

GRAHAM COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS)

(SS. SAFFORD, AZ April 17, 2023

STATE OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF GRAHAM)

The Graham County Board of Supervisors met in a regular session this date with the following present:

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| Paul R. David | Chairman |
| John Howard | Vice-Chairman |
| Danny Smith | Member |
| Dustin Welker | County Manager / Clerk |
| Hannah Duderstadt | Deputy Clerk |

Chairman David called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor Smith, the minutes of the regular board meeting and work sessions held on April 3, 2023, were approved.

Undersheriff Jeff McCormies, on behalf of Sheriff PJ Allred, requested approval to ratify salary increase to Step 3 and retro pay back to April 10, 2023, for a new detention officer. Upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

County Attorney L. Scott Bennett requested approval to enter a new Misdemeanor Agreement with Matt Clifford for prosecution support. Upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Planning & Zoning Director Steve McGaughey requested approval to appoint Alvin Summers, who resides in Supervisor Howard's District II, to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor Smith, the request was unanimously approved.

Planning & Zoning Director Steve McGaughey requested approval to reappoint Judy Motes, who resides in Supervisor Howard's District II, to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Highway Superintendent Steve Puzas requested approval to ratify purchase of two (2) unbudgeted capital driver feedback signs. Upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

County Manager Dustin Welker requested approval to renew an Agreement with Community Broadband Advocates, LLC for assistance in researching and developing plans and grants to develop broadband infrastructure in Graham County. Upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Manager Welker requested approval of an Interagency Service Agreement with The Arizona Department of Transportation for the use of Traffic and Criminal Software (TraCS). Upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Manager Welker requested approval to increase the budget to repair the exhibit roofing project P-03 Exhibit Roofing Repairs, from \$20,000 to \$60,000, fund 100-059-4302. Upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Under current events report Manager Welker reported on the following: Monthly county finance report; CSA mtg.; CDBG project update; Fairgrounds remodel project updates; Highway chip seal project update; Budget reminders;

Supervisor Smith reported on the following: Reiterated appreciation for work done at fairgrounds;

Supervisor Howard reported on the following: EAC Sports Authority mtg.; Substance Abuse Coalition mtg.; Irrigation Dist. mtg.; Town Council mtg.;

Supervisor David reported on the following: 4/04 Panelist for ADOT/AZ Ta conference; 4/05 SAGLIF mtg.; Lions Club mtg.; 4/06 AZ Dept. of Liquor Board mtg.; Secretary Fontes mtg.; Chamber of Commerce Soiree; 4/07 Veterans event; 4/08 Fan Fest costume judging; 4/10 Safford City Council mtg.; 4/11 Historical Society mtg.; 4/12 Electrical Vehicle Charging & BIL grants mtg.; Lions Club mtg.; Desert Cat Rescue board mtg.; 4/15 Fan Fest judging;

Demands and hand written warrants were unanimously approved upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard. Pursuant to the provisions of A.R.S. §11-217, as amended in 1996, those demands/warrants for any supplier which total more than \$1,000.00 are as follows:

| <u>SUPPLIER/PURPOSE</u> | <u>AMOUNT OF WARRANT</u> |
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| ADVANCED AIR/ALTECH REFRIGERATION | \$16,536.96 |
| AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES | \$5,505.86 |
| ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES | \$4,400.00 |
| BARRY A. STANDIFIRD, P.C. | \$4,166.60 |
| BRIAN DOUGLAS | \$1,133.39 |
| BRIEANNA MORALES | \$1,440.00 |
| CENTURY LINK – BUSINESS SERVICES | \$11,578.34 |
| CHASE BANK – CARDMEMBER SERVICE | \$10,810.87 |
| CIRCLE C PAINTING | \$30,800.00 |
| CRAFICO, INC. | \$8,940.07 |
| CURTIS COUNTRY STORE | \$2,618.24 |
| DAISY FLORES LAW & ASSOCIATES, P.C. | \$8,333.33 |
| DENNIS MCCARTHY | \$8,750.00 |
| EASTERN ARIZONA COURIER | \$2,374.00 |
| FERTIZONA – THATCHER L.L.C. | \$2,171.44 |
| GLEN DAVID HALVERSON | \$5,000.00 |
| GRAHAM COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE | \$2,500.00 |
| GRAHAM COUNTY CLERK OF THE COURT | \$1,244.17 |
| GRAHAM COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP | \$12,247.78 |
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| JENNIFER LABRUM | \$2,889.26 |
| JOSI Y. LOPEZ | \$10,925.00 |
| LAW OFFICE OF REBECCA JOHNSON | \$13,475.00 |
| MAGNUM TOWING | \$2,030.00 |
| MATT N. CLIFFORD | \$3,795.00 |
| MATTHEW BENDER AND COMPANY, INC. | \$1,229.77 |
| PAVEMENT SEALANTS & SUPPLY INC. | \$3,884.75 |
| PIMA COUNTY TREASURER | \$22,500.00 |

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| SENTINEL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. | \$137,646.73 |
| SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP | \$4,690.19 |
| SOUTHWEST GAS | \$4,579.40 |
| STATE OF ARIZONA RISK MANAGEMENT | \$3,513.43 |
| THE MASTER'S TOUCH, LLC | \$2,941.30 |
| VERIZON WIRELESS – TX | \$6,044.45 |
| VERMEER SALES SOUTHWEST, INC. | \$1,147.86 |
| VISTA RECYCLING INC. | \$5,120.42 |
| WALMART COMMUNITY BRC | \$2,072.65 |
| WEST PAYMENT CENTER | \$1,112.44 |
| ZUMAR INDUSTRIES | \$3,503.94 |
| AMERICAN EXPRESS | \$1,131.20 |

Under Call to the Public, Vance Bryce, Director of the Graham County Chamber of Commerce, gave an activities report.

Chairman David announced it was the time and date to open the following bid:

#22/23-10 Cottonwood Wash Crossing
- Conco Concrete Specialist, LLC (\$733,398)

Upon motion of Supervisor Smith, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the bid was unanimously forwarded to staff for review and authorized to award to lowest conforming bid.

At 8:48 a.m. the Board entered the first executive session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) and (4), to discuss, provide direction and potentially take action in Arizona Democratic Party, et al, v. No Labels, et al., Maricopa County Cause No. CV-2023-004832. Those in attendance in addition to the Board were:

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| Jean Roof | Chief Deputy Civil Attorney |
| L. Scott Bennett | County Attorney |
| Dustin Welker | County Manager |

The lawsuit was discussed, and recommendations given.

The first session was adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

At 9:04 a.m. the Board entered the second executive session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) and (4), to discuss, provide direction and potentially take action in leasing provisions for the County's building on Main Street. Those in attendance in addition to the Board were:

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| Jean Roof | Chief Deputy Civil Attorney |
| L. Scott Bennett | County Attorney |
| Dustin Welker | County Manager |

The main street building lease and terms were discussed at length.

The second session was adjourned at 9:49 a.m. At this time Supervisor Smith took his leave.

Upon motion of Supervisor David to direct legal staff to file an answer and assert a nominal party status in the No Labels lawsuit, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the motion was unanimously approved.

Chairman David adjourned the regular meeting at 9:54 a.m.

Chairman David called the work session to order at 10:00 a.m. Those in attendance in addition to Supervisor Howard were:

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| Trey Andrews | Parks Director |
| Matt Hart | Building Maintenance Supervisor |
| Steve Puzas | Highway Superintendent |
| Steve McGaughey | Planning & Zoning Director |
| Michael Bryce | Engineer |
| Dustin Welker | County Manager |

Various Highway, Engineering, Parks, and Planning & Zoning issues were discussed.

Chairman David recessed the work session at 12:00 p.m.

Chairman David resumed the work session at 1:00 p.m. Those in attendance in addition to Supervisor Howard were:

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| Steve Puzas | Highway Superintendent |
| Michael Bryce | Engineer |
| Roberta Lopez | BLM |
| Scott Cooke | BLM |
| Amelia Taylor | BLM |
| Ray Johnson | BLM |

BLM gave a quarterly activities report.

Chairman David adjourned the work session at 2:00 p.m.

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Paul R. David, Chairman

ATTEST:

Dustin Welker, Board Clerk