



OFFICE OF THE COCONINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES

June 11, 2020

3:00 p.m. – Special Session

Present: Chairwoman Elizabeth C. Archuleta, Vice Chairwoman Lena Fowler, Supervisor Matt Ryan, Supervisor Jim Parks and Supervisor Art Babbott were present virtually via Zoom meeting technology.

Also Present: County Manager James Jayne, Deputy County Manager/Public Works Director Lucinda Andreani, Deputy County Manager Marie Peoples, Deputy County Attorney Rose Winkeler, Public Affairs Director Eric Peterson, Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney, Forest Restoration Director Jay Smith, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Lindsay Daley and Deputy Clerk of the Board Valerie Webber were present virtually via Zoom meeting technology.

Chairwoman Archuleta called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

Discussion and Possible Action Item:

1. Consideration and possible action to approve Resolution 2020-37, enacting Stage Two Fire Restrictions of the Wildfire Defense Ordinance 2017-05. **Emergency Management**

Deputy County Manager/Public Works Director Lucinda Andreani introduced the purpose of the item.

Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney explained that the Forest Service is moving to stage two fire restrictions; explaining the need to do so.

Supervisor Babbott requested clarification, for record, as to what incorporated and unincorporated County lands mean on the proposed resolution.

Supervisor Ryan noted unincorporated lands are lands that are outside of incorporated lands within cities.

Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney read a portion of proposed Resolution 2020-37 into the record; explaining that staff can add additional verbiage clarifying unincorporated lands in the first paragraph.

Public Affairs Director Eric Peterson read the remaining portion of the proposed resolution into the record. He displayed the Wildfire Defense Ordinance on the screen and the description of Stage 1, 2 and 3 restrictions.

Chairwoman Archuleta requested clarification as to whether propane/gas barbeque grills are allowed on private property.

Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney affirmed it does.

Public Affairs Director Eric Peterson displayed the Stage 2 fire restrictions and Chairwoman Archuleta read it into the record.

Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney clarified that there can be permits issued to outdoor entities working with mechanical and industrial operations.

Supervisor Babbott requested additional information as to what is allowed on private land. There needs to be further clarification as to what applies to private land within a fire district and outside incorporated city land. There are exemptions one can apply for, so ranching and forest industry can be asked permitted.

Public Affairs Director Eric Peterson noted he will clarify the information included on the public release.

Supervisor Parks asked if ranching will be allowed to be permitted to do various operations; such as water trucks and pick-up trucks.

Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney noted the ordinance includes more information related to fire sparking operations, adding that the City of Flagstaff is currently in Stage 2 Fire Restrictions.

Upon inquiry from Vice Chair Lena Fowler, Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney explained the restrictions are County wide.

Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney clarified that any lands that fall within the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management are not included in the restrictions.

The Board and staff discussed whether the resolution should clarify restrictions pertaining to areas that are regionalized.

Motion: Approve Resolution 2020-37, enacting Stage Two Fire Restrictions of the Wildfire Defense Ordinance 2017-05, **Action:** approve, **Moved by:** Supervisor Matt Ryan, **Seconded by:** Supervisor Art Babbott. The motion passed unanimously.

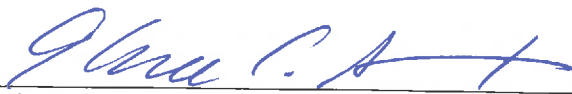
Deputy County Manager/Public Works Director Lucinda Andreani thanked and recognized Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney for his service as he will be leaving the County.

Individual Board members expressed their appreciation of the work and time Mr. Whitney has dedicated to the County.

There being no further discussion, Chairwoman Archuleta adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.


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Elizabeth C. Archuleta, Chair

ATTEST:



Lindsay Daley, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

