

OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA

Prescott, Arizona June 23, 1999

The Board of Supervisors met in special session on June 23, 1999.

Present: Chip Davis, Chairman; Gheral Brownlow, Vice Chairman; Bill Feldmeier, Member; Bev Staddon, Clerk.

Also present: Dave Hunt, Board Attorney/Assistant County Administrator.

ITEM NO. 1. Resolve into the Board of Directors of Granite Gardens Sanitary District. Reference: Special district minutes.

1. Approve minutes of meeting of April 19, 1999.
2. Consider approval of Resolution No. 1999-1 to turn ownership of grinder pumps over to District property owners.

ITEM NO. 2. Resolve into Board of Supervisors. Approve Regional Road Construction Program budget for 1999-2000. There was brief discussion regarding equitability of allocations by supervisorial district, during which Assistant Public Works Director Juanita Barnett presented the Board with information showing that approximately two-thirds of the funding was targeted for Districts 1 and 2, and one-third for District 3. In response to a question from Chairman Davis about how the percentages would come out if one stopped at the end of the 2000-2001 fiscal year, Ms. Barnett said it would be close. Supervisor Brownlow said he wanted to revisit the issue of the regional road policy at an upcoming Board meeting. Chairman Davis expressed concern about equitability in light of the possibility of having a five-member Board at the end of the 2000-2001 fiscal year. Supervisor Brownlow said he couldn't care less if there were two new Supervisors, and that he believed the projects approved by the current Board would continue to move forward. Supervisor Feldmeier agreed, saying he was not concerned about percentages because all of the roads being constructed were regional roads. Supervisor Brownlow moved to approve the Regional Road Construction Program budget for the 1999-2000 fiscal year. Supervisor Feldmeier seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote. No comments from the public.

ITEM NO. 3. Consider funding for cooperative road projects for Montezuma Castle Highway and Rancho Rojo Estates, both in the Verde Valley, and for Bumble Bee Road, in the Black Canyon City area. All three cooperatives were approved as projects only, with no funding attached, on June 21, 1999. Following brief discussion, which included information regarding the cooperative program presented by Assistant Public Works Director Juanita Barnett, the Board voted unanimously to approve funding for all three projects, with the understanding that the projects would be funded in the same manner that cooperative projects have been funded in the past. Motion by Supervisor Brownlow, second by Supervisor Feldmeier. Supervisor Brownlow noted that he also wanted to revisit the half-cent sales tax policy as it relates to cooperative programs at a future Board meeting. No comments from the public.

ITEM NO. 4. Approve salary increases for unclassified employees, to be effective June 27, 1999. Held in abeyance on June 21, 1999. Mr. Hunt explained that County Administrator Jim Holst was not present because he was meeting with ADOT officials in Phoenix, but that he had requested that if the Board wished to hold approval of salary increases for some unclassified employees, that it indicate who the employees are and then approve all others so that Human Resources could begin the work of processing the increases. Supervisor Feldmeier said he was not comfortable with the recommendation for one employee, and that he would like to see salary increases for all but the one employee approved on this day with the understanding that the Board would meet in executive session with the employee in question. Supervisor Feldmeier moved to approve salary increases for all unclassified employees, with the exception of one employee who was not named. Supervisor Brownlow seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM NO. 5. Tentative approval of 1999-2000 fiscal year budgets.

1. County Primary and Secondary Budgets, 1999-2000. Mr. Hunt noted that tentative adoption of the budget would only set the ceiling for the budget, and that it could still be reduced prior to final adoption of the budget which is scheduled for August 2, 1999. Chief Deputy Recorder Ana Wayman-Trujillo told the Board that funding for a temporary employee needed in microfilming had not been included in the Recorder's budget, and she asked that consideration be given to including that funding. Supervisor Feldmeier suggested that the Board would still have an opportunity to move money around between now and final adoption of the budget. Sheriff Buck Buchanan said he appreciated the increases the Board had given him, but that they were very minor compared to his needs. He said that he had not been provided money for temporary help, and that as of July 1, 1999, there would be ten part-time people in his department whom he would no longer be able to pay for. He said if his budget was not increased his department would be over budget by \$200,000 by the end of the next fiscal year. There was brief discussion regarding vacant positions in the Sheriff's Department, whether money for new positions should be shifted instead to Temporary/Overtime, and whether grant money for overtime might be available. Sheriff Buchanan said he needed the new positions and the overtime, and referred to the CRIPA report, saying that if the U.S. Department of Justice elected to operate the County Jail it would be very expensive indeed. Supervisor Feldmeier said the positions the Sheriff had been granted in next year's budget were due to the generosity of Chairman Davis and Supervisor Brownlow, and that he was greatly concerned that the Sheriff would say at this point that he will be over budget by the end of the new fiscal year. He said he also was concerned about the Department of Justice, but that the Board has to live within its means and that if Justice wanted to contribute money that was fine but that he believed the Board should consider reducing some of the positions currently being considered for approval. He said the Board does the best it can to fund everyone and that he personally rejected the idea that the U.S. Department of Justice controls the County's purse strings. Central Yavapai Youth Coordinator Carl Brown, Prescott City Councilwoman Lucy Mason, and Chief Juvenile Probation Officer Gordon Glau asked the Board to reconsider its proposed funding level for the Youth Count program, saying that it was a very worthwhile program. There was brief discussion and appeared to be general agreement that the funding level for this program should be returned to \$25,000 with the understanding that it might be reduced if the program obtained grant funding and the like. Verde Valley resident Elaine Bremner participated in discussion, asking if the Tribe contributes to the program. Mr. Brown responded that it does. Supervisor Feldmeier moved to approve adoption of the tentative budget, saying that it was with the understanding that this adoption would only set the ceiling and that final funding levels would be determined upon final adoption of the budget. Supervisor Brownlow seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The Yavapai County Board of Supervisors will, at its regular meeting on August 2, 1999, at 9:00 a.m., in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, First Floor, Yavapai County Administrative Services Building, 1015 Fair Street, Prescott, Arizona, hold a final budget hearing at which any taxpayers may appear and be heard in favor of or against the proposed tax levies for the 1999-2000 fiscal year. The tentative budget for Yavapai County is as follows, with detailed departmental and special district budgets available at the office of the Clerk of the Board, Room 310, 1015 Fair Street, Prescott, Arizona, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 pm., Monday through Friday.

(Schedules A-D attached to final, approved minutes)

Following the conclusion of the final budget hearing on August 2, 1999, the Board meet at 9:00 a.m. on August 16, 1999, or on or before the third Monday in August to fix, levy, and assess the amount to be raised by direct taxation on each \$100 of Primary and Secondary taxable property for County purposes, and to add thereto the amount levied for state purposes.

/s/ Bev Staddon

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

2. Resolve into the Boards of Directors of the following special and improvement districts to give tentative approval of 1999-2000 fiscal year budgets: Reference: Special District minutes.
 - a. Yavapai County Flood Control District.
 - b. Yavapai County Free Library District.

- c. Prescott East Sanitary District.
- d. Granite Gardens Sanitary District.
- e. Seligman Sanitary District.
- f. Seligman Street Lighting Improvement District
- g. Yarnell Street Lighting Improvement District.
- h. Ash Fork Street Lighting Improvement District.
- i. Pine Valley Street Improvement District

ITEM NO. 6. Resolve into Board of Supervisors. Study session for discussion only regarding Local Workforce Investment Area and appointment of a Local Workforce Investment Board (LWIB) to be certified by the Governor. Chairman Davis told those present that the Board must appoint a LWIB by July 16, 1999, and that everyone needed to consider the responsibilities of that board and to work together as a cohesive group. The following individuals participated in discussion of this item: Barbara Wright, Arizona Department of Economic Security; Jill Terenzoni, One Stop Coordinator, DES; Brandon Aterbury, DES Rehabilitation Services and Workforce Development Council (WDC) member; Ken Sweet, Executive Director of NACOG; Linda Broomhead, NACOG; Ed Harris, Yavapai College; Elaine Bremner, Cottonwood Retirement Village and member of the WDC; James Beavers, Prescott area resident; Patricia Bruneau-Gaber, Yavapai College; Mark Delaney, Prescott area resident; and Thomas Chacon, Job Corps Coordinator for Northern Arizona. There was brief discussion regarding whether one person on the LWIB would have the ability to represent more than one agency and whether board members would have the ability to make decisions without first obtaining approval from the agencies they represent. Supervisor Feldmeier asked if there was a way the Board could be presented with a list of names, suggesting that the interested groups get together and develop a list of names of people they believe would be good appointees to the new board. Supervisor Brownlow said a lot of people thought the Board could just appoint the members of the Workforce Development Council (formerly the Private Industry Council) to the LWIB, but that the state was discouraging that. He said there were several good members on the WDC and that the Board should probably keep at least some of those people as part of the new LWIB. Ms. Broomhead said that NACOG was suggesting that the Board appoint the current members of the WDC to the new LWIB, and then expand the LWIB from there. There was brief discussion about the make-up of the new board, and about who would operate the program, during which Mr. Sweet suggested that the Board look to NACOG for knowledge of the program. He said that NACOG's interest was in serving its customers, and that NACOG had only operated programs when it had been asked to do so. Supervisor Feldmeier said his concern was that unless the Board made some changes, the new board would be just a replay of the PIC. He said that someone from the state had told him that if the Governor feels the proposed appointees will result in a replay of the PIC, she will not approve the appointments and will send it back to the Board. Mr. Harris said that with regard to the new program, the County would be responsible whether or not it is the fiscal agent, and that this was very different from what the program had been in the past. Mr. Sweet disagreed, saying the County has always been fiscally responsible for the program that NACOG had operated. Chairman Davis said he saw the new board as an opportunity, that right now the program is a typical bureaucratic program and that it was very confusing. He said this was an opportunity to change the make-up of the board and get people on the board who are running successful businesses, and that it would be a way to educate the County's workforce. Supervisor Feldmeier said the program should have been business driven in the past, but that it had not been. Ms. Broomhead said that the current members of the WDC meet requirements to serve on the LWIB. She encouraged the Board to consider the members of the WDC, saying that some of those members had more than 18 years of experience serving on the PIC and WDC. There was brief discussion about the amount of money the program would receive, with Ms. Broomhead saying she believed it was \$151,000 and Supervisor Feldmeier saying he had been informed by one of the presenters at a state conference regarding this issue that the amount was \$394,000, at a minimum. Ms. Bruneau-Gaber told the Board that this was just the beginning of a consolidation that would bring 34 programs under the direction of the LWIB, and that the amount of money would increase. Supervisor Feldmeier said he had not expected to receive presentations on this day, and asked if those in the room representing other agencies had expected to make presentations. No one responded affirmatively. Supervisor Feldmeier said he did not think it was appropriate for NACOG to make a presentation on this day when others were not asked to do the same. He said he would like to hear from people with new ideas, and that he would like to turn the program upside down. Supervisor Feldmeier then apologized for having to leave, saying he had a prior commitment. Supervisor Feldmeier left and was absent for the remainder of the meeting. Supervisor Brownlow said it was difficult to keep people serving on boards, and asked how the Board could be looking at a new Board

with 53 people when it was hard to keep 17 people on the WDC. He said it appeared to him that the different organizations would try to get their people on the new board in order to control the board and get money for their organizations. Ms. Bremner said it was difficult to keep private sector representation on the WDC because participation was a large commitment, but that having staggered terms might be a way to control the board. She said she believed the WDC had made great strides in the past. There was brief discussion regarding the distances that people serving on the board might have to travel to attend meetings, during which Ms. Bruneau-Gaber said that Yavapai College has interactive television systems in two locations and that this might eliminate the need for people to travel so much. In response to a comment by Ms. Broomhead, Chairman Davis said he believed it was entirely appropriate for NACOG to have made a presentation on this day. Mr. Delaney said he believed the new board was an opportunity to combine on one board the people who need work and the people who can provide it, that there was an opportunity for a great deal of money to come to the program, and that private partners would be very important. Mr. Chacon said he was interested in serving on the new board, and that his organization's only interest was to help young people obtain their GEDs and the like. There was brief discussion regarding whether someone whose office is located outside of the County could serve on the LWIB, during which several people in the audience indicated it was their belief that it would be up to the Board to make that decision. Mr. Harris asked if the Board would consider appointing a committee to make recommendations for appointment. Chairman Davis and Supervisor Brownlow generally agreed that it would be beneficial to have a group of people work together to develop a list of recommended appointees to the LWIB and suggested that the following individuals serve in this capacity: Barbara Wright, Teri Drew, Jill Terenzoni, Patricia Bruneau-Gaber, Larry Bulechek, Diane Joens, and Mark Delaney. Supervisor Brownlow suggested that Ms. Wright and Ms. Bruneau-Gaber serve as co-chairman of the group. Chairman Davis noted that the Board would consider appointments to the LWIB at its July 6, 1999, meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:

_____Clerk _____Chairman