

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020**

A special meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, March 26, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

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

Staff Present: Edward T. Gilligan, County Administrator
Sharon Gilman, Associate County Administrator
Christine Roberts, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney, telephonic
Kim Lemons, Clerk of the Board

Attendees: Lisa Marra, Elections Director
Martha Rodriguez, Elections Deputy Director

Chairman Borer called the meeting to order at 11:00 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

ACTION

Board of Supervisors

1. Accept the elections results certified and submitted by the Cochise County Elections Department as the official canvass for the Presidential Preference Election held on March 17, 2020.

Ms. Lisa Marra, Elections Director, presented this item from handouts furnished to attendees. Ms. Marra said the election was conducted per Arizona State Statutes with no abnormalities. 20,356 Democratic voters or 48% of registered voters participated; 15,218 were by early ballot; and 1,185 voted in person. Ms. Marra outlined additional facts and statistics including provisional ballots and thanked the numerous County departments, poll workers, and 17 facilities used as vote centers.

Vice-Chairman English said this election proved that a mail-in election can be successful, and it is up to us to ask for legislative changes for all-mail-in ballots for future elections.

Vice-Chairman English made a motion to accept the elections results certified and submitted by the Cochise County Elections Department as the official canvass for the

Presidential Preference Election held on March 17, 2020. Supervisor Judd seconded the motion.

Ms. Lemons said there were no comments received on this item.

Chairman Borer called for the vote and it was approved 3-0.

Chairman Borer thanked Ms. Marra and staff.

2. Approve Title IV-E Interagency Agreement with the Arizona Department of Child Safety, the Arizona Supreme Court and the Administrative Office of the Courts, and authorize the County Administrator to sign on behalf of Cochise County.

Mr. Gilligan presented this item. Mr. Gilligan said this contract was presented to the County in January. It offers funds as a reimbursement to the County to provide attorneys for child dependency cases as defined by the State. These funds would reimburse a portion of the cost we incur during the year; 75% of the reimbursement money would be reinvested. Mr. Gilligan is confident the County has a good strategy and billing mechanism to manage the reimbursement, and in future billing years all cases that are referred to contract attorneys will be paid for through the 75% reinvestment. The agreement can be terminated if necessary.

Supervisor Judd made a motion to approve Title IV-E Interagency Agreement with the Arizona Department of Child Safety, the Arizona Supreme Court and the Administrative Office of the Courts, and authorize the County Administrator to sign on behalf of Cochise County. Vice-Chairman English seconded this motion.

Ms. Lemons said there were no comments received on this item.

Chairman Borer called for the vote and it was approved 3-0.

Chairman Borer adjourned the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

APPROVED:

Thomas E. Borer, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kim Lemons, Clerk of the Board