Board of Supervisors
November 13, 2024
9:30 AM

The Board met in a Regular Meeting at the Santa Cruz County Complex, 2150 N. Congress Drive, Room #120, Nogales, AZ. Present: Manuel Ruiz, Chairman; Bruce Bracker, Vice-Chairman; Rudy Molera, Member; Jesus Valdez, County Manager; Mauricio Chavez, Deputy County Manager; Robert May, Bureau Chief-Civil Division; Alma Schultz, Clerk of the Board.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Ruiz called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Cathy Campana, a Rio Rico resident.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to adopt the Agenda and deviate from the Agenda sequence as necessary; seconded by Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Adele Post, a resident of Tucson, AZ, spoke on behalf of De la Ossa family members who have resided in the county since the 1980s, described themselves as not the only victims, but victims of the former County Treasurer who, with unlimited funds in 2021, was able to purchase their family-owned property and provided details.

Sheriff David Hathaway spoke in agreement with Ms. Adele Post's request and thanked the Elections Department and the County Recorder for a successful election.

Cathy Campana, a resident of Rio Rico, congratulated Supervisor Bruce Bracker for his recognition by the Rural Transportation Commission at the 25th Annual Arizona Rural Transportation Summit in October.

CURRENT EVENTS

1. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

VICE-CHAIRMAN BRACKER: took part in a GSA (U.S. General Services Administration) community meeting in Nogales for the expansion project around the DeConcini Land Port of Entry and provided a reminder to pay attention to the matter as it may impact the downtown area of Nogales; attended the Produce Convention and spoke on the Tomato Suspension Agreement and the impacts to our community; attended a meeting with Arizona Department of Transportation specifically about the DeConcini reconfiguration and the impacts by the future project in the area; and thanked the elections team including the poll workers, staff and the voters who participated in this election.

SUPERVISOR MOLERA: congratulated Villa's Market for being named 2024 Retailer of the Year by the Arizona Retailers Association; congratulated Sheriff Hathaway for winning the election and for hosting a great Red Ribbon event; thanked the Elections team and all those involved in the community that helped with the elections.

CHAIRMAN RUIZ: expressed kudos to the whole election team that helped with the elections; congratulated the candidates who won and wished for a successful transition.

2. MANAGER

JESUS VALDEZ, COUNTY MANAGER, thanked the Elections Department and the County Recorder's office for a successful election and spoke on an update on the former County Treasurer's case.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

1. FINANCE: CASH & INVESTMENTS, EXPENDITURES & REVENUE REPORTS

Mauricio Chavez, Deputy County Manager, reported $ in the General Fund, of which $ is invested; $ in the Road Fund, of which $ is invested; $ in the Flood Control District Fund, of which $ is invested; $ in the Jail District Fund, of which $ is invested; $ total for all funds, of which $ is invested; $ estimated end of month balance, compared to $ cash at month year, a difference of $.

2. DEPARTMENT(S) UPDATE

Alma Schultz, Clerk of the Board, provided a summary of the new agenda center for posting the agenda and documentation for the Board of Supervisors Meetings.

Supervisor Molera made a motion to recess the Regular Meeting to convene the Flood Control District Board seconded by Vice-Chairman Bracker; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

FLOOD CONTROL

1. DIRECTOR'S/PROJECT REPORT

Report was provided by Allan Sanchez, Floodplain Coordinator.

2. MONTHLY REPORT FROM CITY OF NOGALES

No report was submitted.

3. MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA

No report was submitted.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

The Board adjourned as the Flood Control District Board and reconvened into the Regular Meeting. (Motion: Vice-Chairman Bracker; second: Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

ACTION ITEMS

1. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, SOUTHWEST REGION FOR A WILDLIFE PARTNERSHIP IN SANTA CRUZ COUNTY (REQ: VICE-CHAIRMAN BRACKER)

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz) Vice-Chairman Bracker stated that this item is being worked on with Pima County, the City of Tucson, and Santa Cruz County which is on a parallel track with what is planned to happen with, Santa Cruz Urban Wildlife Refuge.

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AND CERTIFY THE CANVASS OF NOVEMBER 5, 2024, GENERAL ELECTION OFFICIAL RESULTS (REQ: ELECTIONS)

Supervisor Molera made a motion to approve, seconded by Vice-Chairman Bracker; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to recess the Regular Meeting to convene into the Board of Equalization seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

1. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE TAX YEAR 2025 APPEAL DECISIONS - NOTICE OF CHANGE AS PRESENTED BY THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (REQ: CLERK)

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

The Board adjourned as the Board of Equalization Board and reconvened the Regular Meeting. (Motion: Supervisor Molera; second: Vice-Chairman Bracker; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

CONSENT AGENDA

Supervisor Molera made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with three items numbered I2, I4, and I5 moved to Action Items for discussion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Bracker; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

1. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO FILL VACANT:

A NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR (SYSTEMS MANAGER) POSITION (REQ: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY)

B COURT CLERK POSITION (REQ: JUSTICE COURT)

C DEPUTY SHERIFF I POSITION (REQ: SHERIFF)

D PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR POSITION (REQ:SHERIFF)

3. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A ONE-TIME VACATION BUYBACK OPTION FOR UP TO 40 ACCRUED VACATION HOURS FOR ELIGIBLE COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR PROCESSING ON NOVEMBER 15, 2024 (REQ: DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER)

6. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE INTERAGENCY SERVICE AGREEMENT CONTRACT NO. DT-ITG-2024-004 WITH THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ADOT) TO ALLOW ADMINISTRATION AND HOST CITATION MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE (REQ: SHERIFF)

7. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE PUBLIC WORKS TO SOLICIT BIDS TO CONSTRUCT ROADWAY AND PARKING AREA IMPROVEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROPOSED TUBAC ROAD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (REQ: PUBLIC WORKS)

8. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PRIVATE PUBLIC MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH SANTA CRUZ COUNTY RESIDENTS FOR COST SHARING ON CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WOULD IMPROVE THE COUNTY'S ROADS, DRAINAGE, SIGNAGE, TRAFFIC CIRCULATION, AND ACCESS (REQ: PUBLIC WORKS)

9. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT BUDGETARY

PROPOSAL NO. 014180 WITH SENTINEL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR NETWORK SWITCH REFRESH IN THE AMOUNT OF $106,143.83 (REQ: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY)

10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT BUDGETARY PROPOSAL NO. 014127 WITH SENTINEL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR WIRELESS REFRESH IN THE AMOUNT OF $40,275.17 (REQ: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY)

11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AND RATIFY CONTRACT WITH CTI FOR COURTROOM 3 AUDIO-VISUAL UPGRADE AND FOUR ADDITIONAL YEARS OF CTI COMPLETE SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF $9,559.03 (REQ: SUPERIOR COURT)

12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR FIREWORKS DISPLAY IN TUBAC AT TUBAC GOLF RESORT ON DECEMBER 6, 2024 (REQ: CLERK)

13. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE 2024 AFFIDAVIT FOR ORGANIZATIONAL TAX EXEMPTION FOR ARIZONA FOOD BANK NETWORK (REQ: ASSESSOR)

14. APPROVAL OF TAX VALUATION ADJUSTMENTS: (REQ: ASSESSOR)

A 106-35-063 - TOWN OF PATAGONIA, RESOLUTION NO. 56920

B 106-35-064 - TOWN OF PATAGONIA, RESOLUTION NO. 56921

C 124-03-138 - ADRIAN LILLYWHITE AND GABRIELA LILLYWHITE, RESOLUTION NO. 56922

D 101-33-094 - JOSE D. RUBIO ROBLES AND CYNTHIA A. RUBIO, RESOLUTION NO. 56930

E 101-33-094 - JOSE D. RUBIO ROBLES AND CYNTHIA A. RUBIO, RESOLUTION NO. 56931

F 113-07-004-B - KEITH ZOBOTT AND JODI ZOBOTT, RESOLUTION NO. 56933

G M000000022 - ASHTON COMPANY INC, RESOLUTION NO. 56927

H P20230019 - MACQUARIE EQUIPMENT CAPITAL, RESOLUTION NO. 56932

I P20230019- MACQUARIE EQUIPMENT CAPITAL, RESOLUTION NO. 56934

J P201600129 - TOYOTA INDUSTRIES COMMERCIAL FINANCE INC., RESOLUTION NO. 56936

K P201600131 - TOYOTA INDUSTRIES COMMERCIAL FINANCE INC., RESOLUTION NO. 56935

L 115-21-030 - JOSE COTA AND YVETTE COTA, RESOLUTION NO. 56937

15. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 10/15/2024

16. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS were approved in the total amount of $3422,435.54, of which

$607,938.94 is from the General Fund. Details of these expenditures are available for inspection during working hours and are to be considered as part of these minutes.

ACTION ITEMS CONT.

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND FILL:

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz) Mauricio Chavez, Deputy County Manager, and Jeff Terrell, Health Department Director stated that the positions are critical and that they are grant-funded.

A NURSE PRACTITIONER POSITION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC (REQ: HEALTH SERVICES)

B PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE POSITION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC (REQ: HEALTH SERVICES)

C COURTROOM TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST POSITION (REQ: SUPERIOR COURT)

D LITERACY FACILITATOR POSITION (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

Mauricio Chavez, Deputy County Manager, advised that the positions are grant-funded. Jeff Terrell, Health Department Director spoke of these positions to enhance the health clinic and funding will continue with the major contracts the Health Department has approved.

4. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BOOTH MANAGEMENT CONSULTING TO ASSIST WITH CENTRALIZATION OF GRANT MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS, SERVICES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $50,000 (REQ: DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER)

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz) Vice-Chairman Bracker thanked the County Manager for bringing this item to the agenda for approval to strengthen our procedures with grants.

5. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC. QUOTE NO. 2778243 FOR GEOVALIDATION UPGRADE IN THE AMOUNT OF $69,716.61 (REQ: SHERIFF)

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz) Sheriff Hathaway and Commander Huerta explained the use of this service will be updating the GIS system for emergency services. Vice-Chairman Bracker congratulated the Sheriff and his team for working on this improvement.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m. (motion: Supervisor Molera; second: Vice-Chairman Bracker; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)