

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2016
CAG CONFERENCE ROOM
APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA**

M I N U T E S

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rose called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Rose led the Management Committee, guests and CAG staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members Present: Gregory Rose, Sylvia Kerlock, Joe Heatherly, LaRon Garrett, Bryant Powell, Jess Knudson, Steven Turner, Jill Dusenberry, Keith Brann, Harvey Krauss, Jamie Bennett, Don Jones, Al Gameros, Charles Russell

Members Absent: Leo Lew, Don McDaniel, Town of Hayden, Tim Grier, Anna Flores, Town of Superior

Staff: Ken Hall, Andy Smith, Brad Mecham, Alan Urban, Bree York, Ken Hebert, Andrea Robles

Guests: Kathy Boyle, Eddie Caine

IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one answered the Call to the Public.

V. CONSENT ITEMS

Mr. Knudson made a motion to approve and pass to Regional Council the consent agenda items as presented. Mr. Turner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A. Approval of Management Committee Minutes

The Management Committee minutes from September 3, 2015 were approved under Consent Item V-A.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Hall updated the Committee on recent activities and meetings that he had attended. He stated that he will be presenting the CAG 101 to all of the Councils in the upcoming months. Mr. Hall informed the Committee of the upcoming JPAC meeting on January 8th at the Tucson Convention Center and the Rural Transportation Summit which will be held in Yuma between January 12th and 15th. He informed the Committee that the auditors will be in the office during the last week of January conducting CAG's annual audit. In closing Mr. Hall announced that CAG's 20th Annual Legislative Day will take place on February 25th. He stated that he would be adding an item to the Regional Council agenda asking the Management Committee and Regional Council members to submit Legislative Issues and Priorities to be discussed at CAG's Legislative Day. Questions, comments and discussion followed Mr. Hall's report. This was an information item.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Financial Report

Ms. York presented the Financial Report. She stated that CAG has switched over to the new Financial System and presented the new reports through November 30, 2015. Questions, comments and discussion followed. The Committee requested a mid-year report at the next Management Committee meeting. Mr. Knudson made a motion to approve and pass to Regional Council CAG's Financial Report. Mr. Turner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Review, Discussion and Decision of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to become an Official Member of CAG

Mr. Hall stated that at the last Regional Council meeting the Council requested adding this item to the agenda. He explained that at the previous meetings he had informed the Committee and Council that the White Mountain Apache Tribe had passed a resolution requesting membership with CAG. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Mr. Jones made a motion to approve and pass to Regional Council the request from White Mountain Apache Tribe to become an official member of CAG. Mr. Russell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Pinal County Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Update

Mr. Hall provided an update on the latest activities of the Pinal County Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) in an effort to address the upcoming events and timeline associated with the RTA over the next several months. Questions, comments and discussion followed. This was an information item.

D. Review, Discussion and Decision on the Administrative Amendment Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Smith presented the Administrative Amendment Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that the Transportation Advisory Committee recommended approval of the Administrative Amendment Number two, for the Grover Canyon Railroad Project. Mr. Smith informed the Committee that the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and the Gila County Board of Supervisors have an approved Intergovernmental Agreement for this project. Questions and discussion followed. Ms. Bennett made a motion to approve and pass to

Regional Council CAG's Administrative Amendment Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. Garrett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Transportation Planning Update

Mr. Smith updated the Committee on current activities in the Transportation Planning Department, which included the Strategic Transportation Safety Plan for the CAG Region and the 5310 Mobility Management Program. He introduced Mr. Eddie Caine who was hired as CAG's Mobility Manager. Questions, comments and discussion followed. This was an information item.

F. Community Development Update

Mr. Urban provided an update on current activities in the Community Development Department. He informed the Committee of the Mayor's Meetings with the Copper Corridor Mayors. Mr. Urban explained the formation of the Public Safety Taskforce as an outgrowth of the Mayor's meeting. The Taskforce is looking at unifying Police Services for the four communities which include the Town of Hayden, Town of Kearny, Town of Mammoth and the Town of Winkelman. Questions, comments and discussion followed. This was an information item.

G. Review, Discussion and Decision on the New Draft CAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan Approval Process

Mr. Urban reported that the Environmental Planning Committee (EPC) has recently approved a DRAFT of the New CAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan. He stated that the subcommittee wants to make sure that the CAG Regional Council is fully aware of the direction the plan has taken. The New DRAFT 208 Plan includes significant differences from the prior plan, which were not changed in the recent editing process. The new plan provides two tracks for project proposals to seek approval, defines an appeals process for each track, provides several charts for ease of use, has defined terminology for clarity, and focuses on goals and tools rather than regulations and inventories. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Ms. Bennett made a motion to approve and pass to Regional Council the New Draft CAG 208 Water Quality Management Plan Approval Process. Mr. Heatherly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Review, Discussion and Decision on the CAG 208 Water Quality Planning Projects and Amendments Fee Structure Request

Mr. Urban stated that the Environmental Planning Committee is requesting that the current CAG fee structure be modified to reflect current costs and provide for a two track Planning Project and Amendment approval process designed in the New CAG 208 Plan. Currently, CAG charges \$10,000 to process an Amendment Application, collecting \$4,000 upon receipt of the Draft Amendment, and \$6,000 prior to taking the Amendment to a Public Hearing and completing the review process and presenting the Amendment to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ). It has been suggested that CAG change to \$7,500 for Planning Projects and \$15,000 for Plan Amendments, or \$10,000 and \$20,000 respectively. This higher fee also reflects a need for the Environmental Planning Department to collect and maintain information from members and agencies which record and facilitate the planning process for regional water quality planning. Mr. Urban explained that they would also like to charge a Pre-Application fee for inquiries that go beyond a couple of phone calls. Questions, comments and discussion followed. Mr. Jones made a motion to approve and

pass to Regional Council CAG's 208 Planning Projects and Amendments Fee Structure Request. Mr. Powell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

I. CAG Strategic Planning Committee Update

Mr. Hall informed the Committee that on November 16, 2015 the CAG Strategic Planning Committee met to discuss a future Strategic Plan for the agency. He stated that there will be an update by a member of the Strategic Planning Committee on recent activities, and what the anticipated outcome will be in the near future. Questions, comments and discussion followed. This was an information item.

VIII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

IX. CALL TO THE COMMITTEE

The members in attendance provided updates for their Communities.

X. DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF NEXT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Management Committee meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2016 in Apache Junction.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Knudson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Brann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Rose adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Approved on _____