

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION HELD ON  
Monday, June 11, 2018**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Monday, June 11, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Peggy Judd, Chairman; Ann English, Supervisor

Absent: Patrick G. Call, Vice-Chairman

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

Attendees: Brian McIntyre, County Attorney  
Dan Coxworth, Development Services Department Director  
Amanda Baillie, Public Information Officer  
Benjamin Hernandez, Keyser Company  
Karyn Macvean, Keyser Company  
JD Rottweiler, Cochise College President  
Rick Mueller, Mayor, City of Sierra Vista  
Charles Potucek, City Manager, City of Sierra Vista  
David Smith, Mayor, City of Bisbee  
Tony Boone, Economic Development Manager, City of Sierra Vista  
David Carranza, Economic Development Director, City of Douglas  
Michelle Johnson, Planner, City of Benson  
Larry Cotton, Economic Development Program Manager, Southeast Arizona Governments Organization  
Carol Treuber, City of Benson

Chairman Judd called the meeting to order at 10:30 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**

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***INTRODUCTIONS***

***ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION***

**Board of Supervisors**

1. Discussion and possible direction regarding Cochise County becoming a future space port location.

Supervisor English explained that she thought this project would be of interest countywide.

Mr. Rottweiler shared his thoughts on this project and said he wanted to look for initiatives that could be of benefit to the entire county.

Supervisor English asked that everyone introduce themselves.

Mr. Hernandez used a PowerPoint presentation, to present the project to the group. He said that the discussion would center on a cube-sat launch facility that would be used for satellites. He went over the details of the current situation in Arizona and noted that currently our State does not have a space port, nor the permission from the federal government to begin launching objects. He went over the vision, mission, and values of the project and through examples of other projects already in effect to give a picture of the objectives and timelines that would be needed. He added that an analysis would be a good first step if the County was interested in pursuing this type of project. He went over the different types of licensures needed for different tiers of projects. He showed a map of the airspace in Cochise County and discussed several locations that could be used for this type of project.

The group discussed air space and different opportunities to incorporate this type of project with current restrictions.

Chairman Judd noted that most of the land in the County was public land and asked if Mr. Hernandez had any thoughts on how to deal with this issue.

Mr. Hernandez said that in the State of Georgia, the State had worked with Camden County to facilitate this project.

Supervisor English added that the intention was to see if there was interest in pursuing this endeavor and to discuss next steps.

There was general support from the group on continuing to explore the project.

The Board directed Mr. Gilligan to form a group to continue the research and bring results back to them for further consideration.

Chairman Judd adjourned the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

APPROVED:

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Peggy Judd, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Arlathe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board