

RESOLUTION
OF THE
PAPAGO COUNCIL

REC. NO. 1136

WHEREAS, At a meeting held November 1, 1960, at which a quorum was present, the Gila Bend District Council unanimously approved the following Resolution in connection with Law and Order on the Gila Bend Reservation:

1. They approved having the Sheriff's deputies of Maricopa County who are stationed at Gila Bend to come on the Reservation to investigate and make arrests covering civil and criminal complaints.

2. They understand these arrests will be only for misdemeanors, and that all serious crimes will still be handled through the Papago Law and Order Department.

3. The Gila Bend Council agreed that the Maricopa County deputies will be authorized to use the State Law and Order Code instead of the Papago Law and Order Code in their investigations, or when making arrests, and in passing sentences, and agreed that misdemeanor cases can be tried by the Justice of the Peace in Gila Bend, Arizona.

4. It is understood that this permission may be withdrawn at any time if the way the County is handling Law and Order is not considered satisfactory, and

WHEREAS, The Gila Bend District Council approved the above because:

1. The Sheriff's deputies are not willing to come on the Gila Bend Reservation to help Indians in law and order matters now because they do not know if they have the right to do so or not.

2. People who are arrested on the Reservation must be brought all the way to the Papago Law and Order Department in Sells for trial and then they have to get back to Gila Bend the best way they can because they are not provided any transportation.

3. Gila Bend Reservation residents seeking assistance in law and order matters, either civil or criminal, must come all the way to Sells for such help.

4. The Sheriff's office and Justice of the Peace in Gila Bend have said they will be glad to help residents of the Gila Bend Reservation in law and order matters if the Gila Bend people want them to do so and they are given the proper authority.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED By the Papago Tribal Council that it pass the same Resolution as the Gila Bend District.

Sand Lucy Law & Order

The foregoing Resolution was duly enacted by the Papago Council on November 4, 1960, with a vote of 20 for, and 0 against, 1 not voting, during a meeting at which a quorum was present, pursuant to authority vested in the Council by Section 3 (b) of Article V of the Constitution of the Papago Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on December 12, 1936, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on January 6, 1937, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (Stat. 924). Said Resolution is effective as of the date of its approval by the Superintendent of the Papago Agency and is subject to the rescission by the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to Section 6 of Article V of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Papago Tribe.

THE PAPAGO COUNCIL

By: Eros J. Francisco
Eros J. Francisco, Chairman

ATTEST:

Raymond F. Vavago
Raymond F. Vavago, Secretary

APPROVED:

Harry W. Gilmore, Superintendent