

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
NAVAJO COUNTY, ARIZONA**

October 20, 2003

Supervisors' Chambers, Holbrook, Arizona - Time: 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Pete Shumway, Chairman; J.R. DeSpain, Vice-Chairman; Percy Deal, Member; Jesse Thompson, Member; Jerry Brownlow, Member; Lance Payette, Deputy County Attorney; Jimmy Jayne, County Manager; and Judy Jones, Clerk of the Board.

Mr. Deal led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the Invocation.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Holbrook Chamber of Commerce Director, Matthew Barger and Holbrook Mayor, Bryan Smithson addressed the Board with concerns regarding the proposed Navajo County Comprehensive Plan Draft of September, 2003. This plan proposes a major transportation corridor where there is currently no road, and this corridor completely bypasses the communities of Holbrook and Winslow.

CONSENT AGENDA: **Mr. Thompson made a motion** to authorize the Chairman to sign the items in the Consent Folder; motion seconded by Mr. Brownlow; vote unanimously carried. The following items were included in the Consent Agenda: 1) Voucher List for Payment; 2) Board Minutes: October 6 and 14, 2003; 3) Flood Control: Community Rating System (CRS) Program Annual Recertification; 4) Assessor's Tax Roll Corrections

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: RETIREMENT PLAQUE: **Irene Klim, 17 Years** of service to Navajo County Citizens since October 1986; **Lurlene James, 5 Years** of service to Navajo County Citizens since August 1998 : **Plaques were presented by the Board and the County Manager.**

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER Monthly Anniversary Employee Appreciation: 25 + YEARS- Timothy Romance, Rene Grenz-Bebee, Nancy McAllester & Jack Schneider; **20 + YEARS-** Charlie Tomlinson, Lieutenant Bernard Huser, Judy Craighead, Jerry Padilla & Joseph Zepke; **15 + YEARS-** Brett Schmidt, Darryl Ahasteen, Lynn Decker, Gary Rogers, Delton Jenkins, Jimmy Patterson, Servier Begay, Dottie Wilson, John Mickle, Arno Hall, Wade Ellison, Irene Klim, Guy Willis, Michael Duran; **10 + YEARS -** Barbara Hunt, Sergeant Tony Miller, Greg Lucas, Sergeant Paul Albert, David Barnes, Lieutenant Cheryl Powell, Bradley Brawley, Chief Greg Eavenson, Glenda Walters, Sherry Reed, Beverly Paddock & Patricia Hollins; **5 + YEARS-** Kristen Barrera, Margarita Mike, Edgar Miller, Cindy Youtz, Steve Spear, James Sanderson, Tammy Phillips, Arthur Starns, Lynae Foshee, Yvonne Hunt, Sherri Hill, Carol Walton & Lea Anna Land: **Certificates were presented by Mr. DeSpain.**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: J.R. DeSpain, Vice Chairman: **Resolution** in Memoriam of Army Specialist Spencer Timothy Karol, who Lost his Life while Supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom: **At the request of Mr. DeSpain, this item is postponed until further notice.**

HEALTH DISTRICT: Mary Tyler, Nutrition Director: **Board of Directors Session:** Request to purchase equipment needed in the Nutrition Program, funding to come from the Nutrition Network grant: **Mr. Shumway made a motion** to enter into a Board of Directors Session; motion seconded by Mr. Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion. Ms Tyler advised that this program is about two years old, and equipment is still needed. **Mr. DeSpain made a motion** to approve purchase of equipment

needed in the Nutrition Program as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Thompson; vote unanimously carried. **Mr. DeSpain made a motion** to return to regular session; motion seconded by Mr. Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion.

HARDROCK COMMUNITY EXPORT PROJECT: Percy Deal, Chapter President and District I Supervisor: Update on University of Arizona 5 Year Partnership regarding the EXPORT (Excellence in Partnerships for Community Outreach, Research on Health Disparities and Training) Project with Hardrock Community: Mr. Deal advised that the meeting last week was well attended by representatives of the University of Arizona, Arizona Department of Health Services, Navajo Tribe and the local communities. Mr. Deal said that the people from the local communities are very positive and excited about what this program can do. A slide show of the meeting was presented. **No action taken; informational only.**

NAVAJO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT: Bill Cox, Floodplain Administrator: **Board of Directors:** Approve request by the Town of Snowflake to obtain funds for engineering services contingent upon receiving a revised Scope of Work acceptable to the County Engineer: **Mr. Brownlow made a motion** to enter into a Board of Directors Session; motion seconded by Mr. Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion. Mr. Cox explained that the Town of Snowflake is requesting funding assistance in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 for alternatives analysis, Clean Water Act Section 401 permitting and preliminary design work. The funds will not be paid until the work is completed and reviewed. **Mr. Shumway made a motion** to approve the request by the Town of Snowflake to obtain funds for engineering services in an amount not to exceed \$10,000, contingent upon receiving a revised Scope of Work acceptable to the County Engineer; motion seconded by Mr. DeSpain; vote unanimously carried. **Mr. DeSpain made a motion** to return to regular session; motion seconded by Mr. Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion.

PUBLIC WORKS; Bill Cox, Director: Discussion regarding Navajo County's position on formulating a standardized process for rural consultation with ADOT: Mr. Cox advised that the State receives about \$800,000,000 from the Federal Government and a portion is earmarked for freeways, etc. Another percentage goes to the various Councils of Government in the state. The 13 rural counties receive only 1% of those funds, or about \$9,000,000. Navajo County sends \$5,000,000 to the Federal Government from the gas tax, and we get approximately \$500,000 back. That money then is distributed between the county and the cities/towns. Mr. Cox noted that the Rural Transportation Advocacy Council will be hosting a Rural Consultation Forum on October 24th. The purpose of this meeting is to get input from the rural elected officials regarding the formulation of a standardized process for rural consultation in Arizona. Mr. Cox said he believes that, at a minimum, ADOT's Transportation Planning Division should have an annual meeting with the elected officials with transportation responsibility in each county. In our area, it may be appropriate to have a meeting with the members of the White Mountain Transportation Group, the cities of Holbrook and Winslow, and representatives from the Native American Tribes within Navajo and Apache Counties. Mr. Cox asked for some clear direction from the Board as to what message to take to the forum. The Board requested that Mr. Jayne work with Mr. Cox to prepare a memo for the forum and to provide a copy, along with more definite figures, to the Board. **Mr. Shumway made a motion** to request that ADOT hold a forum with the White Mountain Transportation Group, the cities of Holbrook and Winslow, and the Tribal Governments; and to get the information out regarding the apparent inequities in the distribution of federal funds, as presented by staff; motion seconded by Mr. Thompson; vote

unanimously carried

HOTEVILLA VILLAGE: Jesse Thompson, District II Supervisor & Dave Ashton, Development Services Director: Financial assistance from District II Special Project Funds to purchase tools/equipment for the Youth/Elderly Construction Project: Mr. Kenneth Quanimptewa presented the funding request, noting that the community has been working on this project for approximately 4 months. He explained that the center will allow both the youth and the elderly to come together in one building, and that each group can learn from the other. **Mr. Thompson made a motion** to approve financial assistance in the amount of \$500, from District II Special Project Funds to purchase tools/equipment for the Youth/Elderly Construction Project as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Deal; vote unanimously carried. (Manual warrant requested)

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Rod Enders, Assistant Director: Extension of temporary custodian for up to 60 days to cover for an industrial injury and an employee who will be on vacation: Mr. Enders advised that one custodian is out on an industrial injury, and the lead custodian is on vacation. He added that they may not need the full 60 days requested. Mr. Jayne and Ms. Sandoval presented no objections to the request. **Mr. DeSpain made a motion** to approve the extension of a temporary custodian for up to 60 days as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Brownlow; vote unanimously carried.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Judy Jones, Clerk: Board meeting schedule and agenda back-up: Ms. Jones presented a proposal to change the Board's meeting schedule to two meetings per month. This would reduce staff time in preparing for meetings each week and will cut down on the Board's travel expenses. There has been concern voiced that the Board and Administration did not take the full 15% budget cut. Ms. Jones noted that one position in Admin, a Secretary IV, will not be filled. Since this position previously supported the County Manager, Finance Director and Human Resources Director, the Board staff will now absorb those duties. Ms. Jones explained that she is working with the departments to provide a summary of agenda requests which, along with an agenda, can be faxed to the Board members for review prior to each meeting. Mr. Shumway commented that if we can do a better job and save money, then we need to do it. A lengthy discussion then began regarding which day the Board meetings should be held. **Mr. Brownlow made a motion** to change the Board meeting days to the first and third Mondays of the month, with a meeting and/or worksession to be held on the fourth Monday, if necessary; motion seconded by Mr. Thompson; vote unanimously carried

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT: Jimmy Jayne, County Manager: Current Events: 1) Mr. Jayne advised that the Special Legislative Session begins today. HB 2002, addressing the judicial fees issue, is very important to the county. More information will be provided at the CSA meeting on Thursday. 1) The Board was advised that the finance position advertisement will close on October 24th. The applications will be reviewed by Ms. Sandoval for minimum qualifications. During the week of November 3rd, Ms. Sandoval, Mr. Jayne and Ms. Mickle will review the applications and, on November 17th, bring them to the Board. 3) Flu shots will be given to county employees at the following locations: Show Low Road Yard and Show Low Justice Court on November 3rd; Holbrook Complex on November 4th; Holbrook Road Yard, date not scheduled yet. All employees are encouraged to get the flu vaccine. 5) Personnel Commission Chairman Manny Hernandez gave an update on the Employee Appreciation Day activities. He invited the Board members to attend and perhaps say a few words.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Approval of Payroll Actions: Gail Sandoval presented the payroll changes. **Mr. DeSpain made a motion** to approve the payroll actions as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion.

NAVAJO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT/COUNTY ATTORNEY: Dr. Stanley Warner, Health Director and Lance Payette, Deputy County Attorney: **Board of Directors Session: Executive Session** pursuant to ARS § 38-431.03(A)(1) for discussion or consideration of personnel matters concerning Bioterrorism Defense Manager: (Dr. Warner not present (7/7/03 Board placed Bioterrorism under the Board of Supervisors and County Manager) **Mr. DeSpain made a motion** to enter into Executive Session re: legal advice; motion seconded by Mr. Thompson; vote unanimously carried. Present in the session were: Supervisors, Thompson, Shumway, DeSpain, Brownlow and Deal, Manager Jayne, Clerk Jones, Human Resource Director Sandoval and Deputy County Attorney Payette. **Mr. DeSpain made a motion** to enter into Board of Directors Session; motion seconded by Mr. Shumway; vote unanimous approving the motion. **Mr. Shumway made a motion** to enter into Executive Session re: Personnel; motion seconded by Mr. Brownlow, vote unanimous approving the motion. Present in the session were: Supervisors Thompson, Shumway, DeSpain, Brownlow and Deal, Manager Jayne, Clerk Jones, Human Resource Director Sandoval and Deputy County Attorney Payette. The Board recessed for lunch for Employee Appreciation Day. **Mr. Shumway made a motion** to return to the Board of Directors Session; motion seconded by Mr. DeSpain, vote unanimous approving the motion. Ms. Sandoval reported to the Board that Dr. Ray Nejeeres, Bioterrorism Defense Manager, had given her a letter of resignation effective November 4, 2003 (using annual leave from 10/20/03 until that day.) **Mr. DeSpain made a motion** to accept Dr. Nejeeres' resignation effective November 4, 2003; motion seconded by Mr. Thompson, vote unanimous approving the motion.

PERSONNEL COMMISSION: County Employee Appreciation Day Lunch: Lunch was held for the employees, sponsored by the Personnel Commission and Cellular One.

EMERGENCY ITEM: This emergency item was placed on the agenda at the request of Supervisor Shumway. Mr. Shumway requested the Board approve a Resolution in support of naming the entire length of State Route 188, the "Senator Hardt Highway". The emergency exists pursuant to ARS § 38-431.02(D), the inability to get this item placed on the Agenda prior to notice of the request by the State Board of Transportation for immediate action in support of the naming of this highway. **Mr. Shumway made a motion** to adopt **Resolution #70-03**, Requesting the State Board of Transportation to name the entire length of State Route 188, between U.S. Highway 60 and State Route 87, as "Senator Hardt Highway", in honor of the Late, Longtime Arizona Senator, A.V. "Bill" Hardt; motion seconded by Mr. DeSpain; vote unanimous approving the motion.

BOARD BUSINESS: Mr. Thompson asked about a sales/property tax task force, and clarification on the effects of the proposed reorganization on our employees. Mr. Jayne explained that the Citizens Finance Review Commission, which is the Governor's tax study committee, is meeting this Wednesday to review their final report. This report, theoretically, should turn into a bill or bills with the regular legislative session in January. In regard to the reorganization, Mr. Jayne explained there is a change of one director in an existing department. That department director could be leaving county service effective the 31st of this month. He added that this individual was notified prior to the presentation to the Board that this

reorganization would be taking place. Mr. Jayne said he is working with the individual regarding the possibility of another position or retirement. Mr. Deal thanked Mr. Jayne and Mr. Thomspson for their support to the community of Hardrock. Mr. Brownlow said he will be attending the meeting in Flagstaff with ADOT on Friday. Another issue is the concerns from Holbrook regarding the proposed Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Payette said he spoke with Lissa Davis from Development Services. She stated she had spoken with the City of Holbrook and the road in question had been eliminated from the plan. Mr. Brownlow expressed appreciation to Mr. Jayne, Mr. Payette and Mr. Cox for their help regarding the lawsuit over Penrod Road. Mr. DeSpain expressed his concerns about the Navajo County Comprehensive Plan and how it would negatively effect this part of the county. He thanked Mr. Jayne for looking out for the county's interest and staying on top of the transportation issues. Ms. Jones reminded the Board of Small County and CSA meetings this week. Mr. Jayne expressed his appreciation to the Personnel Commission and Cellular One for planning and making possible the Employee Appreciation Days for Navajo County.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned until Monday, November 3, 2003, upon a **motion made by Mr. Thompson**; motion seconded by Mr. Brownlow; vote unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

APPROVED:

Pete Shumway, Chairman

DATE:

ATTEST:

Judy Jones, Clerk of the Board

The following Navajo County demands were audited, approved and ordered paid by the Board:
Comm1stBnk\$3098.22;AzWrlss&Radio\$4146;Bradco\$15892;Checker\$1938.81;CtyWnslw11027;CBre
nnan\$1345.59;DPatton\$1106;Dell\$1076.22;DFrame\$1225;E&ESrvcs\$1417.53;ElctnSystms\$8269;EM
orse\$1449;FrontierComm\$1759.18;HughesCalihan\$5623.59;LasonSystm\$1378;MaricopaCnty\$1500;N
CRF\$5101.91;NCSRF\$1230;NRMCS\$2661.70;Norchem\$2215.07;PtrlmTrdrs\$6803.90;SpecLdrs\$6972.
61;PorterLwOfc\$1630;ADES\$4108.25;ADRM\$8948.68