

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2020**

A Work Session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Friday, May 29, 2020, at 1:00 p.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)
Absent: Peggy Judd, Supervisor
Staff Present: Sharon Gilman, Associate County Administrator
Melissa Tucker, Administrative Assistant
Attendees: Carrie Langley, Health & Social Services Director
Gabe Lavine, Emergency Services Director
Daniel Duchon, Budget Manager
Julie Morales, Risk Management Director
Niltza Flores, Associate Court Administrator
Cathy Traywick, Treasurer
Melissa Wirthlin, Constable
Xochitl Orozco, Legal Advocate
Sara Dent, Deputy County Attorney
Arlethe R. Morrison, Facilities Assistant Director

Chairman Borer called the meeting to order at 1:00 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

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

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1. Discussion and possible direction regarding Covid-19: specifically updates on the current state of the public health emergency.

Ms. Carrie Langley, Health & Social Services Director, gave an update on Covid-19 in the County stating that there are 69 cases reported, 46 have been released from isolation, and a second fatality was reported. She gave an overview of the ongoing testing in the community through Chiricahua Community Health Centers, stating last week 110 individuals were tested in Willcox and Winchester Heights with two positive cases. Yesterday, in Tombstone, they tested 95 individuals, with results pending. Benson and Bisbee are scheduled tomorrow. Huachuca City will have a testing event for tomorrow May 30, through Chiricahua but the place and location have not been determined. More information will be shared on the County's website and Facebook page. Lastly, Ms. Langley stated they continue contact tracing, case managing active cases, and coordinating care and services for

individuals. She emphasized the importance of the community reengaging in services with healthcare providers.

Mr. Gabe Lavine, Emergency Services Director, stated they continue to push forward with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Systems Grant application. He briefly explained the Cares Act Funding grant will be limited to public health, public safety payrolls, and employee related expenses that will be funded one-time however, Corrections Officers are excluded from the public safety definition under this grant. He also mentioned that any overtime, hazard, or special pay is not applicable under the Cares Act Funding from the State.

Mr. Lavine lastly mentioned a wildfire that took place yesterday at Ash Canyon in Hereford. The area was evacuated but, there was an abundance of resources available including Fry Fire, Sierra Vista, and Palominas Fire Departments.

Chairman Borer and Vice-Chairman English shared their questions, comments, and concerns with Ms. Langley and Mr. Lavine.

Chairman Borer adjourned the meeting at 1:17 p.m.

APPROVED:

Thomas E. Borer, Chairman

ATTEST:

Melissa Tucker, Administrative Assistant