

**NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, October 23, 2012**

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

**9:04 a.m. Call To Order:** Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation was led by **Supervisor Thompson**.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** Laurette Justman addressed the Board regarding the fast approaching deadline for early voting. Chairman DeSpain and Supervisor Thompson asked questions of the Recorder which were answered. Supervisor Nez asked in regards to tribal identification cards being accepted as voter identification. Laurette replied that the poll workers are aware of this and are accepting them at the polls as voter identification.

Julia Lee addressed the Board regarding a court issue.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** (a) Minutes: October 9, 2012 (b) Constable Reports: Holbrook Precinct #2, September 2012; Snowflake Precinct #3, September 2012; and Pinetop-Lakeside Precinct #6, September 2012 (c) Assessment and Tax Roll Corrections for data tax year 2012 (d) Intergovernmental Agreement between Yavapai County and Navajo County for an Extension of Contract for Restoration of Competency Services (e) Modification #1 to Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement with USDA Forest Service contract #2-LE-11030121-002 and Operating and Financial Plan for \$10,000 for law enforcement cooperative efforts for FY13 (f) Naming of the Hutch Road low-water crossing at Chevelon Creek as "Seymour's Crossing" and installation of two signs for the crossing (g) Task Agreement Number 8 to the Memorandum of Agreement #CTH65T60880 between Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Hopi Agency and Navajo County (h) Name an existing road in the Snowflake area to "Sugar Loaf Road" in Section 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, & 17; Township 14 North; Range 21 East (i) Letter to Catalyst Paper Company regarding Snowflake Mill Closure Obligations (j) Sympathy Letters to Leann Baker and Frank Turley: **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to authorize the chairman to sign the items in the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

- a. ~~Consideration and possible approval of the Memorandum of Understanding, Roles and Responsibilities, for cooperative management of the Mexican Wolf Reintroduction Project (Supervisor Jerry Brownlow)~~ The Chairman has advised that this item has been pulled.
- b. **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION:** Supervisor Thompson made a motion to enter into Board of Equalization; motion was seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. Consideration and possible approval of the property owners' appeal to re- classify property to class three properties (owner occupied), waive assessed penalties and liens related to this recent reclassification action, and direct the County Assessor to re-classify the properties to class three (owner occupied), pursuant to A.R.S. §42-12003 for the following properties: APN 205-12-035A, APN 409-02-006R, APN 103-30-046A, APN 309-63-019, APN 404-05-036, APN 303-96-061, APN 404-07-057N, APN 409-73-063, APN 411-75-080A, APN 411-42-347 and Tax Payer ID #217033201; Melissa Buckley discussed the item. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the property owners' appeal to re- classify property to class three properties (owner

occupied), waive assessed penalties and liens related to this recent reclassification action, and direct the County Assessor to re-classify the properties to class three (owner occupied), pursuant to A.R.S. §42-12003 for the following properties: APN 205-12-035A, APN 409-02-006R, APN 103-30-046A, APN 309-63-019, APN 404-05-036, APN 303-96-061, APN 404-07-057N, APN 409-73-063, APN 411-75-080A, APN 411-42-347 and Tax Payer ID #217033201; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to return to regular session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**HUMAN RESOURCES:** Consideration and possible approval of Personnel Actions: Patrick Shinn presented the 13 item report. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion** to approve the personnel action report as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**NAVAJO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT Board of Directors Session:** **Supervisor Brownlow 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. Consideration and possible approval of a Memorandum of Agreement between the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension, Arizona Nutrition Network and the Navajo County Public Health Services District WIC Program for the provision of nutrition and physical activity education support and resources to participants: Dr. Wade Kartchner discussed the item. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion** to approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension, Arizona Nutrition Network and the Navajo County Public Health Services District WIC Program for the provision of nutrition and physical activity education support and resources to participants; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- b. Consideration and possible approval of a Professional Services contract with Tamra Cannon, RDH, for Dental Hygiene services through the Dental Sealant Program effective October 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013 in the amount of \$45.00 per hour: Dr. Wade Kartchner discussed the item. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion** to approve a Professional Services contract with Tamra Cannon, RDH, for Dental Hygiene services through the Dental Sealant Program effective October 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013 in the amount of \$45.00 per hour; motion seconded by **Supervisor Brownlow**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- c. Consideration and possible approval of a Professional Services contract with Vita Nicks, RDH, for Dental Hygiene services through the Dental Sealant Program effective October 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013 in the amount of \$45.00 per hour: Dr. Kartchner discussed the items. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion** to approve a Professional Services contract with Vita Nicks, RDH, for Dental Hygiene services through the Dental Sealant Program effective October 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013 in the amount of \$45.00 per hour; motion seconded by **Supervisor Brownlow**. Vote unanimous to approving the motion.

**Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to return to regular session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** Consideration and possible approval of the National Victim's Rights Symposium Grant Award in the amount of \$5000.00: Dawn Foster presented the item advising that the symposium will be held in April 2013. Mr. Carlyon spoke to the item. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** approving the National Victim's Rights Symposium Grant Award in the amount of \$5000.00; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**ADMINISTRATION: Legislative Update:** Hunter Moore spoke of the CSA Summit in Cochise County and gave a brief update on the high level priorities. Counties have been called upon in various ways to help with the state's budget problems. Navajo County has contributed about a million dollars more than what we have collected. Mr. Moore reviewed the restoration of HURF funds. Impacts to counties have been about 100 million dollars. **Supervisor Thompson** spoke of the importance of HURF funds to the reservation schools. Mr. Moore indicated that we will push the point for the rural areas. **Supervisor Brownlow** asked what would happen if the one percent sales tax fails. Hunter Moore responded. **Supervisor Tenney** mentioned that there was not a lot of strategic talk in that area. **Chairman DeSpain** received positive input in regards to the County's presentation on Proposition 101. **Supervisor Thompson** asked about the propositions and if any of them affect Navajo County. **Supervisor Tenney** advised that only Prop 204 would affect Navajo County.

**FINANCE: Budget Update:** James Menlove discussed the county's budget. We continue to maintain and watch expenditures very closely. Projected to be in the black at the end of the year \$73,000. State shared revenues are a head of the previous year at 3.3%. We continue to struggle with General Fund with our Vehicle License Tax which is down 6.3%. With that we are expected to be short \$6000.

**PUBLIC WORKS: Consideration and possible adoption of Resolution Number 38-12, approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Arizona, Department of Transportation for the Woodruff/Snowflake Bridge Rehabilitation project:** Homero Vela discussed the Resolution approving the IGA for the Woodruff/Snowflake Bridge Rehabilitation project. The ADOT rating for this bridge is 40%. The federal portion of this project is \$1,250,000.00. The counties match portion of the project is \$139,553.00. The design will take approximately 18 months. Award of a bid before construction starts is about two years out. **Supervisor Brownlow** asked if this project will be in the new ADOT project management system; Bryan Cook indicated that this will be managed by Jeff Davidson and will be in the old system. Homero Vela advised that the cost of making this bridge two lane would more than quadruple the cost of this project and that is why there was no expansion of the width of this bridge. The rehabilitation of the bridge is to ensure the safety of the bridge and keep it open to the public. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to adopt Resolution Number 38-12 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Arizona, Department of Transportation for the Woodruff/Snowflake Bridge Rehabilitation project; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**COUNTY BUSINESS UPDATE: Report from Board members, County Attorney and County Manager:** **Supervisor Tenney** reported a terrible loss to the Blue Ridge Yellow Jackets. **Supervisor Thompson** continued to talk to communities to get people out to vote and the 10 years of self government. **Supervisor Nez** reported on the Western Navajo fair over the weekend. **Chairman DeSpain** reported on the Pinetop-Lakeside Town Council meeting last Thursday where **Supervisor Brownlow** was recognized. **Supervisor Brownlow** thanked all those that attended the Town Council meeting. Look forward to the quiet of fall and winter. James Jayne reported on the Show Low football game. Brad Carlyon was at the Dilkon Veterans Parade. Mr. Carlyon also spoke about the task force bill to criminalize public intoxication. Melissa Buckley, Clerk of the Board spoke about the back tax land auction which ends on Thursday. There has been a good response so far. The next Board of Supervisors' meeting is November 13 and also the Progressive Thanksgiving Dinner. Chairman DeSpain reported on District # 3.

**ADJOURN:** At 10:28 a.m. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to adjourn; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**APPROVED:**

**DATE:** December 11, 2012

*J.R. DeSpain, Chairman*

**ATTEST:**

*Melissa W. Buckley - Clerk of the Board*