



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

January 14, 2014

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, January 14, 2014, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Rick Pucci presiding, Linda Arcularius, Jeff Griffiths, Mark Tillemans and Matt Kingsley.

- Public Comment The Chairperson announced the public comment period. Ms. Ivonne Bunn, Administrative Analyst in the Assessor’s Office, addressed the Board to support the Assessor, Mr. Tom Lanshaw and the increase in the Assessor’s salary that the Board will consider later in todays meeting.

- Closed Session The Chairperson recessed open session at 9:05 a.m., to convene in closed session, with all Board Members present to discuss and take action as appropriate on Agenda Items No. 2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION [Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(c)].** – meet with legal counsel for discussion and advice regarding potential litigation (one case); and No. 3. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6].** Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: Elected Officials Assistant Association (EOAA) - Negotiators: Information Services Director Brandon Shults and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion. The Chairperson recessed closed session at 10:20 a.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present.

- Pledge Supervisor Kingsley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Public Comment The Chairperson announced the public comment period and there was no one wishing to address the Board.

- County Department Reports The Chairperson announced the County Department Report period. Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, updated the Board on her Department’s activities and programs. Mr. Jon Klusmire, Museum Services Administrator, updated the Board on museum projects.

- Introduction The introduction of Ms. Shannon Williams, Management Analyst in the Public Works Department was postponed to a future meeting.

- Resol. #2014-04/L.P. On a motion by Supervisor Kingsley and a second by Supervisor Arcularius, Resolution Film Museum Land Transfer No. 2014-04, was approved authorizing the transfer of the Lone Pine Film Museum to the Southern Inyo Community Foundation and authorizing the Chairperson to sign the Grant Deed transferring the property: motion unanimously passed and adopted.

- CAO/Update on Service Redesign The County Administrator updated the Board on the Innovations in Service Redesign process initiated last month as part of the steps the County is taking to address the ongoing structural budget deficit which is projected to more than double in the next two years. The following Department Heads provided information on their department’s activities concerning the redesign concept: Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, Ms. Marg Kemp-Williams, County Counsel, Mr. Josh Hart, Planning Director, Mr. Nate Reade, Agricultural Commissioner, Dr. Bob Harrington, Water Director, Ms. Amy Shepherd Auditor-Controller, Mr. Clint Quilter, Public Works Director, Sheriff Bill Lutze, and Mr. Tom Hardy, District Attorney.

- Recess Reconvene The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 1:20 p.m., to reconvene in open session at 2:05 p.m., with all Board Members present.

Sheriff/Vehicle Purchases	<p>The Sheriff responded to questions concerning the bid for the purchase of a side-by-side all-terrain vehicle. The Board continued the request for the purchase of this vehicle to next week, asking the Sheriff to provide information concerning the specific vehicle being purchased from Honda Yamaha of Redlands in an amount not to exceed \$11,190 plus sales tax.</p> <p>Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to approve the purchase of one four wheel drive truck from Bishop Ford in an amount not to exceed \$32,806 plus tax. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
Sheriff/Position Request – Shelter Assistant	<p>Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the position of APAR Shelter Assistant comes from the General Fund, as certified by the Sheriff, and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where if the County was facing layoffs, the position could be filled by internal candidates meeting the qualifications for the position, but since no layoffs are pending, authorize hiring off an already established eligibility list for the position; and C) approve the hiring of one part-time APAR Shelter Assistant at Range 42PT (\$11.78/hr. - \$14.33/hr.). Motion carried unanimously.</p>
Sheriff/Position Request – Lt. and Sgt.	<p>Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the positions of Lieutenant and Sergeant comes from the General Fund, as certified by the Sheriff, and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancies could be filled through an internal recruitment; C) approve the hiring of one Lieutenant at Range SC81 through SE81 (\$6,238 - \$8,366) depending upon qualifications; and D) once Lieutenant position is filled approve the hiring of one Sergeant at Range 74SB through 74SD (\$5,216 - \$6,829) depending upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
Ord. #1187/Zone Change for Public/Quasi-public Uses	<p>On a motion by Supervisor Kingsley and a second by Supervisor Tillemans, Ordinance No. 1187 titled "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Sections 18.45.030, 18.48.030, 18.54.040, 18.57.040, 18.72.010, 18.72.020, and 18.72.040 of the Inyo County Code;" which will conditionally permit Public/Quasi-public uses in the C-1, C-2, C-5 M-1 and P, zoning districts, was enacted: motion unanimously passed and adopted.</p>
HHS-ESAAA/Inv. 13CT122 Payment	<p>Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to approve the payment of Invoice No. 13CT122 to the California Department of Aging in the amount of \$96,382. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
HHS-Hlth. Serv./ State Emerg. Preparedness Contract	<p>Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to ratify and approve the revised Allocation Agreement between the County of Inyo and California Department of Public Health for the provision of Local Public Health Emergency Preparedness, in an amount not to exceed \$336,275, for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014; and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services, Ms. Jean Turner, to sign. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
Assessor/Salary Increase	<p>The Assessor Mr. Tom Lanshaw provided additional information and further justification for his request to raise the Assessor's salary. He provided a brief history of the requests for salary increases for the position. Ms. Alisha McMurtrie, Treasurer-Tax Collector, addressed the Board to say that the County's elected officials support the request and to say that the other elected officials will be addressing salary increases for their positions after the upcoming election. The Board and staff discussed Mr. Lanshaw's request, as well as the information concerning requests that will be made after the election, with the Board expressing a desire to address Mr. Lanshaw's increase immediately and look at the remaining elected officials' salary before the deadline for the June election. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to direct Personnel staff to make changes to the elected officials salary ordinance to increase the Assessor's salary from \$7,807 to \$8,587 per month to be considered at a future meeting of the Board and direct the County Administrator to work with the County's elected officials to develop recommendations for an Elected Officials compensation process to be brought back for the Board's consideration on or before February 4, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.</p>

Resol. #2014-05/ CalPERS Refunding Loan	The Board heard from a representative of Brandis Tallman, who provided additional information on the borrowing situation that is affecting the interest rates being offered on the CalPERS refunding loan, including the deposit relationship that is being required in order to secure the best interest rate. The Board and staff continued to discuss the change in the interest rates and the deposit relationship that is being required, with the Board noting that even should the interest rate increase, the loan option is still saving the County money for the long-term. On a motion by Supervisor Griffiths and a second by Supervisor Tillemans, Resolution No. 2014-05, titled "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Amended 2013 CalPERS Refunding Loan Agreement and Providing Other Matters" was approved: motion unanimously passed and adopted.
Planning/Forest Plan Revision Update	Mr. Josh Hart, Planning Director, updated the Board on coordination with Forest Service staff regarding the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision. He went on to review the draft focus papers for biology and multiple uses. The Board provided input on the papers and opted to not conduct public meetings on the Plan's Need for Change document. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to approve the draft focus Papers for Biology and Multiple Uses. Motion carried unanimously.
CAO-Leg. Platform	The Assistant Clerk of the Board requested the Board amend the Platform to add an item to the General Government Section of the Platform that opposes legislation that increases the County's exposure to litigation. The Board and staff discussed the County's Legislative Platform with the Board Members requesting additional changes including: the inclusion of the word "lands" in the fourth statement under Item No. 1. Agricultural. The inclusion of the reference to "federal" in the first statement under 3. Health and Human Services, item No. 10 under Health and Human Services, and item No. 5 under Resource and Environment. The Board also wanted statements concerning AB109 funding, repealing SRA fees and prohibition on sub-divisions outside of fire districts, and to provide for opt-in language as opposed to opt out language for sample ballots to be provided electronically added as well as references to Prop 40 and Linkages deleted. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the County's Legislative Platform as presented and amended during today's discussion. Motion carried unanimously.
Board Members and Staff Reports	The Board Members reported on their activities during the preceding week, including a Big Pine Civic Club Meeting, the Veterans Pathway in Big Pine, Amphibian Critical Habitat Meeting, and Inyo First 5 Meeting, an Interagency Visitors Center Meeting, various constituent meetings, a Bishop City Council Meeting, notification that the Bishop City Manager is retiring in September, a Bishop Water Association meeting, and a LORP Meeting. The County Administrator reported on an upcoming emergency service training on "volcanos" and cost studies on using ground source heating pumps in some of the County facilities.
Public Comment	The Chairperson announced the public comment period and there was no one 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 regular meeting at 4:15 p.m., to 8:30 a.m., on Tuesday, January 21, 2014, in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center, in Independence.