

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE APACHE COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING

October 7, 2025
St. Johns, Arizona

Present were, Chairman Nelson Davis, Vice Chairman Joe Shirley, Jr. and Supervisor Alton Joe Shepherd. Also present, Ryan Patterson Clerk of the Board/Manager, County Attorney Jasmine Blackwater-Nygren and Chief Deputy County Attorney Chris Resare.

Chairman Davis called to order the Board of Supervisors meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' chambers, County Annex Building, 75 West Cleveland Street, St. Johns, Arizona and welcomed all in attendance.

Keirsten Nielsen gave the invocation.

Rita Vaughan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Davis called for the Public Health Services District items.

Kimberly Cole, Health Director, requested approval of an agreement for flu and pneumonia vaccination services between the Apache County Public Health Services District, the Arizona Local Government Employee Benefit Trust (AZLGEBT) and Rural Arizona Health Group Trust (RAGHT). Amendment #5 replacing Section III (A), Section II (5), Exhibit A and Exhibit B, effective 9/15/2025. **Mr. Shepherd moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Kimberly Cole, Health Director, requested approval of a grant with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety, effective October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026, in the amount of \$22,048 to purchase car seats and provide education for proper installation and was budgeted for in FY26. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Mr. Shepherd asked for a report to show how the previous grant from the Governor's Office was utilized. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Shepherd moved to adjourn the Public Health Services District meeting, seconded by Mr. Shirley Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Davis called for the Library District item.

Keirsten Nielsen, Library Director and possible approval to close District Libraries on Friday, December 26, 2025, and Saturday, December 27, 2025, due to low demand for library services on the days following the holiday. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

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

Chairman Davis called for the regular agenda items.

Mr. Patterson presented the Consent Items A-I and recommended approval. **Mr. Shepherd moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** County Manager/Clerk of the Board: A. Request approval of demands as distributed to the Apache County Board of Supervisors between August 25, 2025, through September 29, 2025. Payee Amount APACHE COUNTY FSA 1,019.70 APACHE COUNTY HSA 7,216.73 APACHE COUNTY MEDICAL 216,548.03 APACHE COUNTY TAX WITHHOLDING 201,248.40 ASRS LEGACY EORP 12,241.23 AZ STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM 135,437.04 COLONIAL LIFE AND ACCIDENT INS 1,029.69 CORRECTIONS OFFICER RET PLAN 13,935.64 EORP LEGACY 5,686.20 NATIONWIDE 5,181.26 NATIONWIDE RETIREMENT SOL EODCRS 1,484.93 NATIONWIDE TRUST FSB 2,246.59 PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL 401 12,443.66 PUBLIC SAFETY SHERIFF RET 15,759.36 SUPPORT PAYMENT CLEARINGHOUSE 1,303.26 JOSHUA T CURTIS 1,100.32 AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY 8,482.10 ALLEGRA 2,090.63 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC 8,507.45 AXON ENTERPRISE INC 68,283.40 AZ SUPREME COURT 7,500.00 AZ SUPREME COURT 2,194.75 AZLGEBT 855,728.23 BEST TINTING AND AUTO GLASS 1,951.10 BRAD HALL & ASSOCIATES INC 21,640.82 BURNHAM – IFP LLC 1,313.10 CENTER FOR INTERNET SECURITY INC 1,995.00 CENTER FOR RURAL AMERICAN JUSTICE INC 50,000.00 KYLEIA CLEMENTS 2,793.76 DELL COMPUTER CORPORATION 2,159.93 CASSEY RAE DREW 3,012.50 EMPIRE MACHINERY 1,245.11 FLEET PRIDE 2,581.65 FRONTIER 1,652.68 LSQ GROUP HOLDINGS LLC 9,592.71 MCCOOK BOILER AND PUMP COMPANY 4,940.14 MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL 3,010.24 NAVAJO COUNTY 5,000.00 NAVOPACHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE 3,205.79 PERFECT PRINTZ LLC 1,537.89 PHIL STRATTON ELECTRIC IN 2,178.00 PITNEY BOWES 2,439.04 PITNEY BOWES RESERVE ACCOUNT 10,000.00 QUILL CORP 1,621.13 NANCY QUINN 1,100.00 ROBERTS TIRE SALES INC 11,865.77 DANIEL TAYLOR 12,500.00 VERIZON WIRELESS 7,227.60 AZ SECRETARY OF STATE 3,305.04 BLUE HILLS ENVIRONMENTAL 80,200.49 CORDANT HEALTH SOLUTIONS 2,131.92 FUTURE TIRE 2,464.42 APACHE COUNTY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION 1,000.00 APACHE COUNTY TAX WITHHOLDING 2,381.82 DOUGLAS LANCE PEARCE 1,352.40 ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE INC 48,530.42 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC 5,325.15 AT&T MOBILITY LLC (FIRSTNET) 6,022.51 AZ DEPT OF RISK MANAGEMENT 1,975.00 AZ SUPREME COURT 2,609.34 AZ SUPREME COURT 2,881.58 AZ SUPREME COURT 24,466.90 AZ SUPREME COURT 1,304.67 KRYSTAL BURBANK 5,608.68 CITY OF SHOW LOW 73,537.04 NORMA C CLARK 5,865.50 COMMNET WIRELESS 1,900.00 John Lucas COMMUNITY BROADBAND ADVOCATES LLC 7,730.70 DESERT MOUNTAIN CORPORATION 8,688.11 DIOCESE OF PHOENIX CATHOLIC CEMETERIES 9,500.00 DOYLES AUTO BODY INC 2,207.10 EATON SALES & SERVICE 1,800.10 EM HALE LAW 1,752.00 FLAKE LEGAL PLLC 10,500.00 FREEDOM PSYCHOLOGICAL CENTER 1,270.00 HERITAGE HUB SOLUTIONS LLC 10,658.92 HILLYARD/FLAGSTAFF 1,484.58 DENNISE L JONES 3,712.50 KARPEL COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC 2,182.00 NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY 2,350.80

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ENTERPRISES LLC 1,436.00 GALL'S INC 1,040.36 HAMBLIN LAW OFFICE PLC 10,500.00
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Demands are payments made, or to be made, by the County. Specific details of the demands may be requested through the County public record request process. B. Request approval of minutes dated September 2, 2025. C. Notification of the salary for County Engineer Anthony Bowler is \$114,000 effective September 2, 2025. Human Resources: D. Sheriff's Office: Request approval to eliminate the position of Administrative Coordinator (Range 42) and create the position of Office Administrator (Range 43) and fill within the salary range. This request will not impact the FY26 budget. E. School Superintendent's Office: Request approval to hire within the range for the position of Administrative Coordinator (Range 42) due to upcoming retirement. This request will not impact the FY26 budget. F. District III -St. Johns Road Yard: Request approval to re-hire Brian Palmer, Road Maintenance Worker II at \$22.75 per hour. This is the same hourly rate of pay he previously earned. County Attorney's Office: G. Request approval to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County for joint prosecution. Round Valley Justice Court: H. Request approval to renew the lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for postage equipment. This will not impact the FY26 budget. Finance Department: I.

Request approval of amended Consent Order S-02-24 from the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality. Vote was unanimous for approval of Items A-I.

Heather Llamas, on behalf of Emergency Management, requested approval of an agreement between Apache County and Red Cross to use the Alpine Community Center as a shelter and/or a service delivery site for disaster victims. Ms. Llamas stated this agreement only applies when Red Cross requests use of the facility and is managing the activity at the facility. **Mr. Shepherd moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Anthony Bowler, County Engineer requested approval to enter into a professional services agreement with Western Explosives Systems Company for blasting services at the Limestone Quarry, not to exceed \$100,000 and has been budgeted for in FY26. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Anthony Bowler, County Engineer, requested approval to extend the road miles 0.68 for County Road 2092. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Anthony Bowler, County Engineer, requested approval of a resolution authorizing Brian Hounshell, the Director of Emergency Management, as the Authorized Representative and Anthony Bowler, County Engineer, as the Alternate Authorized Representative for applying for public assistance for the Department of Emergency and Military Affairs. **Mr. Shirley moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Matt Lovell, on behalf of the Information Technology Department, requested approval of the IT policies, Security Awareness Training and Acceptable Use, to be included in the Apache County Human Resources Policy Manual and to remove Section 7.4, Network and Internet Access Policy. **Mr. Shepherd moved approval, seconded by Mr. Shirley.** Vote was unanimous.

Mr. Patterson presented notification of the following meetings where two or more members of the Apache County Board of Supervisors may be in attendance: No action was needed or taken.

- County Supervisors Association (CSA) Policy Summit meeting on October 28, 2025 - October 30, 2025, held at the Hilton Garden Inn Pivot Point Conference Center, 310 N. Madson Avenue, Yuma, Arizona.
- Small Counties Forum on October 30, 2025, at 7:30 a.m. held at the Hilton Garden Inn Pivot Point Conference Center, 310 N. Madson Avenue, Yuma, Arizona.

Chris Resare, Chief Deputy County Attorney, presented the item for a possible executive session for legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) regarding the Puerco Fire District and the Ganado Fire District, followed by further discussion and possible action in open session on matters relating to the Puerco Fire District and the Ganado Fire District. **Mr. Shirley moved to go into executive session, seconded by Mr. Shepherd.** Vote was unanimous.

Executive session as held.

Mr. Shirley moved to end the executive session and resume the open meeting, seconded by Mr. Shepherd. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Davis stated that due to irregularities and discrepancies within the Puerco and Ganado Fire Districts the Board directed the County Attorney to coordinate an investigation and look into the matter.

Chairman Daviis made the motion to direct the treasurer to stop redeeming warrants for the Puerco and Ganado Fire Districts until sufficient District funds are available and all statutory conditions are satisfied per statute §11-504, seconded by Mr. Shepherd. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Daivs made the motion to ask the auditor general to perform an audit in the treasurer's office pertaining to the Puerco and Ganado Fire Districts, seconded by Mr. Shepherd. Vote was unanimous.

Chairman Davis opened the floor for the call to the public.

Mark Osterman, a resident of Vernon, addressed the board regarding the renewable energy project that will be coming before the Board of Supervisors soon. Mr. Osterman stated that the majority of the public do not want the projects in Apache County. Mr. Osterman asked what cost will be paid to the land, wildlife, the environment and the public, by bringing the renewable energy projects to the county.

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

Approved this 4th day of November, 2025.

/s/ Nelson Davis
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Ryan N. Patterson
Clerk of the Board