

## County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

### June 10, 2014

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:35 a.m., on Tuesday, June 10, 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 and there was no one from the public wishing to address the Board.

Closed Session

County Counsel reported that with regard to Agenda Item No. 9. Real Property Negotiations the County would be negotiating with the following: 150 N. Hanby Avenue - Forrest Cross; 596 Central Avenue – Efrain Gonzales Granados, Esther Ruiz Moreno, Gabriel Ruiz and Consuelo G. Moreno as joint tenants; and 586 Central Avenue Gabriel Ruiz and Consuelo Moreno, Efrain Gonzales Granados and Javier Ruiz Moreno as joint tenants. The Chairperson recessed open session at 8:35 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 LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6) - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Title: IHSS - Negotiators: Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, Sue Dishion, Deputy Personnel Director, Employer of Records, Ann Parkinson Noda and Bill May; No. 3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits -Employee Organization: Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA) - Negotiators: County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; No. 4. 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 - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; No. 5. 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 - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; No. 6. 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 (ICPPOA) - Negotiators - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; No. 7. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] -Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: ICEA -Negotiators - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults: No. 8. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (LEAA) - Negotiators: - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; and No. 9. REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS (CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.8) - Property: APN: 001-1150-16, 150 North Hanby Avenue, Bishop, California; and APN 001-065-17, 586 Central Avenue Bishop, CA, and APN 001-065-16, 596 Central Avenue, Bishop, California, Negotiating Parties: Kevin Carunchio, County Administrator: Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, and Clint Quilter, Public Works Director - Negotiations: Terms and Conditions. Supervisor Griffiths left closed session at 9:15 a.m.

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Recess/ Reconvene The Chairperson recessed closed session at 9:55 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 10:05 a.m., with all Board Members present.

Pledge

Supervisor Linda Arcularius led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comment** 

The Chairperson announced the public comment period. Mr. Harry Williams of Bishop addressed the Board to disagree with the County using the Long Term Water Agreement as the water management plan for the Owens Valley. County Counsel explained that Mr. Williams' comments appeared to be specific to Item No. 19 on today's agenda and invited Mr. Williams to hold his comments until the Board discusses that item. The Chairperson suggested that Mr. Williams keep his comments general during public comment. Mr. Williams went on to express his concern about the effects of the drought and what he thinks the County should be doing about it.

County Department Reports

The Chairperson announced the County Department Report period. Ms. Kammi Foote, Clerk-Recorder, updated the Board on the results of the recent election, and announced that after a hand-tally of the First District that exactly mirrored the machine results, Dan Totheroh had won the First District Supervisorial seat by one vote. Ms. Foote reported that the voter turn out for this election was 41.2% which was a historic low for the County. She went on to thank all of the election and poll workers that had helped make this election a success. She went on to talk about a pilot program the County Elections Division is participating that has revamped the website to make it more accessible to the public. Mr. Jeff Thomson, Chief Probation Officer, to report on the BPIA Project which is an evidenced based practices program to manage youth delinquent populations. Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, reported on department activities and commended her staff for helping clients apply for Social Security Disability which removes those clients from receiving County funds.

Introduction

Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, introduced Ms. Jen Mann, the Public Health Director to the Board.

HHS-Soc. Serv./ Stage 1 Child Care Services Contract Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and Inyo County Superintendent of Schools for the provision of Stage I Child Care Services, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000, for the period of July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, contingent upon the Board's adoption of a FY 2014-15 budget; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

Water/P. O. for Weed Control Products

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to declare Stanislaus Farm Supply as a sole source vendor of herbicide and oil diluent; and approve the purchase of 200 gallons of Garlon 4 Ultra herbicide and 600 hundred gallons of Improved JLB Oil Plus with dye, for saltcedar control, from Stanislaus Farm Supply, in an amount not to exceed \$32,400, including tax. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-HIth Serv./ Immunization Outreach Contract Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to ratify the revised Contract between the County of Inyo and the California Department of Public Health for the provision of Immunization Outreach in an amount not to exceed \$112,544 for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2017, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets; and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the Agreement and Certification Regarding Lobbying. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-IC Gold-ESAAA/Position Request Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to A) ratify the County Administrator's emergency authorization to hire one A-Par Senior Citizen Specialist III; and B) find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy (a) the availability of funding for the position of Senior Citizen Specialist exists in the ESAAA and IC Gold budgets, as certified by the Health and Human Services Director and concurred with by the County Administrator, and Auditor-Controller; (b) the position has been filled off of an existing eligibility list by an internal candidate; and (c) authorize the hiring of one A-Par Senior Citizen Specialist III at Range 050PT (\$14.81 - \$17.21 per hour). Motion carried unanimously.

Water/Position Request

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the seasonal Field Assistant positions exists as certified by the Water Director, and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) where due to the seasonal nature of the positions it is unlikely that the positions could be filled by internal candidates meeting the qualifications for the positions, therefore an open recruitment would be appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) approve the hiring of eight seasonal Field Assistant I's at Range 050PT (\$14.18 - \$17.21 per hour) for the period of October 13, 2014 through March 11, 2015, contingent upon adoption of the FY 2014/15 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Water/Letter to DWP re State Water Legislation

The Water Director, Dr. Bob Harrington, provided the Board with a revised letter to DWP concerning stipulations in the Long Term Water Agreement (LTWA) which require the County of Inyo and the City of Los Angeles to coordinate on water legislation currently under consideration by the State. Dr. Harrington explained that the State legislation is addressing overdraft which is not a condition that exists in the Owens Valley because of the LTWA. Dr. Harrington and the Board discussed the LTWA and its ability to manage groundwater. The Board heard from Mr. Harry Williams who reiterated the comments he made earlier during public comment. The Board and staff went on to discuss the importance of the County to weigh in on water legislation that is being drafted because of the possibility that new legislation could add another layer of bureaucracy to water resources management in Inyo County. Supervisor Griffiths clarified for those who thought the County's letter was addressing the adequacy of the LTWA as a groundwater management plan that the County's letter is simply complying with a section of the LTWA that requires the City and County to coordinate on addressing State water legislation. Supervisor Arcularius also explained that the State water legislation as it is being written has the potential to further erode the County's ability to manage its water resources therefore there is the need for the City and the County to make sure that the Court Ordered LTWA is recognized as a groundwater management plan for the Owens Valley in any legislation moving forward. The Board and staff discussed moving up the date noted for response, with a suggestion that it say "as soon as possible." Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to approve the revised correspondence to the City of Los Angeles regarding coordination between the County and the City of Los Angeles on legislation currently under consideration by the State, as amended; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-Behavioral Hlth. Serv./MHSA Innovations Plan Workshop

The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 11:35 a.m., to convene in a workshop, with all Board Members present. The Board conducted a workshop on the Mental Health Services Act Innovations Plan. The Chairperson recessed the workshop to reconvene in open session at 12:35, with all Board Members present.

Recess/ Reconvene The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 12:35 a.m., to reconvene in a workshop at 1:10 p.m., with all Board Members present.

Public Guardian/ Workshop

Public Administrator/ The Board conducted a workshop to continue to receive information regarding the Public Administrator/Public Guardian services and case load. The Chairperson recessed the workshop at 1:50 p.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present.

Planning/Forest Plan Update

Mr. Josh Hart, Planning Director, briefly reviewed the changes the Forest Service made to the MOU the County had approved in April of this year. He said that the changes are minor and staff is recommending the Board approve this version of the MOU. The Board opted to receive the report on recent coordination activities before they address the MOU. Mr. Hart reviewed the staff's activities since the last update. Mr. Hart went on to provide the Board with a copy of a map that the Forest Service has just released concerning areas to be considered for wilderness designation. The Board and staff discussed the Forest Service's lack of coordination efforts regarding wilderness planning with the County. Mr. Hart said that when he gueried the Forest Service about the wilderness planning, they indicated they didn't think the County would be interested in it. The Board and staff continued to discuss how disheartening it is for the County to put such effort into having its right to coordinate with the Forest Service on issues of local concern recognized in the MOU, and then be dismissed so arbitrarily. The County Administrator suggested that the Board approve the revised MOU and send a letter identifying the Board's concern with the Forest Service's lack of coordination on further wilderness designations on the heals of approving an MOU which sets specific requirements for coordination.

Mr. Steve Porter, Deputy County Counsel, provided further explanation on the Forest Service's publication of the wilderness maps, saying he believes that this is the first step that is simply identifying the areas that have to be considered. He said that he feels the coordination efforts will be made as the analysis of the areas of the designation proceeds. The Board recognized and commended County staff for its continuing work on coordination.

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to approve the revised Memorandum of Understanding concerning coordination on the Forest Service Plan Update/Revision; reauthorize the Chairperson to sign; and direct staff to draft a letter for the Chairperson's signature that reiterates the issues identified in today's discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

## Parks/Workshop on Tecopa Hot Springs

The Chairperson recessed open session at 2:20 p.m., to convene in a workshop with all Board Members present. The Board conducted a workshop with staff on the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pools. The Chairperson recessed the workshop at 3:30 p.m., to reconvene in open session with all Board Members present.

### BofS/Minute Approval

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meetings of A) the Regular Meeting of May 27, 2014; B) the Special Meeting of June 2, 2014; and C) the Adjourned Special Meeting of June 4, 2014. Motion carried on a four-to-zero vote, with Supervisors Griffiths, Pucci, Tillemans and Kingsley voting yes, and with Supervisor Arcularius abstaining.

# Clerk-Elections/City of Bishop Election Consolidation

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to consolidate the General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election to be held Tuesday, November 4, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Public Comment**

The Chairperson announced the final public comment period and there was no one from the public wishing to address the Board.

#### Closed Session

The Chairperson recessed open session at 3:30 p.m., to reconvene in closed session, with all Board Members present, to continue discussions and actions as may be appropriate on previously noted closed session items.

### Report on Closed Session

The Chairperson recessed closed session at 4:00 p.m., to reconvene in open session to receive a report on closed session. County Counsel reported that with regard to Agenda Item 2. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6)** – Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits – Title: IHSS – Negotiators: Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, Sue Dishion, Deputy Personnel Director, Employer of Records, Ann Parkinson Noda and Bill May, the Board in a unanimous vote, with Supervisors Arcularius, Griffiths, Pucci, Tillemans and Kingsley voting yes, provided instructions to the negotiators; with regard to Agenda items 3 through 8 which are labor negotiations with various employee groups, the Board in a unanimous vote, with Supervisors Arcularius, Griffiths, Pucci, Tillemans and Kingsley voting yes, gave instructions to the negotiators; and with regard to Agenda Item No. 9 which is real property negotiations, the Board in a unanimous vote, with Supervisors Arcularius, Pucci, Tillemans, and Kingsley voting yes, and with Supervisor Griffiths absent, gave instructions to the negotiators.

### Adjourned

Patricia Gunsolley, Assistant

The Chairperson adjourned the regular meeting at 4:10 p.m., to 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 17, 2014, in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center, in Independence.

Attest:	KEVIN D. CARUNCHIO Clerk of the Board	Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisor
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