

**Minutes
of the
Regular Meeting of Board of Directors of
The Industrial Development Authority of the County of Gila
(the “IDA”)**

Date: Friday, January 26, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

Place: Gila County Courthouse
Supervisors’ Hearing Room
1400 E. Ash Street
Globe, AZ

Presiding: Mac Feezor

Present: Cliff Potts, Fred Barcon, Bob Pastor, Stan Gibson, Tim Grier, Lisa Brazil (telephonically)

Absent: Bill Bennett, Trena Grantham

Administrative Manager: Sandy Palmer

Guest Present: None

Mac Feezor called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Authority to order at 11:06 a.m., noting the presence of a quorum.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD ON OCTOBER 30, 2017.

On motion made by Stan Gibson and seconded by Cliff Potts, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 30, 2017, were approved as submitted.

- II. APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER’S REPORT FOR THIRD QUARTER 2017.

On motion made by Bob Pastor and seconded by Cliff Potts, the Treasurer's Report for third quarter 2017 was approved as submitted.

Cliff Potts requested a discussion regarding the IDA's financial strategy be added to the next annual planning session.

III. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION AS DETERMINED RELATING TO SCHEDULING THE IDA'S QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS IN ADVANCE.

Proposed meetings to be held on the third Monday of each quarter from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Proposed meeting dates: March 19th, June 18th, September 17th, December 17th.

On motion made by Lisa Brazil and seconded by Bob Pastor, the motion to preschedule quarterly meetings on the dates above were approved by a vote of (7-0).

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

IV. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE IDA TO APPLY AS THE LEAD APPLICANT FOR THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION WATERSMART GRANT.

Fred Barcon provided an overview of the WaterSMART grant program and the need to address the watershed issues in the Cobre Valley region.

Stan Gibson stated that the City of Globe is currently dependent upon one source of water, as a safety precaution, additional sources need to be identified.

On motion made by Tim Grier and seconded by Cliff Potts, the motion to adopt Resolution 001 authorizing the IDA to apply as lead applicant on the Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART grant was approved by a vote of (7-0).

V. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF ESTABLISHING BROADBAND RESILIENCY AND REDUNDANCY IN NORTHERN GILA COUNTY.

Mac Feezor provided an update on broadband efforts in the Rim County.

On motion made by Bob Pastor and seconded by Cliff Potts, the motion to adopt Resolution 002 in favor of establishing broadband resiliency and redundancy in northern Gila County pass by a vote of (7-0).

VI. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION AS DETERMINED RELATING TO THE COUNTYWIDE WEBSITE PROJECT AND THE WEBSITE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

Bob Pastor provided an update on the Website Committee's meetings to review and discuss the proposals. The proposal from G-M T Media was broad; it required some clarification and a business plan; however, the proposal was withdrawn.

Bob Pastor highlighted the differences between the two-remaining proposal, one from northern Gila County and one from southern Gila County.

The proposal from the consultant from northern Gila County is very well done, he has the qualifications and expertise to spearhead the countywide project. The upfront cost of \$140,000 (\$90,000 salary, \$50,000 marketing) is well beyond what the IDA can afford.

The consultant from southern Gila County has sales and marketing experience, and a rough plan to generate advertising revenue; however, she does not have the same level of knowledge and expertise as the consultant from northern Gila County.

Discussion ensued.

The IDA Board agreed that in order to launch a dynamic tourism and marketing website, the IDA would have to engage a partnership with Gila County.

On motion made by Time Grier and seconded by Cliff Potts, the motion to table the item to allow discussion with Gila County Board of Supervisors passed by a vote of (7-0).

TABLED ITEMS

On motion made by Cliff Potts and seconded by Fred Barcon, the motion to take Item VII from the table passed by a vote of (7-0).

VII. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION AS DETERMINED RELATING TO ENTERING INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH WILSON & COMPANY.

Cliff Potts asked if having an MOU with Wilson & Company would be considered exclusive and asked how an MOU with an engineering firm would benefit the IDA.

Discussion ensued.

The questions require direct answers from Wilson & Company.

On motion made by Fred Barcon and seconded by Bob Pastor, the motion to table the item until a date when Wilson & Company can attend a meeting for discussion passed by a vote of (7-0).

On motion made by Cliff Potts and seconded by Tim Grier, the motion to remove the Item VIII from the table passed by a vote of (7-0).

VIII. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION AS DETERMINED RELATING TO IDA INSURANCE POLICY COVERAGE FOR 2018.

Discussion regarding the IDA's Directors and Officers policy ensued.

Cliff Potts mentioned that being appointed to a public board should carry some indemnification.

On motion made by Tim Grier and seconded by Cliff Potts, the motion to accept the one-million-dollar insurance policy passed by a vote of (7-0).

TASK LIST UPDATE

IX. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION AS DETERMINED RELATING TO THE TASK LIST UPDATE.

Mac Feezor provided an update on the northern Gila County broadband issues and the County's willingness to get involved. Mac Feezor and a small group of technical experts have been working on broadband resiliency options to present to Supervisor Martin for consideration. Supervisor Martin has agreed to take a broadband resiliency funding request to Governor Ducey.

Gila County joined forces with Navajo County on an E-Rate grant project. An RFP has been issued; the E-Rate project should be awarded by the next IDA meeting.

The Task List document was reviewed and discussed.

ANNUAL OFFICER ELECTIONS

X. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION AS DETERMINED RELATING TO ANNUAL IDA OFFICER ELECTIONS: PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY-TREASURER.

On nomination made by Bob Pastor and second by Lisa Brazil, the motion to elect Fred Barcon as President for 2018 passed by a vote of (7-0).

On nomination by Cliff Potts and second by Bob Pastor, the motion to elect Mac Feezor as Vice President for 2018 passed by a vote of (7-0).

On nomination by Bob Pastor and second by Tim Grier, the motion to elect Stan Gibson as Secretary-Treasurer for 2018 passed by a vote of (7-0).

COMMUNICATION TO AND FROM THE BOARD

XI. CURRENT EVENTS

Fred Barcon provided an update on the completed RV Park project. He mentioned that Denny's recently announced their plans to open in Globe.

Fred Barcon asked Tim Grier his opinion regarding the Deputy County Attorney's stance regarding the IDA's statutory authority.

Tim Grier suggested having the IDA's attorney contact the Deputy County Attorney for discussion.

XII. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to come before the IDA Board, on motion made and duly seconded, the meeting adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

During the Regular Meeting held on March 29, 2018, on motion made by Stan Gibson and seconded by Lisa Brazil, the January 26, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as submitted by a vote of (6-0).

Fred Barcon, President

Date