

GRAHAM COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS)

(SS. SAFFORD, AZ May 2, 2022

STATE OF ARIZONA, COUNTY OF GRAHAM)

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

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

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon motion of Supervisor David, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the minutes of the regular board meeting and work sessions held on April 18, 2022, were approved.

County Manager Dustin Welker, on behalf of Sheriff PJ Allred, requested approval to purchase a Wrap Cart, unbudgeted capital, for the jail. Upon motion of Supervisor David, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Health Director Brian Douglas requested approval of an Agreement with Kathryn Williams for Food Access and Nutrition contractor position. Upon motion of Supervisor David, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Director Douglas requested approval of an IGA with Arizona Department of Health Services for Senate Bill 1847 funding to help address public health issues and communities affected by drug addiction and incarceration. Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor David, the request was unanimously approved.

Highway Superintendent Steve Puzas requested approval of an additional \$12,499.05 for Holyoak Wash repairs on Safford Bryce Road for a grand total of \$64,499.05. Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor David, the request was unanimously approved.

Chief Financial Officer Julie Rodriquez requested approval of the Graham County Policy: Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) Pension Funding Policy (2023). Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor David, the request was unanimously approved.

County Manager Dustin Welker requested approval of a distribution methodology for \$447,476.25 in Secure Rural School funds to schools. Upon motion of Supervisor David to accept method 2 (20-80), seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Manager Welker requested approval of raising the dollar limit for purchases required to have sealed bids from \$20,000 to \$75,000. Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor David, the request was unanimously approved.

Manager Welker requested approval to increase mileage reimbursement rate for travel. Upon motion of Supervisor David, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

Manager Welker requested approval of Resolution No. 2022-05, A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Graham County, Arizona Supporting the Reissuance of a Special Use Permit to Operate an Organizational Camp on the Safford Ranger District. Upon motion of Supervisor David, seconded by Supervisor Howard, the request was unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF GRAHAM COUNTY, ARIZONA SUPPORTING THE REISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO OPERATE AN ORGANIZATIONAL CAMP ON THE SAFFORD RANGER DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Arizona Bible School Organizational Camp operated under a Special Use Permit since 1966 and is comprised of structures, facilities and infrastructure whose purpose is to enable youth and individuals with disabilities to enjoy activities in the forest and learn about natural resource issues. This historic camp is located on approximately 5.9 acres of National Forest System land; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Bible School Organizational Camp sold their ownership to Camp Columbine, a 501 (c)3 nonprofit on February 12, 2021 owned and operated by residents of Graham County. The Camp Columbine owners subsequently filed a permit application to resume the same activities which had occurred for the last half a century. Their permit application indicated the existing camp footprint would be maintained with only maintenance activities; and

WHEREAS, the absence of changes in the scope and intensity of authorized activities under the expired permit at the camp allows the USFS' Responsible Official to apply a categorical exclusion to the permitting action; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service issued a biological opinion to the US Forest Service in March of 2021 that issuing a permit for Camp Columbine "may effect, but is not likely to adversely affect both the Mexican Spotted Owl and Mt. Graham Red Squirrel critical habitat; and

WHEREAS, the US Congress in 1988 under Title VI, Section 605(a) of the Arizona Idaho Conservation Act provides for the continuation of special use authorizations which specifically include the Columbine Summer Homes and the Arizona Bible School Organization Camp; and

WHEREAS, Section 6236 of the National Forest Organizational Camp Fee Improvement Act of 2003 excludes organizational camps from being subject to NEPA reviews; and

WHEREAS, Graham County supports the application for Camp Columbine to provide a valuable service and education to the young people in the area which also increases regional tourism; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Graham County supports the immediate issuance by the US Forest Service of the Camp Columbine Special Use Permit for a 20 year period.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular session of the Board of Supervisors of Graham County, AZ on May 2, 2022.

/S/: Danny Smith, Chairman

Attested to:

/S/: Dustin Welker, Clerk

Supervisor John Howard requested approval to appoint Brandon Lunt to serve on the Graham County's Planning & Zoning Commission Board representing District 2 for a four-year term. Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor David, the request was unanimously approved.

Manager Welker request approval of an IGA with the Town of Thatcher for GIS services. Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor David, the request was unanimously approved.

Under current events report, Supervisor Howard reported on the following: 4/05 Drug Coalition mtg.; 4/19 United Way Grant mtg.; 4/20 CSA mtg.; 4/21 Board mtg.; 4/22 Community Youth Leadership project; SDA mtg.; 4/28 Victim Awareness week; 4/30 Dump the Drugs day;

Supervisor David reported on the following: 4/20-4/21 CSA mtg.; 4/23 5K event; 4/25 Rural Transportation mtg.; Dinner; 4/26 BLM webinar; 4/27 SDA Annual Appreciation Luncheon; Lions Club mtg.; GVVS Honor Guard mtg.; 4/28 BLM webinar; Victims Awareness event; 4/30 Gila Valley Honor Guard dinner; 5/01 Ribbon cutting – Car Show at American Legion

Supervisor Smith reported on the following: Legislation update; thanked the State Representatives for their service to Graham County;

County Manager Welker reported on the following: Project update on Courthouse bathrooms, BOS remodel; Open enrollment with ACIP presentation; reminder open enrollment begins today; thanked those involved with 5K; Highway chip seal project; reminder of budget hearings this week;

Demands and hand written warrants were unanimously approved upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor David. 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>
ADHS, AHCCCS TREASURER	\$44,683.00
ADVANCE FORENSIC ASSESSMENTS INC	\$2,400.00
ADVANCED AIR/ALTECH REFRIGERATION	\$2,319.00
ARIZONA COUNTIES INSURANCE POOL	\$2,370.00
AZLGEBT	\$222,488.07
BI INCORPORATED	\$1,172.46
BOB BARKER	\$4,881.65
BOKF, NA (VIA BANK OF OKLAHOMA)	\$160,499.48
BOULEVARD GLASS, LLC	\$2,076.73
BRANDT WOODS, LLC	\$2,250.00
CENTURY LINK – 91155	\$2,528.96
CITY OF SAFFORD UTILITIES	\$20,631.73
CITY OF SAFFORD WASTE TIRE FUND	\$18,097.20
CURASCRIP	\$7,980.00
DIAMONDBACK POLICE SUPPLY CO.	\$2,452.11
EMPIRE SOUTHWEST	\$19,552.50
FERTIZONA – THATCHER, LLC	\$1,753.57
GOVNET, INC.	\$2,655.00
GRAHAM COUNTY ELECTRIC COOP	\$5,136.48
H&H CONTRACTING	\$38,753.46

HARALSON FLEET SERVICE	\$1,249.15
HYDRA PEST CONTROL	\$3,409.67
INTERSTATE COPY SHOP	\$1,239.93
JOSI Y. LOPEZ	\$1,800.00
LAURENCE SCHIFF, M.D.	\$1,900.00
LAW OFFICE OF REBECCA JOHNSON	\$2,700.00
LEXISNEXIS	\$1,116.09
MACDONALD COUNSELING SERVICES, PLLC	\$1,620.00
MACKS AUTO PARTS, INC.	\$1,797.30
O'NEIL PRINTING	\$2,254.89
OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS	\$1,515.00
PAYMENT REMITTANCE CENTER	\$4,050.03
PILOT THOMAS LOGISTICS	\$24,432.69
PINAL COUNTY JUVENILE COURT SERVICES	\$22,208.00
PIONEER TITLE AGENCY, INC.	\$2,025.00
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY, LLC	\$3,290.00
QUILL – ACCT NO. C2873378	\$1,166.36
RON COX BUILDERS	\$25,000.00
SAFFORD ACE 1881-A	\$5,132.82
SCOTT NAEGELE, M.C., N.C.C., L.P.C.	\$1,700.00
SENERGY PETROLEUM	\$33,036.90
SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE, LLC	\$17,603.24
UNITED ROTARY BRUSH CORPORATION	\$2,446.42
USDA – APHIS	\$4,590.88
WALKER & ARMSTRONG, LLP	\$14,550.00
WBNK MEDIA, LLC	\$1,150.00
WESTWOOD PHARMACY CLINICAL SERVICES	\$8,260.73
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	\$3,353.25

Chairman Smith announced it was the time and date to hold a public hearing on the following, Planning & Zoning Director Steve McGaughey gave background on the request.

Zone Map Change REZ #852-22 (104-29-017). Request is to change the present “A” (General Land Use) Zone to “R-R” (Single Family Rural Residential) Zone. Applicant is Wayne Layton/JH6 Properties LLC. Site address is 3194 W. Mullins Lane, Thatcher.

Wayne Layton gave additional background to his request.

Randall Gardner, property owner next to requestor, expressed concern of the potential road and additional traffic.

Sherry Paul expressed safety concerns for children in the neighborhood.

Marketta Alva agreed with comments made by Sherry and asked if another access to property could be made.

Joe Clark described accidents which had occurred previously in area and expressed concern of danger.

Tina Anderson reiterated the comments previously made regarding concerns with the road.

The Board followed with comments and questions for the applicant and Planning & Zoning Director Steve McGaughey.

Upon motion of Supervisor Howard, seconded by Supervisor David, the request was unanimously approved.

Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Chairman Smith called the first work session to order at 9:45 a.m. Those in attendance in addition to the Board were:

Trey Andrews	Parks Director
Michael Bryce	County Engineer
Steve McGaughey	Planning & Zoning Director
Steve Puzas	Highway Superintendent
Dustin Welker	County Manager

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

Chairman Smith adjourned the work session at 11:30 a.m.

The second work session scheduled for 10:30 was cancelled.

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Danny Smith, Chairman

ATTEST:

Dustin Welker, Board Clerk