

**Pima County Small Business Commission  
County Administration Building  
130 W. Congress, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Thursday, March 15, 2012  
3:00 P.M.**

**Members Present**

Ken Goodman  
Lyra Done  
Edie Lake  
Dabney Philabaum  
John Peck  
Jerry Long  
Lea Marquez-Peterson  
Pat Brown

**Others Present**

Tom Moulton  
Debbie Chandler

**Members Absent**

John Peters  
Joy Soler  
Tom Ward

**Call to Order-** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Goodman at 3:00 pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance-** Chairman Goodman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approvals of Minutes-** The minutes from the February 16, 2012 meeting were approved, unanimously.

**Board of Supervisors Approval of Revision to Chapter 11 of the Pima County Procurement Code-** Chairman Goodman, Vice Chairman Ward and Commissioners Brown and Philabaum attended the BOS meeting for the presentation of the Revision to Chapter 11. The revision passed unanimously. The SBC received great praise from the Board as to the great work that is being done.

**Pursuit of Preference for Pima County Based General Contractors and Sub Contractors-** Chairman Goodman would like to do pursue similar advantages for Pima County General Contractors and Sub-Contractors. He would like to see preference points given to local contractors and sub-contractors. Commissioner Done moved to form a committee to review; motion seconded by Commissioner Lake; motion carried, another CRSPS committee will be formed to work on this. Chairman Goodman also spoke to Supervisor Bronson at the BOS meeting regarding this issue. Supervisor Bronson stated she would like to see more being done for the rural areas where it would help increase local construction, and local jobs.

**JTED-** Commissioner Goodman has met with Bruce Wheeler who authored a bill that would attempt to bring back JTED funding for 9<sup>th</sup> graders. The Bill went before the Education Committee. Bruce Wheeler got 22 sponsors for the Bill. One of the sponsors was Ms. Goodale, who was the chair of the Education Committee, she signed on to the Bill and then, she refused to hear the bill and it died in her Committee.

**Multi-Media Tax Credit (HB 2127) -** E-mails have been sent by Vice-Chairman Ward to State Legislators to hear HB 2127. The Bill has been reassigned and will now have to start all over. Chairman Goodman will also be sending e-mails to the Senators.

**Economic Development Opportunities to Promote Job Growth and Retention in Pima County -** County Administrator C.H. Huckleberry's report was distributed last month. The SBC was asked to review and comment on the report. It was also discussed that the JTED issue be included in the response. (JTED is workforce development, not college prep for further education but as a school to work program).

Commissioner Peck, speaking on behalf of Ajo, has discussed this with the Ajo Chamber and will be filing a response as to how this will affect Ajo. The rural areas are greatly affected by this. It was decided to put together all the responses and send it to Mr. Huckelberry in one document.

- **Revolving Loan Fund Committee-** Vice Chairman Ward was not in attendance, to report on the Committee.
- **Proposed Closure of the Tucson, AZ Processing and Distribution Center-** the Postmaster has decided that Tucson Cherrybell Station will be closing. Congressman Grijalva will continue working on keeping it open.
- **Tucson Small Business Commission Report-** Chairman Goodman did not attend the last meeting, but will be attending the next one.

**Call to the Public-** No response.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.**