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PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR SESSION
MINUTES
Wednesday, March 19, 2025
9:34 AM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Stephen Q. Miller
Supervisor, District 3

Vice-Chairman Jeffrey McClure
Supervisor, District 4

Rich Vitiello
Supervisor, District 1

Mike Goodman
Supervisor, District 2

Jeff Serdy
Supervisor, District 5

PINAL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING ROOM
135 N. PINAL STREET
FLORENCE, AZ 85132

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Chairman Miller offered for the Invocation by PCSO Chaplain Joe Samoge and the pledge of allegiance by Supervisor Vitiello.

The Pinal County Board of Supervisors convened at 9:34 a.m. this date. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Miller with the announcement Supervisor Goodman is absent, and due to a scheduling conflict Item 15 will be heard after the Purchasing Division Report.

Members Present: Chairman Stephen Q. Miller; Vice-Chairman Jeffrey McClure; Supervisor Rich Vitiello; Supervisor Jeff Serdy

Members Absent: Supervisor Mike Goodman

Staff Present: County Manager, Leo Lew; Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney, Sherry Leckrone; Clerk of the Board, Natasha Kennedy and Deputy Clerk of the Board, Kelsey Pickard

(1) County Manager's Report (Information Only). (Leo Lew)

Leo Lew, County Manager County Manager provided the following update(s); discussed the importance of employee wellness and health programs, and highlighted the recent Wellness Fair, followed by Video.

Item Action: Information Only

(2) Supervisor District update(s) regarding notable current or upcoming events concerning the district (Information Only). (Stephen Q. Miller)

Supervisor Vitiello provided the following District #1 update(s): shared his experiences as a new supervisor, highlighting various meetings and events recently attended to better understand the needs of his District; Maricopa City Council Meeting, Queen Creek Council Meeting, Coolidge City Council Meeting, Pinal Partnership, Thunderbird Farms Community Meeting on fire, Pinal County Fair, Chamber of Commerce, Renaissance Festival, Hidden Valley Thunderbird Farms Special Meeting, and on Friday will be attending the ADOT Meeting.

Vice-Chairman McClure provided the following District #4 update(s): Public Works Waste Pickup Event in Arizona City this weekend from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Supervisor Serdy provided the following District #5 update(s): highlighted festival season; Lost Dutchman Days in Apache Junction, Pioneer Days in Kearny, Heritage Days in Queen Creek, Apache Leap Days in Superior, and the Mining Festival March 28th through 30th, spoke regarding the County's involvement in tourism and mentioned an upcoming Interview on Channel 15 Friday morning covering the northern part of the County, featuring the Renaissance Festival and more.

Chairman Miller provided the following District #3 update(s): District #3 Town Hall Meeting is on April 15th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., the Code Revision Project we are looking to hold public meetings at the end of summer/fall, and look forward to working with the community as we move forward.

Item Action: Information Only

(3) Discussion and update(s) regarding the 2025 state and federal legislative session, including bills, budget proposals, committee hearings, and pending or proposed upcoming legislation requests from Board of Supervisor members, state or federal legislators, or their staff in attendance. (Stephen Q. Miller/Dana Lewis)

Chairman Miller provided the following legislative update(s): advised it is crossover week, noting in April we will have a better idea of survivals of the legislature.

Dana Lewis, Recorder appeared before the Board and provided the following legislative update(s): it is the 65th day of the 57th legislature's first Regular Session, Governor Hobbs has signed the first bill, House Bill 2688 relating to taxes. Spoke regarding progress of various bills, two of them are notable elections bills SB 1040 recall timeline, and SB 1041 with the deadline for those bills to be heard in the second chamber March 28th.

Chairman Miller emphasized the cost and amount of time spent on defense, much of this legislation coming down is without funding, which means we are going to have to ask constituents to fund it, or decrease services somewhere else.

Item Action: Information Only

(4) Updates related to the Elections Department and County Recorder, focusing on recent activities, upcoming initiatives, and essential information. (Dana Lewis)

Dana Lewis, Recorder appeared before the Board and provided the following update(s): a Special Election Proclamation was made by Governor Hobbs on March 14th due to the vacancy following the death of District 7, Congressman Raúl Grijalva. Outlined the steps for the Special Election, including voter registration deadlines and early ballot mailing, and emphasized the importance of the 90-day notice for voters and the efforts to ensure a smooth election process. Election Day is July 15, 2025, and we are requesting the Board of Supervisors Canvass on July 23, 2025, for submission to the Arizona Secretary of State, and encouraged everyone to visit the Elections or Votes website for additional information. Last the Elections Procedure Manuel (EPM) updates were submitted yesterday to the Secretary of State's Office, Electronic Adjudication Information Session was completed video forthcoming, and spoke regarding continuing efforts following the Reprecincting Work Session held with the Board on March 13, 2025.

Discussion held regarding Congressional District 7, precinct boundaries and just over 4,000 voters will be affected by the Special Election by the following Board Member and Staff; Vice-Chairman McClure, and Dana Lewis.

Chairman Miller expressed his deepest sympathy to the family of Congressman Raúl Grijalva, recognizing he served his constituents well, and thanked him for his service to the State of Arizona.

Item Action: Information Only

(5) Presentation of Certificates of Service to employees for 20, 25, and 30 years. (Leo Lew)

Leo Lew, County Manager presented Certificates of Years of Service.

John Fuery, Chief Probation Officer appeared before the Board and spoke in recognition of Amanda Gill's years of service and dedication.

Amanda Gill, Probation Division Manager appeared before the Board, thanked the Board for recognizing her, and highlighted the honor it has been to work in Adult Probation.

Douglas Wolf, Assessor appeared before the Board and spoke in recognition of Rosario Andrade's years of service and dedication.

Rosario Andrade, Customer Service Specialist Senior appeared before the Board and expressed her gratitude.

Rebecca Padilla, Clerk of the Court appeared before the Board and spoke in recognition of Odette Apodaca's years of service and dedication.

Odette Apodaca, Deputy Chief Clerk appeared before the Board and expressed her gratitude to all County Leadership.

Joe Ortiz, Development Services Managing Director, Brent Billingsley, Community Development Director, and James Allen, Building Official and Fire Marshall appeared before the Board and spoke in recognition of Ron Delzer's years of service and dedication.

Ron Delzer, Plans Examiner Lead appeared before the Board and expressed his gratitude.

Captain Darrin Rushing and Sheriff Ross Teeple appeared before the Board and spoke in recognition of Phillip Ortega's years of service and dedication.

Philip Ortega, Sheriff's Office Detention Aide appeared before the Board and expressed his gratitude.

Item Action: Information Only

(6) Presentation to Acknowledge Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney Chris Keller for his dedicated service and contributions to Pinal County. (Stephen Q. Miller)

Chairman Miller spoke in recognition of Chris Keller, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney for his dedication, service, and leadership to Pinal County.

Leo Lew, County Manager spoke in recognition of Chris Keller for being a Pinal County Champion highlighting; accomplishments, bringing growth to the County, judgment on legal matters, risk assessment, legal solutions to accomplish goals, and positive impacts made.

Gina Godbehere, Chief Criminal Deputy County Attorney appeared before the Board and spoke in recognition of Chris Keller’s hard work, dedication, lasting impact, and highlighted; his service to Maricopa County Attorney’s Office, Pinal County Attorney’s Office, and implementation of the Civil Deputies Association statewide.

Leo Lew presented a photograph slideshow in recognition of Chris Keller’s work and projects with Pinal County.

Chris Keller, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney appeared before the Board and provided historical knowledge of how he came to work in Arizona and then Pinal County, expressed his gratitude to the Board, County Management, and County Attorney Staff, noting it has been an honor to serve.

Vice-Chairman McClure spoke in recognition of Chris Keller for his service and advice.

Supervisor Serdy spoke in recognition of Chris Keller for his guidance and knowledge.

Supervisor Vitiello spoke in recognition of Chris Keller who during the last election season, spent a year and a half speaking to me prior to being elected to serve as Supervisor for District #1, and wished him well on his retirement.

Item Action: Information Only

(7) Discussion/approval/disapproval of a Proclamation recognizing the week of April 5, 2025, through April 11, 2025, as "Week of the Young Child." Proclamation to be read into the record by Jessica Morehead, Chair, First Things First Pinal Regional Partnership Council. (Natasha Kennedy)

Jessica Morehead, Chair First Things First appeared before the Board and introduced the item.

Item Action: Approved

Motion Made By: Supervisor Vitiello Seconded By: Supervisor McClure

To approve a Proclamation recognizing the week of April 5, 2025, through April 11, 2025, as "Week of the Young Child."

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

Jessica Morehead read the "Week of the Young Child" Proclamation into the Record.

Annette Lopez, First Things First appeared before the Board, expressed gratitude for the Board's ongoing commitment to the wellbeing of children everywhere, advised of the four upcoming events being hosted by Pinal Early Childhood Coalition, and stated these events shall be emailed to Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board for proper distribution.

(8) Purchasing Division Report - March 19, 2025. (Angeline Woods)

Angeline Woods, Office of Budget and Finance Director appeared before the Board and presented.

Item Action: Approved

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Vitiello

To approve the Purchasing Division Report as presented.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

10:39 a.m. – Chairman Miller called Item 15 out of order following the Purchasing Division Report as previously indicated.

10:47 a.m. – Chairman Miller returned to Item 9.

(9) CONSENT ITEMS:

All items indicated by an asterisk (*) will be handled by a single vote as part of the consent agenda, unless a Board Member, County Manager, or member of the public objects at the time the agenda item is called.

Chairman Miller announced he has requested to pull Items BE and BF, Supervisor Vitiello has requested to pull Item G, and asked if there were any requests from a Board Member, staff or the audience to remove any additional consent agenda items for discussion.

Roberto Reveles, Gold Canyon pulled Items BB, BC, and BD.

Item Action: Approved Consent Agenda Items A through BG, Minus G, BB, BC, BD, BE, and BF

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Vitiello

To approve Consent Agenda Items A through BG, Minus G, BB, BC, BD, BE, and BF.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

* A. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Minutes from February 19, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors. (Natasha Kennedy)

* B. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the current billings before the Board. (Natasha Kennedy)

* C. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor License and Control for the Special Event License Application of Chris Johnson, for the Sinister Night Rides Event to be held at the San Tan Mountain Regional Park, located at 6533 W. Phillips Rd., Arizona on Friday, April 25, 2025, from 7:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. Additionally, authorizing the Clerk of the Board to execute and submit all necessary documents to the State. Supervisor District #1. (Natasha Kennedy)

* D. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor License and Control of application, series 009 Liquor Store, of Ryan Witner Anderson for Winco Foods #175 located at 1700 W. Hunt Highway, San Tan Valley, AZ 85143 and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute and submit all necessary documents to the State. Supervisor District #2. (Natasha Kennedy)

* E. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the Fireworks Display Permit application of Pyrotek Special Effects, Inc. on behalf of Hardy at Country Thunder for supervised fireworks display to be held on Saturday, April 12, 2025, at 20585 E. Water Way, Florence, Arizona 85132. Supervisor District #5. (Natasha Kennedy)

* F. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the appointment/reappointments of the following individuals to the Merit System Commission:

- Celina Dagnino, Florence, AZ 85132. Term of Service will be March 20, 2025, through May 7, 2025. Appointment by Vice-Chairman McClure. Supervisor District #4.
- Robert Huddleston, Casa Grande, AZ 85122. Term of Service will be June 23, 2025, through June 22, 2029. Reappointment by Chairman Miller. Supervisor District #3.
- Gilbert Cancio, Apache Junction, AZ 85120. Term of Service will be May 8, 2025, through May 7, 2029. Reappointment by Supervisor Serdy. Supervisor District #5. (Natasha Kennedy)

Item G Pulled from Consent Agenda

* G. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Supervisor Vitiello's appointment of Thomas Scott II, Coolidge, AZ 85128 to the Planning & Zoning Commission, term of service will be from March 20, 2025, through March 19, 2029. Supervisor District #1. (Natasha Kennedy)

Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board introduced the item.

Supervisor Vitiello spoke in recognition of his appointment of Thomas Scott II to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Item Action: Approved Consent Agenda Item G

Motion Made By: Supervisor Vitiello Seconded By: Supervisor McClure

To approve Consent Agenda Item G.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

* H. Discussion/approval/disapproval to direct Pinal County Treasurer to issue a replacement check in the amount of $202.40 to Maria T. Seballos Rollins in accordance with A.R.S. 11-644. Original Check No. 0293518227 dated December 12, 2023, was never cashed and is now stale dated. (Natasha Kennedy)

* I. Discussion/approval/disapproval to direct Pinal County Treasurer to issue a replacement check in the amount of $133.50 to Angeline J. Woods in accordance with A.R.S. 11-644. Original Check No. 0293511725 dated August 3, 2023, was never cashed and is now stale dated. (Natasha Kennedy)

* J. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the Air Quality Monitoring Site Agreement between Pinal County Air Quality and J.O. Combs Unified School District #44. The agreement will allow Pinal County Air Quality to continue to operate monitoring equipment at the J.O. Combs Unified School District #44, located at 301 E. Combs Rd., San Tan Valley. The contract will expire March 19, 2030. Supervisor District #2. (Anu Jain/Himanshu Patel)

* K. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Award Agreement #1371 under the Arizona Companion Animal Pet Plate Voucher Program between the State of Arizona and Pinal County through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors, beginning January 31, 2025, ending August 1, 2025, for $10,000. This grant will be used by Pinal County Animal Care and Control to help citizens of Pinal County get their pets altered. The funding is included in the current budget. (Audra Michael/MaryEllen Sheppard)

* L. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Award Agreement #1372 under the Arizona Companion Animal Pet Plate TNR Program between the State of Arizona and Pinal County, through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors, beginning January 30, 2025, ending August 1, 2025, for $9,500. This grant will be used by Animal Care and Control to spay and neuter community cats. The funding is included in the current budget. (Audra Michael/MaryEllen Sheppard)

* M. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the Public Housing Authority (PHA) certifications of compliance with the 2025 Public Housing Annual Agency Plan and Board Resolution No. 031925-PCHA to accompany the Plan submittal to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Public and Indian Housing. (Rolanda Cephas/Cathryn Whalen)

* N. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-PCLD, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program for $68,228.44. This grant will be used by the Library District to purchase forty (40) laptops and appropriate software for computer labs at Arizona City Community Library and San Tan Valley Library. Supervisor Districts #2 and #4. (Shawn Flecken/Cathryn Whalen)

* O. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-AAI, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Against Abuse, Inc. is requesting $105,826 for motel-based crisis shelter services. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* P. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-HHW, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Horizon Health and Wellness is requesting $350,000 for electronic health record upgrade. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* Q. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-HOHP, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Honoring Hiring Helping Our Heroes of Pinal County is requesting $74,000 for exterior upgrades to the Transition Center. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* R. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-LEAF, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, A New Leaf is requesting $50,000 for housing stability services. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* S. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-RESTORE, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Restoretolife is requesting $437,400 to provide employment assistance for recently incarcerated persons and teach children to play chess. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* T. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-W2W, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Woman 2 Woman is requesting $500,000 for an empowerment program for women. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* U. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-AAI2, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Against Abuse, Inc. is requesting $121,054.50 for solar panels for the Maricopa shelter. Supervisor District #1. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* V. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-FORM, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, FOR Maricopa is requesting $110,000 to expand access to fresh food. Supervisor Districts #1 and #2. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* W. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-PANTRY, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Maricopa Pantry is requesting $50,000 for the phase two construction of the MVCC church complex. Supervisor Districts #1 and #3. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* X. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-MANES, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Manes and Miracles is requesting $45,900 for scholarships for physical therapy and adaptive riding for disabled children. Supervisor District #2. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* Y. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-IBBB, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Itty Bitty Bottle Babies, Inc. is requesting $10,000 for Save 'Em All spay and neutering of feral cats. Supervisor District #3. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* Z. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-PCVMF, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Pinal County Veterans Memorial Foundation is requesting $111,755 for the landscaping of the Memorial Park. Supervisor District #3. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* AA. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-PINAL, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Pets In Need Action League is requesting $10,000 for spay and neutering of dogs and cats. Supervisor District #3. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* AB. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-RFRD, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Regional Fire & Rescue Department, Inc. is requesting $76,415 to replace equipment and facility maintenance. Supervisor District #3. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* AC. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-SLFHC, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Sun Life Family Health Center is requesting $128,000 for an x- ray machine for the Casa Grande healthcare campus. Supervisor District #3. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* AD. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-UMCCG, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, United Methodist Church of Casa Grande is requesting $5,000 for the creation of a community garden. Supervisor District #3. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* AE. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-MOOSE, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Arizona City Moose Family Center #1038 is requesting $149,468 for a kitchen remodel and fire suppression system. Supervisor District #4. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* AF. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-AJUSD, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Apache Junction Unified School District is requesting $21,907 for the resurfacing of the Peralta Trails Elementary School pickleball court. Supervisor District #5. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* AG. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-BEGIN, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program and for Pinal County to serve as the fiscal agent. The applicant, Begin Again Homes is requesting $213,680 for an eviction prevention program. Supervisor District #5. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* AH. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Subrecipient Agreement 23-AZDOHS-HSGP-230307-01 Amendment #2 under the Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) Grant Program, and Pinal County, through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors, to extend the grant beginning October 1, 2023, ending June 30, 2025, for $75,000, and authorize the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding, which outlines the financial reporting requirements in the Subrecipient Agreement Amendment #2. The grant will be used by the Office of Emergency Management for an elections security exercise. Acceptance requires an amendment to the FY 24/25 budget to transfer reserve appropriation from Fund 213 (Grants/Project Contingency) to Fund 196 (Emergency Management) to increase revenue and expenditure appropriations. (Kore Redden/Merissa Mendoza)

* AI. Discussion/approval/disapproval to accept Award Package #3 under the Federally Declared Disasters under the Public Assistance grant program between Arizona Department of Military Affairs and Pinal County, through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors beginning agreement January 20, 2020, ending agreement May 11, 2023, for $42,256.84, and authorize Emergency Manager, Kore Redden to execute the Agreement on behalf of the County. This grant was used by the Office of Emergency Management to reimburse the department for costs due to COVID-19. (AD24-001A) (Kore Redden/Joe Ortiz)

* AJ. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Right of Way License Agreement between Pinal County and Trepic Networks, LLC for the installation of fiber optic in county right of way. (GA24-030) (Megan Villegas/Joe Ortiz)

* AK. Discussion/approval/disapproval of an Amended Final Plat for San Tan 320 Parcels 9-13. Supervisor District #1. (FP21-041) (Muhannad Zubi/Joe Ortiz)

* AL. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-133 authorizing the sale of County owned right of way known as Rahma Street located in Section 18, Township 4 South, Range 2 East. Supervisor District #1. (RD24-133) (Celeste Garza/Joe Ortiz)

* AM. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-128 releasing the current financial assurance Subdivision Improvement Performance Bond No. 609204214, associated with San Tan Groves Parcel B, and accepting the Ten Percent Guarantee Bond Maintenance Bond No. SURU 2210006767, located in Sections 2 and 3, Township 3 South, Range 7 East. Supervisor Districts #1 and #2. (RD24-128) (Christopher Wanamaker/Joe Ortiz)

* AN. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-129 releasing the current financial assurance Subdivision Improvement Performance Bond No. 609204239, associated with San Tan Groves Parcel A, and accepting the Ten Percent Guarantee Bond Maintenance Bond No. SURU 2210006766, located in Sections 2 and 3, Township 3 South, Range 7 East. Supervisor Districts #1 and #2. (RD24-129) (Christopher Wanamaker/Joe Ortiz)

* AO. Discussion/approval/disapproval of a Final Plat for Skyline Ranch Retail. Supervisor District #2. (FP24-026) (Muhannad Zubi/Joe Ortiz)

* AP. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-125 accepting a Drainage Easement from Hunt Highway Partners LLC, an Arizona limited liability company. Supervisor District #2. (RD24-125) (Celeste Garza/Joe Ortiz)

* AQ. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-126 releasing the Ten Percent Guarantee Bond Maintenance Bond No. 024267971, associated with Bella Vista Farms Parcels E&F-Parcel 5, located in Section 16, Township 3 South, Range 8 East. Supervisor District #2. (RD24-126) (Christopher Wanamaker/Joe Ortiz)

* AR. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-127 releasing the Ten Percent Guarantee Bond Maintenance Bond No. 024267972, associated with Bella Vista Farms Parcels E&F-Parcel 2, located in Section 16, Township 3 South, Range 8 East. Supervisor District #2. (RD24-127) (Christopher Wanamaker/Joe Ortiz)

* AS. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-132 accepting Drainage Easement from Z-Modular San Tan Flatz 480, LLC., a Delaware limited liability company (Grantor) to Pinal County, a political subdivision of the State of Arizona (Grantee). Supervisor District #2. (RD24-132) (Celeste Garza/Joe Ortiz)

* AT. Discussion/approval/disapproval of a Final Plat for Silver Cross Parcel - A. Supervisor District #4. (FP21-067) (Muhannad Zubi/Joe Ortiz)

* AU. Discussion/approval/disapproval of a Final Plat for Silver Cross Parcel - R. Supervisor District #4. (FP21-079) (Muhannad Zubi/Joe Ortiz)

* AV. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-130 releasing the current financial assurance Subdivision Improvement Performance Bond No. 7901116880, associated with Bella Vista Trails – Unit 2, and accepting the Ten Percent Guarantee Bond Maintenance Bond No. 30238294, located in Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 8 East. Supervisor District #4. (RD24-130) (Christopher Wanamaker/Joe Ortiz)

* AW. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-RD24-131 releasing the current financial assurance Subdivision Improvement Performance Bond No. 354070, associated with Bella Vista Trails – Unit 1, and accepting the Ten Percent Guarantee Bond Maintenance Bond No. 30238293, located in Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 8 East. Supervisor District #4. (RD24-131) (Christopher Wanamaker/Joe Ortiz)

* AX. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Large Special Event Permit/Application SEP-028-24: Country Thunder Arizona Music Festival 2025, with the contingencies as follows: ADOT ROW Use Permit, Town of Florence ROW Use Permit, Certificate of Insurance, PCSO Off-Duty Agreement: Executed Contract, Arizona Department of Liquor License & Control: Permit & Plan, Permit for Fireworks Display (Pyrotechnics), Building Permit(s), Finalized Flood Use Permit, and fulfillment of applicable fees. The event is sponsored by Country Thunder West, LLC. To be held on various parcels within the unincorporated area of Florence. Event dates April 9, 2025, through April 13, 2025. Supervisor District #5. (Valerie Lujan/Brent Billingsley)

* AY. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-PCAO, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application for the Gila River Indian Community Shared Revenue Program for $200,000. This grant will be used by the Pinal County Attorney's Office to purchase security systems and equipment to enhance areas around Pinal County with a Real Life Crime Center in partnership with local law enforcement agencies. (Brad Miller)

* AZ. Discussion/approval/disapproval for Deputy James Petros #1192 who retired from the Pinal County Sheriff's Office (PCSO), effective October 31, 2024. Deputy Petros has requested that, in compliance with established precedence and protocol, he be permitted to purchase his PCSO issued duty weapon(s) identified as Glock 17 at $25 and Colt AR15 at $330. Fair market value for Glock is approximately $420 and Fair market value for the Colt AR15 is $330. Purchase of issued weapon(s) upon retirement is also in compliance with A.R.S. 38-1115A which allows a law enforcement officer upon his/her retirement to purchase his/her issued duty weapon(s) at a price determined by the administrator of the agency. (Ross Teeple)

* BA. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Pinal County on behalf of the Sheriff's Office (PCSO) and the Town of Florence on behalf of the Florence Police Department (FPD) for participation in canine training. The purpose of the IGA is to permit certified peace officers from PCSO and FPD to participate in or receive Police Service Canine (PSC) training sponsored or conducted by PCSO. (Ross Teeple)

Item BB Pulled from Consent Agenda

* BB. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-GRIC-PCSO, a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Gila River Indian Community, Revenue Sharing Program for $259,801.15. This funding will be used by the Pinal County Sheriff's Office Traffic Unit to purchase public safety equipment, which includes, two new Chevy Tahoes with towing capabilities, two drones, crash data kits and cables, safety traffic cones, radar and LIDAR equipment including training to be certified to train others. (Ross Teeple)

Items BB, BC, and BD will be discussed together.

Roberto Reveles, Gold Canyon appeared before the Board and spoke regarding Agenda Items BB, BC, and BD, and the need to look more critically at the judgment exercised within the Sheriff's Office.

Noel Reck, City of Eloy appeared before the Board and spoke in opposition of Item BC.

Tom Bean, Casa Grande appeared before the Board and spoke in opposition of Item BC.

Ross Teeple, Sheriff appeared before the Board and provided clarification for Item BC this is a replacement armored vehicle for the department which provides protection of staff and the citizens.

Discussion held regarding the request for an additional armored vehicle; utilization for urban police work, defensive shield, and maintenance by the following Board Member and Staff; Supervisor Serdy and Ross Teeple.

Item Action: Approved Consent Agenda Item BB

Motion Made By: Supervisor Vitiello Seconded By: Supervisor Serdy

To approve Consent Agenda Item BB.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

Item BC Pulled from Consent Agenda

* BC. Discussion/approval/disapproval to submit a grant application to the Arizona Department of Homeland Security, State Homeland Security Grant Program for $416,232. This grant will be used by the Sheriff's Office to purchase an armored vehicle. (Ross Teeple)

Discussion held under Consent Agenda Item BB.

Item Action: Approved Consent Agenda Item BC

Motion Made By: Supervisor Vitiello Seconded By: Supervisor McClure

To approve Consent Agenda Item BC.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

Item BD Pulled from Consent Agenda

* BD. Discussion/approval/disapproval to submit a grant application to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission FY2026 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program for an amount not to exceed $550,000, 25% match is required. This grant will be used by the Pinal County Sheriff's Office Re-Entry Program to provide individual or group medically assisted substance abuse treatment activities for inmates in jails, local correctional facilities, and reentry services. (Ross Teeple)

Discussion held under Consent Agenda Item BB.

Item Action: Approved Consent Agenda Item BD

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Serdy

To approve Consent Agenda Item BD.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

Items BE and BF Pulled from Consent Agenda

* BE. Discussion/approval/disapproval of abatement of 2020-2021 taxes pursuant to A.R.S. 42-18351.1 and A.R.S. 42-18352.D, for parcel 502-47-006D2. Parcel is USA in Trust for Ak-Chin Indian Community and should be exempt. Assessor's has corrected 2022 taxes forward as applicable. Prior years requires Board of Supervisor's approval for abatement. Supervisor District #1. (Diane Power/Michael McCord)

* BF. Discussion/approval/disapproval of abatement of 2020-2021 taxes pursuant to A.R.S. 42-18351.1 and A.R.S. 42-18352.D, for parcel 502-47-007B5. Parcel is USA in Trust for Ak-Chin Indian Community and should be exempt. Assessor's has corrected 2022 taxes forward as applicable. Prior years requires Board of Supervisor's approval for abatement. Supervisor District #1. (Diane Power/Michael McCord)

Consent Agenda Items BE and BF will be discussed together.

Chairman Miller spoke regarding his request to pull Items BE and BF and due to additional questions arising, requested a motion to convene in Executive Session for legal ramifications.

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Serdy

To convene into Executive Session for Consent Agenda Items BE and BF.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

11:24 a.m. – Chairman Miller recessed Executive Session and reconvened the Pinal County Board of Supervisors Meeting.

Chairman Miller advised he did not get the response to his questions and requested to continue these items.

Item Action: Continued Consent Agenda Items BE and BF to April 2, 2025, Board Meeting

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Serdy

To continue Consent Agenda Items BE and BF to April 2, 2025, Board Meeting.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

* BG. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the request by the Hon. Patricia Glover, Western Pinal Justice of the Peace, for the appointment of Christa Beavers as Justice of the Peace Pro Tempore. Request by Hon. Ellie Brown, Copper Corridor Justice of the Peace, for the appointment of Darenda Day as Justice of the Peace Pro Tempore. Said appointments will be made by the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court upon approval of the Board of Supervisors. (Hon. Patricia Glover/Hon. Ellie Brown)

(10) Meeting of the Pinal County Flood Control District Board of Directors. (Christopher Wanamaker/Joe Ortiz)

Chairman Miller recessed the Pinal County Board of Supervisors Meeting and convened the Pinal County Flood Control District Board of Directors Meeting.

Item Action: Convened into the Pinal County Flood Control District Board Agenda

Chairman Miller adjourned the Pinal County Flood Control District Board of Directors Meeting.

(11) Meeting of the Pinal County Library District Board of Directors. (Shawn Flecken/Cathryn Whalen)

Chairman Miller convened as the Pinal County Library District Board of Directors Meeting.

Item Action: Convened into the Pinal County Library District Board Agenda

Chairman Miller adjourned the Pinal County Library District Board of Directors Meeting.

(12) Meeting of the Pinal County Public Health Services District Board of Directors. (Merissa Mendoza/MaryEllen Sheppard)

Chairman Miller convened as the Pinal County Public Health Services District Board of Directors Meeting.

Item Action: Convened into the Pinal County Public Health Services District Board Agenda

Chairman Miller adjourned the Pinal County Public Health Services District Board of Directors Meeting and reconvened the Pinal County Board of Supervisors Meeting.

(13) Call to the Public— A "call to the public" is the time period for members of the public to address the Board of Supervisors to provide public input relating to subject matter within the Board of Supervisors authority or jurisdiction. Those wishing to address the Board of Supervisors need not request permission in advance. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling it for further consideration and decision at a later date.
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The following members of the public appeared before the Board and spoke:

- Regarding Brad Miller, County Attorney's policies, highlighted concerns surrounding education, and expressed the need to critically examine claims about government control and the interpretation of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) policies; Dea Podhjasky, Apache Junction.
- Expressed condolences for Congressman Raúl Grijalva, spoke regarding concerns; Project 2025, the Federation of Americans for Immigration Reform (FAIR) and former Sheriff, Mark Lamb who is the FAIR Law Enforcement Advisor, urged Pinal County not to enter into any affiliation with this group, and inquired regarding where the County stands, and for the Record provided handouts to the Clerk of the Board; Noel Reck, Eloy.
- Thanked Chris Keller, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney for ensuring a legal playing field between Pinal County Government and critics, and criticized the hypocrisy of local and federal racism and called for a fight against continued racism; Roberto Reveles, Gold Canyon.

Item Action: Public Comments

(14) **Public Hearing** and discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 031925-AQ, a Resolution pursuant to Title 49 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, adopting proposed changes to local air quality rules. The changes include revisions to surface coating and gasoline dispensing rules and a negative declaration for other sources, applicable to the 2015 ozone nonattainment area. If approved, the proposed changes will be submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency through the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality as elements of the Arizona State Implementation Plan. Required notices have been published, posted and e-mailed, and the full text of the proposed changes was published online on January 22, 2025. The Board may choose to adopt the Resolution, approving all, part or none of the proposed changes. (Anu Jain/Himanshu Patel)

Rupesh Patel, Air Quality Planning Manager appeared before the Board and presented.

Discussion held regarding general housekeeping compliance, nonattainment status verse attainment, and continuous ozone monitoring by the following Board Member and Staff; Vice-Chairman McClure, and Rupesh Patel.

Chairman Miller opened the Public Hearing, and asked if members of the public are present in the audience who wish to address the Board to come forward at this time.

The following members of the public appeared before the Board and spoke:

- Inquired regarding what is being done proactively with two additional gas stations being built in Gold Canyon; Roberto Reveles, Gold Canyon.
- Inquired regarding how the County would handle air quality regulations if the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is rendered useless or dismantled under the current administration; Noel Reck, Eloy.

Rupesh Patel further presented regarding EPA regulatory framework for dispensing and storage of gasoline, which are federally enforceable conditions, acknowledging that all county gasoline service stations must abide by the same rules regardless of new or existing operations.

Anu Jain, Air Quality Director appeared before the Board and presented regarding concerns about EPA regulations and nonattainment status, emphasizing the commitment to work with all agencies to address these environmental concerns and seek scientific understanding of the changing pollutant levels.

Further discussion held regarding reaching attainment status, the significant economic and regulatory impacts of failing to meet EPA air quality standards, Federal Transportation Funding, Industrial and Business Expansion, nitrogen oxide decrease, volatile organic compounds increase, the importance of working with regulatory agencies to find flexible solutions and maintain the region's economic development potential by the following Board Members and Staff; Chairman Miller, Vice-Chairman McClure, Leo Lew, County Manager, and Anu Jain.

12:04 p.m. - Supervisor Vitiello left the dais.

Chairman Miller closed the Public Hearing.

Item Action: Approved

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Serdy

To approve Resolution No. 031925-AQ, a Resolution pursuant to Title 49 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, adopting proposed changes to local air quality rules. The changes include revisions to surface coating and gasoline dispensing rules and a negative declaration for other sources, applicable to the 2015 ozone nonattainment area. If approved, the proposed changes will be submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency through the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality as elements of the Arizona State Implementation Plan. Required notices have been published, posted and e-mailed, and the full text of the proposed changes was published online on January 22, 2025. The Board may choose to adopt the Resolution, approving all, part or none of the proposed changes.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy (3)

Absent: Goodman, Vitiello (2)

10:39 a.m. – Chairman Miller called Item 15 out of order following the Purchasing Division Report as previously indicated.

(15) Discussion/approval/disapproval of a support letter to the Arizona Department of Transportation to include improvements to the State Route 347 in their five-year plan. (Rich Vitiello)

Supervisor Vitiello introduced the item.

Mayor Nancy Smith, City of Maricopa appeared before the Board and spoke in support of improvements to State Route 347, emphasizing the critical need for safety improvements and regional cooperation in addressing traffic challenges.

Council Member AnnaMarie Knorr, City of Maricopa appeared before the Board, emphasized the regional need to expand State Route 347, and continued collaborative action.

Supervisor Vitiello stressed the road's significance as a critical safety issue that has been a priority for local leaders for many years, the City of Maricopa's portion of this road and its overpass have already been funded, with a goal for ADOT to include this project in their five-year plan, with a deeply personal motivation to prevent future accidents and save lives.

Discussion held regarding State Route 347 and ADOT five-year plan by the following Board Members; Chairman Miller, and Supervisor Vitiello.

Item Action: Approved

Motion Made By: Supervisor Vitiello Seconded By: Supervisor McClure

To approve a support letter to the Arizona Department of Transportation to include improvements to the State Route 347 in their five-year plan.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

10:47 a.m. – Chairman Miller returned to Item 9.

12:06 p.m. - Supervisor Vitiello returned to the dais.

(16) Discussion/approval/disapproval of the funding for the recommended increase in Pinal County Health Benefits of 7% for Medical and Pharmacy Plans and 4% for Vision plans in FY 2025 - 2026 to promote a consistent county contribution among all plans within legal and system limits. (Angeline Woods/MaryEllen Sheppard)

Angeline Woods, Office of Budget and Finance Director appeared before the Board and presented.

Discussion held regarding increased costs in benefits and funding by the following Board Member and Staff; Vice-Chairman McClure and Angeline Woods.

Item Action: Approved

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Vitiello

To approve the funding for the recommended increase in Pinal County Health Benefits of 7% for Medical and Pharmacy Plans and 4% for Vision plans in FY 2025 - 2026 to promote a consistent county contribution among all plans within legal and system limits.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

(17) Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A)(3) for legal advice and to discuss the settlement offer in Strong Communities Foundation of Arizona Inc., et. al. v. Lewis, et al. currently pending in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. (Dana Lewis/Brad Miller)

Chairman Miller reconvened Executive Session for Item 17.

Item Action: Adjourned Executive Session

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Vitiello

To adjourn Executive Session.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

(18) Discussion/approval/disapproval of settlement proposed in Strong Communities Foundation of Arizona Inc., et al. v. Lewis, et al. currently pending in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. (Dana Lewis/Brad Miller)

Item Action: Approved

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Vitiello

To approve Item 18.

Motion Passed

Ayes: McClure, Miller, Serdy, Vitiello (4)

Absent: Goodman (1)

12:33 p.m. – Chairman Miller adjourned the March 19, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Stephen Q. Miller, Chairman

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Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board

Minutes Prepared By: Kelsey Pickard, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Approval of Minutes: April 30, 2025