

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
Tuesday, January 23, 2018**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the Large Conference Room, Foothills Regional Service Center, 4115 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

Attendees: David Steven, County Recorder
Amanda Baillie, Public Information Officer
Lisa Marra, Elections Director
Heather Lopez, Chief Deputy Recorder
Martha Rodriguez, Deputy Elections Director

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

INTRODUCTIONS

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Elections

1. Discussion and possible direction regarding the 2018 Election Cycle: Election Dates, Vote Center Locations, and Fee Schedule.

Chairman English had everyone introduce themselves.

Mr. Gilligan stated that he appointed Ms. Marra in order to have her skills be used to plan and prepare processes to successfully run an election cycle.

Ms. Marra said that she had a packet of information for everyone to review and noted that she was currently reviewing procedures, processes, and checklists. She added that she would be requesting another work session in the near future to discuss fee schedule recommendations and possible adoption of a new schedule. She added that she would also bring a new

resolution before the board with new vote centers for the 2018 Election Cycle.

Chairman English voiced her concern over vote centers running out of ballots.

Ms. Marra said that she would plan for a full turnout.

Vice-Chairman Call said he was concerned about public outreach. He said allowing people to vote early in other locations in addition to Bisbee would be helpful.

Ms. Marra said she would be meeting with Ms. Baillie soon to begin planning a public information campaign.

Chairman English said she was concerned with poll worker training.

Ms. Marra said that she would also focus on poll worker training that was clear and direct to insure each poll worker was familiar with their job duties.

Mr. Gilligan suggested using private utility companies to help send out voter information about the upcoming elections.

Ms. Lopez said that her office did send out notices for the primary and general election.

Mr. Hanson said he would look at the legality of sending out voter information through private businesses. He asked if there was any support at the State level for all mail elections.

Mr. Stevens said that all mail elections were not supported by the majority of legislators.

The Board thanked staff for the update and information.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 3:16 p.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlathe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board