4001 E. Foothills Drive, Sierra Vista, Arizona.

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

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

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 1:38 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

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1. Discussion and possible direction regarding the County's Strategic Plan specifically discussing the objectives to date, timelines, and project managers.

Chairman English said that she had compiled the information discussed to date and she would keep editing it to ensure the discussions were memorialized.

Mr. Gilligan gave the Board an update on the commercial port of entry project and said that future stakeholders meetings were necessary to continue the discussion.

Chairman English said that she had also had a conversation with Representative Martha McSally to ensure she supported the efforts and understood the importance of a commercial port.

Mr. Gilligan said that there was still no updates with the Villages at Vignetto. He added that the main goal was still to ensure that public access was available to public lands and citizens could utilize these lands.

Vice-Chairman Call said he wanted to begin to explore how the recharge properties could be

used to help the communities.

Mr. Gilligan said he would begin discussions with staff on how to move forward with this.

Chairman English asked if there was an update on the Bisbee Douglas International (BDI) Airport.

Mr. Gilligan said that staff was still working with Northrop Grumman to see if a hangar could be established for their operations.

Mr. Miranda said that he should have firm numbers in the upcoming week and noted that there are revenues coming from BDI from renters.

Chairman English moved to technological infrastructure.

Mr. Gilligan said that the libraries were going to be used to offer more county services in rural areas. He added that the website was also a priority and the mapping access would be a big discussion in order to give the public access to that and other digital records.

Vice-Chairman Call asked about the Southeast Arizona Communication Center Board.

Mr. Gilligan said that a meeting would be scheduled soon and clarified that the operations chair would not be a voting member. He added that he would be having discussions with those who could potentially be future members of that board.

Vice-Chairman Call said that another major issue was the security of the border and he wanted the Board to be involved in those conversations to ensure the message was clear that this was a safe County, which would impact the County's economy.

Chairman English said that the next meeting would focus on the commercial port of entry and she would arrange a tour of the Douglas Port of Entry for the edification of the Board.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 2:56 p.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlthe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board