

MINUTES

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

October 14, 2014

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 10:05 a.m., on, 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. Mr. Alexander (Skandar) Reid, Bishop Resident addressed the Board to talk about the use of drones in the County's airspace. Mr. Leroy Kritz, Lone Pine Fire Chief, addressed the Board to thank them for their support of the Fire Department's Measure D which is a parcel tax that will keep ambulance service in the Lone Pine area. Sheriff Lutze reported on a fire in the community of Tecopa that resulted in some personal property loss, including damage to the Sheriff's Substation, and fortunately did not cause any personal injury. The Sheriff commended the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District for their immediate and extended response to the emergency. He also commended his Dispatch personnel for their work during the emergency and offered thanks to the Pahrump Fire Department that also responded.
- Resol. #2014-44/
Support for L.P. Fire On a motion by Supervisor Kingsley and a second by Supervisor Tillemans, Resolution No. 2014-44, titled "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Supporting Measure D on the Ballot for the November 4, 2014 General Election to Provide Funding for Parcel Tax for Local Ambulance Service in Area 4 (Lone Pine)" was approved: motion Dept. Measure D unanimously passed and adopted.
- Child Support Serv./
Position Request Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the Administrative Analyst position comes from the Child Support Department, as certified by the Child Support Services Director, and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position of Administrative Analyst I-III, the vacancy could possibly be filled through an internal recruitment; and C) approve the hiring of one Administrative Analyst I-III, at Ranges 68 – 72 (\$4,025 - \$5,372), depending upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.
- Probation/Lab
Services Contract The Chief Probation Officer provided more information and further explanation for the recommendation to contract for laboratory services with Redwood Toxicology. The County Administrator told the Board that \$25,000 has been budgeted in this year's budget for these services. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to A) accept the bid from Redwood Toxicology Laboratory, Inc., for the provision of urine sample collection devices (supplies) and laboratory services; and B) approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and Redwood Toxicology Laboratory, Inc., for the provision of urine sample collection devices (supplies) and laboratory services in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the period of October 15, 2014 through June 30, 2016, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets, with an option to renew a third and fourth year; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
- P.W./Sabrina Bridge
Replacement Prjct. The Board received a presentation from Ms. Lynn Flannigan, Sr. Engineer and Project Manager, on the recently completed Sabrina Bridge Replacement Project.
- P.W./Deputy
Director Position
Request Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the Deputy Public Works Director exists in the Public Works, Building and Maintenance, Building and Safety, CSA #2, Big Pine Lighting, Lone Pine Lighting and Independence Lighting budgets, as certified by the Public Works Director, and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) the position possibly could be filled by internal candidates meeting the qualifications for the position, however, an external recruitment may result in applicants with more depth and breadth of experience and is in the best interest of the County; and C) approve the hiring of one Deputy Public Works Director at Range 88 (\$6,627 - \$8,053), contingent upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.

<p>Resol. #2014-45/ Easement for the CSA #2 Sewer Rehab Project</p>	<p>The Public Works Director, Mr. Clint Quilter, presented the Board with a revised Resolution which amended the last paragraph to standard "Passed and Adopted" language. Mr. Quilter also requested that the Board amend the request to reflect "authorize the Chairperson to sign" as opposed to authorizing the Public Works Director to sign. On a motion by Supervisor Arcularius and a second by Supervisor Kingsley, Resolution No. 2014-45, accepting a public sewer easement Grant Deed was approved, and it was also moved to authorize the Chairperson to execute a quitclaim deed to extinguish the County's interest in the existing utility (sewer) easement for the CSA No. 2 Sewer Rehabilitation Project; and to authorize the Public Works Director to record the above noted deeds and the executed Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement: motion unanimously passed and adopted</p>
<p>Resol #2014-46/ Olancho CSD Loan</p>	<p>On a motion by Supervisor Kingsley and a second by Supervisor Tillemans, Resolution 2014-46 was approved, pursuant to the provisions of Article XVI, Section 6 of the California Constitution, approving an interim loan from the County Treasury to the Olancho Community Service District in the aggregate amount of \$20,000 for the purpose of financing the District's operation costs during FY 2014-15 prior to receipt of their annual property tax apportionment: motion unanimously passed and adopted.</p>
<p>Water/Standing Committee</p>	<p>Dr. Bob Harrington, Water Director, provided the Board with the final Agenda for the October 15, 2014 Inyo County/Los Angeles Standing Committee Meeting to be held in Los Angeles. Dr. Harrington reviewed and discussed the items on the Agenda with the Board. The County Administrator also noted that the County's Emergency Resolution has governance over the City of Los Angeles operations in the County and does call upon the City to initiate discussions in several different areas. He said he thought it would be helpful to give LA an opportunity to talk about the work they have been doing in those areas, i.e. west Bishop. He said he thought it could be left up to staff whether to add it to the Agenda as a specific item, and address it under the runoff condition update that is on the Agenda.</p>
<p>County Counsel/ James Contract Amendment</p>	<p>The County Counsel provided further explanation concerning the Amendment for the Contract with Greg James. She said that she in endeavoring to find outside resources and funding that will help support all of the services that are being provided by Mr. James across a broad array of topics. She that that she anticipated that once she has all of the outside sources lined in, she will come back and give the Board an informational look at those sources for paying for the projects he works on. The County Administrator clarified that the amount of funding necessary to make the amendment possible is already included in County Counsel's budget without any offsetting revenue. Money to pay for this Contract is budgeted in this year's budget. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to ratify and approve Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement between the County of Inyo and Gregory L. James, Attorney at Law to extend the term of the Contract through June 30, 2015 and increasing the Contract limit by \$25,000 to an amount not to exceed \$50,000; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Recess/ Reconvene</p>	<p>The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 11:38 a.m. to convene as the Capital Asset Leasing Corporation. The Chairperson reconvened the regular meeting in open session at 11:42 a.m., with all Board Members present.</p>
<p>Ordinance 1189/ Mental Health Fees</p>	<p>On a motion by Supervisor Griffiths and a second by Supervisor Kingsley, Ordinance 1189 titled "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Repealing Ordinance No. 1185, and Revising the Inyo County Community Mental Health Services Fees," was enacted: motion unanimously passed and adopted.</p>
<p>Planning/Castro General Plan Amendment and Zone Reclass</p>	<p>The Chairperson opened the public hearing on the following actions for a 10,004 sq. ft. site (lots 6 & 7 of APN 005-104-05) located at 106 Washington Street, Lone Pine: a General Plan Amendment to change the General Plan designation from Central Business District (CBD) to Residential Medium High Density (RMH) and a proposed ordinance titled "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Approving Zone Reclassification No. 2014-02/Castro and Amending the Zoning Map of the County of Inyo by Rezoning a 10,004 sq. ft. Parcel Located at 106 Washington Street (APN 005-014-05) in the Community of Lone Pine From Central Business – Architectural Design Control (CB-D) to Multiple Residential (R-2)." Ms. Elaine Kabala, Associate Planner, reviewed the staff report and recommendations. She explained that County Counsel has asked that a minor correction in the ordinance be made. She asked that in Section II (4) the first line read "The applicant has also applied" instead of "is also applying". At the conclusion of her remarks, Ms. Kabala requested the staff report and all attachments be entered into the record and it was marked Exhibit A. Ms. Kabala also asked that a letter from Michael Bechtold suggesting that the applicant install a modular home instead of mobile home, also be included in the record and it</p>

was marked as Exhibit B. Supervisor Kingsley asked that a letter from Marlene Cierniak concerning the property also be entered into the record. There were no other comments provided and the Chairperson closed the public hearing at 11:48 a.m.

- Resol. #2014-47/
Castro GPA & ZR
CEQA Findings
- On a motion by Supervisor Kingsley and a second by Supervisor Tillemans, Resolution No. 2014-47, titled "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Certifying That the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Have Been Met and Making Certain Findings With Respect To and Approving Zone Reclassification #2014-02/Castro and General Plan Amendment #2014-01/Castro," was approved: motion unanimously passed and adopted.
- Planning/Castro ZR
Ordinance
- Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to waive the first reading of the above referenced Ordinance approving Zone reclassification #2014-02/Castro, as amended, and schedule the enactment for 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 21, 2014 in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center, in Independence. Motion carried unanimously.
- CAO-Personnel/
Clerk-Recorder
Salary Adjustment
- The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 12:05 p.m., to consider an ordinance titled "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Section 2.88.040 of the Inyo county code to Provide for Increases in the Salary of Certain elected Officials, Excluding the Members of the Board of Supervisors," which will increase the salary for the Clerk-Recorder from \$7,453 to \$7,963 per month. There was no one from the public wishing to address this issue and the Chairperson closed the public hearing at 12:06 p.m. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to schedule the enactment of the ordinance for October 21, 2014 at 11:45 a.m. at the Board of Supervisors Room, Independence. Motion carried unanimously.
- Recess/
Reconvene
- The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 12:10 p.m., to reconvene in open session at 1:20 p.m., with all Board Members present.
- Board Members and
Staff Reports
- The Board Members reported on their activities during the preceding week, including the Sierra Business Council Conference in Lake Tahoe, notification of the release of modifications to the Endangered Species Act, notification that the Waters of the US legislation is proceeding, various constituent meetings, and a report that Lone Pine Film Festival was once again a great success. The County Administrator reported on the Big Pine Civic Club Meeting. He also informed the Board that the Inyo Council for the Arts will be displaying student artwork in the Board Room.
- Planning/Forest
Plan Update
- Mr. Josh Hart, Planning Director updated the Board on staff's coordination activities with Forest Service staff regarding the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision and provide input. He reported on specific activities since the last report, including changes in Forest Service staff and upcoming meetings.
- Planning/Eastern
Sierra Recreation
Collaborative
- The Planning Director, Mr. Josh Hart, introduced Ms. Danna Stroud, the Eastern Sierra Representative for the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC), addressed the Board representing the Eastern Sierra Recreation Collaborative. The Board heard from Ms. Stroud who provided information on the Collaborative and its mission. She said that the group was formed to provide a regional voice on the importance of the region's recreational opportunities as the Inyo National Forest Management Plan Revision process proceeds. The Board, Ms. Stroud, the County Administrator and the Planning director discussed the information provided by Ms. Stroud. The County Administrator questioned the governance structure of the group and commented that it was nice to see that the Sierra Nevada Conservancy, a State Agency, is endorsing this effort. Ms. Stroud qualified that the SNC has not endorsed the group or its efforts, but had simply authorized the local staff to provide office supplies and limited clerical support for the group. The Board, Ms. Stroud and staff continued to talk about the governance structure, the decision making process and the County's involvement with this group, seeing that the County has already been actively participating in the Revision process for several years.
- Public Comment
- The Chairperson announced the final public comment period and there was no one from the public 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, informed the Board that County HHS Staff have received a plaque from the State regarding program efficiencies. She also reported on an EMS Meeting and an upcoming item for the Board of Supervisors Meeting of November 12th, and that public health staff is keeping abreast of the situation concerning African diseases. The Planning Director provided the schedule for upcoming public meetings in the various communities concerning the Draft EIR.

The County Administrator briefed the Board on a meeting he, Ms. Pam Hennarty, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, and a representative of RCRC, had with the State CalRecycle staff concerning Inyo County compliance issues, saying that Inyo County has been given more time to comply with the demands of CalRecycle before compliance enforcement against the County is initiated. Mr. Carunchio, explained that should enforcement against the County be initiated that is when the County would need to pursue public records act requests to determine how much CalRecycle staff time and effort is being dedicated to Inyo County compliance in light of the fact that Inyo County generates less than .003% of the State's waste.

Adjournment

The Chairperson adjourned the regular meeting at 2:50 a.m., to 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 21, 2013, in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center, in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisor

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

by: _____
Patricia Gunsolley, Assistant