

**MINUTES
OF THE
LA PAZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Monday, March 3, 2014, 10:00 a.m.
Regular Meeting**

Chairman Wilson called the March 3, 2014, regular meeting of the La Paz County Board of Supervisors to order at 10:04 a.m. Elected Officials and Department Heads present were: Chairman Wilson, Supervisor Clapperton, Supervisor Irwin, County Administrator/Clerk of the Board Field, Deputy County Attorney Buckelew, Treasurer Castro, Superior Court Clerk Spielman, Development Services Director Baker, Sheriff Drum, Interim Public Works Director Simmons, Public Defender Field, Assessor Schuler, and Deputy Clerk of the Board Green.

Chairman Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation given by Pastor Charles Martin from Big River Baptist Church.

Presentation: “Sandy Dodge Employee Excellence Award”

Dorothy Fenech, Safety Committee Chairman, presented Mary Baptista, Chief Deputy Treasurer, the “Sandy Dodge Employee Excellence Award” for February 2014, along with a \$25 gift certificate to Walmart.

Presentation: Recognition of employees with 15 and 30 years of service

Chairman Wilson presented Public Works Administrative Assistant Donna Rust with a County pin and shirt for her fifteen (15) years of service; and Interim Public Works Director Tom Simmons with an engraved money clip for his thirty (30) years of service to the County.

Presentation: Proposed I-11 Corridor by Michael Kies, Assistant Director of Planning & Programming, Arizona Department of Transportation

Michael Kies, Assistant Director of Planning & Programming with the Arizona Department of Transportation, gave a power point presentation on the Proposed I-11 Corridor, between Nevada and Arizona.

He stated the Congressional designation was assigned to US 93 in July 2012 when Congress passed new Federal legislation for transportation funding for the nation; however, it was not funded nor required to be constructed by the states.

He further stated that both States wanted to know the reason for the designation; therefore, a two-year study was started to find out: 1) justification for making significant investments into the corridor; 2) whether the designation is sufficient; and 3) where would be the “reasonable and feasible” corridors that should be considered in the States of Arizona and Nevada.

He discussed at length the three categories of questions and noted that the study approached the answers of funding and necessity as to a “business case”; which is based on the opportunity for additional economic activity between what is referred to as “the Golden Triangle”, the area between Las Vegas, Southern California, and the Arizona Sun Corridor (Phoenix, Tucson, and its connection to the Mexican economy at Nogales).

He stated that consideration of the corridor led to other questions, such as whether the development of associated economic opportunities would utilize the movement of trade via trucks or rail, or through the movement of information and/or electrical power.

Mr. Kies explained the corridors between the different areas are to diversify the different economies into a manufacturing-based economy that would work together instead of in competition.

Supervisor Clapperton stated there have been certain political theories circulating for a number of years suspecting that nationwide development will be “doing away” with the established borders of Mexico and Canada, using the development of transportation as the basis to accomplish this. He asked if Mr. Kies was aware of any truth to this notion.

Mr. Kies stated that those ideas have come up numerous times during the course of the study. He stated that the study finds there is a high possibility global manufacturing patterns may change over the course of 10 to 20 years with a bigger emphasis on bringing manufacturing from Asia to Mexico/Latin America because of the ever changing manufacturing costs in those countries.

Current Event Summary

There was no current event summary.

CONSENT AGENDA *(Discussion and possible action on the following items):*

County Administrator Field presented for approval Consent Agenda Items #7(a) through #7(g).

7(a) Approval of Minutes

Approve minutes of the Tuesday, February 18, 2014, 10:00 a.m. regular meeting.

7(b) Approval of Payroll

Approve February 9, 2014, through February 22, 2014, gross payroll, as presented, in the amount of \$396,526.81, plus employer benefit contributions of \$87,142.34, for a total of \$483,669.15, including handwritten warrants.

7(c) Approval of Demands

Approve the demands, as presented, in the amount of \$612,182.35, including handwritten warrants.

7(d) Appoint Court Clerk, a vacant budgeted position – Quartzsite Justice Court (Replacement)

Approve to appoint Maria Niehaus as Court Clerk for the Quartzsite Justice Court, retroactive to February 6, 2014, at an annual salary of \$22,443.20 (NE014, Step 1), a vacant budgeted position.

7(e) Approve recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses & Control for Special Event License submitted by Lynnda Sweeney on behalf of the Soroptimist of Parker for the “Man About Town” fundraiser on Saturday, May 3, 2014, at the La Paz County Park, located at 7850 Riverside Drive, Parker – Board of Supervisors

Recommend approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses & Control for Special Event License submitted by Lynnda Sweeney on behalf of the Soroptimist of Parker for the “Man About Town” fundraiser on Saturday, May 3, 2014, at the La Paz County Park, located at 7850 Riverside Drive, Parker.

7(f) Ratify approval recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses & Control for Special Event License submitted by Darrell Weaver on behalf of the Harrington Marler Post 3708 Veterans of Foreign Wars for a Barbecue Pulled Pork Dinner fundraiser on Friday, March 7, 2014, located at 66514 Hall Street, in Salome – Board of Supervisors

Ratify recommendation of approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses & Control for Special Event License submitted by Darrell Weaver on behalf of the Harrington Marler Post 3708 Veterans of Foreign Wars for a Barbecue Pulled Pork Dinner fundraiser on Friday, March 7, 2014, located at 66514 Hall Street, in Salome.

7(g) Approve Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Intergovernmental Agreement IGA/JPA 11-0031-I Amendment No One (#130002761-I), to fully fund the Alamo Guardrail Project – Public Works

Supervisor Clapperton stated that he wished to remove Item #7(g) from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

CHAIRMAN WILSON MOVED to approve Consent Agenda Items #7(a) through #7(f), removing Item #7(g) for discussion. Motion seconded by Supervisor Clapperton, passed unanimously.

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7(g) Approve Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Intergovernmental Agreement IGA/JPA 11-0031-I Amendment No One (#130002761-I), to fully fund the Alamo Guardrail Project – Public Works

Supervisor Clapperton stated that he had questions regarding the information submitted stated that the project in the amount of \$605,000 would be fully funded; noting that agreement stated that the final bid may exceed the estimated cost, which would be the responsibility of the County.

Interim Public Works Director Simmons explained that the project will not be more than the cost of \$605,000 because the project is actually already finished and the Federal Government has already paid for the project. He explained that this project was one of the Department's five-year plan projects and the typical increase in the cost of materials occurred, increasing the figure to \$605,000. He noted that the project was "pushed up" due to the remoteness of the location; however, the amount was still funded in full with the increase included.

SUPERVISOR CLAPPERTON MOVED to approve Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Intergovernmental Agreement IGA/JPA 11-0031-I Amendment No. One (#130002761-I), to fully fund the Alamo Guardrail Project, at the revised amount; not to exceed \$605,000. Motion seconded by Supervisor Irwin, passed unanimously.

Chairman Wilson recessed the Board of Supervisors and convened the Jail District Board of Directors at 10:35 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA *(Discussion and possible action on the following items):*

County Administrator Field presented for approval Jail Consent Agenda Items #8(a) through #8(d).

8(a) Approval of Jail District Payroll

Approve February 9, 2014, through February 22, 2014, gross payroll, as presented, in the amount of \$62,451.44, plus employer benefit contributions of \$12,811.44, for a total of \$75,262.88, including handwritten warrants.

8(b) Approval of Jail District Demands

Approve the Jail District demands in the amount of \$63,879.35, including handwritten warrants.

8(c) Appoint uncertified Detention Officer, a vacant budgeted position (Replacement)

Appoint Juan Roberto Castaneda to the position of uncertified Detention Officer, effective March 3, 2014, with an annual salary of \$29,868.80 (L02, Step 1); requiring successful completion of an Arizona Detention Academy within one year; a six month probationary period with the Sheriff's Department; and six months probation for the County.

8(d) Ratify amendment to Detention Services Intergovernmental Agreement #08-02-0071 with the Department of Justice, United States Marshals Service, Prisoner Operations Division, increasing the daily inmate per diem to \$60 per day; and authorize the Sheriff to execute the revised agreement

Ratify amendment to Detention Services Intergovernmental Agreement #08-02-0071 with the Department of Justice, United States Marshals Service, Prisoner Operations Division, increasing the daily inmate per diem from \$44 per day to \$60 per day; and authorize the Sheriff to execute the revised agreement.

SUPERVISOR IRWIN MOVED to approve Consent Agenda Items #8(a) through #8(d). Motion seconded by Supervisor Clapperton, passed unanimously.

Chairman Wilson recessed the Jail District Board of Directors and reconvened the Board of Supervisors at 10:37 a.m.

REGULAR AGENDA (Discussion and possible action on the following items):

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

Docket No. Z2014-001, Spencer K. Dela Cruz, APN: 304-87-003A, requesting to rezone from Rural Agricultural 40 (RA-40) to Manufactured Home Subdivision (MHS); property located at corner of Ola and Colorado Way, Salome – Community Development

Development Services Director Baker presented Docket No. Z2014-001, Spencer K. Dela Cruz, APN: 304-87-003A, requesting to rezone from Rural Agricultural 40 (RA-40) to Manufactured Home Subdivision (MHS); property located at corner of Ola and Colorado Way, Township 05N, Range 13W, Section 28 of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, La Paz County, Arizona, in Salome.

He noted that a 9-1-1 address was not available; therefore; a description of the location is listed instead. He stated the legal address, noting the property was located in Flood Zone X. He added that 44 property owners were notified of the rezone request by letter, with four letters received in opposition; however, those in opposition attended the Planning & Zoning meeting and received much helpful information about the project and there did not seem to be any remaining issues.

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He stated that the development follows the County Comprehensive Plan for the area, and there were no negative comments received from the Review Committee.

He added that Staff recommended approval of the rezone with the stipulation that an A.R.S. §12-1134 (207) Waiver be signed by the property owner.

Chairman Wilson opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to comment on the request for a rezone.

There being no comments, Chairman Wilson closed the public hearing.

SUPERVISOR IRWIN MOVED to approve Docket No. Z2014-001, Spencer K. Dela Cruz, APN: 304-87-003A, to rezone from Rural Agricultural 40 (RA-40) to Manufactured Home Subdivision (MHS), with the stipulation that an A.R.S. §12-1134 (207) Waiver be signed by the property owner; property located at corner of Ola and Colorado Way, Township 05N, Range 13W, Section 28 of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, La Paz County, Arizona, in Salome. Motion seconded by Chairman Wilson, passed unanimously.

Docket No. Z2014-002, Tracy and Kathy Ellis, APN: 310-24-004B, requesting to rezone from Recreational Vehicle Park (RVP) to Residential High Density Site Built Dwelling (R-3); property located at 3154 Parker Dam Road, Parker – *Community Development*

Development Services Director Baker presented Docket No. Z2014-002, Tracy and Kathy Ellis, APN: 310-24-004B, requesting to rezone from Recreational Vehicle Park (RVP) to Residential High Density Site Built Dwelling (R-3); property located at 3154 Parker Dam Road; Township 11N, Range 18W, Section 21 of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, La Paz County, Arizona, in Parker.

He stated the legal address, noting the property was located in a Flood Zone X. He added that five (5) property owners were notified and no letters of opposition or support were received.

He stated that the development follows the County Comprehensive Plan for the area, and there were no negative comments received from the Review Committee.

He added that Staff recommended approval of the rezone with the stipulation that an A.R.S. §12-1134 (207) Waiver be signed by the property owner.

Chairman Wilson opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to comment on the request for a rezone.

There being no comments, Chairman Wilson closed the public hearing.

SUPERVISOR CLAPPERTON MOVED to approve Docket No. Z2014-002, Tracy and Kathy Ellis, APN: 310-24-004B, requesting to rezone from Recreational Vehicle Park (RVP) to Residential High Density Site Built Dwelling (R-3); with the stipulation that an A.R.S. §12-1134 (207) Waiver be signed by the property owner; property located at 3154 Parker Dam Road; Township 11N, Range 18W, Section 21 of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, La Paz County, Arizona, in Parker. Motion seconded by Supervisor Irwin, passed unanimously.

Tax Roll Corrections – Assessor

Chief Deputy Assessor Jones, on behalf of Assessor Schuler, presented the following eighteen (18) tax roll corrections for the net amount of -\$9,104.84:

#2007.TRC.384S1	-\$182.12	#2007.TRC.384S2	-\$92.44
#2007.TRC.384S3	-\$486.78	#2007.TRC.384S4	-\$92.44
#2007.TRC.384S5	-\$1,016.70	#2007.TRC.384S6	-\$690.74
#2007.TRC.384S7	-\$454.18	#2007.TRC.384S8	-\$492.96
#2007.TRC.384S9	-\$1,232.36	#2007.TRC.384S10	-\$1,226.36
#2007.TRC.384S11	-\$1,514.04	#2007.TRC.384S12	-\$61.62
#2007.TRC.384S13	-\$246.48	#2007.TRC.384S14	-\$610.70
#2007.TRC.384S15	-\$391.94	#2007.TRC.384S16	-\$24.66
#2013.TRC.403S2	-\$271.44	#2013.TRC.404S5	-\$16.88

SUPERVISOR IRWIN MOVED to approve eighteen (18) tax roll corrections for the net amount of -\$9,104.84, as presented by Chief Deputy Jones on behalf of Assessor Schuler. Motion seconded by Supervisor King, passed unanimously.

Approve request for a public hearing regarding an abandonment request for a portion of alleyway in Block 1 of the Haynes Addition to the Bouse Townsite between lots 2 through 11 – Public Works

Right-of-Way Agent Bennett requested approval to publish advertisement and schedule a public hearing on April 7, 2014, regarding an abandonment request for a portion of alleyway in Block 1 of the Haynes Addition to the Bouse Townsite between lots 2 through 11.

She stated that an abandonment request was received for the purposes of developing property for commercial use. She added that notification letters have been mailed to the surrounding property owners, utilities, and services in the area, as well as to the Community Development Department, in order to receive comment.

SUPERVISOR CLAPPERTON MOVED to approve request to publish advertisement and schedule a public hearing on April 7, 2014, regarding an abandonment request for a portion of alleyway in Block 1 of the Haynes Addition to the Bouse Townsite between lots 2 through 11. Motion seconded by Supervisor Irwin, passed unanimously.

Approve agreement with Abbey, Stubbs & Ford, LLC, for consulting services relating to state and federal governmental agencies – Board of Supervisors

County Administrator Field requested approval for an agreement with Abbey, Stubbs & Ford, LLC, for consulting services relating to state and federal governmental agencies. He stated that such an agreement was brought before the Board at an earlier date; however, he expressed that it was not practical at that time with other issues at hand.

He explained that the intent of obtaining assistance from this firm is to obtain right-of-ways and lands from the Federal government necessary for the County's landfill project, as well as other projects that have "stalled" over the years.

He noted that the firm consists of people that have had backgrounds in certain entities of State and Federal government that makes them familiar with the processes, and familiar with this part of the country as well.

He stated that the agreement is a flat rate of \$7,500 monthly, and the firm is aware of the time elements involved, and the urgency in obtaining the right-of-way needed for the transload facility project. He added that, although it is a 12-month agreement, either party can back out of the agreement within 30 days.

CHAIRMAN WILSON MOVED to ratify agreement with Abbey, Stubbs & Ford, LLC for consulting services relating to state and federal government, retroactive to March 1, 2014, (at a rate of \$7,500 a month for the term of the agreement). Motion seconded by Supervisor Irwin, passed unanimously.

Approval to authorize County Administrator to schedule free "County Cleanup Days" with Allied Waste – Board of Supervisors

County Administrator Field requested authorization to schedule free "County Cleanup Days" with Allied Waste. He stated that one of the negotiations of contracting with Allied Waste at the Landfill was to bring the clean up days back to the County.

He noted that the cleanup days to be scheduled will have a lot of interest because there are those that are in need of these services to correct code violations in effect. He stated that he intends to advertise the cleanups at an opportune time for all, and the plans would include those that typically volunteer to help with the cleanups.

SUPERVISOR CLAPPERTON MOVED to approve to authorize the County Administrator to schedule free "County Cleanup Days" with Allied Waste. Motion seconded by Supervisor Irwin, passed unanimously.

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Motorola, \$6,417.82; #11108623, Parker Office Supply, \$3,299.38; #11108624, Parker Oil Products, \$16,294.87; #11108625, Parker Tree Service, \$2,900; #11108629, Quartzsite JP, \$1,968.72; #11108630, Quill Corp. (1), \$1,756.96; #11108635, Regional Center, \$9,495.50; #11108636, Rick's Station Mtce, \$1,108.35; #11108637, Rideout Law PLLC, \$1,185; #11108638, River Septic, \$1,250; #11108646, Shamrock Food Company, \$3,127.71; #11108649, Simpson Norton Corp., \$4,394.97; #11108652, Standard Insurance, \$11,398.84; #11108655, Sysco Food Services, \$4,412.64; #11108658, Tiger Direct, \$9,193.65; #11108659, Today's News Herald, \$1,081.70; #11108661, Tri-State Reporting (2), \$1,517.40; #11108663, Tyler Technologies, \$4,061.07; #11108664, U. S. Foodservice, \$5,307.51; #11108666, Verizon Wireless, \$2,087.14; #11108669, Fred Welch, \$8,151.75; #11108670, Wells Fargo Payment Remittance Center 3249, \$4,836.45; #11108671, West Coast Equipment, Inc., \$2,118.48; #11108672, West Payment Center, \$1,513.50; #11108673, Western States Petroleum, \$49,268.56; #11108676, Zion Bank/Public Financial Services, \$4,463.48; #11108677, All American Air Conditioning, \$2,880; #11108679, Amazon, \$1,280.37; #11108698, Conditioned Response Training, LLC, \$1,200; #11108705, Desert Mountain Corp., \$7,445.99; #11108717, Gloria Eagle PA-C, \$1,125; #11108718, Gloria Hernandez, \$1,080; #11108731, Jones, Skelton & Hochuli, \$31,554.72; #11108740, La Paz Regional Hospital, \$6,223.49; #11108745, MCI Mega Preferred, \$1,766.31; #11108747, Network Services, \$5,609.32; #11108753, Parker Center, \$1,298.44; #11108760, Ping, Inc., \$1,454.39; #11108763, PNC Equipment Finance, LLC, \$1,457.50; #11108764, Precision Striping, Inc., \$1,628; #11108771, Tony Rogers, \$1,977.24; #11108772, Laurence Schiff, M. D., \$1,225; #11108783, Suncor Industries, Inc., \$1,205.14; #11108786, Tasc, Inc., \$1,056; #11108791, Tires@Wholesale, \$7,298.65.