



REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2009

HOSTED BY GILA COUNTY

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M I N U T E S

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Insalaco called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Insalaco led the Regional Council, guests and CAAG staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present: Mayor John Insalaco, Mayor Fernando Shipley, Supervisor Shirley Dawson, Mayor Bob Jackson, Mayor Byron Jackson, Vice Mayor Mike Vogel, Mayor Debra Sommers, Councilmember Anita Hinojos, Councilmember Darrell Gerlaugh, Mayor Bill Rappaport, Hank Gutierrez

Members Absent: Mayor Monica Badillo, Supervisor Bryan Martyn, Vice Mayor Gordon Mortensen, Mayor Chuy Canizales, Vice Mayor Jon Thompson, Mayor Craig Williams, Vice Mayor Tom Smith, Mayor Ed Honea, Mayor Tony Smith

Management Committee Present: Manny Gonzàlez, Debra Galbraith, Gary Eide, Jess Knudson, Ruth Giese, Kane Graves, Ray Pini

Guests: Michael Pastor, Linda Pastor, Carter Smitherman, Curtis Brown, Dana Jackson, Sherry Grice, Manuel Ortega, Sylvia Barrett, Elena Martin, Carolyn Gray, Henry Munoz, Roger Featherstone

Staff: Maxine Brown, Cathy Melvin, Jack Tomasik, Bill Leister, Peter Armenta, Vickie Smith, Roy Chavez, Cindy Schofield, Andrea Robles

IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

At the request of the Chairman the Call to the Public was moved to the end of the agenda.

GILA COUNTY: GLOBE, HAYDEN, MIAMI, PAYSON, STAR VALLEY, WINKELMAN

PINAL COUNTY: APACHE JUNCTION, CASA GRANDE, COOLIDGE, ELOY, FLORENCE, KEARNY, MAMMOTH, MARANA, MARICOPA, QUEEN CREEK, SUPERIOR

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT: AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY, GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY, SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBE

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion of a possible CAAG Appointment of a Regional Council Subcommittee to Research CAAG Membership Composition and Boundaries

Ms. Brown explained that at the last Regional Council Meeting the Council voted to form a Subcommittee to research membership composition and boundaries. Supervisor Dawson, Vice Mayor Vogel, Mayor Byron Jackson, Mayor Bob Jackson and the Town of Superior volunteered to serve on this committee.

B. Report from Subcommittee Regarding Plan to hire CAAG's Executive Director – Discussion and Decision

Mayor Bob Jackson provided a brief update on the Subcommittee to hire CAAG's Executive Director. He stated that the Committee had met a week and a half prior to the Regional Council Meeting and they had decided to work closely with the Human Resource Directors from the City of Apache Junction and the City of Casa Grande. Mayor Bob Jackson explained that the City of Apache Junction would be conducting a salary survey for Council of Governments (COG) Directors. No action was taken at this time.

VI. CONSENT ITEM

Mayor Shipley made a motion to accept the consent agenda items. Vice Mayor Vogel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Regional Council minutes from September 23, 2009 were approved under the consent agenda item VI.

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORT

The preliminary financial reports ending August 31, 2009 were approved under the consent agenda item VI.

IX. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Brown stated that she had received Councilmember Barney's resignation from the Regional Council as he will be running for Mayor. Vice Mayor Gordon Mortensen will represent the Town of Queen Creek on the Regional Council. Mr. Armenta provided a presentation on the upcoming Pinal County Town Hall – Exploiting Technology for Success, Building Connections for Social Media.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review, Discussion and Decision of FY 2009 Central Arizona Association of Governments (CAAG) Audit

Ms. Brown introduced Mr. Smitherman who reviewed the Audit. He stated that there were no findings in the audit. Questions and discussion followed Mr. Smitherman's presentation. Mayor Byron Jackson made a motion to approve the FY 2009 CAAG Audit. Mayor Bob Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

B. Review, Discussion and Decision on the Request for support of the Copper Communities Alliance and the Copper Basin Jobs Project and Appointment of the Regional Council Chair to Represent CAAG on the Alliance

Ms. Brown explained in January 2005, the CAAG Regional Council passed Resolution No. 2005-1 supporting Resolution Copper and their endeavor for the U.S. Congress to pass a land exchange bill allowing Resolution Copper to proceed with their operations and create new job opportunities in the region. She stated in an effort to further support jobs in the Copper Basin area an Alliance has been formed. The alliance will be composed of elected officials or their representatives from the State Senate, State House, Gila and Pinal Board of Supervisors, Globe, Miami, Hayden, Winkelman, Superior, Kearny, Florence, Gold Canyon and CAAG. Supervisor Dawson made a motion to support the Copper Communities Alliance and the Copper Basin Jobs Project and appointment of the Regional Council Chair to represent CAAG on the Alliance. Vice Mayor Vogel seconded the motion. The motion passed.

C. Review, Discussion and Decision on Resolution No. 2009-7 Regarding Planning Coordination with Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), Pima Association of Governments (PAG) and Central Arizona Association of Governments (CAAG)

Ms. Brown explained that Representatives for CAAG, MAG and PAG would meet on December 17th at the Francisco Grande to sign the Resolution regarding Planning Coordination with the three Councils of Governments (COG's). She stated that the executive summary was included in the packet. Questions and discussion followed. Mayor Bob Jackson made a motion approve Resolution No. 2009-7 regarding Planning Coordination with CAAG, MAG and PAG. Councilmember Gerlaugh seconded the motion. The motion passed.

D. Review, Discussion and Decision of the Total Population Projections for the period from 2010 through 2035 for Pinal County and 15 Market Areas

Mr. Tomasik provided the Total Population for the period from 2010 through 2035 for Pinal County and the 15 Market Areas. He stated the the Projections had been passed by the Population Technical Advisory Committee (POPTAC) and Management Committee. Questions and discussion followed. Supervisor Dawson made a motion to approve the Total Population Projections for the period from 2010 through 2035 for Pinal County and 15 Market Areas. Mayor Shipley seconded the motion. The motion passed

E. Review, Discussion and Decision on the 2010-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment

Mr. Leister reviewed the TIP approved by the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC) and the Management Committee. Mayor Shipley made a motion to approve the 2010-2014 TIP. Mayor Byron Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

F. Establish an Executive Director Evaluation Committee through Appointment

Ms. Brown informed the Regional Council that for the January Regional Council Meeting her evaluation would need to take place. She stated that Bryant Powell and Bob Flatley had volunteered to take part in her evaluation. Questions and discussion followed. The Regional Council decided not to form an Executive Director Evaluation Committee as Ms. Brown will be retiring in July and the Council felt it was not necessary to do an evaluation. No action was taken.

G. WIA Update

Item X-G was approved under the consent agenda item VI.

H. Transportation Update

Item X-H was approved under the consent agenda item VI.

XII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mayor Bob Jackson made a motion to schedule CAAG's Legislative Day for February 18, 2010. Supervisor Dawson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

XIV. DATE-TIME-LOCATION

The next Regional Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 27, 2010 hosted by the City of Eloy.

XV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Henry Munoz, Sylvia Barrett and Roger Featherstone addressed the Council under Call to the Public in opposition of issues with Resolution Copper and the formation of the Copper Communities Alliance. Shirley Dawson addressed the Council in favor of the Copper Communities Alliance.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Byron Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Bob Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Insalaco adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Approved on _____