

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES WITH SUPPLEMENTAL TRANSCRIPT
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OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA

Prescott, Arizona

April 19 and 21, 2006

The Board of Supervisors met in special session on April 19 and 21, 2006, at 8:30 a.m. on each day.

Present: Thomas Thurman, Chairman; Chip Davis, Vice Chairman; Carol Springer, Member; Bev Staddon, Clerk.

Also present: Jim Holst, County Administrator; Allison Dixon, Management Analyst.

Clerk's note: A copy of these minutes with a supplemental transcript is available in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and is also available on the County website.

S – BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

S Discussion only of proposed 2006-2007 budgets for the following departments:

- a. Internal Services
 - 1. Facilities. Facilities Director Pat Kirshman.

Mr. Kirshman said the increase in his budget was due primarily to rate adjustments for utilities such as water and sewer. He said that the sewer treatment plant for the Camp Verde Justice Facility was now on line and the payment to the Yavapai-Apache Nation for that service was included in his budget. He said that the City of Prescott was also increasing its water rates, and that opening a new pod of the jail in Camp Verde would results in increased utility costs as well. Mr. Kirshman briefly reviewed some of the anticipated maintenance projects for the next fiscal year. Supervisor Davis said he had reviewed the Facilities budget and that what he was seeing was requests for necessities because of things the County could not control. He said he was concerned about the 13% growth in the budget but that it appeared to be a bare bones budget. Mr. Kirshman briefly discussed a program change request to bring custodial services in-house and do away with outside contracts. Mr. Holst added that he and Mr. Kirshman had been talking about developing a different schedule for cleaning, including such as whether wastepaper baskets really needed to be emptied every night.

- 2. Management Information Systems. MIS Director Stephen Welsh. Human Resources Director Julie Ayers participated in discussion.

Mr. Welsh said he had been talking with some departments about the possibility of some employees working from home and what that would require from a technology standpoint, and that he was also looking a cell-based technology. He told the Board he felt his department was weak in the area of having people who could go out to departments and work with them on efficiencies related to technology and that he was requesting a position for that purpose. There was brief discussion regarding the Board's recent approval of a content management program, during which Mr. Welsh explained that while the program would eventually allow departments to update their own web pages he did not believe it would change the need for web positions. Supervisor Springer said her only concern about allowing departments to do their own updates was monitoring quality of content. She said Mr. Welsh had seen what the Board had done with regard to vehicle charges to the individual departments and that she wanted to propose the same thing with regard to allocating technology costs to the department budgets. She said she did not expect that to happen for 2006-2007, but perhaps for the following year, and that she believed this was the only way the Board would have an accurate idea of which departments are using technology. Supervisor Davis said he would like to know who is visiting the County website and what kind of information they are seeking so that the Board might know how much the website is saving in terms of employees not having to answer phones and the like. Mr. Welsh reviewed his program changes beginning with the request for an additional position. Supervisor Springer said it seemed to her that the MIS Department had a large number of employees and that she thought the use of technology would mean fewer employees. There was brief discussion regarding a request for expanded software programs for Human Resources for applicant tracking but which would also provide self services for employees such as the ability to submit changes for payroll deductions, change beneficiaries, and so on. In response to a question from Supervisor Davis, Mr. Welsh said that an increase in the 2711 Computer/Communication Repair line item was largely due to maintenance on the courts' scanning system being due in the next fiscal year. Supervisor Davis questioned an increase to the travel line item, to which Mr. Welsh responded that it had been increased in order to provide needed

training.

3. Human Resources. Human Resources Director Julie Ayers.

Ms. Ayers said she anticipated saving about \$60,000 in the current year budget due to a position vacancy and that she would like the Board's consideration of using those savings to pay for a program change request for software that would assist her in analyzing compensation issues. She said it was very important to have the ability to obtain long-term data and that she believed her staff would be able to do a better job with regard to this issue if this software was acquired. She noted that the \$5,000 annual maintenance fee for the program would include any updates to it, adding that this request was a priority for her in terms of program change requests. There was brief discussion about a program change request for a Community Relations Manager and program. Chairman Thurman expressed concern about an estimated cost of \$100,000 for mailing associated with the program. Supervisor Springer said she believed that many people don't think to go to their computer and that a mailing once a year of some kind of newsletter for the public would be a very good thing. Supervisor Davis asked where this position would be housed. Ms. Ayers said that was an issue and that she did not have any space in her offices. Supervisor Davis said he would leave this request on the list but would have look at it in terms of priorities. Supervisor Springer referred to the importance of recruiting and retaining good employees, saying that the "boomers" who are now retiring are the first major generation of highly-educated people and that they are generally very well off. She suggested looking at them as a possible employee pool, saying they would probably only want to work part-time which could be very cost effective for the County and provide for some good employees.

4. Finance. Finance Director John Zander.

Mr. Zander noted that he had been Finance Director for about five weeks, and said he wanted to express his appreciation for all the support he had received from the departments. He said that he had not asked for any program changes in his budget, and noted that the only real increase was related to outside services because of audits. The Board members had no questions for Mr. Zander. Mr. Holst said that while it was not something that would impact the budget, he wanted to note that Mr. Zander was working on having documents scanned in order to eliminate paper.

5. Fleet Management. Fleet Management Director David Gartner.

Mr. Gartner said there had been numerous questions from departments about the increases in the vehicle charges. He said the charge used to be based on how many miles were driven but that he had made some changes in order to more accurately reflect true costs, and that, for example, a more expensive vehicle would now pay a higher percentage. Supervisor Springer asked Mr. Gartner if, for the 2007-2008 fiscal year budget, he could provide the Board with a breakdown of the vehicle use in each department so that the Board would have some way to evaluate what the departments are doing with regard to vehicles. Mr. Gartner noted that the Long Term Care Department had turned in three cars and that they would be auctioned off. He said this had been a zero growth year in terms of vehicles. Mr. Gartner said that the County pays much less than retail for its vehicles and that the first year is almost free in terms of costs, and that it was possible to sell used cars for more than what the County pays for them. He said that if vehicles are auctioned off sooner when they have lower miles it would be possible for the County to almost recoup the cost of buying new vehicles. He said the highest value return would be a three-year rotation of vehicles but that it would mean turning over 120 vehicles each year, and that he felt a five-year rotation would work quite well. In response to a question from Supervisor Davis, Mr. Gartner said he believed that costs for parts would go down as a result of lower maintenance costs on vehicles that are turned over more frequently. Supervisor Springer said that mileage reimbursement is lumped into with the travel account in each department budget and that she wondered if it would be possible to separate that out. Mr. Holst said that could be done. There was brief discussion regarding the relative merits of mileage reimbursement, loaner vehicles and rental vehicles, during which Mr. Holst said he anticipated having an opportunity to speak with department heads about the various options that are available with regard to vehicles. Mr. Gartner reviewed a program change request for a new wireless fueling system that would eliminate the use of cards at County fueling sites and the manual entry of data on fuel use. He said his department was spending about 28 hours per month on data entry and that an employee on the HURF side was doing the same thing. Supervisor Davis expressed concern about the cost of the request in light of rapidly changing technology. Supervisor Springer asked what percentage of fuel used in County vehicles comes from County fueling sites. Mr. Gartner said it was about 50/50 but that he expected to see an increase in the use of County sites. There was brief discussion about increased operational costs due to the cost of oil and

lubricants, and the need to go outside for certain types of glass repairs.

- b. Recorder/Elections. County Recorder Ana Wayman-Trujillo; Chief Deputy Recorder Pete Bersell; interim Records Manager Patsy Jenney-Colon; and Elections Director Lynn Constabile.

Chairman Thurman asked if postage costs were higher because of mail ballots. Ms. Wayman-Trujillo said that on the Recorder's side it was because of an increase in the number of documents being mailed out, but she noted that there is a \$1 postage fee included for recording documents. There was brief discussion regarding e-recording, during which Ms. Wayman-Trujillo said the process was having some growing pains but that she hoped it would result in reduction in postage costs. She noted that only mortgage companies, title companies and attorneys could participate in the e-recording program. Ms. Wayman-Trujillo told the Board that with regard to the Voter Registration budget, she was requesting a program change of \$50,000 in order to have registers and rosters printed outside because it would save time and resources for her office. She said that changes in the law had resulted in more requirements with regard to the rosters and that there were savings in this year's Elections budget that she thought might be used for this purpose. In response to a question from Chairman Thurman regarding an increase in overtime, Ms. Wayman-Trujillo said it was a general election year and more overtime would be needed in order to conduct elections. She said that with regard to the Records Management budget, she was requesting a program change to make a temporary employee a permanent part-time employee. Ms. Jenney-Colon said there were 15,462 boxes of files at the records center and that during the last year just more than 800 boxes had been destroyed. She said she wanted to encourage the Board to allow departments that request scanning systems to have them, and that she would also encourage the Board to dedicate the building on Prosser Street to the Records Management Department, to include storage for the Elections Department and also the mail room. Ms. Wayman-Trujillo said that she and Ms. Jenney-Colon wanted to present to the Board at some point a program regarding alternate ways to keep records. Ms. Jenney-Colon said that Clerk of Superior Court Jeanne Hicks would be requesting in her 2006-2007 budget a position to be located at Prosser Street to pull records for the Clerk of Court's office and also to work on scanning those records. Ms. Wayman-Trujillo and Ms. Constabile provided the Board with a brief PowerPoint overview of the requirements of the Help America Vote Act and Proposition 200. Chairman Thurman asked about the increase in temporary salaries. Ms. Constabile said she would like to be able to pay poll workers a small amount for attending the training class. There was brief discussion about a program change request in the Elections budget to purchase a van, during which Ms. Constabile said the existing Elections van had only two seats and that she really needed something that could carry more people but also be used to haul equipment. Ms. Wayman-Trujillo said it would be imperative to purchase a vehicle for Records Management and that what she would like to do is give Records Management the existing Elections van and then purchase a new vehicle that would meet the needs of her department. Supervisor Davis asked if it would be possible to purchase a new van from the Recorder's Storage and Retrieval fund. Ms. Wayman-Trujillo said she would look into it.

- c. Public Works. Public Works Director Phil Bourdon and Assistant to the Public Works Director Stacy Sanders.

Mr. Bourdon noted that the Public Works budget was comprised of several budgets, including HURF, Regional Roads, Emergency Management, Solid Waste and Airports. He gave a brief overview of the information in his budget memo to the Board, noting the various road studies being done. He said his goal for the HURF budget was to complete the FEMA repair work over the summer and then move back to a more conventional road maintenance program. He added that the FEMA repair money had been moved into a separate account. Mr. Bourdon said he was also concerned about replacing heavy equipment, and that the benefits that could be gained from the rotation of passenger vehicles also applied to heavy equipment. He said he was not asking for any new positions, but had submitted program changes to purchase a sheepsfoot roller, to replace survey equipment, a share of the cost of the wireless fuel system being requested by Fleet Management, a walk behind roller, plotter for the Verde survey unit, a laptop computer for survey and new materials necessary for the sign shop. Supervisor Davis asked why there was a 60% increase in refuse disposal. Ms. Sanders said it was mostly due to tire disposal. There was brief discussion regarding increases in various line items, with Mr. Bourdon explaining the reasons for the increases. Mr. Bourdon also pointed out the five-year road upgrade program, saying that \$700,000 had been allocated for each Supervisor's district for each of the five fiscal years. Mr. Holst said that with regard to the HURF budget and the FEMA issue, \$2 million had been transferred from HURF to the FEMA fund since FEMA was a reimbursement program, and that once reimbursement was received that money would be moved back into the HURF fund. He said he would be adding a new Contingency line item in the HURF budget in order to accommodate that transfer and that at such time as the reimbursement money is received the Board would then have an opportunity to review it and decide what to do with the funds. Supervisor Davis asked if there

was any potentially damaging legislation being considered with regard to HURF or the vehicle license tax. Mr. Holst said no, and that in fact there was a \$14 million HURF repayment bill being considered by the legislature but that he had not anticipated any revenue from that for budget purposes. Discussion turned to the Regional Road budget, with Mr. Bourdon noting that his only program change request was for a desktop computer. Supervisor Davis asked about a 34% increase in employee-related expenses (ERE), saying that the department budgets seemed to be all over the place on that line item. Mr. Holst said he would check all the formulas for ERE. There was very brief discussion about construction estimates, with Mr. Bourdon saying that estimated project costs were updated every 30 to 60 days. Supervisor Davis said he felt that the Regional Road budget was one of the County's biggest issues in terms of monitoring infrastructure and money and that he really wanted to be able to keep track of it. Mr. Bourdon touched very briefly on the Emergency Management budget, noting that Emergency Management Coordinator Nick Angiolillo had been doing a great job and that the increase in this budget was due primarily to ERE and vehicle charges. He said that with regard to the airports budget, there were increases due to increases in liability insurance premiums and grant matches. He said he was not requesting any program changes for Emergency Management or for the airports. Mr. Bourdon said that with regard to the Solid Waste budget, the biggest goal was to complete the Sedona Septage closure. He said the other issue for this budget was the Prescott Valley landfill, which he said continues to have excessive landfill gas readings and that the County needed to be in compliance with regard to that problem. Supervisor Davis noted that revenues were now accounting for 84% of landfill costs. Mr. Bourdon said that better training for landfill employees had helped to keep costs down. Supervisor Davis said he wanted to thank Mr. Bourdon and Special Projects Manager Russ St. Pierre for their work with regard to the landfills, and that he thought that increasing the offset from revenues from 34% to 84% in five years was phenomenal. Mr. Holst said that \$150,000 had been set aside for community clean-ups. He said there had been some questions about that amount, which would provide for \$50,000 for each Supervisor's district, being sufficient and that this would be the time to address that issue with regard to the 2006-2007 fiscal year. He asked if \$150,000 was adequate. Mr. Bourdon noted that in some cases \$50,000 will only cover one community clean-up. Supervisor Davis noted that the Solid Waste budget proposal presented on this day had an 8% decrease over last year, and said that the amount for each district could be increased to \$75,000 for a total of \$225,000 and that this would still be less than the 8% reduction in the Solid Waste budget. Chairman Thurman said he had no problem with increasing the amount.

d. Assessor. County Assessor Victor Hambrick.

Mr. Hambrick told the Board that very few appeals of property valuation had been filed this year. There was little discussion regarding this budget, other than Chairman Thurman noting that the biggest increase was in the vehicle use and that postage was up. Mr. Hambrick said outside services was down because the Department of Revenue contract for data processing had been moved into the Storage and Retrieval Fund.

e. Wrap-up of budget discussions for departments listed above. No discussion.

April 21, 2006

STUDY SESSIONS

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S Discussion only of proposed 2006-2007 budgets for the following departments:

a. Superior Court. Presiding Judge of Superior Court Robert Brutinel and Court Administrator Deborah Schaefer.

Judge Brutinel spoke about the Family Dispute Court saying this court had settled a majority of the cases that came to the courts and how it had saved the County in both time and money. Ms. Schaefer highlighted court activities regarding the growth of the County and how it had affected the different aspects of the courts including abuse and neglect cases. She said the Superior Court hoped that the Board would approve to continue the funding for the Pro Tem and family courts as they were very much needed. Supervisor Springer asked if there was a breakdown available on the type of criminal cases being prosecuted. Ms. Schaefer spoke of the cost to the County for the mental health exams and the cost of the post relief and said they were going through the roof. She said the other big expenditure was the restoring competency and they did not know how many cases they would be dealing with this year. Supervisor Springer said she understood that the state hospital was at capacity at this time and was there a waiting list. Ms. Schaefer said they had 9 individuals in the hospital at this time and that the state hospital had increased the amount

they charged right after the budgets were approved last year. Mr. Holst said that the County Supervisors Association was looking into returning the restoring competency back to the state but that he did not know what was happening with this item and would hopefully find out next week. Supervisor Springer said she would like to discuss this issue again at a later time. Judge Brutinel said there was legislation to shift this issue back to the state which could reduce or eliminate it from the County's responsibility. Supervisor Davis asked to be kept informed of where this issue was standing. There was brief discussion on the resolution of cases and costs associated with keeping everything running smoothly and the use of technology.

b. Adult and Juvenile Probation. Adult Probation Director Billie Grobe and Juvenile Probation Director Scott Mabery.

Ms. Grobe presented statistics on her department and spoke of the growth of services mainly due to the high amount of drug use especially methamphetamine. She said the Early Disposition Court had saved her department from having to ask for more staffing needs. Ms. Grobe briefly covered the different programs in the Adult Probation Office and their travel needs. There was brief discussion on programs dealing with the drug use problems and the use of technology and ankle bracelets for probationers. Ms. Grobe said they were working with Human Resources on a pilot program to share office space and off-site working conditions.

Mr. Mabery spoke of his department's growing needs as the County grows and said they were asking for some new positions to help cover those needs. He spoke regarding the use of ankle bracelets which were monitoring the juvenile offenders instead of locking them up. Mr. Mabery said they had received a position from the state which that person would be covering the Black Canyon City area but that they still needed a position to cover the Camp Verde area. Judge Brutinel said half the time it was family problems that cause the juvenile problems and each situation had to be looked at on a case-by-case basis. Chairman Thurman asked how many cases they were looking at. Mr. Mabery said about 100 but only 30 to 40 were actually put on probation and that they were looking at other sources of funding. Supervisor Springer spoke of prevention type programs. Mr. Mabery said prevention or intervention it would be hard to tell what the outcome was going to be. He said most of the juveniles they see are going to be intervention since they get them after the problem has occurred. Mr. Holst spoke of the cost for medical services which Mr. Mabery said they were going out to bid for soon.

c. Justices of the Peace. Prescott Justice of the Peace Arthur Markham; Mayer Justice of the Peace John Kennedy; Seligman Justice of the Peace Katherine Blaylock; Bagdad-Yarnell Justice of the Peace Anna Mary Glaab and Verde Valley Justice of the Peace Bill Lundy.

Judge Markham said he had a few needs and would not be requesting new personnel but would like to have the Clerk 1 classification changed to a Clerk 2 classification. He spoke of the number of cases which had risen dramatically from the Highway 69 extra patrol. Supervisor Davis spoke about the hiring of replacements for retiring personnel 6 weeks before the retirement for training. Ms. Ayres said the policy had not been officially changed and at this time, they were going on a case-by-case basis. Judge Markham said there were more jury trials as the case loads were going up which was very expensive and spoke of a trial pilot program for DUIs to save time and resolve the cases without jury trials. Judge Kennedy presented his budget and said his court was running smoothly. He spoke of the Dewey-Humboldt contract for services and said that had been going very well and the use of credit cards for paying fees was working extremely well. Judge Kennedy said he was also in favor of the Clerk 2 position change. Judge Glaab spoke of the growth in the southern part of Yavapai County and the increase in filings. She said the credit card usage was also working fabulously in her court and that people were more willing to pay their fees and fines with the credit card even with the interest rates they had to pay. Judge Glaab briefly covered some of her expenditures and said that she was requesting to start receiving reimbursement for her travel between the Yarnell Court and the Bagdad Court. She said she had been paying for the travel herself for many years but with the price of gas and other costs rising, she felt it was time to make this request. Judge Blaylock said her court had also been using the credit card system and had fees had been paid up. She said the patrol officers were giving out a slip of paper with the citations if individuals wanted to use credit cards. Judge Blaylock said the revenues had been increasing with the Department of Public Safety working more on highway coverage. Supervisor Davis asked how the jury fees were for the Seligman Court. Judge Blaylock said she did not know how many the court would have this year. Judge Lundy presented the budget for the Verde Valley Court and said the printing costs and outside services were a high cost. He said the indigent costs were high also and spoke of the credit card use in his court saying the Verde Valley Court had been the first court to use the system. Judge Lundy thanked the Board for the

new court position that had been approved. Judge Markham spoke of the new fees that were being implemented by all of the justice courts. He said they were all being raised to encourage people to not speed. Supervisor Springer asked if the surcharge was set by the state. Judge Markham said yes at 80%. Supervisor Springer asked if she could obtain a schedule of costs when they had completed the new fines. Judge Markham said he could provide her with a summary with the new costs, old costs and where the fines were being paid into. Supervisor Springer asked if they were being paid into the General Fund or someplace else. Mr. Holst said they went into the General Fund and then spoke briefly about the Superior Court filings and the Early Disposition Court and how it had impacted the jail population by bringing the number of prisoners down. Judge Brutinel said they were trying to move cases along more swiftly and getting people out of jail more quickly but also safely. He said there were not enough judges to handle what cases there are. Supervisor Davis spoke of the possibility of using temporary help on an on-call basis. Judge Brutinel said he had a list of attorneys who would do cases pro-bono to get the experience but that there was not enough space to hear the cases.

- d. Clerk of Superior Court. Clerk of Superior Court Jeane Hicks, Presiding Judge of Superior Court Robert Brutinel and Court Administrator Deborah Schaefer.

Ms. Hicks spoke of her department's needs and of pilot projects including the electronic fillings to the state and courts and the recording devices now in the courtrooms. She briefly covered her travel needs and training for computer usage and the use of technology and scanning of documents. Supervisor Springer asked if the technical program was being done in pieces or were they waiting until all of the project was together. Ms. Hicks said the scanning of documents was the first step but it was being done step-by-step. She said they were looking to be able to reduce staff time with the emailing of documents. Judge Brutinel said the project was being done by piecemeal and moving forward slowly but the starting processes were to include police and other courts electronically and to get the County Attorney's Office and Public Defender on the same page. He said the e-File was being added to other counties systems in the state but some of it would require statutory changes. Ms. Hicks said most of the changes were getting paid from the state and in-coming fees but the challenge would be to change the mindset of individuals to going paperless. There was brief discussion about the use of court reporters and new technology. Ms. Hicks said she was also requesting a new position to help with the massive amount of records which were in storage at the Prosser Street Warehouse.

- e. Sheriff. Sheriff Steven Waugh, Commander Scott Mascher and Captain John Russell.

Sheriff Waugh gave an overview of his budget and said in the past 15 months of his term, the common thread he had heard was that there were not in deputies visible and the response time to calls was too long and of the communities' needs and the area which was covered by his force. He said as part of the solution without increasing personnel, they had been doing management training and had transferred deputies from desk positions to the field and had simplified report writing. Sheriff Waugh said he had changed how the volunteer program had been running and the volunteers now had additional training and reporting and were staffing the sub-stations in the communities which were now full service stations. He said his overtime was also going to be very high this coming year and said prior to March 2005, the Sheriff's Office had no narcotics personnel and they had also been using RICO (Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organization) funds for overtime expenditures. He said that with drug cases and murder investigations, the investigators cannot just shut off the case when their shifts were up. Sheriff Waugh spoke of the 4-year plan to catch up with where the Sheriff's Office needs to be and that means adding new personnel. Chairman Thurman asked how the intergovernmental agreement was going with the Town of Dewey-Humboldt. Sheriff Waugh said the town seemed very happy with the arrangement and services provided and that they would be increasing the amount of the contract this year. Chairman Thurman asked if receiving more deputies would cut down the amount of overtime spent. Sheriff Waugh said not for at least the first 8 months of the year as the new deputies would be in training but it would balance out a bit at some point. He said he did not know at this point when that would happen. Supervisor Springer said she would like a list of employees receiving overtime and that the County needed to continue looking at this situation. Supervisor Davis asked what was the result of the Sheriff's reorganization. Sheriff Waugh said there was a high increase in just the narcotics alone and other arrests were up also and that they had to reorganize the dispatch as one of the main problems was the burnout for this position. He said overall the crime rate was down by 2%. Supervisor Davis asked if the new vehicles were working out okay. Sheriff Waugh said his deputies were able to get where they could not before and were able to move around more now for the needs in the community. There was brief discussion regarding the use of technology for the department and laptops in patrol cars.

f. Public Defender. Public Defender Janet Lincoln and Attorney Jennifer Jordan.

Ms. Lincoln said their office had a good year and had stabilized with more accountability. She said there were some concerns with some funding issues and trying to guess what would be happening in this coming year. Ms. Lincoln said the capital murder cases were a major problem and spoke of upcoming cases and the need for in-house personnel to deal with these cases. She said the death penalty system was not working and costing a great amount of money and that it needed to be pro-active and she spoke of the dependency contracts. Ms. Jordan gave a brief overview of the growing cost of dependency attorneys and having to bring attorneys up from the Phoenix area. She said dependency cases are the longest running cases next to the death penalty cases and that they have to pay out an anniversary fee of \$250 per case. Ms. Jordan said it was very difficult to find attorneys and they would like to have approved an in-house Juvenile Attorney position for the Verde as there would be a cost savings. Ms. Lincoln said if the position was not approved then they needed 2 contracts to process the cases. She spoke briefly about Fill the Gap funding and said this fund could only be used for items the County was not responsible for and she would be funding a drug court attorney with these funds. There was general discussion regarding the use of technology and software. Supervisor Springer asked about indigent defense. Ms. Lincoln said who was considered indigent was determined by the judges and most of the people being defended did not own their own homes or have high paying jobs. She said the cost charged for the defense was \$25 per person.

g. Wrap-up of budget discussions for departments listed above. No discussion.

ATTEST:

_____ Clerk _____ Chairman