

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE APACHE COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

June 5, 2024

St. Johns, Arizona

Present were Supervisor Nelson Davis and Clerk of the Board/County Manager Ryan N. Patterson. Participating via the telephone was Chairman Joe Shirley Jr. and Vice Chairman Alton Joe Shepherd.

Chairman Shirley called to order the Board of Supervisors meeting at 11:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' chambers, County Annex Building, 75 West Cleveland Street, St. Johns, Arizona, and welcomed all in attendance.

Mr. Patterson, on behalf of the Finance Department, requested approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Walker & Armstrong for preparation of Apache County's fiscal year 2022 financial statements. **Mr. Shepherd moved approval, seconded by Mr. Davis.** Vote was unanimously approved.

Chris Padilla, on behalf of the Engineering Department and District I, requested possible approval to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement between Apache County and the Navajo Nation by addition Attachment D. Mr. Padilla stated this amendment will provide the funds to construct a low-water crossing on C579 in the Rough Rock Chapter. **Mr. Shepherd moved approval, seconded by Mr. Davis.** Vote was unanimous.

Heather Van Der Noord, on behalf of Emergency Management, requested approval of a resolution declaring Stage 1 Fire Restrictions for unincorporated areas within Apache County, beginning Thursday June 6, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. MST due to drier than normal conditions and competition for available firefighting resources. **Mr. Davis moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Resolution # 2024 -12

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF APACHE COUNTY,
ARIZONA, DECLARING STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS DUE TO SEVERE
TEMPERATURES AND EXTREME FIRE DANGER**

WHEREAS, Apache County Board of Supervisors has previously enacted Ordinance 2019-10 establishing the Apache County Outdoor Fire Ordinance detailing restrictions and punishments in certain situations of high fire danger, and;

WHEREAS, Apache County has a legal and ethical obligation to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Apache County, and;

WHEREAS, the people, lands, infrastructure and economic activities within the boundaries of Apache County are under imminent threat from wildfire due to strong winds, relatively high temperatures and extremely dry conditions, and;

WHEREAS, the threat of such fires serves as a detriment of the County's residents' health, safety, welfare and economic well-being;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, effective June 6, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. the Board of Supervisors of Apache County, Arizona, does hereby establish Stage 1 Fire Restrictions as

defined in Apache County Ordinance 2019-10, with the obligations and sanctions established therein.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED at St. Johns, Arizona on June 5, 2024.

/s/ Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board

Mr. Davis moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Shepherd. Vote was unanimous.

Approved this 2nd day of July, 2024.

/s/ Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr.
Chairman o the Board

/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board