

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County, Arizona convened in Informal Session at 9:00 a.m., May 3, 2004 in the Board of Supervisors' Conference Room, 301 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members present: Andrew Kunasek, Chairman, District 3; Fulton Brock, District 1; Don Stapley, District 2 (entered late), Max W. Wilson, District 4, and Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; Shirley Million, Administrative Coordinator; David Smith, County Administrative Officer; and Paul Golab, Deputy County Attorney. Votes of the Members will be recorded as follows: (aye-no-absent-abstain).

ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL SERVICES – PET OVERPOPULATION

Chairman Kunasek introduced the first item on the agenda by saying, "When I speak to constituents, I often tell people that we run the government you don't want to have too much contact with. You don't want to get stopped by the Sheriff, or end up in the jail. You don't want to go the hospital, end up in court on the wrong side of the County Attorney, or worst of all end up in the morgue.

Due to the nature of some of the business we do, employees are tasked with extraordinarily difficult situations. Nowhere, in my opinion, is it worse than at Animal Care and Control. Every day hundreds of beautiful, adoptable animals enter our facility. They're picked up wandering the streets, dropped off by people who just don't have the time to bother with that formerly cute kitten or puppy.

Our employees do a tremendous job of returning lost animals to their owners and finding new homes for those that are abandoned. Many of us here in this room have adopted from the County's Animal Care and Control facilities. Mike Becker from Supervisor Stapley's office adopted Pepe, last month's "Pet of the Month," who has been renamed Elvis and is doing great in his new home.

Sadly, tragically, not every animal that enters our facilities ends up in a loving home. Each year far too many adoptable animals are euthanized. The emotional toll that this takes on our employees is tremendous.

Nevertheless, there is good news we've made significant strides in reducing euthanasia in Maricopa County. For that we are grateful. To the employees of Maricopa County Animal Care and Control, we are grateful, the citizens of this county are grateful.

I'd like to ask Elizabeth Clark and Joe Thompson to accept a plaque on behalf of the entire staff of Animal Care and Control. And, I'd like to ask Dr. Jonathan Weisbuch and Julie Bank to say a few words after the presentations."

Dr. Jonathan Weisbuch, Chief Health Services Officer, said that Animal Care and Control has come a long way in the last several years, and all are trying to deal with the problem in as humane a manner as possible. Julie Banks, Acting Director of Animal Care and Control Services for the past few months, said that her staff works long, hard hours and often have to interface with very sad and emotional people. Staff must not only give sincere customer service but also provide for the best interests of both their human and animal customers. She praised all the employees as heroes who should be celebrated as an important part of Animal Care and Control. She said they are all working hard to bring euthanasia down and adoptions up, to manage their budget and to do all they can to get to their next level of service. She added, "We work really hard because it's from the heart."

Ms. Banks said that Channel 15 has done a piece on them and it increased adoptions greatly and they are going to do a second show and it is hoped to again see a tremendous response.

The Supervisors reminisced about early memories of dogcatchers and how fearful it was to see their truck in the neighborhood and all expressed their thanks for the progress made in the public perception through the hard work of Animal Care and Control dedicated workers. (ADM2300)

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03, motion was made by Supervisor Wilcox, seconded by Supervisor Brock, and unanimously carried (5-0) to recess and reconvene in Executive Session to consider items listed on the Executive Agenda dated May 3, 2004, as follows.

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION -- ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (A)(4)

Compromise Cases – Caleb Burns, Julie Fetterly Caldwell, Froylan Guillen, Lee Davis, Rita Moreno, Azieb Sebahat, Larry Witte.
Barbara Caldwell, Outside Counsel

Write-Off Cases – Peter Brady, Frank Celaya, Heather Decker, Glenn Dudley, Shane R. Frost, Carlos Gaitan, John F. Gannon, Arthur Garcia, Val A. Good, Peter A. Guido, Angel G. Hernandez, Jon Hunsucker, Daniel Kerezman, Armondo T. Lopez, Francisco Luna, Lorenzo Mann, Michael Martin, Elias Raul Medina, Enrique Mendoza, Chas. G. Overton, Murray J. Ramirez, Roy Serratt, Jacob Talas, Orlando Venegas, Donald J. Wardlaw, Norman Austin, Michael Chappel, Robert M. Garcia, Steven Hernandez, Rickie L. Knight, Robert E. Long, Jeffrey Lynn Motes, Billy D. Rhodes, Jr., Gilbert M. Tanori.
Barbara Caldwell, Outside Counsel

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION -- A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (4)

Southwest Gas Corporation v. Arizona State Department of Revenue, et al.; TX 2003-000365
William S. Knopf, Deputy County Attorney, Division of County Counsel
Rebecca C. Salisbury, Deputy County Attorney, Division of County Counsel

RECORDS OR INFORMATION EXEMPT BY LAW FROM PUBLIC INSPECTION -- ARS §38-431.03(A)(2)

Maricopa Integrated Health System Physician Credentialing

Christopher Keller, Chief Counsel, Division of County Counsel
Louis Gorman, Deputy County Attorney, Division of County Counsel
James Kennedy, M.D., Maricopa Integrated Health System, Director of Medical Affairs
Ed Fenstermacher, M.D., Maricopa Integrated Health System, HP Medical Director
William Ellert, M.D., President, Maricopa Integrated Health System Medical Staff
Stephanie Davee, Director, Medical Staff Services

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; CONTRACTS SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION; PURCHASE, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY -- A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3), (4) AND (7)

Centerre Rehabilitation Hospital of Arizona, LLC

Tom Manos, Maricopa County Chief Financial Officer/Transition Team Leader
Christopher Keller, Chief Counsel, Division of County Counsel
Sandi Wilson, Deputy County Administrator
Ted Shaw, CEO, MIHS
Steve Ellis, MIHS, Director of Materials Management
Bill Sims, Esq., Outside Counsel

FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

LEGAL ADVICE; SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION -- A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (4)

Arizona State Land Department – easement dispute

Mike Ellegood, Director, Maricopa County Public Works Department
Tim Phillips, Acting Chief Engineer and General Manager, FCDMC
Julie Lemmon, General Counsel, FCDMC
Mike Frazelle, Special Counsel for FCDMC
Mike Wilson, Lands Division Manager, FCDMC
Diane Sikosis, Intergovernmental Affairs

NOTE: Following discussion of following Executive Session Agenda Item No. 5, Centerre Rehabilitation Hospital of Arizona, LLC, the Board will reconvene in open session in the Sullivan Conference Room to vote:

Amendment To Lease With Centerre Rehabilitation Hospital Of Arizona, LLC

MEETING RECONVENED

AMENDMENT TO LEASE WITH CENTERRE REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OF ARIZONA, LLC

Motion was made by Supervisor Stapley, seconded by Supervisor Wilcox, and unanimously carried (5-0) to approve amendment to lease with Centerre Rehabilitation Hospital of Arizona, LLC, as discussed in Executive Session. (C9004049400) C9004060100) (C9004191500)

MARICOPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTE BOOK

**INFORMAL SESSION
May 3, 2004**

MEETING ADJOURNED

At the conclusion of discussion on the matters listed above, and there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Andrew Kunasek, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board