OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE APACHE COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
May 14, 2025
St. Johns, Arizona

Present were, Chairman Nelson Davis, Supervisor Alton Joe Shepherd, Ryan Patterson Clerk of the Board/Manager and County Attorney Jasmine Blackwater-Nygren. Vice Chairman Joe Shirley, Jr. and Supervisor Alton Joe Shepherd participated via the telephone.

Chairman Davis called to order the Board of Supervisors meeting at 11:30 a.m. MST in the Board of Supervisors' chambers, County Annex Building, 75 West Cleveland Street, St. Johns, Arizona.

Mr. Patterson presented the item to declare that an emergency exists that requires that the Board of Supervisors to meet without the 24-hour notice and directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to provide the required notice under the Open Meeting Law. **Mr. Shepherd moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Patterson requested approval of a resolution declaring a State of Emergency regarding the Greer Fire that directs the administration to work with other state and federal agencies to protect Apache County people, property, animals and forest lands from the Greer Fire and authorizes the use of county manpower, equipment, etc. as needed as well as authorizes the Chairman of the Board to issue any necessary proclamations concerning the current Greer Fire as provided in A.R.S. 26-311(B). **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd**. Vote was unanimous.

Resolution No. 2025-11
A RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN SOUTHERN APACHE COUNTY DUE TO THE GREER FIRE

WHEREAS, It is the desire of the Apache County Board of Supervisors to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Apache County, and;

WHEREAS, a forest fire which has been titled the Greer Fire has grew to an estimated size of 3500 acres, and;

WHEREAS, the Greer Fire is currently 0% contained and is threatening homes, campsites and communities in southern Apache County warranting an emergency response, and;

WHEREAS, the Apache County Sheriff's Office along with other government agencies have evacuated Greer and Southfork areas, and;

WHEREAS, due to current wind and weather conditions existing in Apache County there is an extreme danger of the fire spreading within Apache County, and;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Apache County Board of Supervisors to request assistance of other government agencies, and initiate preparations to aid and protect citizens within Apache County;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Apache County declares a State of Emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-301, et seq., to exist on private, State and Federal lands, and;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board is authorized to issue any necessary proclamations related to Greer Fire emergency, including imposing any curfews; ordering the closing of any businesses; closing to public access any public building, street, or other public place; calling upon law enforcement agencies for assistance and notifying constitutional officers about whether their offices may remain open or close for the emergency, as provided in A.R.S. § 26-311(B), without further resolution of the Board, and;
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that Apache County asks the state to provide public information and provide for survival and recovery from fire and fire related disasters.

Adopted this 14th day of May, 2025

/s/ Nelson Davis
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

/s/ Ryan Patterson
Clerk of the Board

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

Approved this 3rd day of June, 2025.

/s/ Nelson Davis
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board