

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA**

Date: June 26, 2007

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PRESENT: Jose M. Sanchez, Chairman; Tommie C. Martin, Vice-Chairman; Shirley L. Dawson, Member; Steve Besich, County Manager/Clerk; Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk; Bryan Chambers, Chief Deputy County Attorney; and, June Ava Florescue, Deputy County Attorney.

The Gila County Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. this date. Steve Besich led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dixie Mundy delivered the Invocation.

In addressing agenda item number 2, Chairman Sanchez called on Sandra Eylicio, Transit Coordinator for the Town of Miami, who presented a request to the Board for the consideration of financial support to Cobre Valley Community Transit (CVCT) regarding a 5310/5317 Grant Application being submitted by CVCT to the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) in order to obtain funds to purchase a vehicle and provide operational funding for transporting local veterans to the V.A. clinics in Mesa and Tucson. Ms. Eylicio stated that Bill Leister of Central Arizona Association of Governments contacted her and advised that ADOT had just completed a review of the 5310/5317 Program and that \$58,000 remained unspent in the budget and he suggested that the Town of Miami apply for this funding. She advised that the funding, if received, will be used to purchase a 2007-2008 Chevrolet Uplander

Minivan equipped with a wheelchair at a cost of \$42,000 plus taxes and fees for a total of \$45,000. The vehicle will be purchased with the 80/20 matching grant funds with ADOT being the main representative and providing a portion of the funding; however, the operating expense will be a 50/50 match, so with the \$58,000 grant, there would be a total of \$31,000 in local matching funds. Ms. Eylicio explained that a year ago Gila County provided some funding for a veterans transportation program similar to this one; however, at that time the Town of Miami did not have the means to get the program implemented. A portion of the money was used to purchase a vehicle from the County, which is now out of service because of transmission problems. That vehicle will be replaced with this new vehicle to provide local veterans with transportation to the Mesa/Phoenix and Tucson V.A. health facilities. CVCT will be the main service provider. She requested that the Board transfer the funds it had previously set aside for veterans' transportation for investment into this veterans transportation program. She stated that the City of Globe has also committed to investing \$5,000 into the program. She advised that if the grant and investments are received, the program can be in full operation by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Steve Stratton, Public Works Division Director, advised the Board that approximately a year ago the County allocated a total of \$37,252.93 in lottery money to the Town of Miami to start this service for veterans and that the current accounting received today shows that \$23,981.68 remains of that original amount. He recommended that the Board allow the transfer of the \$23,981.68 to the Town's veterans transportation program. Chairman Sanchez inquired about the service area as he understood that the amount of funding would determine the area to be serviced. Ms. Eylicio stated that he was correct and explained that ADOT has agreed to allow this pilot program for 1 year on the condition that a report is provided after 6 months. If the program is proven to be successful, the CVCT can reapply for another 80/20 matching grant for the next fiscal year; however, if the program is not successful perhaps because of a lack of clientele, then it will be dropped and the van will be liquidated into

the CVCT for local area transportation, insuring there will be no loss in this investment. She stated that upon implementation of the veterans transportation program, only local veterans of the Globe-Miami area will be served; however, if a veteran from another area in the County requests to use the service and can provide their own transportation to this area, they are welcome to use the transportation services that will be provided from the Globe-Miami area to the V.A. medical facilities. Cost estimates for expansion into other areas will be reviewed after this program has been successfully implemented. Supervisor Dawson inquired if only veterans would be allowed on the van. Ms. Eylicio replied that this was specifically discussed at a recent meeting and Mr. Leister suggested that a fare could be charged if an additional facility stop was requested, so that is an option being reviewed. The program is primarily for veterans and would be limited mostly to the veterans, but if the governing board feels that it would be beneficial, they may be willing to allow other passengers for different reasons. Supervisor Dawson stated that she was contacted about transportation for spouses and families to visit with veterans in the V.A. hospitals, who are terminally ill. Ms. Eylicio stated that she would not have a problem accommodating someone in that type of situation. Chairman Sanchez stated that this pilot program will be a unique opportunity to provide a valuable service to the community. He stated there is another program for veterans that he was involved which provides a variety of services such as education, housing, employment, medical services, etc. through the Arizona Department of Veterans, and a presentation about that program will be given in Payson on September 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A presentation will also be given in the Globe-Miami area on October 6<sup>th</sup>; however, the location has not yet been determined. Robert Mawson, Miami Town Manager, explained that the Town of Miami with assistance from Gila County attempted to implement the previous veterans transportation program, but ADOT expressed a concern that the program was only serving a specific group such as the veterans. The Town of Miami then assumed full responsibility for running the

program and it proved to be very difficult. A vehicle was purchased through the County's surplus program and money was spent on repairs to ensure that the vehicle would be safe to operate. A lot of work was done administratively with the V.A. hospitals and setting up schedules, etc.; however, a lot of problems were also encountered because of the HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996) regulations. He advised that the program was unsuccessful, which has resulted in money remaining at the County that was not expended and he requested that those remaining funds be transferred to this program. This was not a request for any additional County funding. He stated that the difference between this proposed veterans transportation program and the past one is that the ADOT 5317 Program is designed to go above and beyond the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. He reiterated that it was ADOT that approached the Town of Miami as ADOT learned that the Town of Miami was trying to implement its own veterans transportation program. He stated, "The program fits and ADOT is happy with the fit and through their assistance we have a great chance of making this successful. We also appreciate the Board's support on this." He also advised that the veterans transportation program is designed to interface with the existing 5311 programs under Public Transportation and that is why they are currently limited to this service area. He stated that perhaps some partnering in the future with Payson and other areas could be reviewed. Each Board member thanked Mr. Mawson and Ms. Eylicio for their efforts in implementing this program as there will be many more veterans, who will need this assistance. Mr. Stratton wanted to note that if for any reason the grant application is not approved, then the County funds will not be used for any other purpose and another request for reauthorization to use these funds would have to be brought before the Board at a future time. Mr. Stratton also stated that the Town of Miami needed a letter of support signed by the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for this grant application and he didn't know if that had been mentioned. Mr. Mawson stated that the Town of Miami

did need a letter of support indicating that the County was willing to participate in this program and he would appreciate receiving same as soon as possible. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board unanimously agreed to provide a letter of a letter of support stating that the County would make available \$23,981.68 that has already been earmarked for this type of program to provide financial support to the CVCT regarding a 5310/5317 Grant Application being submitted to ADOT in order to obtain funds to purchase a vehicle and provide operational funding that will be used to transport local veterans to the VA clinics in Mesa and Tucson.

At 10:28 a.m., a public hearing was held on Resolution No. 07-05-03 adopted by the Gila County Board of Supervisors on May 22, 2007, for the purpose of hearing all persons who wish to appear in favor of or against the establishment of a county jail district. Mr. Besich stated that on May 22, 2007, the Board set the date of June 26, 2007, for a public hearing to be held on the establishment of a jail district. For the benefit of the public, Mr. Besich briefed the Board on the final report submitted by the Gila County Facilities Planning Citizens Advisory Committee, which was adopted by the Board as a planning framework. He stated that today the Board was working through the statutory process and continued to remain open to any public comments. Mr. Besich made the recommendation that the Board have a dedicated source of revenue to construct the facilities. He also suggested that if anyone in the public wished to submit an idea that they do so in writing to the Board and then the Board could refer it to staff to analyze and report back to the Board. He then turned the meeting over to Dixie Mundy, Elections Director, who worked with bond counsel on the resolution. Ms. Mundy explained that the purpose for the public hearing today was for the Board to receive any comments for or against the establishment of a jail district and she would be available for any questions. At this time, Chairman Sanchez opened the public hearing portion of the meeting and called for comments from the public. Ted Thayer, a resident

of the Wheatfields area in Globe, stated that he agrees that the County is in desperate need of 2 new jail facilities as he has worked in both of the present facilities in the past. He also stated that the Courts have security problems to the extent that in Payson if a prisoner isn't shackled and chained down, they have on a number of occasions been known to just get up and walk out the door to the street. Mr. Thayer stated that he felt a jail district was not needed because it either requires a property or excise tax and a half cent sales tax, which "sounds fine until you start looking at the numbers." With the addition of a half cent sales tax, the total sales tax for Winkelman would be 10.6%; Hayden-10.1%; Miami-9.6%; and, Globe-9.1%. He stated that the residents of Globe just voted down a school override election and the electorate was very clear that the bottom line is that citizens don't want any added taxes. Because he doesn't believe these issues will pass in November due to the taxes, Mr. Thayer strongly recommended to the Board and staff that they review the County budget as he has done. He stated that over the past 5 years the average increase in the County budget has been \$900,000 a year or 5.1% on average. He stated that every 2 years the property taxes go up so every 2 years there is more money available for the County and this year the rate went down because there was so much money. Mr. Thayer recommended that the Board not approve this jail district and review the County budget for other sources of funding. Chairman called on Ed Blair, a resident of Payson and a member of the Payson Town Council, who commended the Board and staff for working on much needed facilities in the Payson and Star Valley areas. He did, however, feel that the Gila County Facilities Planning Citizens Advisory Committee made an error in recommending the Beeline-Main Street location with the town square concept because there won't be room to expand in the future without exorbitant costs. Additionally, there will be a major increase in traffic congestion with the addition of County services, court trials with 48 potential jurors, added staff for courts, jails and services and visitors for more inmates and juvenile cases. Mr. Blair, therefore, urged the Board to reconsider the site

until other sites can be explored in conjunction with the Towns of Payson and Star Valley and that informational meetings held. Al Poskanzer, a resident of Payson, stated that he was a member of the Gila County Facilities Planning Citizens Advisory Committee (Committee) and it is “painfully” obvious that we need new facilities. He stated that regarding the subject of financing, what was recommended by Mr. Reader, the County’s financial advisor, was a general obligation bond to be financed by a property tax and a jail district to be financed by a sales tax increase; however, Mr. Reader did not mention a third option of partnering with the private sector to help finance this project. He explained that public/private partnerships take many different forms; there are no two alike, but what they all have in common is that they involve a partnership with a private concern under which revenue is generated that would be used to defray the cost of the project. Mr. Poskanzer explored this option at the request of the Committee; however, he could not provide any specifics for these private developers in order to receive responses with any detail although all developers responded positively. When he reported his findings to the Committee, he was rebuffed. Mr. Poskanzer stated that that he knows public/private partnerships work, but nothing can be provided by a private developer without the County first preparing and issuing a formal request for proposals (RFP) to the public. He suggested that the Board should not and cannot ignore this option and should issue a suitable RFP to be sent to a broad audience of private developers before asking the voters for new taxes to support this project. His second concern was the location of the site in Payson at the intersections of the Beeline Highway and Main Street, which he noted was originally earmarked for government facilities; however, times have changed. Mr. Poskanzer stated that Vice-Chairman Martin’s proposal was somewhat compelling; however, due to the Town of Payson’s efforts to revitalize historic Main Street and to attract tourists, there are broad concerns that the present site needs commercial facilities that will not only attract tourists, but will also generate both sales tax and property tax revenue. He stated that the

residents of Payson believe that a comprehensive review of alternative sites is in order and he cited the examples of the area south of Main Street along McLane Road, 18 acres of land along Highway 260 that the Star Valley Town Council is willing to donate to the County in return for the County's inclusion of a town hall for Star Valley, land that is located east of the Payson Town Hall and north of Basha's, which is behind the Payson Police Department, or another option is to acquire 10 acres from the Forest Service under the Townsite Purchase Act, etc. Mr. Poskanzer's third concern was a matter of financing and he felt the Board and staff should review the County's budget to sort out any waste before asking the voters for more money. He stated that the debt service on this project is 3% of the County budget and he felt 3% of waste could be found in the budget. Mr. Poskanzer's final concern was that the figure he's seen on the cost of these projects has varied from \$30 million to \$60 million and with a project of this magnitude a series of meetings should be held all over Gila County to obtain public input, particularly from northern Gila County before voting on this Resolution. Chairman Sanchez thanked those in the public for providing their comments to the Board. He then closed the public hearing portion of the meeting. He stated that today's public hearing is required by statute, but the process began on January 17, 2007, with the Gila County Facilities Planning Citizens Advisory Committee meetings that were advertised as public hearings. He stated that in defense of the process, the Board took action on May 22, 2007, after a 4-month period of hearings by the Committee, which was appointed by the members of this Board. In appointing Committee members, the Board tried to get as fair a representation of the County as it could to serve on that Board. Chairman Sanchez requested that Mr. Poskanzer provide the Board with an example of a private/public partnership where the specifics are provided for the construction of a jail. He stated that the Board is willing to accept any written recommendations which will be reviewed by Board and staff. In reply to Mr. Thayer's comments about the Globe Unified School District bond override not passing, Supervisor

Dawson stated, "We don't know the minds of why the citizens voted against it, but the School District does have some problems; however, that doesn't enter into next November's election...We all agree we need new jails." In response to "doing a deep dive" into the County's budget, Supervisor Dawson stated that she spends a lot of time reviewing County expenditures and contacting employees to see if those expenditures are necessary. She cited the high cost of County utilities because of buildings that were poorly designed for heating and cooling as well as major security issues in the court facilities, which the County has tried to address, but the costs are prohibitive. Supervisor Dawson stated that she doesn't like to pay taxes anymore than anybody else and she is well aware of the excessive tax situation in Hayden/Winkelman. Supervisor Dawson stated that during the next few weeks as more concrete plans are developed she believes it is essential that the Board and County staff not make any statements that aren't absolutely true. In regard to Mr. Thayer's comments that Payson prisoners are walking out of the jail, she just inquired of the jailer how many have escaped in the past 5 years and his response was none. She stated, "We need to be honest with each other and we need to be very careful in what we are doing." In response to Mr. Poskanzer's comments about public/private partnerships, Supervisor Dawson replied that although she doesn't know a lot about public/private partnerships, she thinks "the private part of it is very interested in getting into the public part of it because they always think there's lot of money there and they can go get it" so she is somewhat suspicious of those people. Supervisor Dawson stated that she would like to find out if the Board can still proceed with the election process while also allowing someone to come forward with an offer of a public/private partnership, but she wasn't sure if that was possible. Supervisor Dawson stated, "I hope I'm never on this Board if it ever comes to the point where we go into a partnership for \$30-\$50-\$60 million of future indebtedness without the vote of the people." She understands that public/private partnerships could be a way to build the facilities if the taxpayers don't approve the half-cent sales

tax increase or the bond election. Supervisor Dawson stated that many people contact her about the bypass road in Payson and she feels that is the only answer to those traffic problems and she believes the best facility at the location of Main Street and the Beeline Highway would be the County complex and also because the utilities are already in place. Supervisor Dawson does not, however, agree with the proposed size of the Payson jail as she believes it should only be a processing center with 48 beds and she will continue to work on that issue. She also believes that additional courtrooms are necessary and “after griping about it”, Mr. Besich stated that in meeting with Judge Cahill, it is now agreed that changes need to be made in that area, so changes are still being made at this time and nothing is “set in concrete.” In response to the proposed 18 acres that Star Valley would donate to the County, Supervisor Dawson does not believe the town of Star Valley owns the property nor does she believe there is ample available water for the jail facility. Supervisor Dawson concluded by stating she is carefully looking at trying to find the best alternatives for these facilities. Vice-Chairman Martin stated that for her to feel good about finding a solution to this huge problem, it has to make the best economic sense possible because “we are using taxpayer dollars to repay that debt.” She stated that it also has to make “timely sense” and what the Board is doing today is strictly “a piece in the process.” The Committee’s recommendations have been accepted and taken under advisement. She also knows that County management continues to meet with everyone that has additional input to determine whether the Committee has overlooked something. Vice-Chairman Martin stated that if the Board wants an election in November, then that has to be put in motion today. She stated the Board entered into an agreement with E+I Architects to provide architectural services for the Conceptual Design Plan for the Globe and Payson Jail/Criminal Justice Facilities. She stated, “This firm will review the recommendations of the Committee and do an urban analysis to determine if the \$32 million will be sufficient to provide the proposed facilities and also show the footprint of the

facilities as to what the massing will look like, what will fit on the proposed areas at both sites, will it handle increased traffic flow, parking and foot traffic.” A report from E+I Architects is expected back by the end of July. She stated that in order for the cost to not be borne completely by the taxpayers, the proposal for a half-cent sales tax was made for luxury goods purchasers because in Gila County non-County residents purchase approximately 30% of the luxury goods and approximately 30% of individuals incarcerated in County jails are non-County residents. It was recommended by the Committee that some of the cost of the jails could be paid for by out-of-county purchasers to relieve some of the taxpayer’s burden. Vice-Chairman Martin stated that she agrees that we have to be very careful “of what we put forth as the facts...I have great faith in the people that if they have the information, they will make the right decision for themselves on how they would like to pay for these facilities. I feel it is important that the Board put in front of the people the information necessary for them to understand they have the option to vote and what they are voting on.” Mr. Besich thanked everyone, who took the time to come and speak at the public hearing and he wanted to note that in reviewing the Committee’s report, there were 9 different meetings held throughout the County. Mr. Besich stated, “One of the things that concerns me about the location is, and I would pose it in the form of a question, if 70% of our assessed value is facing potentially catastrophic fire, would you rather be out in the forest in Star Valley or would you rather be in downtown Payson if you were going to defend \$17-\$20 million of investment? It’s as simple as that. Where would your dollars be better invested; out on the edge of the forest or in downtown [Payson] where you have one of the best fire departments in the County?” He also stated that many years have been spent positioning the County so when it did go to the bond market, the County would have some cash reserves and some credit advantage. Mr. Besich stated, “I understand the concept of a public/private partnership, but to me it’s really simple. Can they borrow money as cheaply as we can on the market? Can a private person? I

would like to see that from somebody if they can.” Mr. Besich also wanted to state for the record that the County did bring the ex-mayor of Payson, Cliff Potts, into one of the Committee meetings and had asked him prior to scour the area and bring any options to the Committee, which he did. There weren’t many options that didn’t require the County to become some type of power, water or sewer utility company. Mr. Besich stated that he didn’t have a problem having any kind of public discussion, public hearings, taking it on the road, but he believes at the end of the day, the Committee did their work and did discuss many of the things being discussed here today. Chairman Sanchez thanked everyone for participating in the public hearing. No action was taken by the Board.

Ms. Mundy requested the adoption of Resolution No. 07-06-07 ordering the establishment of the Gila County, Arizona Jail District. She stated this Resolution does not address any other issues. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 07-06-07 ordering the establishment of the Gila County, Arizona Jail District. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors’ Office.)**

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board of Supervisors convened as the Gila County Jail District Governing Board of Directors in order to address agenda item number 5. Ms. Mundy requested the adoption of Resolution No. 07-06-08 with regard to organization of the District, proposing an excise tax to be levied and ordering and calling an election to be held on November 6, 2007, in and for Gila County, Arizona Jail District to submit to the qualified electors thereof a question with respect to such proposal. She stated that the Board’s consideration of this Resolution would set an election for November 6, 2007, to present to the voters the excise tax for the purpose of supporting the Jail District. She stated that along with the Resolution is Exhibits A-D, which are considered either examples or the first draft of an informational pamphlet. The informational pamphlets are

required under Arizona Revised Statutes for any taxing issue and this is the format that was provided by the County's attorney. All voters will be provided this informational pamphlet outlining the details regarding the tax, the different aspects of preparing for the election, the voting places and notices that are required. Also within the informational pamphlet, which will be published in the event the Board does approve the excise tax election, is a notice requesting arguments for or against the excise tax. The arguments will be accepted by the Clerk of the Jail District, Steve Besich, by way of the Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Marian Sheppard. The notice will be published the first part of July. She advised that this is a very important notice because it advises the public that arguments are being accepted until August 8, 2007. That will provide 30 days for the public to see the notice, prepare their argument and submit it to the Clerk of the Board. She stated that the remainder of the pamphlet is a draft, which is still being reviewed; however, any changes will be minor. Supervisor Dawson requested that the deadline date for accepting pro and con arguments be moved to August 15, 2007, to allow more time for questions to be answered. Ms. Mundy stated that the date of August 8<sup>th</sup> was chosen because all of the arguments have to be translated into Spanish and then the pamphlet must be mailed out within a certain length of time prior to the election, but August 8<sup>th</sup> was not the absolute deadline and could be moved to August 15<sup>th</sup>. Vice-Chairman Martin also inquired if the arguments from the public could also be accepted in Payson. Vice-Chairman Martin stated she, too, agreed with the date change as the recommendations from E+I Architects will be received at the end of July and discussed by the Board the first week of August. Ms. Mundy advised that the arguments could be received in Payson at Vice-Chairman Martin's office as the accepting location and the only statutory requirement would be that they must be received by 5:00 p.m. She also advised that the statutes allow for informational pamphlets to be mailed to each household within the County in which a registered voter resides, so if 2 registered voters reside within a

household, they will only receive one pamphlet. She stated that the Board could elect to send one pamphlet per voter, but the minimum is one per household. It was the consensus of the Board that one pamphlet should be sent per household because of increased expenses and postage. Vice-Chairman Martin inquired if the pro and con arguments in the informational pamphlet would be strictly about the current subject, the excise tax for the Jail District and if they would be in both English and Spanish. Ms. Mundy replied that the pro and con arguments received will be for or against the jail excise tax and will be provided in both languages. Vice-Chairman Martin stated that it needs to be clear as to the type of comments being requested. (Note: There will be 2 separate information pamphlets mailed out to the voters; one for the jail excise tax and one for the bond.) Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 07-06-08 with regard to organization of the District, proposing an excise tax to be levied and ordering and calling an election to be held on November 6, 2007, in and for Gila County, Arizona Jail District to submit to the qualified electors thereof a question with respect to such proposal. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board reconvened as the Board of Supervisors.

Ms. Mundy requested the adoption of Resolution No. 07-06-09 ordering and calling for an election to be held on November 6, 2007, in and for Gila County, Arizona, to submit to the qualified electors thereof a question with respect to the sale and issuance of various purpose bonds of Gila County, Arizona. She stated that this Resolution is for the sole purpose of placing on the ballot a question of a bond, which is not the same question as the excise tax. She explained that if the Board chooses to adopt the Resolution calling for a bond election, the voters will see 2 questions on the ballot—one question for or against the excise tax and one question for or against the bond. By adopting this Resolution, the Board will be calling for a bond election on the same day as

the excise tax election with both questions appearing on the ballot separately. That will allow the voter to choose to support or oppose the excise tax and choose to support or oppose the bond as they are not dependant upon one another and are not connected as far as how a voter would choose to vote. Ms. Mundy stated that this Resolution also includes Exhibits A-D for the informational pamphlet, which would include information regarding the bond issuance payback, the pay scale and all pertinent information about a bond, and would be completely different from the excise tax. She stated this is also a first draft and the date can be changed to August 15, 2007, at 5:00 p.m. to receive arguments for or against the bond and adding the Payson County Complex, Vice-Chairman Martin's Office, as a second site for accepting the arguments. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 07-06-09 ordering and calling for an election to be held on November 6, 2007, in and for Gila County, Arizona, to submit to the qualified electors thereof a question with respect to the sale and issuance of various purpose bonds of Gila County, Arizona. Supervisor Dawson thanked Ms. Mundy and her staff for their efforts in getting all the required information completed. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors' Office.)**

Darryl Griffin, Information Technology Department Director, requested authorization of a three-year Tax Exempt Payment Plan Agreement with Key Government Finance, Inc. in the amount of \$111,418.79 that will be allocated beginning with FY 2007-2008 funds and used for maintenance and support of Gila County's Cisco Networking equipment and infrastructure. He stated that this Agreement is being financed through Key Government Finance, which will pay the full amount of \$111,418.79 to Cisco Networking and Gila County will repay Key Government Finance at a yearly rate of \$37,139 for 3 years. This Agreement will provide next day support to the County for the phones, internet and data traffic. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board unanimously authorized a three-year Tax

Exempt Payment Plan Agreement with Key Government Finance, Inc. in the total amount of \$111,418.79, payable over a 3-year period beginning with FY 2007-2008 for maintenance and support of Gila County's Cisco Networking equipment and infrastructure.

Mr. Stratton requested approval to begin the process of disposing of an unnecessary public roadway shown as a portion of Calle De Loma adjacent to Assessor's parcel numbers 206-03-161, 206-03-162A, 206-03-162B and 206-03-163A, Official Map No. 25, Gila County Records. He stated that from time to time when the sale of property comes up, the County will receive a Record of Survey, which reflects that sometimes people actually build on a right-a-way. Each case is taken on an individual basis. He stated that there are times when the County can do without the right-a-way; however; there are other instances where the right-a-way is needed for other purposes and in this particular case it affects 4 other properties. The County has what is needed for the street, but this particular property is not needed so the County will go through the process of disposal according to statute. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved the beginning of the process of disposing of an unnecessary public roadway shown as a portion of Calle De Loma adjacent to Assessor's parcel numbers 206-03-161, 206-03-162A, 206-03-162B and 206-03-163A, Official Map No. 25, Gila County Records.

Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk, requested the Board's review of a sealed bid for the purchase of tax parcel number 206-20-015-9, which is owned by the State of Arizona and has a total lien amount of \$424.18. She showed the Board a map and photos of said parcel located in Miami. Ms. Sheppard then opened the sealed bid and stated that Paul Lemons of Lemons Development LLC submitted a bid in the amount of \$424.18 for the subject parcel. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Supervisor Dawson, the Board unanimously accepted the bid from Paul Lemons of Lemons

Development LLC in the amount of \$424.18 for the purchase of tax parcel number 206-20-015-9.

Ms. Sheppard requested the Board's review of a sealed bid for the purchase of tax parcel number 208-04-034, which is owned by the State of Arizona and has a total lien amount of \$518.79. She showed the Board a map and photos of said parcel located in Globe. Ms. Sheppard then opened the sealed bid and stated that Apache Peaks Investments LLC submitted a bid in the amount of \$522.61 for the subject parcel. Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously accepted the bid from Apache Peaks Investment LLC in the amount of \$522.61 for the purchase of tax parcel number 208-04-034.

Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin the Board moved Consent Agenda item numbers 10A and 10K to the regular agenda.

Consent Agenda item number 10A was approval for the Chairman to sign a Warranty Deed and other closing documents regarding Bid No. 010507-1, Sale of Gila County Building/Property in Hayden, Arizona, that was awarded by the Board of Supervisors on April 10, 2007. Mr. Stratton stated that the Board had previously approved this high bid and the County has been going through the process with the title company. He stated that there has been some discrepancy between the County Attorney and Dr. Wilts of the Hayden Development Company because of who the County sold the property to and the name Dr. Wilts was requesting to have on the deed, which has now been rectified. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board, by a 2-1 vote, authorized the Chairman's signature on a Warranty Deed and other closing documents regarding Bid No. 010507-1, Sales of Gila County Building/Property in Hayden, Arizona, that was awarded by the Board of Supervisors on April 10, 2007. Supervisor Dawson voted "nay."

Consent Agenda item number 10K was the approval of a payment for services in the total amount of \$304.00 (\$16.20 and \$287.80) to Fly-A-Way Travel. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Martin, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board approved payment to Fly-A-Way Travel in the amount of \$304.00. Supervisor Dawson abstained from voting because of a conflict of interest.

Upon motion by Supervisor Dawson, seconded by Vice-Chairman Martin, the Board unanimously approved Consent Agenda item numbers 10B-10J as follows:

- A. Removed from the Consent Agenda and addressed separately (above).
- B. Approval of Amendment No. 3 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. E5345511) between the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Rehabilitation Services Administration, and the Gila County GEST Program extending the Contract through June 30, 2008, in order to provide continued vocational services to clients.
- C. Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. DE070295) between the Arizona Department of Economic Security and Gila County to provide continued WIA Title I Adult, Youth and Dislocated Worker services for the Gila-Pinal Workforce Investment Area in the amount of \$413,540 for the period April 1, 2007, through June 30, 2010.
- D. Approval of Amendment No. 5 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Contract No. HP461413-014) between the Gila County Health Department and Arizona Department of Economic Security to extend the Contract for the Community Health Nursing Program from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008.
- E. Approval of a Special Event Liquor License Application submitted by the Lions Club of Globe, Arizona, Inc. to provide liquor at a wedding anniversary dinner/dance on July 14, 2007.
- F. Approval of a Funding Agreement (Contract No. 556-07) between the Arizona Department of Housing and Gila County Community Services

Division accepting Housing Trust Funds in the amount of \$90,095 that will be used to continue providing eviction prevention/emergency housing services to eligible applicants for the period July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008.

G. Approval of the May 22, 2007, BOS meeting minutes.

H. Approval of the May 2007 monthly departmental activity reports submitted by the Recorder and the Payson Regional Justice of the Peace.

I. Approval of the personnel reports/actions for the week of June 25, 2007, as follows:

Departure from County Service:

1. Animal Regulation Enforcement Officer – Rabies Control – 06-29-07 – Rabies Control Fund – Dustin Van Zwol – Hire 01-22-06 – Resigned to attend school
2. Probation Program Manager – Probation – 06-15-07 – JPSF Treatment Fund–Sherri Ayers – Hire 03-23-01 – Resignation – Reason unknown

Hire to County Service:

3. Accountant Senior – Finance – 06-11-07 – Finance General Fund – Lynda Koury – Hire 06-11-07 – Temporary to regular status replacing Kara Langley

Temporary Hire to County Service:

4. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 06-18-07 – Constituent Services District II General Fund - Austin J. Colman
5. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 06-18-07 – Summer Youth Program Constituent Services II Fund – Richard “Richie” Brown
6. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 06-18-07 – Summer Youth Program Constituent Services II Fund – John K. Canez
7. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 06-18-07 – Summer Youth Program Constituent Services II Fund – Eric A. Castaneda
8. Summer Worker – Finance – 06-19-07 – Finance General Fund – Nikki Wampole

9. Temporary – Public Works Engineering – 06-18-07 – Public Works Fund  
– Anthony Gonzales

10. Plan Coordinator – Health – 06-18-07 – Pandemic Influenza Fund –  
Leana Asberry

11. Plan Coordinator – Health – 07-09-07 – Pandemic Influenza Fund –  
Charles W. Johnson

End Probationary Period:

12. Executive Administrative Assistant – Public Works – 06-25-07 – Public  
Works Administration – Shannon Boyer

13. Deputy Attorney Principal – Child Support – 06-25-07 – Child Support  
General Fund – Jefferson R. Dalton

Request Permission to Post:

14. Animal Regulation Enforcement Officer – Health Services Fund –  
position vacated by Dustin Van Zwol

15. Building Maintenance Technician Senior – Facilities Management –  
position vacated by Jay Heisler

**SHERIFF’S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS**

Departure from County Service:

16. Executive Administrative Assistant – Globe S.O. – 06-19-07 – Sheriff  
General Fund - Cecilia Ann Maumea – Hire 06-25-07 – position not  
filled due to budgetary restraints

J. Approval of the finance reports/demands/transfers for the week of  
June 25, 2007 (separate handout) as follows:

\$1,224,028.87 was disbursed for County expenses by voucher numbers  
X157012 through X157228, X157230 through X157241, X403854 through  
X403973, and X403975 through X404132, X404137 through X404158 and  
X404169 through X404174. There were no hand-issued warrants. **(An  
itemized list of vouchers is permanently on file with the Board of  
Supervisors.)**

K. Removed from the Consent Agenda and addressed separately (above).

At this time each Board member and the Chief Administrator were presented the opportunity to give a brief summary of current events as allowed by A.R.S. §38-431.02(K). No action was taken by the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

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Jose M. Sanchez, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Steven L. Besich, County Manager/Clerk