

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023**

A special meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Peggy Judd, Chairman; Tom Crosby, Vice-Chairman; Ann English, Supervisor

Staff Present: Richard G. Karwaczka, County Administrator
Christine Roberts, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Lara Loewenheim, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Chairman Judd called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

ACTION

Board of Supervisors

1. Approve Amendment 1 to Grant Number ADOA-DBF-ELEC-01, between Arizona Department of Administration and Cochise County, to extend the grant agreement through September 30, 2023.

Supervisor English made a motion to approve Amendment 1 to Grant Number ADOA-DBF-ELEC-01, between Arizona Department of Administration and Cochise County, to extend the grant agreement through September 30, 2023. Vice-Chairman Crosby seconded the motion.

Chairman Judd clarified that agenda item number 0 will be referenced as agenda item number 2.

Mr. Karwaczka stated that the speaker form confusion may be due to the next item being tabled several times and suggested that all people that signed up to speak do so now.

Nancy Olmstead spoke in opposition and discussed the reasons.

Chairman Judd then moved onto recognize all other speakers for items 1 and 2.

Fred Miller was called upon but did not speak.

Lee Chadbourne was called upon but did not speak.

Randall Limbaugh was called upon but did not speak.

Danni Renata was called upon but did not speak.

Jeff Sturges spoke in opposition and discussed the reasons.

Huan Quan was called upon but did not speak.

Paul Varble spoke in opposition and discussed the reasons.

Yvonne Mayer was called upon but did not speak.

Ronald Brooks was called upon but did not speak.

Robert McCormick was called upon but did not speak.

Al Anderson spoke in opposition and discussed the reasons.

Daniel LaChance spoke in opposition and discussed the reasons.

Inga McCord was called upon but did not speak.

Randall Limbaugh spoke in opposition and discussed the reasons.

Allison Morse spoke in opposition and discussed the reasons.

Supervisor Crosby asked Anne Coppola, Contract Administrator, if Procurement policies were followed. She stated all procedures were followed for item #2.

Chairman Judd expressed support for Recorder Stevens' efforts and character and her opinions on such efforts.

Chairman Judd read the following names of individuals who requested their names be read in opposition to the item: Deborah Herczog, Mary Rene Donaldson, Rose Anne Rowlett, April Newman, Susan Phelps, Christine Rhodes, Marjorie Anne Murphey, Henry Vaughn Camacho, Barbara Miller, Jean Giuffrida, Sarah K. Carter, Ronnie Maestas-Condos, Jenny Walson, Frances Grill, Peter Grill, Mary Susan Waser, Chris Dietz, Elisabeth Fay Tyndall, and Steven E. McDonald.

Supervisor English stated her concerns regarding the amendment for the grant and why it should not be approved.

Vice Chairman Crosby stated that grant extensions have occurred in the past. He also stated the grant can be used for prevention and that it is not a remedy to stop all negative factors dealing with election integrity. Crosby also quoted a statement from a vendor regarding paper for ballot security.

Chairman Judd called for the vote and the motion was denied 1-2 (English and Judd opposed).

2. [Item tabled from the August 8, 2023 Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting] Approve Contract 23-14-REC-01 with Authentix, LLC and Pro Vote Solutions for Ballot Fraud Countermeasures, at costs noted in the attached pricing proposals, effective July 11, 2023.

Supervisor Crosby made a motion to remove from the table the contract 23-14-REC-01 with Authentix, LLC and Pro Vote Solutions for Ballot Fraud Countermeasures at costs noted in the attached [ricing proposals, effective July 11, 2023. Supervisor English seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Karwarczka explained no action would be taken on this item as it is moot since the grant was not extended.

Chairman Judd adjourned the meeting at 3:14 p.m.

APPROVED:

Peggy Judd, Chairman

ATTEST:

Lara Loewenheim, Deputy Clerk of the Board