

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, October 8, 2019**

A regular board meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Thomas E. Borer, Chairman (telephonically); Ann English, Vice-Chairman (telephonically); Peggy Judd, Supervisor

Staff Present: Edward T. Gilligan, County Administrator; Sharon Gilman, Associate County Administrator; Christine Roberts, Civil Deputy County Attorney; Arlethe R. Morrison, Clerk of the Board

Supervisor Judd called the meeting to order at 10:06 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

PRESENTATION

Presentation by Ms. Vada Phelps, Executive Director, Arizona @ Work, Southeastern Arizona regarding the highlights of the annual plan.

Ms. Phelps thanked Ms. Baca for her assistance and then went over the highlights of the annual plan.

The Board thanked Ms. Phelps for her work and the information.

Mr. Richard Dodge, All Aboard Arizona member, would like to share information about railroad transportation in Cochise County.

Mr. Dodge and Mr. Earl Van Swearagen used a PowerPoint presentation to go over their information. He went over the current goals for the group. Mr. Van Swearagen asked if the Board would consider writing a formal letter to AMTRAK requesting more train services in Cochise County.

Vice-Chairman English and Supervisor Judd were supportive of putting a letter of support together for consideration at a future board meeting.

Chairman Borer said he would like additional information regarding the demand for this service in the County and an estimate of what the County's support would be.

The Board thanked both gentlemen for the information.

CONSENT

Board of Supervisors

1. Approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for September 24, 2019.
2. Adopt Resolution 19-20 recognizing Fry Volunteer Fire Company as Fry Fire District due to the change from ARS Title 9 to ARS Title 48.
3. Adopt Resolution 19-21 and approve Letter of Support to the United States Congress for the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA).
4. Approve Community Enhancement Fund expenditures for District 3 in Benson effective October 8, 2019 and ratify the Community Enhancement Fund expenditures for District 2 and District 3 for Douglas and Willcox, respectively due to severe weather impact in those communities.
5. Approve Letter of Support for Bureau of Reclamation Applied Science Grant to provide a unique opportunity to develop a web-based hydrologic information portal (WHIP) and provide important information to scientists, water managers and other stakeholders.

County Attorney

6. Approve the proposed settlement of the Small Tax Appeal in IHCC and Associates v. Cochise County, ST2019-000514, now pending in Arizona Tax Court, a division of the Superior Court of and for Maricopa County.
7. Approve the proposed settlement of the Small Tax Appeal in Arko, Ronald M. & Judy M. v. Cochise County, ST2019-000005, now pending in Arizona Tax Court, a division of the Superior Court of and for Maricopa County.

County Sheriff

8. Approve Amendment 1 to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) 2018-098 between the Arizona Department of Public Safety (ADPS) and the Cochise County Sheriff's Office, to continue to fund and increase the deputy positions from five to six positions for the Border Strike Force Bureau, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 with automatic annual renewal options through June 30, 2021.

Finance

9. Approve demands and budget amendments for operating transfers.

Workforce Development

10. Approve the appointment of Mr. Irven Simpkins to the Local Workforce Development Board to fill an unexpired term, effective immediately through July 31, 2023.

Vice-Chairman English moved to approve items 1-10 on the consent agenda. Chairman Borer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ACTION

County Sheriff

11. Approve Software Service Subscription Agreement Addendum No. 1 with Cogniac Corporation for visual observation automation for the period of August 1, 2019 through August 1, 2020, with a one year automatic renewal in the amount of \$90,000.

Lt. Curtis Wilkins, Sheriff's Office, presented this item. Lt. Wilkins stated that this software was used to filter through photos collected from their cameras countywide. He added that this was already in the budget.

Vice-Chairman English moved to approve Software Service Subscription Agreement Addendum No. 1 with Cogniac Corporation for visual observation automation for the period of August 1, 2019 through August 1, 2020, with a one year automatic renewal in the amount of \$90,000. Chairman Borer seconded the motion.

Supervisor Judd called for the vote and it was approved 3-0.

12. Approve grant agreement HT-19-2934 with the Southwest Border Arizona Region High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) for the Sheriff's Office to participate in the Southern Arizona Major Investigative Team (SAMIT) in the amount of \$82,000 for salaries, partial fringe benefits (ERE), and supplies, effective January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020.

Lt. Curtis Wilkins, Sheriff's Office, presented this item. Lt. Wilkins stated that this was an annual grant and additional funds were already in the budget.

Chairman Borer moved to approve grant agreement HT-19-2934 with the Southwest Border Arizona Region High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) for the Sheriff's Office to participate in the Southern Arizona Major Investigative Team (SAMIT) in the amount of \$82,000 for salaries, partial fringe benefits (ERE), and supplies, effective January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020. Vice-Chairman English seconded the motion.

Supervisor Judd called for the vote and it was approved 3-0.

Development Services

13. Accept a FAA Grant for airport improvements at the Bisbee-Douglas International Airport in the amount of \$468,637 to reconstruct runway 17/35 lighting.

Mr. Dan Coxworth, Development Services Director, presented this item. Mr. Coxworth gave the background and said that this was a formal step to accept the funds.

Vice-Chairman English moved to accept a FAA Grant for airport improvements at the Bisbee-Douglas International Airport in the amount of \$468,637 to reconstruct runway 17/35 lighting. Chairman Borer seconded the motion.

Supervisor Judd called for the vote and it was approved 3-0.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Judd opened the call to the public.

No one chose to speak and Supervisor Judd closed the call to the public.

This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda.

REPORT BY EDWARD T. GILLIGAN COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR -- RECENT AND PENDING COUNTY MATTERS

Mr. Gilligan deferred his report.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Report by District 1 Supervisor, Thomas E. Borer

Chairman Borer deferred his report.

Report by District 2 Supervisor, Ann English

Vice-Chairman English deferred her report.

Report by District 3 Supervisor, Peggy Judd

Supervisor Judd encouraged everyone to attend events countywide.

Chairman Judd adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

APPROVED:

Thomas E. Borer, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlethe R. Morrison, Clerk of the Board