

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL/EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024**

A special meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Ann English, Chairman; Peggy Judd, Telephonic, Supervisor

Absent: Tom Crosby, Vice-Chairman

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

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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

THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING

ACTION

Board of Supervisors

This executive session is authorized under A.R.S. § 38-431.03, Subsection (A), (3) and (4).

1. Discussion and direction regarding the National Opioids Settlement Agreement with Kroger Company.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3) and (4), the Board may go into executive session for legal advice with the attorney of the public body and to consider its position and instruct attorneys regarding the public body's position in pending litigation.

Christine Roberts, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney, stated the Board has been involved in the National Opioid litigation, participating in settlements with various distributors and pharmacies. She stated that a third global settlement of \$1.4 billion was reached, with \$1.2 billion allocated to states and subdivisions for opioid remediation. Ms. Roberts is seeking board authorization to sign on to the Opioid Settlement and to execute all documents.

Supervisor Judd made a motion to authorize the County Attorney's Office to sign

on to the Global Opioid Settlement in the Kroger Settlement agreement and execute all necessary paperwork. Chairman English seconded the motion.

Chairman English called for the vote and it was approved 2-0 (Crosby absent).

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sharon Gilman, Interim Clerk of the Board