

**NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, December 27, 2011**

**PRESENT:** Jesse Thompson, Supervisor; Jerry Brownlow, Supervisor; Jonathan M. Nez, Supervisor; J.R. DeSpain, Supervisor; and David Tenney, Chairman were present.

**9:07 a.m. Call to Order:** Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation was led by Supervisor Brownlow.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** There were no public comments.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** a) Minutes: October 26, 2010; November 9, 2010; November 15, 2010, November 23, 2010, December 14, 2010, and December 28, 2010 b) Constable Reports: Holbrook Precinct #1, November; Snowflake Precinct #3, November; and Pinetop-Lakeside Precinct #6, November, 2011 c) U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Amendment for Special-Use Authorization Lone Pine Dam Bridge Project d) Swank Motion Pictures for a Public Performance Agreement costing \$1,365.00 for a one year period e) Letters to Legislative Delegates regarding Navajo County Legislative Priorities: Representative Hale, Representative Barton, Senator Jackson, Representative Chabin, Representative Crandell, and Senator Allen: **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to allow the Chairman to sign the items in the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Brownlow**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

- a. RSC Rental Corporation and Navajo County Recognizing Excellence – Presentation by Chief Weems: Chief Weems made a presentation to Sheriff KC Clark for his outstanding Public Service to Navajo County. Chief Weems gave a presentation outlining the accomplishments of Sheriff Clark and his team. Sheriff Clark thanked all the other Department Directors, Elected Officials and the Board of Supervisors. Commander John James gave a brief presentation on the Sheriff's office. Mr. Jayne thanked Sheriff Clark.
- b. Navajo County recognizes Walter Begay Jr.: Item tabled to the next meeting.
- c. Presentation to the Board of Supervisors by the Navajo Nation Southwest Veterans Organization: Regan Hawthorne addressed the Board. He thanked the Board of Supervisors for their partnership and presented the Board with a beautiful framed print.
- d. Presentation to Retiring Assistant County Manager Dusty Parsons: James Jayne thanked Dusty Parsons for his friendship and dedication to Navajo County. Cindy Parsons addressed the Board and stated that Mr. Parsons enjoyed working with Navajo County. She indicated that she intends to take Mr. Parsons fishing to all the lakes in Arizona and will be glad to have him home. James Jayne gave a brief presentation of Dusty Parsons. James Jayne presented Dusty Parsons with a plaque and a handmade Navajo Pot. Sheriff Clark addressed Dusty Parsons. Homero Vela addressed Dusty Parsons. Judge Nelson, appearing telephonically, expressed her appreciation to Dusty Parsons. Supervisor Thompson expressed his appreciation to Cindy Parsons for allowing the long hours to the citizens of Navajo County. He further thanked Dusty for his friendship and professionalism. Supervisor Nez expressed his appreciation to Dusty and Cindy. Supervisor Brownlow expressed his appreciation to Dusty. He indicated that he has worked with Dusty for 11 years. He appreciated the way Dusty handled things and the sharing of his knowledge. Chairman Tenney expressed his appreciation to Dusty for all the different settings that he has seen him in.

The Board sang Happy Birthday to Dave Roberts, Linda Kor and David Tenney.

- e. Road Improvement Presentation: Dusty Parsons presented a brief presentation to the Board of Supervisors. He thanked the Board of Supervisors for their support.
- f. United Way Employee Recognition: **Chairman Tenney** drew the name of LaRee Price for the winner of the 'designated employee of the month' for the United Way parking spot.
- g. Consideration and possible recommendation for approval of liquor license #07090046 by Edith Hoskins for Grumpy Jakes Two, LLC located at 3973 W. White Mountain Blvd in Lakeside: Catrina Roe discussed the item. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to recommend approval of liquor license #07090046 by Edith Hoskins for Grumpy Jakes Two, LLC located at 3973 W. White Mountain Blvd in Lakeside; motion seconded by **Supervisor DeSpain**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**: Consideration and possible approval of Personnel Actions: David Coolidge reviewed the 26 item personnel action report. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to authorize the chairman to sign the personnel action report as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor DeSpain**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**NAVAJO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT Board of Directors Session**: Consideration and possible approval of a Memorandum of Agreement with Chinle Unified School District and South West Food Service Excellence: **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to enter into the Navajo County Public Health Services District **Board of Directors Session**; motion seconded by **Supervisor Brownlow**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. Mary Tyler introduced Cherilyn Yazzie who discussed the item and answered questions of the Board. Supervisor Brownlow expressed a concern that we are spending funds for Apache County when these funds should be spent in Navajo County. Mary Tyler indicated that Cherilyn is providing the training to the staff there and that is all. Mary Tyler indicated Cherilyn is paid out of grant dollars from Arizona nutrition network and they are aware of what we would like to do to serve a low income population. She further indicated that we are just assisting them with some training and materials. Supervisor Thompson and Supervisor Nez made comments. **Supervisor Nez made a motion** to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Chinle Unified School District and South West Food Service Excellence; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to return to regular session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**SHERIFF**: Consideration and possible approval to enter into contract #2012-AL-035 with Governor's Office of Highway Safety for \$15,000 approved for overtime related to DUI details: Sheriff Clark discussed the item. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to approve to enter into contract #2012-AL-035 with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for \$15,000 approved for overtime related to DUI details; motion seconded by **Supervisor Brownlow**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

#### **FINANCE:**

- a. County Finance Update: James Menlove discussed the County Finances and also discussed briefly the County CAFR. James Jayne thanked Cris Parisot for her work on the budget book. They made comments.
- b. Discussion and possible adoption of a reinstatement of employee salaries and wages to the July 4, 2009 level: James Menlove discussed the item. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to adopt, effective January 1, 2012, the reinstatement of employee salaries and wages to the July 4, 2009 level; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. **Supervisor Thompson** made comments. **Supervisor Brownlow** thanked the employees. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

- a. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2012: **Supervisor Nez made a motion** to have Supervisor DeSpain as Chairman and Supervisor Brownlow as Vice Chairman for the year 2012; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- b. Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation for 2011 Service: **Chairman DeSpain** recognized Supervisor David Tenney for his service as the Chairman of 2011.

**COUNTY BUSINESS UPDATE:** Report from Board members, County Attorney and County Manager: **Supervisor Thompson** thanked Chairman Tenney. He spoke of a meeting regarding bus route safety funding. **Supervisor Brownlow** thanked the Personnel Commission for the Christmas Party. He further thanked Public Works for the snow removal. **Supervisor Nez** congratulated Supervisor DeSpain for the 2012 Chairman. He wished everyone a Happy New Year. He reported on District I snow and other meetings on the Navajo Nation Council. **Supervisor Tenney** thanked the Personnel Commission for the Christmas Party. He wished everyone a happy and safe New Year. Brad indicated that the Governor's office did do interviews for the Superior Court Judge. He reported on the Family Advocacy Center's dinner which was a great success and indicated that he is gearing up for the Memorial Day Parade and Car Show. James Jayne thanked the Board for their support of the employees today. **Supervisor DeSpain** thanked the Clerk of the Board's office and all of the work that they do.

**ADJOURN:** at 11:07 a.m. **Supervisor Nez made a motion** to adjourn; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**APPROVED:**

**DATE: January 10, 2012**

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**J.R. DeSpain, Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Melissa W. Buckley, Clerk of the Board**