

**MINUTES  
OF THE  
LA PAZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 10:00 a.m.  
Regular Meeting**

Chairman Irwin called the Tuesday, February 18, 2020, regular meeting of the La Paz County Board of Supervisors to order at 10:00 a.m. Elected Officials and Department Heads present were: Chairman Irwin, Supervisor Wilson (telephonically), Supervisor Minor, County Administrator Drake, Chief Deputy County Attorney Dooley, Elections Director Scholl, Human Resource Director Frantz, Finance Director Krukemyer, and Clerk of the Board Green.

Chairman Irwin led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation given by Pastor Jose Garcia of the Parker Apostolic Church.

**Presentation: “Sandy Dodge Employee Excellence” award**

Dorothy Fenech, Employee of the Month Chairman, recognized Kimmy Olsen, Chief Deputy Assessor, with the December 2019, Sandy Dodge Employee Excellence Award and a \$25 Walmart gift card.

**Call to the Public: This is the time for the public to comment for a limit of three (3) minutes per person. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date**

There we no comments.

**County Administrator and/or County Supervisor’s Current Event Summary: The County Administrator or Board Member may present a brief summary of current events summarizing recent occurrences without any discussion or feedback from the remainder of the board. The Board will not propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action on any matter mentioned in the summary unless the specific matter is already properly noticed for legal action, and then only at such time as that matter comes before the board itself pursuant to its meeting agenda. A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K)**

County Administrator Drake announced that the Human Resource Director reported that the annual health insurance meeting revealed that there would be no increase in premiums for either the County or employees.

He added that he had attended a meeting with the Arizona Director of Corrections, who would be coming to the County to inspect the County Jail for the possibility of directing inmates to La Paz County.

He further added that an appraisal of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land the County will be purchasing through the Land Conveyance has been accomplished and an official letter from BLM should arrive soon offering the sale to the County. He stated that will be a “monumental day for La Paz County”.

Supervisor Minor stated he wished to share a photo of a framed aged map of the Empire Flats Landing, which is the area of La Paz County Park and Golf Course today. He received it on behalf of the County from the Daughters of the American Revolution during the ceremony dedicating the Empire Flats Landing Monument.

He added that he went to the State Park meeting regarding the County’s position on a new State Park in Bouse; however, nothing was accomplished, and their demeanor was not encouraging, although it was indicated it would be two months “max” for a response.

**CONSENT AGENDA** *(Discussion and possible action on the following items):*

**6(a) Approval of Minutes of the Thursday, November 7, 2019, 10:00 a.m. Special Meeting; Tuesday November 12, 2019, 3:00 p.m., Special Meeting; and Monday February 3, 2020, 10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting – Clerk of the Board**

Approve Minutes of the Thursday, November 7, 2019, 10:00 a.m. Special Meeting; Tuesday November 12, 2019, 3:00 p.m., Special Meeting; and Monday February 3, 2020, 10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting.

**6(b) Approval of the La Paz County Payroll, from January 29, 2020, through February 12, 2020, as presented, in the amount of \$433,016.96, plus employee related expenses (ERE) in the amount of \$140,704.82, for a total of \$573,721.78, including handwritten warrants – Finance**

Approve the La Paz County Payroll, from January 29, 2020, through February 12, 2020, as presented, in the amount of \$433,016.96, plus employee related expenses (ERE) in the amount of \$140,704.82, for a total of \$573,721.78, including handwritten warrants.

**6(c) Approval of the La Paz County Payables, through March 13, 2020, for FY2019/2020, as presented, in the amount of \$529,248.01, including handwritten warrants – Finance**

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**6(d) Approve to accept bid for Tax Deeded Property APN: 306-48-003; authorizing the Chairman and Clerk of the Board to issue a deed – Clerk of the Board**

Approve to accept bid in the amount of \$9,478.86, plus \$30 for the recording fee, for Tax Deeded Property APN: 306-48-00, as received from Josh Speiss on behalf of Carysfort Reef, LLC, 3; authorizing the Chairman and Clerk of the Board to issue a deed.

**6(e) Approve to appoint the position of Certified Deputy Sheriff, a vacant and budgeted position – Sheriff (Replacement)**

Approve to appoint Brandon Dunlap to the position of Certified Deputy Sheriff, Boating Safety Division, effective February 19, 2020, at an annual salary of \$44,782.40 (L07, Step 2), with a County 6-month probation period and an additional 6-month probation period with the Sheriff's Office; a vacant and budgeted position.

**6(f) Approve to ratify contract with Western Arizona Council of Government Services, effective February 10, 2020, to provide assistance to the County in submission of their 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) State Special Project (SSP) application preparation, in the amount of \$75 per hour, including expenses for a maximum of \$49,500, expiring March 31, 2020 – Finance**

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***6(g) Sitting as the Jail District Board of Directors:***

**1) Approve the Jail District Payroll from January 29, 2020, through February 12, 2020, as presented, in the amount of \$61,625.67, plus employee related expenses (ERE), in the amount of \$11,331.48, for a total of \$72,957.15, including handwritten warrants – Finance**

Approve the Jail District Payroll from January 29, 2020, through February 12, 2020, as presented, in the amount of \$61,625.67, plus employee related expenses (ERE), in the amount of \$11,331.48, for a total of \$72,957.15, including handwritten warrants.

**2) Approve the Jail District Payables through March 7, 2020, for FY2019/2020, as presented, in the amount of \$59,040.77 – Finance**

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**SUPERVISOR MINOR MOVED** to approve Consent Agenda Items #6(a) through #6(g). Motion seconded by Supervisor Wilson, passed unanimously, including the vote by Chairman Irwin.

**REGULAR AGENDA** (*Discussion and possible action on the following items*):

**Adopt Resolution No. 2020-03, authorizing the La Paz County Recorder to Use Emergency Voting Centers for the 2020 Elections – Clerk of the Board/Elections**

Clerk of the Board Green presented Resolution No. 2020-03, authorizing the La Paz County Recorder to use emergency voting centers for the 2020 elections. She explained that the location of the emergency voting would be at the Recorder’s office one day prior to the Presidential Preference Election, Primary Election and General Election, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**SUPERVISOR MINOR MOVED** to adopt Resolution No. 2020-03, authorizing the La Paz County Recorder to use emergency voting centers for the 2020 Presidential Preference Election, Primary Election and General Election. Motion seconded by Chairman Irwin, passed unanimously, including the vote by Supervisor Wilson.

**Approve to authorize expenditure of Taylor Grazing Act fees to the La Paz Resource Area Grazing Board in the amount of \$43,359.29 – County Attorney**

Chief Deputy County Attorney Dooley gave a brief history of the grazing fees, noting that grazers using Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land had been paying fees for a number of years and a portion of the fees stay with BLM for range improvements and a portion goes to the County.

He stated that the Board of Supervisor recently recognized the La Paz Resource Area Grazing Board (LPRAGB) as the designated recipient of the Taylor Grazing Act fees; however, the Board requested membership information and required that they submit requests for grazing improvements.

He added that the LPRAGB is requesting \$43,359.29 for land improvements and attorney fees in getting the organization together.

A brief discussion ensued noting that there is a balance of \$54,000 in grazing fee account and the amount requested was actually \$42,359.29, noting a “typo” in the amount indicated.

Supervisor Minor expressed appreciation to Brian deGanahl with the LPRAGB for his work on activating the grazing board and to Chief Deputy County Attorney Dooley for is oversight and assistance with this item.

**SUPERVISOR MINOR MOVED** to authorize the expenditure of \$42,359.29 of Taylor Grazing Act fees to the La Paz Resource Area Grazing Board.

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Chief Deputy County Attorney Dooley asked the Board if they wished to require an accounting of the expenditures, either by photos or by receipts.

**SUPERVISOR AMENDED HIS MOTION**, adding that the County Attorney's office follow up on the work that has been done with photo evidence of the projects. Motion seconded by Chairman Irwin, passed unanimously, including the vote by Supervisor Wilson.

**Adjournment**

Chairman Irwin adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

APPROVED:

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/s/  
Holly Irwin, Chairman

ATTEST:

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/s/  
Diane Green, Clerk of the Board

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**The following La Paz County Board demands were audited, approved and ordered paid by the La Paz County Board of Supervisors:** #11143998, AHCCCS State Treasurer, \$17,675; #11144003, Arizona Fence Company, \$2,886.45; #11144010, Cloudburst Engineering, Inc., \$24,557.86; #11144012, Colorado River Funeral, \$1,575; #11144016, Empire Southwest, \$1,850.96; #11144017, Michael Leland Frame, \$18,226.30; #11144019, Gila Electronics, \$7,731.73; #11144021, Inglis Pet Hotel, \$3,000; #11144025, Neofunds, \$1,073.90; #11144026, Matthew Newman, \$1,581.55; #11144033, \$17,354.54; #11144035, Redburn Tire Company, \$1,590.11; #11144038, Sunedison c/o DG Solar Lease, \$2,304.51; #11144048, Bulletproof Systems, LLC, \$26,030; #11144049, Colorado River Joint Venture, \$1,713.50; #11144055, Emerald Canyon-Petty Cash, \$2,412.96; #11144058, Frontier, \$9,651.04; #11144064, JP Morgan One Card, \$10,691.26; #11144074, Parker Oil Products, Inc., \$12,758.15; #11144077, Pro-Vision Video Systems, \$7,176.68; #11144080, River Septic, \$4,605; #11144081, Laurence Schiff, MD, \$1,225; #11144088, Standard Insurance, \$10,376.10; #11144091, Suddenlink B2B, \$1,510.75; #11144092, Superior Supply, \$4,344; #11144093, TAMCO, \$1,364.52; #11144094, Taylor Made Golf Co., Inc., \$1,080.96; #11144095, Trinity Services Group, Inc., \$10,363.68; #11144099, AT&T Mobility; \$2,633.35; #11144103, Colorado River Joint Venture, \$1,042.52; #11144104, Internal Revenue Service, \$1,063.20; #11144115, T & C Seal Coating, Inc., \$136,357.24; #11144117, All Covered, \$1,463.52; #11144123, Atkins North America, Inc., \$16,001.16; #11144137, Elections Systems & Software, \$5,217.90; #11144138, Emerald Canyon-Petty Cash, \$2,233.73; #11144145, Horizon Health & Wellness, \$40,500; #11144146, Interstate Battery Lake Havasu, \$1,472; #11144147, JP Morgan One Card, \$4,500.15; #11144151, Mio Geospatial, LLC, \$1,112.65; #11144156, Parker Auto & Marine, \$1,488.76; #11144161, Pitney Bowes Purchase Power, \$1,020.99; #11144162, Quill, \$1,045.03; #11144165, River Impact Construction, Inc., \$1,350; #11144174, Time Keeping Systems, Inc., \$4,207.05.