

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION HELD ON
FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2020**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Friday, July 31, 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, Telephonic
Christine Roberts, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Amy Langer, Administrative Assistant

Attendees: Xochitl Orozco, Attorney, Office of Legal Advocate
Richard Karwaczka, Public Defender
Jennifer Graeme, Associate H.R. Director
Judy Lynn, Deputy Director Emergency Mgmt
Daniel Duchon, Budget Manager
Amadee Ricketts, Library District Director
Melissa Wirthlin, Constable
Joe Casey, IT Chief Information Officer
Maria Pitzlin, Treasurer Associate Director
Gabriel Lavine, Emergency Management Director
Greg McQuaide, PHEP Coordinator
Arlthe 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

INTRODUCTIONS

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.

Mr. Gabe Lavine, Emergency Services Director, gave current numbers for the County, stating the County is in a downward trend for hospitalizations and active cases, with no strain on essential services or the health care system, and they are transitioning from active

response to maintenance.

Chairman Borer asked about vaccinations and how they would be administered to the public.

Mr. McQuaide explained the plan for a Vaccination Task Force, to dispense a vaccination when one is available, and they will handle vaccinations similarly to that of the H1N1 epidemic. Mr. McQuaide stated vaccinations will direct ship to primary providers, and the County will dispense through hospitals, fire departments, and drive-throughs. Mr. Lavine added there is a larger pool of those who can give vaccinations from the Hepatitis A push in 2019.

Vice-Chairman English asked about mitigation, and guidance for schools.

Mr. Lavine answered, stating to mitigate spread, they are educating the public through media, the joint information system, and social media. Their focus on schools includes providing personal protective equipment (PPE) and policies, however, they are waiting for August 7th, when Arizona health and education officials publish school reopening guidelines. He also discussed contingency plans for isolation or shutdown.

Vice-Chairman English shared her comments.

Chairman Borer adjourned the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

APPROVED:

Thomas E. Borer, Chairman

ATTEST:

Amy Langer, Administrative Assistant