

NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, May 25, 2011

PRESENT: Jerry Brownlow, Supervisor; Jonathan M. Nez, Supervisor; and J.R. DeSpain Vice-Chairman were present.

9:00 a.m. Call To Order: Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were led by **Supervisor Brownlow**.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: No public comment.

BUDGET HEARINGS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY:

- a. **Facilities Management:** Dan Hinz reviewed the Facilities Management budget. He indicated that he continues to identify new technology as it relates to energy conservation. Supervisor Brownlow made comments about energy savings. Brett Starns reviewed the energy savings portion of the budget. Supervisor Nez asked about the Kayenta Complex. Dan Hinz continued to review the Facilities Management budget, answered questions and thanked Finance staff for all their help. Mr. Jayne thanked Mr. Starns and Mr. Hinz for finding solutions when problems arise.
- b. **Navajo County Public Health Services District: Board of Directors' Session:** **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion to** enter into the Navajo County Public Health Services District Board of Director's Session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. Dr. Wade Kartchner reviewed the Public Health Services District budget and the cost savings measures in the Health District. **Supervisor Brownlow** had questions regarding detention nursing. Dr. Kartchner and Mr. Jayne answered questions regarding the Public Health Services District budget and tax rate. Supervisor DeSpain indicated that he has seen huge success with the animal control program. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion to** return to regular session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- c. **Information Technology:** Robert Heming reviewed the Information Technology budget. He indicated that the only changes have been positions in the sheriff's office have been moved to IT. Supervisor Nez thanked the department for all their help that they have provided to him and for the set ups at Dilkon and Pinon. Supervisors thanked the IT department. Dusty Parsons thanked Robert for all of his work. James Jayne also commented on the IT staff.
- d. **Legal Defender:** Alan LoBue reviewed the Legal Defender budget. He anticipates the case log will stay the same and feels that the Legal Defender's Office have continued to provide services with professionalism. He further indicated that the budget is really tight and that he has had some savings. Mr. LoBue indicated that he will be retiring on July 8, 2011.
- e. **Navajo County Library District: Board of Directors' Session:** **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion to** enter into the Navajo County Library District Board of Directors Session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion. Geneva Durkee reviewed the Library District budget and answered questions of the Board of Supervisors. James Jayne thanked Geneva for her diligent efforts for library services to all our communities. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion to** return to regular session; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- f. **Public Defender:** Dale Nielson reviewed the Public Defenders' budget. He indicated that a roll out of a new case management system that will quantify better numbers that will give a more accurate count. He indicated that the office is down two attorneys and will be down three attorneys come July 1. Mr. Nielson answered questions from the Board regarding case load.

Mr. Jayne introduced Hillary Badger.

- g. Public Fiduciary: Sherry Reed reviewed the Public Fiduciary budget. Ms. Reed indicated that the Public Fiduciary's office has maintained and tried to keep our budget down. Ms. Reed answered questions regarding the Public Fiduciary Budget. Mr. Jayne thanked Mrs. Reed and stated that this is a fine example of saving dollars and stated that she has been very frugal at times like this when her case load is high.
- h. Public Works: Homero Vela reviewed the Public Works budget. Mr. Vela reviews the projects Obed Bridge; Mountain View Improvement District; Forest Service RAC Grants; Scotts Pine Wash; Navajo Nation Graveling Partnership; Hilltop Drive Improvement District; 2010 Snow Storm Road Repair; Fawnbrook-Curbs and Paving; Bourdon Ranch Overlay; Winslow Levee Maintenance; and the LCR near Winslow Feasibility Study. Homero Reviews his power point presentation to review the Public Works budget. Mr. Vela answered questions of the Board. Dusty Parsons explained capitol and carryovers.
- i. Navajo County Flood Control District: Board of Directors' Session: Supervisor Nez made a motion to enter into the Navajo County Flood Control Board of Directors Session; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow. Vote unanimous approving the motion. Homero Vela discusses the Flood Control budget. Supervisor Nez made a motion to return to regular session; motion seconded by Supervisor Nez. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- j. Workforce Investment Act: Judy Bratcher reviewed the Workforce Investment Act budget. She indicated they will staff a case worker in Winslow. WIA has a new Secretary. Ms. Bratcher answered questions of the Board.
- k. Administration / Board of Supervisors: James Jayne reviewed the Administration / Board of Supervisors budget. Mr. Jayne reviewed the Proposed Contributions for FY2011-12; Proposed Capital (046) for FY2011-12. Robert Heming reviewed the number one capital item needed. Mr. Heming indicated why the replacement of the phone system and answered questions of the Board. Mr. Jayne indicated that this budget continues with the 2.5% pay cut.

ADJOURN: At 12:15 p.m. **Supervisor DeSpain** made a motion to adjourn; motion seconded by **Supervisor Nez**. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

APPROVED:

DATE: June 28, 2011

David Tenney, Chairman

ATTEST:

Melissa W. Buckley, Clerk of the Board

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