

Special Session

June 10, 2015

The Pinal County Board of Supervisors convened at 9:31 A.M. this date. Chairwoman Chase called the meeting to order.

A video recording of this meeting and presentations can be viewed at [www.pinalcountyaz.gov](http://www.pinalcountyaz.gov)

**Present:** Chairwoman Cheryl Chase; Vice-Chairman Pete Rios; Supervisor Stephen Q. Miller; Supervisor Anthony Smith; Supervisor Todd House; County Manager, Greg Stanley; Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney, Chris Keller; Clerk of the Board, Sheri Cluff, and Assistant to the Clerk of the Board, Diane Gardner.

**Call to Public –**

Harold Vangilder of Casa Grande, AZ appeared before the Board in opposition of raising taxes. He asked that the Board keep their campaign promises, make government smaller and less costly.

Roberto Reveles, Gold Canyon, appeared before the Board and stated his dissatisfaction with the Sheriff. He believes the Sheriff showed utter disregard of the public by his absence from this work session in which the status of the law enforcement study was being discussed.

**Discussion/approval/disapproval of the appointments of the Pinal Workforce Development Board (PWDB) Nominees. These nominees are recommended by the current members of the Workforce Investment Board (WIB).**

Adeline Allen, Pinal County Housing Director, advised the Board that the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act requires the formation of an Advisory Board known as Pinal Workforce Development Board. The majority of Board Members must represent at least 51% of major businesses. The nominees recommended by the current members of the Workforce Investment Board are Mila Besich-Lira, Yvonne Jenkins, Patricia Lynn Parsons, Sandie Smith, Chris Bannon, Linda Garrett, Kristen Jebson, Charlie Estrada, Brad McCormick, Kim Rodriguez, Susan Aguilar, Richard Wilkie and Lana Chanda.

Motion was made by Supervisor House and seconded by Supervisor Rios to approve the appointment of the Pinal Workforce Development Board nominees as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Work Session to discuss the Center for Public Safety Management's status of the law enforcement study.**

Greg Stanley, County Manager, reminded the Board that in March, Mr. Leonard Matarese, Director of Research for the Center for Public Safety Management, LLC, appeared before them during a work session. At that time, direction was given to Mr. Stanley to try and get the Sheriff to cooperate, he still did not. The project was shut down due to the lack of cooperation from the Sheriff. Mr. Matarese and Dr. Chelst were here to present the data that they did get as well as talk about all of the unknowns.

Dr. Chelst made his presentation to the Board and answered their questions. Dr. Chelst's presentation can be viewed in the minutes section of the Board of Supervisors' Webpage.

During the discussion, Supervisor Smith suggested, in order to register the request, we formally transmit the unanswered questions to the Sheriff.

Supervisor Rios suggested the possibility of doing a performance audit in order to obtain the needed information. Mr. Stanley said he would check to see if this was an option.

Mr. Stanley asked Mr. Matarese to be here so that the report could be closed out. Mr. Stanley suggested to the Board, that should they receive requests for additional deputies, before making any decisions on additional staffing, we require the law enforcement study be completed.

**Work Session to discuss Potential Revenue Enhancement Options available to Pinal County.**

Chris Keller, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney, provided information regarding potential revenue enhancements for the County. The County is a political subdivision of the state and therefore, only has the authority that the state gives. We do not have unlimited authority as do certain charter cities or the state to impose a tax on a commodity or service. We have limited authority. Information was presented on two possibilities to explore, a Jail District and a Regional Transportation Authority.

Mr. Keller provided general information to the Board regarding a Jail District. A Jail District can be established for acquiring, constructing, operating, maintaining and financing county jails and county jail systems.

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Mr. Keller's presentation can be viewed in the minutes section of the Board of Supervisors' Webpage.

Kevin Costello, Deputy County Attorney, and Doug Hansen, Public Works presented information regarding a Regional Transportation Authority.

One of the main differences between a Regional Transportation Authority and a Jail District, while a Jail District is a separate political entity of form, the infrastructure is largely the same. Services can be provided by existing County Staff and charged to the district. The Transportation Authority would have a separate Board and would require separate staffing.

Doug Hansen, Public Works, presented information on funding of the Transportation Authority.

Mr. Costello's presentation can be viewed in the minutes section of the Board of Supervisors' Webpage.

Ken Hall, Executive Director, CAG, appeared before the Board stated they have just passed a Regional Transportation Plan which includes all of Pinal County.

**Executive Session:**

**12:11 P.M.** – Motion was made by Supervisor House and seconded by Supervisor Miller to recess into executive session. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Executive Session pursuant to ARS 38-431.03(A)(3)(4) for legal advice and contemplated litigation in the form of an appeal to Pinal County Superior Court from the decision of the Pinal County Employee Merit Commission regarding D. Farrell.**

**Present:** Chairwoman Cheryl Chase; Vice-Chairman Pete Rios; Supervisor Todd House; Supervisor Anthony Smith; Supervisor Stephen Q. Miller; County Manager, Greg Stanley; Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney, Chris Keller; Deputy County Attorney, Bryan Quesenberry; Director of Public Health Services, Tom Schryer; Clerk of the Board, Sheri Cluff.

**12:41 P.M.** Motion was made by Supervisor House and seconded by Supervisor Miller to adjourn from executive session. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

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**Discussion/approval/disapproval of filing an appeal in Pinal County Superior Court from the Pinal County Employee Merit Commission decision regarding D. Farrell as discussed in executive session.**

Motion was made by Supervisor Rios and seconded by Supervisor House to approve filing an appeal in Pinal County Superior Court from the Pinal County Employee Merit Commission decision regarding D. Farrell as discussed in executive session. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The meeting stood adjourned at 12:41 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Pinal County Board of Supervisors will be on Wednesday, June 24, 2015 at 9:30 A.M.

PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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