

**NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, January 27, 2015**

**PRESENT:** Jason E. Whiting, Supervisor; Jonathan M. Nez, Supervisor; Dawnafe Whitesinger, Supervisor; Jesse Thompson, Supervisor; and David Tenney, Chairman were present.

**9:05 a.m. Call To Order:** Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation led by **Supervisor Whiting**.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** Tom Poscharsky addressed the Board. He thanked the BOS for their service, especially **Supervisor Whiting** for his support to District III. Mr. Poscharsky discussed Hunter Moore, Government Relations/Economic Development Director leaving and the resignation of **Chairman Tenney**, both accepting employment at the Governor's office. He expressed his appreciation to **Chairman Tenney** and Hunter Moore for their service to Navajo County. He spoke of their contributions; additional funding for the eastern side of the forest with 4FRI and getting funds to keep that industry alive, and the Real AZ Corridor Group in encouraging economic development in Navajo County. Mr. Poscharsky asked the Supervisors to use the same application process, as the Board of Supervisors did with the previous District III vacancy. He indicated that he has nothing against Steve Williams however; he strongly suggests the application process.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** a) Minutes: January 13, 2015 b) Justice Court Reports: Kayenta Precinct #4, December 2014 and Show Low Precinct #5, December 2014 c) Constable Reports: Holbrook Precinct #1, December 2014 and Snowflake Precinct #3, December 2014 d) Approval of 7 Back Tax Land Parcels sold over the counter in the amount of \$2,792.27 e) Approve Change Order for CDBG Project #155-12 Snowflake Academy: **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to authorize the Chairman to sign the items in the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Whitesinger**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:** Navajo County Recognizes Eric Scott, Finance; Amber Ferguson, Adult Probation; Sandra Peterson, Jail; Rosalva Zimmerman, Health District for their excellence in personal performance far exceeding organization expectations: Shirley Hunt recognized the following employees; Eric Scott, Amber Ferguson, Sandra Peterson, Rosalva Zimmerman for their outstanding performance to Navajo County. Commander Ernie Garcia spoke of employee Sandra Peterson. A short video of the employee recognition was shown. Ms. Hunt thanked each of the employees and honored them with a certificate of recognition, a \$50.00 gift card and a leaf to put on the employee recognition tree.

**HUMAN RESOURCES:**

- a. Personnel Service Awards: Congratulations to the following employees for their continued service to Navajo County: Myrtle Pizell (Finance) 25 years; Fred Peterson (Justice of the Peace-Snowflake) 20 years; David Tenney (Board of Supervisor) 10 years; LuAnn Garbini (Superior Court) 10 years; Robert Donfeld (Superior Court) 5 years; Michelle Dahl Adams (County Attorney) 5 years; Bernard Huser (Health District ) 5 years; Joshua Smith (Health District) 5 years; and Bruce Tucker (County Attorney) 5 years: Kimberly Eavenson recognized Myrtle Pizell for her 25 years of service to Navajo County; Fred Peterson for his 20 years of service to Navajo County; David Tenney and LuAnn Garbini for their 10 years of service to Navajo County; Robert Donfeld, Michelle Dahl Adams, Bernard Huser, Joshua Smith, and Bruce Tucker for their 5 years of service to Navajo County.
- b. Consideration and possible approval of Personnel Actions: Kimberly Eavenson reviewed the 29 item personnel action report. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the personnel actions as presented; motion seconded by **Supervisor Whiting**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

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- a. Presentation to Government Relations Director, Hunter Moore: James Jayne recognized Hunter Moore and gave a short presentation. Hunter Moore addressed the Board and those in the audience. He spoke of all those around him and the friendships that he has enjoyed. Mr. Jayne thanked Mr. Moore for his service to Navajo County and our region. **Supervisors Thompson, Supervisor Whiting, Supervisor Nez, Supervisor Whitesinger, and Chairman Tenney** all expressed their appreciation to Mr. Moore for his excellent service. Sheriff KC Clark recognized Mr. Moore for his service to Navajo County with a piece of pottery.
- b. Consideration and possible approval of a new liquor license #13094000 for Mogollon Vineyards LLC located at 7580 E. Sherwood Rd. Snowflake AZ 85937: Sheila Malone discussed the item and asked the Board for approval. **Supervisor Whiting made a motion** to approve the liquor license #13094000 for Mogollon Vineyards LLC located at 7580 E. Sherwood Rd. Snowflake AZ 85937; motion seconded by **Supervisor Whitesinger**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- a. Grant Agreement with Delta Dental of Arizona Foundation for \$21,780.00 for a Coordinator for the Navajo-Apache-Gila Oral Health Coalition for March 1, 2015 to February 28, 2017: Mary Herring addressed the Board. **Supervisor Whitesinger made a motion** to approve the consent agenda as presented; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson. Vote unanimous approving the motion. **Supervisor Nez made a motion** to return to regular session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Whitesinger**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**ADMINISTRATION:** United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Annual Most Valuable Partner Award Recipient Old Concho Community Assistance Center: Lynda Young and Shanda Breed made a presentation to Cindy Furrh for outstanding contributions. Cindy Furrh addressed the Board. **Supervisor Thompson and Supervisor Whitesinger** expressed their appreciation to Ms. Furrh.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** Consideration and possible approval of the grant award from Arizona Department of Homeland Security: Catrina Roe discussed the item. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the grant award from Arizona Department of Homeland Security; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**FINANCE:**

- b. Budget Update: Paige Peterson presented the finance update.
- c. ~~Consideration and possible award of contract for Printing and Mailing of Property Tax Statements and Valuation Notices to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, F15-12-15 (Joyce Alexander)~~

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Consideration and possible approval of the expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$17,000 from District IV Special Road Funds to cover 50% of the cost to do roadway repairs to the roads within Timberlake Pines POA: Bill Bess discussed the item. **Chairman Tenney** indicated that we have partnered with organization in the past. **Supervisor Whiting made a motion** to approve the expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$17,000 from District IV Special Road Funds to cover 50% of the cost to do roadway repairs to the roads within Timberlake Pines POA; motion seconded by **Supervisor Whitesinger**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

**COUNTY BUSINESS UPDATE:** Report from Board members, County Attorney and County Manager: **Supervisor Thompson** indicated he met with the Navajo Nation, the Navajo Land Commission and Federal Official's from Washington; to look into the progress of the Navajo-Hopi Indian Relocation, in performing the removal of people off the land rewarded to the other Tribe. He stated he met with Spider Mound officials regarding the improvement of a piece of land. **Supervisor Thompson** reported he attended the Governor's and Elected Official's Inauguration, the Opening Session of the Legislature and attended the Indian Nations and Tribal Legislative Session. **Supervisor Whiting** indicated he met with Mayor Hill and Vice-Mayor Carlisle in Holbrook, to look at the projects they have done. He stated they have been very fiscally responsible and have accomplished a lot for the Holbrook area. He indicated he met with Mike Sample, the President of the Navajo County Fair Board to discuss ways to work with them as the County has done in the past, to improve on the services offered to the citizens. He stated the Navajo County Fair and Rodeo is a great county fair. **Supervisor Whiting** reported he is continuing to work with the Apache Railway in securing long term funding and trying to find avenues with the owners to secure the railroad. He reported he spent some time at CSA looking at the Governor's budget, and how it impacts us at a local level. He indicated he hopes to educate our State Representatives and partners regarding those impacts. He stated he met with the Town of Taylor regarding a partnership with the county on a road project. He thanked Homero Vela and Bill Bess for attending with him. **Supervisor Nez** reported that he attended the same meetings with **Supervisor Thompson**. **Supervisor Nez** indicated he appreciates the support and leadership of **Supervisor Thompson**. **Supervisor Whitesinger** reported she made a presentation to the First Things First State Board in presenting the White Mountain Apache Regional Partnership Council's funding proposal. She indicated the funding provides early childhood services for the region and also tells the history and advocacy for parents. **Supervisor Whitesinger** indicated they were funded, and stated she was grateful for their support in the community. **Chairman Tenney** gave an update on the forest meetings he attended. He stated he had the opportunity to testify last week at the Senate, regarding 4FRI and forest health. **Chairman Tenney** indicated he will testify at the State Capitol today at 2:00 p.m., regarding HURF and road funding for the Transportation Committee. **Chairman Tenney** reported he has been appointed by Governor Doug Ducey, to be the Director of the Arizona Residential Utility Consumer Office. He stated he is honored to have been chosen to serve. He thanked everyone for their kind words and encouragement.

**ADJOURN:** At 10:25 a.m. **Chairman Tenney made a motion** to adjourn; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

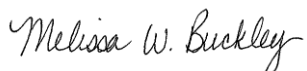
**APPROVED:**

**DATED: February 10, 2015**



**David Tenney, Chairman**  
**Navajo County Board of Supervisors**

**ATTEST:**



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