

**MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE BOARD
NOGALES CITY HALL
777 N. HIGHWAY 92
NOGALES, AZ
NOVEMBER 16, 2016**

OFFICERS PRESENT: Lindsey, Sam (*Chair*)
Molera, Rudy (*1st Vice Chair*)
Gomez, David (*2nd Vice Chair*)
Rivera, Bob (*Treasurer*)

MEMBERS PRESENT: English, Ann – Cochise County
Barlow, Bill – City of Tombstone
Smerekanich, Ilona – Cochise County Private Sector Rep.
O'Donnell, Patrick – Graham County Private Sector Rep.
Oertle, Ron – City of Bisbee
Robinette, Dustie – Greenlee County Private Sector Rep.
Doyle, John – City of Nogales
Ortega, Richard – City of Safford
Sedwick, Tony – Santa Cruz County Private Sector Rep.
Montoya, Louis – Town of Clifton (*phone*)
Morales, Danny – City of Douglas (*phone*)
Smith, Danny – Graham County (*phone*)

STAFF PRESENT: Catten, Larry - Economic Development Planner
Heiss, Randy - Executive Director
Martin, Shi – LTC Ombudsman
Merideth, John
Vertrees, Chris - Transportation Planner
Villa, Laura – AAA Program Manager
Williams, Bonnie - CDBG Program Manager

GUESTS: Adam, Kevin – RTAC
Burnett, Peter – MAG (*phone*)
Dennis, Jamie – MAG (*phone*)
Doyle, Griselda
Fontes, Sherry

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Lindsay called the meeting to order at 9:21 A.M. Introductions were made and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. MEMBER ENTITIES' DISCUSSION

Councilman Ortega mentioned the 17th Annual light parade on Main Street in Safford. Mayor Rivera mentioned the 3rd Annual Santa in the Park event scheduled for December 9. Mayor Doyle mentioned the Nogales Holiday Light Parade scheduled for December 3. Supervisor Gomez mentioned two light parades, December 3 in Clifton and the 12th in Duncan. Mr. Heiss thanked Mayor Doyle for hosting the today's meeting. Mr. Sedgwick announced that this would be his last SEAGO Executive Board meeting and that that his son, Anthony Sedgwick Jr. would be willing to serve on the SEAGO Board. Ms. English also announced it would be her last meeting and that Supervisor-elect Peggy Judd would be the new Cochise County representative. Mayor Doyle commented that Mr. Sedgwick's son would be a good choice to serve on the SEAGO Board.

III. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one from the public was present.

IV. PRESENTATION - Statewide Employer Database and Interactive Tool

Mr. Heiss introduced Mr. Peter Burnett and Ms. Jami Dennis of the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) who provided a presentation on the statewide employer database and interactive mapping tool. Mr. Burnett further explained that MAG is working with other COGs to expand the data so it is statewide and not just Maricopa County. Part of that process is to work with the COGs to clean up the initial data from Dunn & Bradstreet before making it available publicly.

V. ACTION ITEMS

1. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of the August 4, 2016 Minutes
 - b. Nominations to the Advisory Council on Aging

Mayor Rivera made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

MOTION: Mayor Rivera
SECOND: Mr. Sedgwick
ACTION: **UNANIMOUS**

2. Consideration of Consistency and Public Review Fees relating to SEAGO's Section 208 Water Quality Management Plan.

Mr. Heiss discussed the current Section 208 Water Quality Management Plan and outlined the proposed Consistency and Public Review Fee Schedule. Mr. Montoya asked how much funding ADEQ provides and how long have they been providing funds? Mr. Heiss did not know exactly how much but this year is \$5,400 and last year was approximately \$7,500. Mr. Montoya asked whether funds are returned to ADEQ if not fully expended on the program. Mr.

Heiss responded yes they are. Mr. Montoya stated his concerns that SEAGO's role in the process could be seen in a negative light by project stakeholders. Supervisor Gomez stated he felt the issue should be tabled until after the Strategic Planning Retreat. Mayor Rivera commented that this was more to protect SEAGO in case a project comes along. Supervisor Gomez stated that advance notice from SEAGO about a project would help the member entity and perhaps save some money as well. Mr. O'Donnell made a motion to approve adoption of the proposed Consistency and Public Review Fee Schedule with the understanding that the program would be evaluated at the Strategic Planning Retreat.

MOTION: Mr. O'Donnell
SECOND: Mayor Rivera
ACTION: **13 AYE; 3 NAY (Cochise County, Greenlee County, Clifton)**

3. Consideration of Resolution No. 2016-05

Mr. Catten presented Resolution No. 2016-05 which expresses the economic and security importance of efficiency at the Arizona ports of entry, and support for increased staffing at the Nogales POE, Douglas POE, and all Arizona ports of entry. Mr. Catten responded to questions. Supervisor English made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-05 as presented.

MOTION: Supervisor English
SECOND: Councilman Barlow
ACTION: **14 AYE; 2 NAY (Bisbee, Cochise County Private Sector)**

4. Consideration of Resolution No. 2016-06

Mr. Catten presented Resolution No. 2016-06 supporting the efforts to receive national park redesignation of the Chiricahua National Monument to the Chiricahua National Park, and supporting H.R. 6190, Chiricahua National Park Act, introduced by Arizona Second Congressional District Representative Martha McSally. Mayor Rivera made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-06 as presented.

MOTION: Mayor Rivera
SECOND: Councilman Ortega
ACTION: **14 AYE; 2 NAY (Bisbee, Cochise County Private Sector)**

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Future Meeting Dates

Mr. Heiss outlined the upcoming meeting dates for 2017 and responded to questions.

B. Strategic Plan Implementation Progress Report – 2017 Strategic Planning Retreat Date - Priorities

Mr. Heiss discussed the SEAGO Strategic Plan stating the Plan calls for review and update of the plan after two years and stated that the next retreat was scheduled to coincide with the

Administrative Council meeting on February 9, 2017.

C. Santa Cruz County Private Sector Representative

Mr. Heiss stated that Mr. Anthony Sedgwick would no longer be serving on the SEAGO board and Mayor Doyle had nominated Mr. Sedgwick's son, Anthony Sedgwick, Jr. to replace him on the Board.

D. Quarterly Finance Report

Mr. Heiss presented the finance report and responded to questions as Cindy Osborn was absent.

E. SEAGO Economic Development District Report

Mr. Catten discussed recent EDD activity and responded to questions.

F. Transit Report

Mr. Vertrees provided an update on regional mobility management and the Cochise County intercity route study.

G. Strategic Regional Highway Safety Plan Update

Mr. Vertrees provided an update on regional highway safety plan and responded to questions.

H. AAA Updates

Ms. Laura Villa provided the AAA updates and responded to questions. Ms. Shi Martin provided an overview of the Matter of Balance training and responded to questions.

VII. RTAC REPORT

Mr. Kevin Adam provided the Rural Transportation Advisory Council report and responded to questions.

VIII. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS / CURRENT EVENTS

None at this time.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Heiss stated there would be a transportation position statement presented for review at the next meeting as well as a HURF Resolution.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Lindsay adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.