

NAVAJO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2007

9:00 a.m. Call To Order: Supervisor Deal led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the invocation.

PRESENT: David Tenney, Chairman; J.R. DeSpain, Vice-Chairman; Percy Deal, Member; Jesse Thompson, Member; Jerry Brownlow, Member; Mel Bowers, County Attorney; James Jayne, County Manager, and Darlene Fraley, Clerk of the Board.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: No response

CONSENT AGENDA: a) Vouchers; b) Fair Housing Proclamation for CDBG/Home to ensure equal opportunities in housing; c) Agreement with Drug Enforcement Administration of the U.S. Department of Justice Agreement #2007-08; d) Cost reimbursable subcontract between the Arizona Board of Regents, University of Arizona and Navajo County under PO# Y410679 decreasing by \$10,751.12 and 26 acres; e) IGA with Maricopa County to provide funds to support the Arizona Meth Project; f) Extension of Premises/Patio Permit application #060900104 to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control for The Cabin Bar and Grill in the Overgaard area; g) Constable reports: Snowflake, Precinct 3 March; Kayenta, Precinct 4 January; Lakeside, Whiteriver, Pinetop, Cibecue, HonDah, Precinct 6 February; h) Justice of the Peace reports: Winslow, Precinct 2 January; Lakeside, Whiteriver, Pinetop, Cibecue, HonDah, Precinct 6 February; i) Name an existing road in the Clay Springs area "Preston Way" in Section 13, Township 11N, Range 19E; j) Name an existing road in the Pinedale area "Birdwing Lane" in Section 01, Township 11 N, Range 19E; k) Agreement with the Arizona State Land Department regarding Environmental Program Assistance to disburse County monies that have been appropriated by the Arizona Legislature for county environmental programs impacting economic development **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign the documents; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Consideration and possible approval of Personnel Actions: Gail Calisen reviewed the 32 personnel actions on the written report. **Supervisor Thompson made a motion** to approve the Personnel Action report as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign the documents; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SESSION: **Supervisor Deal made a motion** to enter into the Public Health Services District **Board of Directors' Session**; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion.

- a. Consideration and possible approval of amendment to Delegation Agreement for the Smoke Free Arizona Program: Dr. Wade Kartchner reviewed the amendment that would allow the County to conduct the required educational and enforcement components of the Smoke Free Arizona Program. In response to a question from Supervisor Thompson, Dr. Kartchner advised the board the county would incur no costs as the costs for the program are covered through the tax on cigarettes. In response to a question from Supervisor Brownlow, Dr. Kartchner stated violations would be punished by a civil fine between \$100 and \$500 levied against either the business or the single individual. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to approve the amendment as presented; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow. In response to a question from Supervisor Deal, Dr. Kartchner advised additional personnel would be hired to meet the requirements of this legislation. Supervisor DeSpain inquired if a vehicle is considered a public or private place and Dr. Kartchner responded the vehicle is considered a public place of employment if it is used by more than one person during the course of the work day. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
- b. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Chairman Tenney advised the Public Health Services District Consent Agenda is a new item and if there are no questions or concerns this process will be followed in the future. **Supervisor**

Brownlow made a motion to approve the Public Health Services' District Consent Agenda; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson. Supervisor Deal inquired about item "v" extension of the Bioterrorism and response program. Dr. Kartchner advised the program has been in place since approximately 2002 and will be renewed until 2011; that the program is managed by Dan Roper and interfaces with emergency management out of the Sheriff's office since public health is an integral part of emergency response including specific public health emergencies such as pandemic flu. Supervisor Deal inquired if the education program extends to Indian Health Services and Dr. Kartchner said this is the case. Vote unanimous approving the motion.

- i. Memorandum of Agreement between Heber/Overgaard Fire Department and Navajo County Public Health Services District for mutual support in the event of a Public Health crisis
- ii. Memorandum of Agreement between Taylor Fire Department and Navajo County Public Health Services District for mutual support in the event of a Public Health crisis
- iii. Memorandum of Agreement between Lakeside Fire Department and Navajo County Public Health Services District for mutual support in the event of a Public Health crisis
- iv. Price sheet for the County Prenatal Block Grant, adding funding for the period 7/1/07 to 6/30/08 for Contract HG461037
- v. State Contract #HG754201 Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Program extension to 8/30/2011
- vi. Amendment #5 to Contract #HG354183 with the Arizona Department of Health Services for the Public Health Physical Activity Program for 4/1/07 to 3/31/08 in the amount of \$43,342.00

Supervisor DeSpain made a motion to return to regular session; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS/BOARD OF EQUALIZATION SESSION: Supervisor DeSpain made motion to enter into the **Board of Equalization Session**; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion.

- a. Darlene Fraley, Clerk of the Board, swore in Assessor Cammy Darris.
- b. Discussion and possible action regarding Petition for Review of Taxpayer Notice of Claim for APN 206-42-174 by Stephen and Bertha Walker: Cammy Darris advised the petitioner, when purchasing the property, did not initially fill out whether the property would be a rental or a residence and when the error was found they were credited with the difference as far as statutorily allowed. Supervisor DeSpain inquired if the Board had the authority to go back beyond the three years that had been credited and County Attorney Mel Bowers advised they could not. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to uphold the assessor's recommendation in this matter; motion seconded by Supervisor DeSpain; vote unanimous approving the motion. Mr. Bowers inquired how much money was involved and Assessor Cammy Darris responded it was just over \$209.00.

Supervisor DeSpain made a motion to return to regular session; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Presentation of previously approved Board of Supervisors' proclamation to Brett Curry of Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Northeastern Arizona designating April 15-21 as National Volunteer Week:

Chairman Tenney and the Board of Supervisors presented a previously approved proclamation to Brett Curry of Big Brothers, Big Sisters for their volunteer efforts.

FINANCE/PURCHASING:

- a. Consideration and possible approval for Finance/Purchasing to award contract to VitalChek for electronic payment processing: James Menlove advised this electronic payment processing went out as a Request for Proposals and it is Finance's recommendation to award that contract to VitalChek. In response to a question from Supervisor DeSpain, Mr. Menlove advised this will be a county-wide service. **Supervisor DeSpain**

made a motion to approve the award of contract to VitalChek for electronic payment processing; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion. Supervisor DeSpain inquired if a fine could be paid through this system and County Attorney Mel Bowers said he was not sure the courts are moving in this direction.

- b. Consideration and possible approval for Finance/Purchasing to solicit Requests for Proposals for a wide area network (WAN) service provider: In response to James Menlove's presentation of this WAN Request for Proposals, Supervisor Thompson requested additional information about providing services on the reservation. James Menlove advised he will request that Ms. Springer include all of the communication that the county can get on this proposal. Mr. Menlove responded to a question from Supervisor Brownlow about the difference between a WAN and a wireless connection. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to authorize Finance/Purchasing to solicit Requests for Proposals for a wide area network (WAN) service provider; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion.
- c. Consideration and possible approval of Independent Contractor Service Agreement with Kelly Dastrup to provide election related services: James Menlove advised that the former Elections' Director has moved to Lake Havasu City but is willing to work as an Independent Contractor to assure that the May election goes smoothly. Supervisor Deal inquired how soon we anticipate hiring an Elections' Director and James Menlove advised there have not been sufficient applications at this time to conduct interviews. Supervisor Deal inquired if Kelly Dastrup would work from here or Lake Havasu City. James Menlove advised she has a laptop computer and can work from home but will also come to the county with prior authorization. **Supervisor Deal made a motion** to approve the Independent Contractor Service Agreement with Kelly Dastrup to provide election related services; motion seconded by Supervisor DeSpain; vote unanimous approving the motion.
- d. Financial status report: James Menlove reported:
- He and the County Manager visited with Auditor General Davenport and the Director of the Audit Division from that office in a very productive meeting and recommitted to work with the Auditor General to bring audits up to date.
 - Ms. Davenport advised that it takes a minimum of five months to complete an audit.
 - The 2005 audit will be completed by September 30th and 2006 will be complete by February 28th. Staff is providing detailed downloads for 2006 and the Auditor General staff already has downloads for 2005.
 - Finance has hired Lauren Sedillo as a budget specialist and is advertising for a senior accounting level position and a purchasing specialist to help Mary Springer who has taken on additional duty of program manager of CDBG projects.

Chairman Tenney recognized the presence of Wendell DeCross and Ruth Ann Smith, Planning and Zoning Commission members.

PUBLIC WORKS:

- a. Consideration and possible approval of Professional Services contract with Environmental Hydrosystems, LTD to provide Navajo County with professional engineering services: Dusty Parsons advised Public Works requests this professional services contract to considerably speed up the septic plan review process. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to approve the Professional Services contract with Environmental Hydrosystems, LTD to provide Navajo County with professional engineering services; motion seconded by Supervisor Deal; vote unanimous approving the motion.
- b. Consideration and possible approval of contract with FM Solutions for professional engineering and architectural services for the South County Vehicle/Equipment wash building: Dusty Parsons advised the City of Show Low requests that these plans be stamped by an electrical engineer and an architect. **Supervisor Deal made a motion** to approve the contract with FM Solutions for professional engineering

and architectural services for the South County Vehicle/Equipment wash building not to exceed \$15,000; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion.

- c. Consideration and possible approval of funding in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 from District IV LTAF II funds to assist the City of Show Low with the purchase of new buses for the Four Seasons Connection rural transit system: Dusty Parsons advised the county has supported this bus system for the last several years and Chairman Tenney requested the board's support in this endeavor. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to approve funding in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 from District IV LTAF II funds to assist the City of Show Low with the purchase of new buses for the Four Seasons Connection rural transit system; motion seconded by Supervisor Deal; vote unanimous approving the motion.
- d. Cholla Lake Bridge Project as related to Five-year Capital Plan:
- i. Consideration and possible approval to modify the current Five Year Capital Plan to allocate funds for Cholla Bridge: Dusty Parsons advised the department has gone out for a Design-Build for this bridge leading to Cholla Power Plant, that what they had originally considered to be a box culvert had turned out to be a bridge. He advised the project may cost approximately \$467,000 and contingencies may add up to over \$650,000. He reported they have money in the capital plan for the OBED Bridge and request moving that funding to Cholla Bridge project. Supervisor DeSpain provided background information regarding this project noting it became a larger project than had originally anticipated; he stated he is amenable to this change. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to modify the current Five Year Capital Plan to allocate funds for Cholla Bridge; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson. Supervisor Deal inquired about the timeline for the bridge project and Mr. Parsons advised it is a fast track project. He stated the bridge has swallow nests and they will take care so this will not slow down the project. He said if this project is approved he will meet with representatives of the Cholla Power Plant and it should be under construction for two months. In response to an inquiry, Supervisor DeSpain advised this bridge is on old highway 66 between Joseph City and the power plant. Vote unanimous approving the motion.
 - ii. Consideration and possible approval to enter into a design-build contract with Meadow Valley Contractors Inc. for the Cholla Lake Bridge Project in an amount not to exceed \$656,540.00: **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to approve entering into a design-build contract with Meadow Valley Contractors Inc. for the Cholla Lake Bridge Project in an amount not to exceed \$656,540.00; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion.
- e. Consideration and possible approval of Professional Services Contract #B07-01-002 for Shumway Road Survey and Legal Description to Arizona Engineering Company not to exceed the amount of \$17,742.00: Dusty Parsons advised this would cover the last mile before applying to State Land to purchase the easement. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to approve Professional Services Contract #B07-01-002 for Shumway Road Survey and Legal Description to Arizona Engineering Company not to exceed the amount of \$17,742.00; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion.
- f. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Consideration and possible approval of Resolution Number _____ - 07 for a Zone Change request by Casa Development, LLC, from A-General to Commercial-Residential, for a portion of parcel 212-17-001C in the Pinetop-Lakeside area: Bill Fraley located this property on a site map stating it is a total parcel size of about 24.3 acres and the Planning Commission approved this action on a 5-2 vote. He discussed letters received in support of and opposed to the project that were provided to the Supervisors. He reviewed the staff report in detail, discussing zoning district, ordinances, reason for the request, changing conditions, engineering, flood control and Planning and Zoning comments. He advised the Developer has indicated that he will prohibit 20 commercial uses by deed restrictions that he considered heavy or obnoxious and reported that in working with Lance Payette they put in a clause that would require any future commercial use such as these identified to go through the Home Owners Association, Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Fraley advised flood control staff had concerns and pointed them out on the map. He advised staff is concerned about the entrances to the development and the developer has expressed a willingness to line up the drives in cooperation with ADOT. Chairman Tenney invited public comment. Wendell DeCross, a member of the Navajo County Planning and Zoning

Commission acting as Vice-Chairman, advised that he and Commissioner Engels voted against this action because the property in the back is A-General and the 300 feet is zoned commercial. He stated that Julian Welch, a homeowner, attended the meeting and expressed concern about his property which Mr. DeCross pointed out on the site map. Mr. DeCross stated he is concerned that commercial zoning would have a negative effect on residential properties and that is the primary reason why he voted against the item. He advised there have been a couple of recent cases where the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended that another type of zoning go deeper than 300' and he is concerned they are setting a precedent. He stated that it is his position that 300' is deep enough. He stated he was pleased to hear about the deed restrictions that rule out some of the heavier commercial properties but he recommends a vote against the zone change. Chuck DiRuzza, a representative of Casa Development thanked the board for their consideration and discussed their willingness to work to address areas of concern. He discussed his cooperation with ADOT who had been on the property several times and the unwillingness of one property owner to cooperate to create the safest access possible, stating the outcome of that is out of Casa Development's control. He said that to address the other issue regarding the depth of the zoning, Casa Development anticipates creating a buffer zone and utilizing the natural buffer of the pond. He discussed the reason driving the depth of the commercial is that if you take 300' off, it would leave a triangle that would limit entry to the residential; that all land planners consulted felt the best application would be to combine this area with the 300' and make it all commercial in an effort to enhance the area. He advised that other property owners have given glowing support of this project. Bill Fraley advised his final comment is a recommendation for approval subject to stipulations that before a permit is issued that traffic impact and drainage issues are worked out. Supervisor Brownlow advised he is glad to hear that deed restrictions will limit the commercial that can go in, which should ease the concern for the neighbor to the north. He stated that the 300' depth should be considered in the future county-wide. He inquired if a right of way would have to be acquired from Mr. Welch to make the traffic light and Mr. DiRuzza advised that about 65% to 70% of the land required would be Mr. Welch's property and Mr. Welch is concerned about the fill that would be required to make the ingress egress safe off the highway, elevation wise. Mr. Parsons confirmed that Navajo County had worked with Pinetop Lakeside regarding the traffic signal and is willing to work with the developer after the traffic engineering study is complete. **Supervisor Brownlow made a motion to approve by Resolution Number 27 - 07 a Zone Change request by Casa Development, LLC, from A-General to Commercial-Residential, for a portion of parcel 212-17-001C in the Pinetop-Lakeside area; motion seconded by Supervisor DeSpain; vote unanimous approving the motion.**

- g. Pine Meadows Country Club II: Bill Fraley located the property on a site map, providing information about neighboring properties. He advised the zone change will impact 202.8 acres. He discussed the staff report related to the zoning, the reason for the request, and engineering, flood control and planning and zoning comments. He advised they obtained a unanimous approval from the Planning and Zoning commission with stipulations. He advised residents expressed density concerns, the need for the expansion of the treatment plant, traffic and flooding control and areas to be paved. He advised the property will be on sewer with the expansion of the treatment plant. He discussed the stipulations that will be in place for the next portion of the project. He stated he had reviewed the floodway and flood plain concerns with the engineer and developer advising as a result of that conversation, those lots impacted will be pulled out or re-designed. He advised the biggest concern is the drainage and staff will require a flood plain study in the Oklahoma Flats and other areas. He reported the developer is considering another access to Highway 260 and will work with ADOT. He described a grade that would impact sight distance that will be addressed in the transportation study. Chairman Tenney invited public comment. Jim Burton, President of the Home Owners' Association, stated he has no problem with the development and recommends approval. He stated they requested the developer tag into their CCRs and the developer agreed to do so. Ruth Ann Smith, resident of Overgaard and Planning and Zoning Commissioner for District IV, addressed the Supervisors, stating she agrees with Mr. Fraley's belief that this project will have a positive impact on this area, it is the highest and best use for this acreage that is incredibly steep land and the sewer system going in will solve the sewer concerns. She commended the developer for recognizing our housing issues, specifically the lack

of affordable housing and multi-resident housing, then incorporating that into their development plan. Wendell DeCross stated he believes this to be an excellent plan yet is concerned about the lack of sidewalks in many subdivisions and areas so he suggests that golf course cart paths be open to walkers in early morning hours. James Porter stated he did own property in the area that has since sold and he is concerned about the new owner when there is a 2-3" rain; that water will run off from the homes and come down the Oklahoma Flats' wash. He stated he is concerned that more thought needs to be put into Flood Control along that area since, at times, a portion of the golf course has been covered with water. He advised that Tom Hieb, who worked in flood control in Navajo County, had pictures of that area showing how much water comes down Oklahoma Flats' wash and this must be addressed. Chairman Tenney reviewed the stipulations contained in the resolution that would address this at the next phase of the project. Homero Vela advised the flood plain retention would be part of addressing the problem as well as creating a conveyance for drainage. He said that with this development there will be adequate conveyance, stating that if you could ask for one type of project to put in a drainage problem area, it would be a golf course. He reported the flood plain study will meet a 100 year conveyance through the development. Lester Mattoon, property owner in Pine Meadows III, stated he also is concerned about the flood plain but is not opposed to project. Jeff Gross stated he is a developer, and the current treasurer of Pine Meadows Home Owners association, and has worked closely to overcome the concerns that have been raised and assured that as they go through the phase submittals those drainage studies will adequately address the concerns. He reported the traffic studies, grading plan and drainage studies are all under way. Dusty Parsons stated the department is aware of the drainage problems and look at this as a good opportunity to address some of the problems experienced in the past.

- i. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Consideration and possible approval of **Resolution Number _____ - 07** for a **Zone Change request by JRJ Meadow Springs from A-General, C-R and R1-10 to Special Development Zoning for APN: 206-25-002Q, 007B, 008A, 020, 035, 037A, 050, 051, 052; 206-27-001A, 007, 018; 206-40-012D, 014A, 014B, 015 in Township 12 North, Range 17 East, Sections 32 and 33 in the Heber-Overgaard area:** Supervisor DeSpain thanked the Planning & Zoning Commission members for being here and providing input. **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to approve **Resolution Number 28- 07** for a Zone Change request by JRJ Meadow Springs from A-General, C-R and R1-10 to Special Development Zoning for APN: 206-25-002Q, 007B, 008A, 020, 035, 037A, 050, 051, 052; 206-27-001A, 007, 018; 206-40-012D, 014A, 014B, 015 in Township 12 North, Range 17 East, Sections 32 and 33 in the Heber-Overgaard area; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion. Chairman Tenney thanked staff.
- ii. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Consideration and possible approval of **Resolution Number _____ - 07** for a **Master Development Site Plan for the proposed "Pine Meadows Country Club II" Development for APN: 206-25-002Q, 007B, 008A, 020, 035, 037A, 050, 051, 052; 206-27-001A, 007, 018; 206-40-012D, 014A, 014B, 015 in Township 12 North, Range 17 East, Sections 32 and 33 in the Heber-Overgaard area:** **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to approve **Resolution Number 29 - 07** for a Master Development Site Plan for the proposed "Pine Meadows Country Club II" Development for APN: 206-25-002Q, 007B, 008A, 020, 035, 037A, 050, 051, 052; 206-27-001A, 007, 018; 206-40-012D, 014A, 014B, 015 in Township 12 North, Range 17 East, Sections 32 and 33 in the Heber-Overgaard area; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson; vote unanimous approving the motion.
- h. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Consideration and possible approval of **Resolution Number _____ -07** for the **proposed Special Use Permit request by Nancy Avery and Eleanor Nauman for the development of an Recreational Vehicle Park on parcel 208-11-008B in Township 11 North, Range 19 East, Sections 11 and 14 in the Clay Springs area:** Telford Chapman oriented the board to the property and discussed the staff report for this property to create the AZ High Country Campground. He reviewed comments as listed in the report submitted to the Board and reviewed the stipulations contained in the resolution. He advised that in the commission hearing, concerns were expressed about access and dust issues. He reviewed the proposed change that would alleviate the access concerns and advised the owner is proposing to cinder the roads within the RV Park to alleviate the dust situation. He reported staff and the Planning and Zoning

Commission recommend approval of this project. Chairman Tenney invited public comments. Wendell DeCross addressed the board advising he is supportive of this project, that steps have been taken to have a minimal impact on the area. Chairman Tenney closed the public hearing. Bill Fraley advised there was a prior RV park in the area and this development is a massive clean up. **Supervisor DeSpain** thanked Mr. DeCross for comments and **made a motion** to approve **Resolution Number 30 -07** for the proposed Special Use Permit request by Nancy Avery and Eleanor Nauman for the development of an Recreational Vehicle Park on parcel 208-11-008B in Township 11 North, Range 19 East, Sections 11 and 14 in the Clay Springs area; motion seconded by Supervisor Brownlow; vote unanimous approving the motion.

- i. **NAVAJO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT: Board of Directors' Session: Supervisor Brownlow made a motion** to enter the Navajo County Flood Control District **Board of Directors' Session**; motion seconded by Supervisor DeSpain; vote unanimous approving the motion.

Presentation of DFIRM—Map modernization: Homer Vela conducted a power point presentation of the DFIRM process and discussed with Supervisors:

- The deadline for this process was moved up to September 2008 and he has submitted a request for it be moved back to the original date of December 2008.
- All levees will be de-certified and it is the responsibility of the local government to re-certify the levee.
- Additional flood plains will be identified and property owners in those areas will be given the opportunity to grandfather flood insurance prior to the maps being issued.
- The Winslow Levee will be de-certified as it is ethically incorrect to re-certify when there have been two piping failures.
- The levee structure list that will be de-certified and the process to re-certify and the impact of the recertification.
- The intention and hopeful partnership with Winslow to re-certify the Ruby Wash Levee and Ruby Wash Diversion Levee.
- A railroad embankment east of Holbrook will be de-certified that would impact approximately three homes.
- PAL is a provisional approval to allow governmental entities to collaborate for two years to recertify the levees.
- Different Flood Zones—Zone A, Zone AE, Zone X (C) shaded, Zone X un-shaded, Zone D with the increased implementation of a Zone D as covering those areas that were previously undetermined but contain possible zone hazards. He advised there is no flood insurance required for a Zone D but if they do obtain it, it is more expensive than if it were a Zone C.
- The reservation is not covered under DFIRM regulations but they could join the flood study program when they would like to do so.

Supervisor DeSpain advised that mortgage companies are reluctant to fund homes in unstudied areas so utilizing Zone D could be an advantage to the prospective home owner even though insurance if purchased may be higher. Mr. Vela advised that the insurance costs he reviewed are for example only, that when the time draws closer they may employ an insurance consultant to work up calculations of cost. He advised the county will partner with the local government entities during this re-certification process and discussed time lines for corrections of maps, appeals, and FEMA map-approved DFIRM as the middle of 2008. He reported he will come back before the Board to further discuss the DFIRM issue. Supervisor Deal inquired if Coconino County is participating in this process and Homero Vela advised they are, as is every county in the State of Arizona. He reported Navajo County is ranked #2 in miles of levees in the State, only behind Maricopa County. Supervisor Deal requested that the reference to the maps should include that the three Indian Reservations are not included because they opted not to participate. Supervisor Deal encouraged that a similar program take place on the Navajo Indian Reservation through education of those within the Nation since they elected not to participate. He advised there is not enough data available to help correct crossings of washes. Homero Vela stated he would meet with Brian Cosson and hopefully come up with a plan to

address this. Supervisor Thompson inquired if there is a way we can begin to help these communities without flood studies to justify funding to correct issues or re-establish or rebuild dikes in the area. Dusty Parsons advised there is a critical lack of information; these studies have cost hundreds of thousands of dollars over decades and some drainage areas run hundreds of miles rather than a few miles, making studies much more complicated than fewer miles. He advised the expense would be prohibitive. Supervisor Thompson reported that they have included in the request to Congressman Renzi support for funding to address Bird Springs flooding and it may be necessary to include a request for funding to address the gathering of information on the Nation. Supervisors thanked Homero Vela for his dedication to this project.

BOARD BUSINESS: Supervisors reported on legislative issues, including telecommunications on the reservation that will impact their districts, and discussed activities within their districts. Supervisor Deal thanked Chairman Tenney and Dusty Parsons for representing the Board at Pinon as well as theirs and the County Manager's support during the recent Extreme Home Makeover project that came about as the result of an enterprising young man's science project that benefitted his family.

At 12:25 p.m., **Supervisor DeSpain made a motion** to adjourn; motion seconded by Supervisor Thompson, vote unanimous approving the motion.

APPROVED:

DATE:

David Tenney, Chairman

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board