

NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
TUESDAY, January 8, 2013

PRESENT: Sylvia Allen, Supervisor; Dawnafe Whitesinger, Supervisor; David Tenney, Supervisor; Jesse Thompson, Supervisor; and Jonathan M. Nez, Supervisor.

9:07 a.m. Call To Order: Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were led by **Supervisor Thompson**.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2013 (Board of Supervisors): **Supervisor Whitesinger made a motion** to elect Supervisor Nez as Chairman and Supervisor Thompson as Vice-Chairman for 2013; motion seconded by **Supervisor Allen**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. Supervisor Nez thanked the Board, Mr. Carlyon, Mr. Jayne, staff and audience for the privilege of becoming the Chairman of this Board. He appreciates the confidence in him and thanked everyone. He congratulated the Board for being elected and Supervisor Thompson for being selected as Vice Chairman.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Huub Homberg from EuroFresh Farms spoke in regards to item 8b in support of the Resolution. Supervisor Allen spoke regarding protection of 100 jobs in the Snowflake area and indicated that the impact to the economy is over 200 million dollars a year. She thanked Mr. Homberg for being present.

CONSENT AGENDA: a)Minutes: December 11, 2012 & Special Meeting December 17, 2012 b)Constable Reports: Winslow Precinct #2, October & November 2012; Snowflake Precinct #3, November 2012; and Pinetop-Lakeside #6, November 2012 c)**Resolution Number 01-13**, cancelling the election for the White Mountain Lake Special Road District, Timberland Acres Special Road District; and appointing the candidate(s) or deeming the position vacant, pursuant to A.R.S. §48-1404 (B) d)**Resolution Number 02-13**, cancelling the election for the Misty Mountain Domestic Water Improvement District, Timberland Acres Domestic Water Improvement District; and appointing the candidate(s) or deeming the position vacant, pursuant to A.R.S. §48-1012 (E): **Supervisor Tenney made a motion** to authorize the Chairman to sign the items in the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION: Navajo County Recognizes Donald Griffiths and Brenda Clark (Sheriff's Department), Patrick Shinn (Human Resources), Roxanna Padilla (Navajo County Attorney's Office) for their excellence in personal performance far exceeding organization expectations: Kim Eavenson recognized Roxanna Padilla whom was nominated by Jaquel Moody for her outstanding performance with the Victims' Services Department in the Navajo County Attorney's office; Patrick Shinn whom was nominated by Darlene Fraley for his outstanding customer service in all areas of the Human Resources Department; Brenda Clark whom was nominated by Sgt. Jack Arend for her outstanding teamwork, dedication and efficiency in the Sheriff's Department; and Donald Griffiths whom was nominated by Sgt. Jack Arend for his outstanding teamwork, accountability and excellence in the Sheriff's Department. Each recipient received a certificate of recognition and a \$50.00 gift certificate. Chairman Nez thanked each of the individuals.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

- a. Personnel Service Awards: Kim Eavenson recognized Krystal Anderson, 5 years.
- b. Consideration and possible approval of Personnel Actions: Kim Eavenson reviewed the 51 item personnel action report. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion** to approve the personnel action report as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

ELECTIONS: Consideration and determination of the winner of a Precinct Committeeman race which ended in a tie vote: Johnathan Roes indicated that per statute we need to draw the name by lot. Supervisor Tenney drew the name of Cynthia H. Williams as the Precinct Committeeman.

ADMINISTRATION: Overview of the 2012 Navajo County Christmas Party: Dan Hinz shared information regarding the Navajo County Christmas Party and the Personnel Commission. Hunter Moore presented a short video of an overview of 2012 in Navajo County. Supervisor Thompson, Supervisor Nez and James Jayne made comments regarding the Christmas Party, the Personnel Commission and staff.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

- a. Presentation of Recognition Awards to Hardrock Chapter Vice-President Angela Witherspoon and Secretary/Treasurer Valencia Herder: Chairman Nez and Vice-Chairman Thompson made a presentation to our partners up in the Hardrock Chapter. Supervisor Thompson made a presentation to Percy Deal, Hard Rock Chapter President; Angela Witherspoon Hardrock Chapter Vice-President; and Valencia Herder, Hardrock Chapter Secretary/Treasurer. Chairman Nez thanked the individuals. Percy Deal thanked the Board, the County Attorney, and Jimmy for allowing the recognition. He spoke of the two young ladies and their abilities within the government. He indicated that Hardrock is not a certified chapter however they are at the edge of being certified. Mr. Deal invited the Board to come up and take a tour of the new facilities in the community. He expressed his appreciation to the Board for passing the Memorandum of Understanding between the Hardrock Chapter and Navajo County for the graveling project.
- b. Consideration and possible adoption of Resolution Number 03-13, relating to the US Department of Commerce's 1996 antidumping petition and its existing tomato suspension agreement with Mexico producers: Supervisor Allen discussed the item and requested support from the Board. She further indicated that the agreement will affect jobs here in Navajo County. **Supervisor Allen made a motion to adopt Resolution Number 03-13**, relating to the US Department of Commerce's 1996 antidumping petition and its existing tomato suspension agreement with Mexico producers; motion seconded by **Supervisor Tenney**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

NAVAJO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT: Board of Directors Session: Supervisor Tenney 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) Contract Number ADHS 13-036316, STD Services contract with the Arizona Department of Health Services
 - ii) Contract Number ADHS 13-036900, HIV Prevention Program contract with the Arizona Department of Health Services

Dr. Kartchner extended congratulations to the newly elected Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Allen inquired about the HIV Prevention and STD Program. Dr. Kartchner addressed the two grants. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion** to approve the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- b. Consideration and possible approval of a Facility Use Agreement between Ganado Unified School District #20 and Navajo County Public Health Services District for former classroom space of 1,584 square feet to be used as office space for December 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 for \$729.00 per month: Dr. Wade Kartchner discussed the item. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve a Facility Use Agreement between Ganado Unified School District #20 and Navajo County Public Health Services District for former classroom space of 1,584 square feet to be used as office space for December 1, 2012

to June 30, 2013 for \$729.00 per month; motion seconded by **Supervisor Tenney**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

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

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT: Consideration and possible approval of performance agreement with Mimi Hurtado Consulting: Judy Bratcher discussed the item explaining that Mimi Hurtado would assist and train the WIA staff by completing administrative duties in the Arizona Job Connection data system for an error free database with the State. She further explained that this would save the department thousands of dollars by utilizing her on a contract basis and not filling a full-time position. Supervisor Allen asked about the program. Judy Bratcher indicated that DES is one of our partners and that we work with Navajo and Apache counties to help people gain employment. Economic development is also a focus. James Jayne indicated that we will have Ms. Bratcher come back to speak about her work with Catalyst. Mr. Menlove is in agreement with this as he sits on the Workforce Investment Board. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion to approve** a performance agreement with Mimi Hurtado Consulting; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

FINANCE:

- a. Consideration and possible award of Contract to Johnson Walzer and Associates in the amount of \$91,650 for jail support services addition and remodel architectural construction administration services: Mary Springer discussed the item. Supervisor Thompson asked if this company has worked with us before. Mary indicated that yes this company has worked with us on several projects and is very competent. Mr. Jayne thanked Mary Springer, Commander Ernie Garcia, Homero Vela, Dan Hinz and Jason Moore whom are heading up the team with JWA and the FCI contractor for the expansion of existing space of the jail. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion to approve** the Contract to Johnson Walzer and Associates in the amount of \$91,650 for jail support services addition and remodel architectural construction administration services; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- b. Consideration and possible approval of a one year professional services contract to Mary Lou Tobin for consultant programming services: Mary Springer discussed the item and requested approval of the contract with Mary Lou Tobin whom previously retired from Navajo County. Mrs. Springer explained that she has experience, training and working knowledge of the financial management system used by the county. She will help implement the new software releases from the New World Systems. Mr. Menlove did some research on the pricing to bring in a consultant and it would be \$100 to \$150 for outside source which is much larger than what we are asking to award Lou Tobin. James Jayne made comments regarding Lou Tobin. **Supervisor Tenney made a motion to approve** a one year professional services contract to Mary Lou Tobin for consultant programming services; motion seconded by **Supervisor Thompson**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

PUBLIC WORKS:

- a. Consideration and possible approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Hardrock Chapter and Navajo County: Homero Vela discussed the Memorandum of Agreement indicating that this will allow the Hardrock Chapter to contribute money toward the hauling and crushing cost of the Red Dog Material. The Red Dog Graveling Partnership Team will include all 10 chapters of the Black Mesa Region, NDOT, BIA, Peabody Coal, Navajo County Public Works, and local school districts for Red Dog crushing Phase II, delivering Red Dog material to reservation roads. **Supervisor Thompson made**

a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Hardrock Chapter and Navajo County; motion seconded by **Supervisor Tenney**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

- b. Consideration and possible approval of funding in an amount not to exceed \$9,967.68 from District V Special Road Funds for the Cibecue Community Street Lighting: Homero Vela indicated that in the past we have funded expenditures to cover the monthly cost of the Cibecue Community Street lighting and would like to continue to do that for an additional thirty-six month period. He further indicated it will improve the safety of the streets. Mr. Jayne, Homero Vela, Supervisor Whitesinger, and Mr. Moore will set a meeting with Navopache to make sure that we get the lighting that should be funded. Supervisor Whitesinger said it will improve the partnership with Navajo County and the community as a whole by providing lighting to the community. **Supervisor Whitesinger made a motion to approve** funding in an amount not to exceed \$9,967.68 from District V Special Road Funds for the Cibecue Community Street Lighting; motion seconded by **Supervisor Tenney**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- c. Recognition of Jeremiah Lloyd for becoming a Certified Floodplain Manager and Bryan Cook for having passed the Fundamentals for Engineering Exam: Homero Vela recognized and thanked Jeremiah Lloyd and Bryan Cook as being part of a very strong team. Jeremiah passed the floodplain managers exam earning him the title of Certified Floodplain Manager. Bryan passed the Fundamentals for Engineering Exam allowing him to apply for the Engineering-in-Training designation. After four years of experience he can take the Professional Engineering exam to become a registered professional engineer. Bill Bess and Trent Larson were also recognized for their certifications. Congratulations on their accomplishments were made by Chairman Nez and James Jayne.

ADMINISTRATION: Overview of Navajo County government and partner relationships: James Jayne gave an introduction of Navajo County. He introduced the county departments, elected officials, and department directors. He also introduced and thanked Paige Peterson a new member of the finance team who helped put this presentation together. James Menlove gave an overview of our revenues, the Arizona property tax rates, county expenditures, positions by department and the senior center contributions; Homero Vela introduced Russell McCray whom is the new Deputy Director of Highways; Homero Vela gave an overview of the Library District, the Public Health Services District, Flood Control District, Highway User Revenue Fund reductions, Vehicle License Tax, White Mountain Regional Transportation Committee area, future impacts as a result of revenue model. He concluded with the different projects, former Mogollon Planning and Zoning Complex, former Mogollon Sheriff's Substation, points of service map, Navajo County's recent success with leadership development, Solar at the county complex, Geographical Information Systems, and the Navajo County jail. Hunter Moore gave an overview of the upcoming challenges, the regional impacts, state budgeting, economic opportunities for Navajo County & region, Holbrook basin maps, and potash mining. James Jayne concluded the presentation with an overview of the partnerships. Chairman Nez indicted that staff is always available if you need some assistance with anything that was presented. Supervisor Thompson indicated that this is a good tool to use at any school in teaching the youth about county government.

COUNTY BUSINESS UPDATE: Report from Board members, County Attorney and County Manager: James Jayne indicated that the Supervisor's will be choosing the proposed committee's they wish to serve on in 2013. Supervisor Thompson and Tenney welcomed the new Supervisors. Supervisor Whitesinger reported on District V and indicated this is her first exposure to the work that Navajo County is doing with their citizens and she stands a little taller and a little prouder in this organization that she serves. Supervisor Allen is tickled to be here and thanked Melissa Buckley and staff, especially Michael Sandoval for getting her office complete. She hopes to bring more business and employment to this county and make a difference in the county especially the heart of Navajo County District III. Chairman Nez reported that he will attend the Washington DC Inauguration; Opening Day of the Legislature and State of the State address on Monday. He invited citizens as well as the

staff to the balloon festival in Monument Valley where there will be a VIP tent. He further reported that Shonto will have their Swearing-in Ceremony on Thursday.

ADJOURN: at 12:05 p.m. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to adjourn; motion seconded by **Supervisor Tenney**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

APPROVED:

DATE: *January 22, 2013*

Jesse Thompson, Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Melissa W. Buckley - Clerk of the Board