

MINUTES

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

April 12, 2011

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, April 12, 2011, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Susan Cash presiding, Linda Arcularius, Rick Pucci, Marty Fortney and Richard Cervantes. Supervisor Cervantes provided the Invocation, and Mr. Randy Keller, County Counsel, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Public Comment** The Chairperson announced the Public Comment period. Mr. Warren Allsup of the Eastern Sierra Wildlife Care Board of Directors, addressed the Board to offer the organization's thanks for the Board's support. Mr. Allsup also took the opportunity to thank the Board for his recent appointment to the Inyo County Water Commission. Supervisor Arcularius requested that today's meeting be adjourned in the memory of Mr. Herb London a former Member of the Board of Supervisors and a person of importance to not only the local packing industry but also a person who loved the Eastern Sierra and promoted the values of its unique lifestyle.
- County Department Report Period** The Chairperson announced the County Department Report period. Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, reported that HHS has joined with local organizations to support Child Abuse Awareness Month. Sheriff Bill Lutze announced that this week is Public Safety Dispatcher's Week and recognized the efforts of the Department's Dispatchers. Dr. Bob Harrington, Inyo County Water Director, reported on the recent Technical Group Meeting in detail and at length.
- Introductions** Mr. Don Cortez, a new Road Department employee was introduced to the Board.
- CAO-Budget Update** The County Administrator, Mr. Kevin Carunchio, updated the Board on proposed State budget impacts.
- Emerg. Serv./Oak Creek Mud Flows** Moved by Supervisor Cervantes and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to continue the local emergency as a result of the Inyo Complex Oak Creek Mud Flows. Motion carried unanimously.
- Resol. #2011-14/ Completion Notice Millpond Well** On a motion by Supervisor Cervantes and a second by Supervisor Fortney, Resolution No. 2011-14 was approved, accepting the completed replacement and improvements of the Millpond Recreation domestic water well at the Millpond Recreation Area and authorize Parks and Recreation to record the Notice of Completion for the Project: motion unanimously passed and adopted.
- BofS/Mt. Whitney Cemetery District** The request by the Mt. Whitney Cemetery District for an appointment of Mr. Matt Kingsley to the District Board was pulled at the request of the District.
- HHS-Behavioral Hlth. Serv./** Moved by Supervisor Cervantes and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to authorize the Inyo County Alcohol and Drug Administrator, Ms. Linda Benson, to sign the California Alcohol and Drug Program's Certifications of Compliance with the Net Negotiated Amount contract and the SAPT Block Grant. Motion carried unanimously.
- HHS-Social Serv./ UC Davis Contract** Moved by Supervisor Cervantes and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and the Regents of the University of California, on behalf of its Davis Campus University Extension, for consulting and technical services in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the period of March 11, 2011 through June 30, 2011; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

Child Support/Child Support Officer Position	Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the requested position comes from the Child Support fund, as certified by the Child Support Services Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position Child Support Officer I or II, the vacancy could be filled through a closed County recruitment, but an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) approve the hiring of one Child Support Officer I, at Range 57 (\$3,046 – 43,701 or II, at Range 60 (\$3,271 - \$3,973) depending upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.
CAO-Info Serv./ Server Purchase	Moved by Supervisor Fortney and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to A) approve the conversion of the current OPTIM System in an amount not to exceed \$10,266, enabling the system to operate on a contemporary Windows based computer; B) approve the purchase of a Dell PowerEdge R510 Server from Dell Corporation through the Western States Contract Alliance in an amount not to exceed \$6,305; and C) amend the FY 2010-11 Financial System Project Budget Unit 011808 as follows: decrease appropriation in Construction in Progress (<i>Object Code #5700</i>) by \$16,671 and increase appropriations in Maintenance of Computer Systems (<i>Object Code #5177</i>) by \$10,366, and Office & Other Equipment <\$5,000 (<i>Object Code #5232</i>) by \$6,305. Motion carried unanimously.
Emerg. Serv./Center Fire Continued	The County Administrator requested that the Center Fire emergency be continued for the reasons he noted last week, being that the State has yet to make a decision regarding the Governor's concurring resolution. Moved by Supervisor Fortney and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to continue the local emergency as a result of the March 18, 2011 Center Fire disaster. Motion carried unanimously.
BofS/SB 71 Proposed Rule	The Board and staff discussed the correspondence concerning Senate Bill 71 and the proposed rules to implement the legislation. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Cervantes to approve the correspondence to the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority regarding proposed rules to implement Senate Bill 71 as presented; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
BofS/Minute Approval	The Clerk requested that the minutes of March 29, 2011 be amended as follows: Pg. 2, last paragraph, third sentence, APPL be changed to AAPL; Pg 3, third paragraph, fourth line "letter" be changed to "legislation"; and page 5, first paragraph, line nine, change to read "motion carried on a four-to-one vote, with Supervisor Cervantes voting no." and fourth paragraph last sentence to read " motion passed on a four-to-one vote with Supervisor Cervantes voting no." Moved by Supervisor Cervantes and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Special Meeting of March 29, 2011, as amended. Motion carried unanimously.
Board Members and Staff Reports	The Board Members reported on their activities during the preceding week, including the Mining Conference in Elko, condolences to the Herb Long family, a LAFCO Meeting, a Big Pine Civic Club Meeting, and the ICARE Dinner.
Recess Reconvene	The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 10:00 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 10:05 a.m., with all Board Members present.
Integ. Waste/Gate and Disposal Fee Survey and Meeting Results	Mr. Jeff Ahlstrom, Managing Landfill Engineer, provided and reviewed the statistics accumulated from the recent public meetings and on-line survey regarding changes in solid waste gate and disposal fees. Mr. Lefty Irwin of Bishop addressed the Board to support some of the proposed alternatives and to oppose any increase in the taxes. Mr. Ahlstrom noted that both of the Waste Haulers, Bishop Waste and Preferred Septic supported increasing the fees. Mr. Dale Comontofski of Preferred Septic, addressed the Board to support the increase in fees and to recommend that the fee increases not be implemented on an incremental basis. The Board and staff discussed the results and the preferred choices of those participating, noting that the option with the least support was an increase in taxes or the TUT. Supervisor Fortney said that he was not willing to talk about raising the gate fees at the landfills until there was discussion regarding the inequity in service being provided in the southeastern portion of the County regarding waste hauling services.

The Board requested that staff provide Supervisor Fortney with information on previous discussions on the matter. The Board talked about the need to address the shortfall in the Solid Waste Program sooner rather than later and asked staff to draft an ordinance to increase the gate and disposal fees at the County's landfills so that full Board discussion and the ordinance adoption process could be followed so that should an ordinance be approved it becomes effective the first part of July.

- Resol. #2011-15/
Solid Waste
Collection Mr. Chuck Hamilton, Deputy County Administrator explained that the resolution before the Board provides for the increase in residential and commercial waste collection and hauling services for permit areas A and B as requested by the Board last week. It was moved by Supervisor Arcularius, with no second to approve Resolution No. 2011-15, establishing the maximum rate schedule for residential and commercial solid waste collection and hauling service for permit areas A and B. The motion passed on a four-to-one roll call vote with Supervisors Arcularius, Cash, Pucci and Cervantes voting yes and with Supervisor Fortney voting no.
- Closed Session The Chairperson recessed open session at 11:00 a.m., to convene in closed session, with all Board Members present, to discuss and take action as appropriate on Agenda Items No. 19. **PERSONNEL [PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §54957]** - Public Employee Appointment - Title: Director Public Works; No. 20. **PERSONNEL [PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §54957]** - Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Title: Director Public Works; No. 21. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: Inyo County Correctional Officers Association (ICCOA) - Negotiators: Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; and No. 22. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: Inyo County Probation Peace Officers Association (ICPPOA) - Negotiators: Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion. The Chairperson recessed closed session at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present.
- P.W./Bishop Airport
Ad Hoc Group
Recommendations Mr. Rex Allen, representing an unofficial Ad Hoc group of local citizens formed to provide input on the Bishop Airport. Mr. Allen wanted to address to issues at the airport of concern to the group. The first being a recommendation that the Eastern Sierra Regional Airport be revised back to the more descriptive name of the Bishop Airport and the second being the proposed increase in hanger rental rates. With regard to the second recommendation Mr. Allen told the Board that the group is recommending that the hanger rates be adjusted incrementally and that a CPI Index increase be factored in on an annual basis. Mr. Rod Philbrick addressed the Board regarding the selection of a name for the airport, noting that every pilot must identify the airport by name during approach and the Board may want to be cognizant of that prior to selecting a long name that is a mouthful to say. The Board thanked Mr. Allen and those members of the Ad Hoc group in the audience for their input.
- Public Comment The Chairperson announced the second public comment period and there was no one from the public wishing to address the Board.
- Report on Closed
Session County Counsel reported there were no actions taken in closed session, which are required by law to be reported on in open session.
- Adjournment The Chairperson adjourned the meeting in memory of Mr. Herb London, a former Inyo County Board of Supervisor, who passed away recently. The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m., to 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 19, 2011, in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center, in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

*Attest: KEVIN D. CARUNCHIO
Clerk of the Board*

*by: _____
Patricia Gunsolley, Assistant*