

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

July 21, 2015

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:05 a.m., on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Matt Kingsley, presiding, Dan Totheroh, Rick Pucci, Jeff Griffiths, and Mark Tillemans.

Public Comment The Chairperson announced the public comment period and there was no one from the public

wishing to address the Board.

Closed Session The Chairperson recessed open session at 8:07 p.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(d)(2) – significant exposure to potential litigation (one case); No. 3. PERSONNEL [Pursuant to Government Code §54957] - Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Title – County Counsel; and No. 4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(4) – decision whether

to initiate litigation (two cases).

Recess/ Reconvene The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 9:55 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 10:05

a.m., with all Board Members present.

Pledge Supervisor Pucci led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment The Chairperson announced the second public comment period and there was no one wishing to

address the Board.

Planning/2015 Planning Award Representatives of the Central Section of the California Chapter of the American Planning Association presented the County with the American Planning Award of Merit in the Innovation of Green Community Planning Category for Inyo County's Renewable Energy General Plan Amendment. The Chairperson accepted the award and thanked Josh Hart the Planning Director and his staff for their work on the REGPA. Josh Hart, the Planning Director, thanked his staff for

their support and work on the REGPA.

CAO-Info Serv./ Crest Software Maintenance Renewal Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve and ratify the renewal of a Software Maintenance Agreement between Crest Software Corporation and the County of Inyo for the County's enterprise Property Tax Management System for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$36,817, contingent upon the Board's

adoption of a FY 2015-16 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

CAO-Info Serv./ SunGuard Software Maintenance Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve and ratify the renewal of a Software Maintenance Agreement between SunGuard Public Sector and the County of Inyo for the County's enterprise accounting system IFAS for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$36,860, contingent upon the Board's adoption of a FY 2015-16 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

CAO-Risk/Kirby Contract Amendment Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Contract between the County of Inyo and John D. Kirby, A.P.C., for the provision of civil litigation attorney services for the period of July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, replacing Attachments B and C with the correct copies; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

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HHS-WIC/WIC **Program Funding** Application

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve the Funding Application to implement a four-year Contract (FFY 2016-2019) for the Inyo WIC Program, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets; and authorize the Health and Human Services Director to sign and transmit a signed copy to the Clerk of the Board for the Board's files. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Parcel Map 404

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve Parcel Map 404 and rejection of irrevocable offer of dedication for a 60 foot right of way and a 30 foot wide right of way for road and utility purposes. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Parcel Map 405

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve Parcel Map No. 405 and the rejection of irrevocable offer of dedication for a 60 foot right of way and a 30 foot wide right of way for road and utility purposes. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-Hlth. Serv./ Public Health Nurse Position Request

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for a Public Health Nurse position exists in the Health budget as certified by the Health and Human Services Director, and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the position could possibly be filled through an internal recruitment, however, an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) authorize the hiring of one Public Health Nurse at Range 80 (\$5,559 - \$6,791). Motion carried unanimously.

Planning/NRAC Continued

Josh Hart, Planning Director, provided additional information and further justification for extending the term of the Natural Resource Advisory Committee. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to extend the term of the Natural Resource Advisory Committee for three years. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Highway Safety Improvement **Program Grant**

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to A) approve the submittal of the application for a Caltrans Highway Safety Improvement Program Grant for the installation of striping on Old Spanish Trail Highway, State Line Road, Trona Wildrose Road and Panamint Valley Road and edge rumble strips on State Line Road; B) commit to funding the match with Road Department funds; and C) authorize the Public Works Director to execute the grant agreements and other documents related to the grant and transmit a copy of the signed documents to the Clerk of the Board for the Board's files. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./B.P. Town Hall Roof Repair Project

Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to A) approve the Plans and Specifications for the Big Pine Town Hall Building Roof Repair Project; B) authorize the Public Works Director to advertise for bids for the project; C) authorize the Public Works Director to award the project contract, if the bids received are within the project budget and to sign, contingent upon the appropriate signatures being obtained; and D) authorize the Public Works Director to sign all other Contract documents, including change orders, to the extent permitted pursuant to Section 20142 of the Public Contract Code and other applicable law. Motion carried unanimously.

Ambulance Services in EOA's 1, 4, 5, 6, and 7

HHS-EMS/RFP's for The Board received a presentation from staff of the Inland Counties Emergency Medical Authority (ICEMA) regarding the proposed Request for Proposals (RFPs) for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers to cover five of Inyo County Exclusive Operating Areas (EOAs), including EOA 1 (Bishop), EOA 4 (Lone Pine), EOA 5 (Olancha), EOA 6 (Little Lake), and EOA 7 (Panamint Valley). The Board, ICEMA Representatives, Staff and members of the audience reviewed the RFPs in depth and at length. A letter from Chief Kritz of the Lone Pine Fire Department, addressing his remaining concerns with the RFP was provided, and Steve Davis, Olancha Fire Chief addressed the Board to help convey Chief Kritz's concerns and apologies for not being able to attend the meeting. The Board, Chief Davis, staff and representatives of ICEMA responded to those items identified by Chief Kritz, including, exclusivity security, billing, that the contract is a sample and could be revised depending on the type of provider, revising the language of the RFP and the contract to note language that defines what odometer certification means and provides for a variety of ways to accomplish odometer certification, i.e. local sheriff, Sealer of Weights and Measures certification, etc., cleaning up the language for convenience clause. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to recommending the EMS Governing Board approve the RFPs for Inyo County Exclusive Operating Areas, as amended per todays' discuss. unanimously.

Assessor/Exempting Tax on Low Value Vessels

The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 11:47 a.m., on a proposed ordinance titled "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Exempting Low Value Personal Property From Property Taxation" that eliminates the assessment of vessels valued at \$1,300 or less. The Assessor, Dave Stottlemyre, provided additional information and responded to questions from the Board, explaining that the lower valued vessels take the most amount of time and money to assess. There was no one from the public wishing to address the Board. The Chairperson closed the public hearing at 11:50 a.m. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to waive the first reading of the ordinance and schedule the enactment for 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 28, 2015, in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center, in Independence. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

The Chairperson recessed open session at 12:00 p.m. to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present, to continue discussions and action as appropriate on previously noted closed session items. The Chairperson recessed closed session at 1:40 p.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present.

Water/Standing Committee Mtg. Instructions

The Water Director, Dr. Bob Harrington, provided the Board with a copy of the Agenda for the upcoming July 24, 2015 meeting in Los Angeles. Dr. Harrington updated the Board on irrigation status in the Owens Valley on DWP owned lands, noting that DWP has advised the County that they intend to continue irrigation through August. Ms. Daris Moxley of Bishop addressed the Board regarding timely notification of Technical Group Meetings. Ms. Sally Manning of the Owens Valley Committee, questioned postponing the Standing Committee Meeting. Mr. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine supported better notification of Technical Group Meetings. The Board, Dr. Harrington, and the County Administrator, discussed the items proposed for the Agenda, including considering postponing the meeting in light of DWP's decision to continue irrigation through August. After a lengthy discussion, the Board took the following action. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to convey the following to LADWP: To date there has been agreement on irrigation month-to-month and continuing that practice. Inyo County agrees with and accepts the offer of LADWP that, subject to irrigation limitations on Los Angeles owned properties supplied solely by creek flow, irrigation on LADWP lands will continue through August 2015 and that the Standing Committee will meet on August 19, 2015, unless another date in August is agreed to by Inyo county and LADWP, to further discuss a program for reasonable irrigation reductions during this runoff year.

Closed Session

The Chairperson recessed open session at 2:30 p.m., to reconvene in closed session, to continue discussions and action as appropriate on previously noted closed session items. The Chairperson recessed closed session at 2:55 p.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present, except Supervisor Tillemans.

P.W./Letter to DWP re Implementation of Adventure Trails at County Campgrounds

The Public Works Director, Clint Quilter, provided additional information and further explanation regarding the status of the implementation of the Eastern Sierra ATV Adventure Trails System Project. He went into detail on what has transpired with the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power concerning implementation of the Project at County campgrounds. The Board and staff discussed the proposed correspondence and the project implementation at the County Campgrounds. Mr. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine suggested the County explain to DWP that this is a State authorized Project. He also questioned whether the new signage for the project is actually readable when traveling at 25 mph. Mr. Quilter explained that the sample letter was drafted earlier in the process and suggested that it could be revised to fit the current situation. The Board felt that it would be appropriate for a letter to be sent under the Chairperson's signature regarding the implementation of Adventure Trails at County campgrounds leased from the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, without the letter coming back for Board approval. The Board asked staff to amend the proposed letter, have the County Administrator review the letter prior to having the Chairperson sign.

Child Support/Admin Analyst Position Request

Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for an Administrative Analyst position comes from the Child Support Services budget as certified by the Director of Child Support Services and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the position could possibly be filled through an internal recruitment, however, an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) authorize the hiring of one Administrative Analyst I at Range 68 (\$4,188 - \$5,088), II at Range 70 (\$4,391 - \$5,341) or III at Range 72 (\$4,601 - \$5,589), depending upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.

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Child Support Serv./
Child Support
Officer Position
Request

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for a Child Support Officer position comes from the Child Support Services budget as certified by the Director of Child Support Services and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the position could possibly be filled through an internal recruitment, however, an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) authorize the hiring of one Child Support Officer I, at Range 57 (\$3,232 - \$4,027) or II at Range 60 (\$3,471 - \$4,216), depending upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.

BofS/Minute Approval Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meeting of July 7, 2015. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.

County Department Reports

The Chairperson announced the County Department Report period. Dr. Harrington, Water Director, updated the Board on the Groundwater Basin legislation and the timing for responding to the request for basin boundary changes.

Report on Closed Session

County Counsel reported the following with regard to closed session: Item No. 2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)** – significant exposure to potential litigation (one case), instructions were given to Counsel and staff; No. 3. **PERSONNEL [Pursuant to Government Code §54957]** - Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Title – County Counsel, there was no reportable action; and No. 4. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(4)** – decision whether to initiate litigation (two cases), instructions were given to Counsel and staff.

Board Members and Staff Reports

The County Administrator updated the Board on the 21st Century Obsidian Project. The Chairperson noted that today's meeting was going to be adjourned in memory of James Wilson, a long-time City of Bishop business owner and resident of the Bishop area who unexpectedly passed away recently.

Public Comment

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

Adjournment

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting in memory of long-time Bishop Resident and business owner, James Wilson, who passed away recently. The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m., to 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 28, 2015, in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center, in Independence.

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Attest:	KEVIN D. CARUNCHIO
	Clerk of the Board
by:	
•	Patricia Gunsolley, Assistant

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