

NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
Tuesday, November 10, 2015

PRESENT: Steve Williams, Supervisor; Jesse Thompson, Supervisor; and Dawnafe Whitesinger, Chairwoman were present. Robert K. Black Jr., Supervisor and Jason E. Whiting, Vice-Chairman were absent.

9:12 a.m. Call To Order: Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation led by **Supervisor Williams**.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: No public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA: a) Minutes: October 27, 2015 b) Warrant Report over \$1000 October 2015 c) Constable Reports: Holbrook Precinct #1, September and Show Low Precinct #5, October 2015 d) ~~Task Agreement #4 of Memorandum of Understanding between Bureau of Indian Affairs, Navajo Region and Navajo County for Road Maintenance Equipment Operator for an additional seven-month period~~ e) Application for construction authorization on the Woodruff/Snowflake Bridge with the Bureau of Land Management f) **Resolution Number 40-15** approving a Special Use Permit application from F-Bar Cattle Company/Cellular One, to increase the height from 180' to 250' for the second Cell Tower previously approved July 14th, 2015 by the Board of Supervisors on APN: 108-23-997 in the Winslow area g) **Resolution Number 41-15** approving a Special Use Permit application from Raymond & Nancy Fitzgerald on behalf of Verizon Wireless, to allow for installation of a 199' lattice Cellular Tower and 12'X26' Equipment Shelter on APN: 110-17-001 in the Holbrook area h) Contract 2016-PT-079 with Governor's Office of Highway Safety for \$16,300 for one remote-video message/monitoring system to enhance the STEP enforcement program i) Letter of support to Midwest Poultry Services, L.P. regarding Egg Farm j) Sympathy Letters to Constable Pauline Hernandez and the family of Jack Brown k) Letters to Legislators regarding 2016 Legislative Priorities l) Intergovernmental Agreement for AHCCCS Enrollment Suspend: **Supervisor Williams made a motion** to authorize the Chairwoman to sign the items in the consent agenda; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

- a. Presentation acknowledging the service and commitment of Navajo County employees that are Veterans of the United States Armed Forces: Melissa Buckley showed a presentation of our employees and their family members that are veterans. **Chairwoman Whitesinger, Supervisor Thompson and Supervisor Williams** thanked Mrs. Buckley for the touching video and expressed their appreciation of all our veterans and their families. **Supervisor Williams** spoke about some of the lessons that he learned while serving his country; the first lesson is to make your bed; the importance of paying attention to detail; small adjustments; and that we accomplish much more when we are working together for a common goal.
- b. Presentation to Clayton Harvey for his work on "The People's Farm": **Chairwoman Whitesinger** showed a presentation acknowledging the work of Clayton Harvey on the "The People's Farm". Clayton Harvey addressed the Board and indicated that he was proud to accept the award on behalf of the White Mountain Apache Community. He acknowledged his ancestors that paved the way for the agricultural industry.
- c. Presentation to Shasta Dazen the 53rd Miss Indian Arizona: **Chairwoman Whitesinger** recognized Shasta Dazen the 53rd Miss Indian Arizona who represented the 23 tribes across Arizona. Ms. Dazen addressed the Board regarding her life path. Ms. Dazen reported she received a college basketball scholarship and has continued to further her education. Ms. Dazen stated she believes her mission is for the state of Arizona and for all Indian Tribes. She reported that she is a product of her native culture and tradition. She indicated she currently works with the John Hopkins University and continues to stay on the reservation. **Supervisor**

Williams and **Supervisor Thompson** expressed their thanks to Ms. Dazen. **Chairwoman Whitesinger** thanked Ms. Dazen for her example and dedication to the White Mountain Apache Tribe and communities.

- d. Consideration and possible adoption of **Resolution Number 42-15** regarding 2016 Legislative Priorities: James Jayne, County Manager discussed the Resolution regarding the balance of the State Budget and the cost shifts to the counties from the State to help pay for the State's expenses. Mr. Jayne indicated that this has been a challenge to the counties and taxpayers financially. **Supervisor Williams made a motion** to adopt **Resolution Number 42-15** regarding 2016 Legislative Priorities; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. A presentation was shown from the County Supervisor Association regarding the State Budget's effect upon the county services and the constituents.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Consideration and possible approval of Personnel Actions: Eric Scott reviewed the 16 item personnel action report. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the Personnel Action Report as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Williams**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

NAVAJO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT: Board of Directors Session: **Supervisor Williams** made a motion to enter into the Navajo County Public Health Services District **Board of Directors Session**; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

a. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

i) Memorandum of Agreement with Ganado Unified School District from October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2018 for Nutrition Services:

ii) Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Navajo County Public Health Services District and Summit Healthcare Association for July 1, 2015 to June 31, 2018 for collaboration and partnership:

Supervisor Thompson made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Williams**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

- b. Consideration and possible approval of the Arizona Department of Health Services Contract ADHS16-110830 for the Arizona's Prescription Drug Overdose Prevention Program, effective September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2020, in the amount of \$86,350.00: Mary Herring, Health Director and Amy Stradling addressed the Board and presented the item. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the Arizona Department of Health Services Contract ADHS16-110830 for the Arizona's Prescription Drug Overdose Prevention Program, effective September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2020, in the amount of \$86,350.00; motion seconded by **Supervisor Williams**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

- c. Consideration and possible approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Monica Smith, RDH for Dental Hygiene services through the Arizona First Things First, Navajo Nation, Oral Health Fluoride Program effective November 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$45.00/per hour: Mary Herring presented the item. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Monica Smith, RDH for Dental Hygiene services through the Arizona First Things First, Navajo Nation, Oral Health Fluoride Program effective November 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$45.00/per hour; motion seconded by **Supervisor Williams**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. **Supervisor Williams made a motion** to return to regular session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

PUBLIC WORKS:

- d. Provide updates and information regarding congressional activities for Winslow Levee and various partnerships with the Navajo Nation on tribal roads: Brandy Tomhave gave a presentation regarding the Federal Highway Bill on roads, bridges and transits; school bus routes on the Navajo Reservation; and the Winslow Levee. **Supervisor Thompson** commented on the work that Brandy and Jeff Tomhave do, as legislative advocates for Navajo County.

- e. Consideration and possible approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Pinetop-Lakeside for the management of maintenance and snow removal of shared boundary roads: Eric Oscarson discussed the item. **Supervisor Williams made a motion** to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Pinetop-Lakeside for the management of maintenance and snow removal of shared boundary roads; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- f. Consideration and possible approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Show Low for the management of maintenance and snow removal of shared boundary roads: Eric Oscarson discussed the item. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Show Low for the management of maintenance and snow removal of shared boundary roads; motion seconded by **Supervisor Williams**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. Mr. Jayne thanked Brandt Clark, Eric Oscarson and Homero Vela for the long standing agreements that are now more concretely designed.
- g. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Consideration and possible adoption of Resolution Number 43-15, approving a zone change from RU-1 to IND-1 on APN: 108-23-015D to allow for a Contractor's Yard for the applicants Gary & Vickey DeSpain construction business: David Whittaker discussed the item. **Chairwoman Whitesinger** opened the public hearing, there being no comments, closed the public hearing. **Supervisor Williams made a motion** to adopt **Resolution Number 43-15**, approving a zone change from RU-1 to IND-1 on APN: 108-23-015D to allow for a Contractor's Yard for the applicants Gary & Vickey DeSpain construction business; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

- a. Consideration and possible acceptance of the resignation of Linda L. Morrow Navajo County Superintendent of Schools, effective November 30, 2015: Linda Morrow asked the Board of Supervisors to accept her letter of resignation. The Board extended their thoughts of appreciation and admiration to Mrs. Morrow. **Supervisor Williams made a motion** to approve the resignation of Linda L. Morrow Navajo County Superintendent of Schools, effective November 30, 2015; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- b. Consideration and possible appointment of Jalyn Gerlich to fill the vacancy of Linda L. Morrow effective December 1, 2015: Linda Morrow introduced Jalyn Gerlich to the Board of Supervisors. **Supervisor Williams made a motion** to appoint Jalyn Gerlich to fill the vacancy of Linda L. Morrow effective December 1, 2015; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- c. Swearing in of Jalyn Gerlich, Navajo County Superintendent of Schools: Judge Ruechel swore in Ms. Jalyn Gerlich: Judge Michala Ruechel swore in Jalyn Gerlich as the Navajo County Superintendent of Schools. Melissa Buckley, Clerk of the Board showed a video presentation of Linda Morrow, recognizing her service to Navajo County. Cammy Darris and James Jayne expressed their gratitude to Mrs. Morrow.

COUNTY BUSINESS UPDATE: Report from Board members, County Attorney and County Manager: **Supervisor Williams** reported on the Show Low Community Fast of Compassion Week's third annual event to fast and donate the money of those meals to a charitable organization. **Supervisor Williams** reported that approximately \$13,000.00 was donated last year. He stated that on November 22nd, at 6:00 p.m. at the Show Low School District Auditorium, will be the Community Fast Celebration. **Supervisor Thompson** reported on the Indian School Bus Routes and the legislative efforts in making the roads better. He indicated that it has been a lengthy process to get approval from all the entities involved. **Supervisor Thompson** reported that he attended a signing ceremony with Chapter Officials, Council Delegates and Vice President Jonathan Nez, where Navajo Nation President Russell Begaye signed a Council resolution that will provide \$2.9 million, for the construction of a new chapter house for the community of Teesto. James Jayne expressed appreciation to Melissa Buckley, Clerk of the Board for her presentation honoring the county's veterans and family members who have served in

the armed forces. Mr. Jayne and **Chairwoman Whitesinger** expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Buckley for her service to the Board members. The Board expressed Happy Birthday wishes to James Jayne, Melissa Buckley and Sheila Malone. **Chairwoman Whitesinger** reported on meeting with ADOT and State officials regarding the work the county has done in her district. She spoke about the First Things First meeting and their initiatives. **Chairwoman Whitesinger** indicated that the White Mountain Youth Corps is now a program under the Arizona Conservation Corp. She spoke about the various projects which the Youth Corps is doing, which includes fencing projects and trail maintenance.

ADJOURN: At 11:23 a.m. **Supervisor Williams made a motion** to adjourn; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

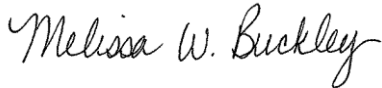
APPROVED:

DATED: November 24, 2015



**Dawnafe Whitesinger, Chairwoman
Navajo County Board of Supervisors**

ATTEST:



**Melissa W. Buckley, Clerk
Navajo County Board of Supervisors**