OFFICE OF THE COCONINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SPECIAL EMERGENCY SESSION MINUTES

JULY 24, 2019

4:00 p.m.
The Coconino County Emergency Operations Center, the Northern Arizona Center for Entrepreneurship and Technology (NACET) building, located at 2225 N. Gemini Road, Flagstaff, AZ.

Present: Chairwoman Lena Fowler, Vice Chair Jim Parks, Supervisor Elizabeth Archuleta

Absent: Supervisor Matt Ryan, Supervisor Art Babbott

Also Present: City Councilmember Austin Aslan, United Way Volunteer Sybil Smith, United Way CEO Carol Dykes, Contracts Manager Stacey Brechler-Knaggs, Executive Assistant District 5 - Miranda Morales, Special Initiatives Director Kim Musselman, Darren McCollum from the National Weather Service, Flagstaff Building Official Amy Palmer, Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney, Flagstaff Streets Director Scott Overtan, County Manager James Jayne, Flagstaff Public Works Director Andy Bertelsen, Public Affairs Director Eric Peterson, Executive Assistant District 1 - Michele Ralston, Flagstaff Fire Chief Mark Gaillard, City Manager Barbara Goodrich, Forest Restoration Coordinator Jay Smith, County Engineer Christopher Tressler, Chief of Police Kevin Treadway, Deputy City Manager Shannon Anderson

Also present via telephone: Flagstaff Mayor Coral Evans, Councilmember Jamie Whelan, Councilmember Charlie Odegard, Anthony Cox from Department of Emergency and Military Affairs.

Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. He stated the reason for the meeting was for the Museum Fire emergency and flood mitigation effort.

Emergency Session:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the Museum Fire Emergency in Coconino County; including informational updates from different agencies involved. Emergency Management Emergency Management

Darren McCollum from the National Weather Service provided an update regarding the expected weather. This included the possibility of up to two inches of rain expected just north of the burn area.

Bob Oralle from the Incident Management Team provided an update of the work being done around the fire, this included: using aircraft, doing a burnout, rehabbing Elden Rd., working at shrinking the footprint of the fire and being more direct on the fire to help with the potential flooding issue.
Emergency Management Director Todd Whitney provided an update on the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) efforts. The EOC is transitioning from emergency response to recovery response, a briefing on the work was provided to the City Council at a City Council meeting. Evacuation orders have been lifted for the Mt. Elden Rd. area. Sandbag operations continue and the evacuation center will remain open tonight. Door to door notices went out today.

Supervisor Archuleta requested that another sandbag site be considered in the Sunnyside neighborhood. She would like, if possible, if pallets of sandbags can be delivered to those homes that are disabled and or elderly and if United Way can activate the volunteer center to help with this.

Michele Ralston stated that there is a need and desire for sandbags from those who were evacuated.

Deputy County Manager Lucinda Andreani entered at 4:24 p.m.

There was a discussion about sandbags and questions were answered.

County Manager Jayne thanked the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs for partnering in the effort and he thanked those working on the effort. He stated there is a community meeting at Cromer School at 6:30 p.m. to address the Timberline and Doney Park neighborhoods.

Supervisor Archuleta thanked staff for what they are doing and stated that people are grateful for the information provided.

Flagstaff Mayor Coral Evans also provided a statement of thanks as well as Councilmember Jamie Whelan.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

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Lena Fowler, Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Lindsay Daley, Clerk of the Board