

MINUTES



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

June 27, 2017

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:33 a.m., on May 9, 2017, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Vice Chairperson Dan Totheroh, presiding, Jeff Griffiths, Rick Pucci, and Matt Kingsley. (Chairperson Tillemans would be arriving at 8:45 a.m.)

PUBLIC COMMENT Vice Chairperson Totheroh asked for public comment during the first public comment period and there was none.

CLOSED SESSION Vice Chairperson Totheroh recessed open session at 8:34 a.m. to convene in closed session with all Board members present, except for Chairperson Tillemans, to discuss the following items: **No. 2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** – Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 (one case); **No. 3 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9 (one case); **No. 4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** – Employee organizations: Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); Elected Officials Assistant Association (EOAA); Inyo County Correctional Officers Association (ICCOA); Inyo County Employees Association (ICEA); Inyo County Probation Peace Officers Association (ICPPOA); IHSS Workers; Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (LEAA). Unrepresented employees: all. Agency designated representatives: County Administrative Officer Kevin Carunchio, Assistant County Administrator Rick Benson, Deputy Personnel Director Sue Dishion, County Counsel Marshall Rudolph, and Assistant County Counsel John Vallejo; **No. 5 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT [Pursuant to Government Code §54957]** – Titles: Environmental Health Director; Health and Human Services Director; and Planning Director; and **No. 6 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT EVALUATION [Pursuant to Government Code §54957]** – Title: Chief Probation Officer. Chairperson Tillemans arrived at 8:45 a.m. to join the discussions.

OPEN SESSION Chairperson Tillemans recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10 a.m. with all Board members present.

PLEDGE Supervisor Totheroh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION County Counsel Marshall Rudolph reported that no action was taken during closed session that is required to be reported. The Board had not finished its closed session business, however, and would recess to closed session later in the meeting to continue discussions.

PUBLIC COMMENT Chairperson Tillemans asked for public comment during the second public comment period.

Steve Zapka, Community Outreach with Edwards Air Force Base, was introduced to the Board by Supervisor Kingsley and then provided an update on the June 21 crash of an RQ-4 Global Hawk remotely piloted aircraft (drone) near Mt. Whitney. He said while the investigation into the crash continues, personnel will proceed with a grid search for debris for a few more days. He noted crews cannot actually access the crash site because of the rugged terrain. The crash started a fire that is being managed by the U.S. Forest Service.

County employee and ICEA representative Janelle Kent read from a prepared statement regarding her desire for the Board to give the ICEA membership a 2% Cost of Living Adjustment instead of the 1% COLA that the County offered and the ICEA membership rejected. She cited recruitment and retention challenges and heavy workloads.

County employee Denise Muniz talked about undesirable working conditions, such as being short-staffed and not being allowed to take overtime, and senior workers not being rewarded for longevity.

County employee Laura Weigers read a letter on behalf of another employee, Merry Brown, in which she said it has been a struggle to recruit and retain a healthy workforce and wages are stagnant, with the only relief coming from COLAs.

County employee Courtney Smith presented a proposal to the Board that he believed would be amenable to both the County and ICEA, and be fair in light of the fact that the other bargaining groups already accepted the County's offer that the ICEA rejected.

A County employee identifying herself as Samantha said she was glad to see two Supervisors at recent community events hosted by her department and urged the Board to take the time to understand what employees actually do and that they love their jobs.

Roger Rasche, president of the Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council, said he would support anything to help the employees who help the seniors at the senior centers. He also thanked the Board for doing a great job serving ESAAA.

Clark Whitworth took the opportunity to quickly introduce himself as the new administrator of the Bishop Care Center, having relocated from Susanville. He noted the Care Center is also recruiting for employees and could hire 20 CNAs today if they were available.

County employee Christine Jones asked the Board why the ICEA employees weren't worth a 2% COLA and said she has never seen a single Board member at the Grove Street offices. Supervisor Griffiths said he is a frequent visitor.

County employee Laura Blair said when she worked in the private sector she brought home more money and qualified for Medicare, but now she has insurance to pay for and co-pays that eat it into her paychecks. She said the 2% COLA for her will mean an extra \$12 a paycheck to buy her daughter frozen yogurt.

Richard Hanley of Bishop said the impasse between the union and County has gone on long enough and that the County can afford the 2% COLA, has good employees, and should not disrespect them.

Community member Christina Palomo said she is generating a petition on behalf of the ICEA employees, noting that tens of positions are currently open and making a bigger workload for everybody else, which has an impact on service delivery.

County employee Sheri Aust read a statement from an anonymous, "relatively new" employee who said they are lucky to have a job that allows them to travel eight hours to see their son and pay child and spousal support, but there is not much left over at the end of the month. Aust said she loved her job but as expenses rise and salaries don't, other job offers become tempting.

CAO Carunchio wanted to recognize two long-term public servants retiring this week with a combined 40-plus years of service: HHS Director Jean Turner with 31 years, and Information Services Director/Senior Deputy Administrator Brandon Shults with 15 years. He said the pair embody true public service, working long hours throughout their careers without the benefit of overtime.

Assistant HHS Director Marilyn Mann reported on behalf of Turner that there was a Senior Resource Fair Friday in Bishop and yesterday in Lone Pine. Both were successful, and held in recognition of June as Elder Abuse Prevention Month. She said the Prevention Program hosted one of its first summer hikes, attracting seven youth: four from Big Pine and three from Lone Pine. She also noted the annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner would be held July 12.

Museum Services Director Jon Klusmire distributed to the Board some of the free promotional items that would be available at the July 3 Silver Spike Celebration for the restored Slim Princess at its new barn at the Eastern California Museum. He provided details about the event, and said all the work on the train and building has been paid for with donations.

*COUNTY
DEPARTMENT
REPORTS*

Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson said Drug Court graduations were scheduled for July 12 and July 19 in Bishop, and graduations were being held this week at the jail for the Moral Reconciliation Therapy and Job Readiness programs.

CAO Carunchio provided a brief budget update, noting the Budget Team is in the midst of meetings with departments regarding their requested budgets. He said the Departmental Requested Budget comes in with \$90.4 million in expenses and \$83.9 in revenues for a \$6.5 million deficit that the team is working with the departments to close. He gave kudos to Senior Budget Analyst Denelle Carrington and Auditor-Controller Amy Shephard for working diligently on that and said he was confident the team would come up with a balanced budget. He noted departments have been asked to consider three important factors: the estimated \$800,000 loss of transient occupancy tax (General Fund money) as a result of the Furnace Creek remodel; one department needing a significant amount of funding restored as a result of it being a little overzealous with belt-tightening; and the possible \$1.6 million loss of PILT funding. He said the County found out this morning that the PILT funding did come through.

Sheriff Bill Lutze, CAO Carunchio, Public Works Director Clint Quilter and Water Director Dr. Bob Harrington provided a detailed update on recent developments involving the accelerated runoff and related damage to infrastructure and other impacts. Sheriff Lutze talked about how CalFire crews worked for a day and a half to save Cardinal Village from flooding by building a wall of sand bags, and were assisted by the Road Department and Bishop Fire Department. Quilter said Road Department crews were trying to save Round Valley's Lower Rock Creek Bridge and the estimated cost to fix the completely destroyed North Round Valley Road bridge is \$1.5 million to \$2 million. There was also flooding at Aberdeen Resort and flooding and the temporary evacuation of Goodale Creek Campground; the loss of a culvert in the northbound lane of U.S. Highway 395 south of Independence; the need to cut a 20-foot-long, six-foot-deep trench along the western end of Dixon Lane to prevent waters from breaking over a dyke a mere half-mile from residential areas; and the displacement of rocks helping to retain the Bishop Creek Bypass, which required the immediate response of LADWP crews to prevent a catastrophic flood. Carunchio noted the reservoirs in Bishop were close to spilling although Southern California Edison was hoping controlled releases would help bring water levels down. He noted that agencies were working well together overall and agency silos were breaking down. He also said DWP's response on Friday to take care of its Diversion Structure on Bishop Creek shows the Department is taking this very seriously. Carunchio also warned the public to take precautions to protect their property and their lives from the threat of flooding.

*AUDITOR-
CONTROLLER –
CALPERS SHARE
MOU WITH COURT*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to authorize the Auditor-Controller to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County of Inyo and the Superior Court of California, County of Inyo to jointly agree upon a payment method for Superior Court's share of the CalPERS Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL). Motion carried unanimously.

*CHILD SUPPORT –
GERARDO RAMOS
CONTRACT*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Gerardo Ramos for the provision of Spanish interpretive services for the Department of Child Support in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for the term of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*CAO-PERSONNEL –
ATKINSON,
ANDELSON ET AL
CONTRACT*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo for the provision of Legal Services – General Labor and Employment Advice, and representation in the amount of \$220,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board's adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*CAO-PUBLIC
DEFENDER –
ELIZABETH CORPORA
CONTRACT
AMENDMENT 1*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement between the County of Inyo and Elizabeth Corpora for the provision of Professional Services as a Public Defender (Dependency Cases, Delinquency Cases, Child Support Cases, Patients' Rights Advocate Cases, Mental and Conservatorship Cases) extending the end date to June 30, 2020 and increasing the contract amount by \$340,500, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

RECYCLING & WASTE – TALON SERVICES CONTRACT AMENDMENT 1 Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve Amendment No. 1 to the agreement between the County of Inyo and Talon Services for the provision of concrete crushing services at the Bishop-Sunland Landfill, extending the end date from June 30, 2017 to August 31, 2017 and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

CAO-PERSONNEL – ATKINSON, ANDELSON ET AL CONTRACT Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo for the provision of Legal Services – General Labor and Employment Advice, and representation in the amount of \$220,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board’s adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

CAO-RISK MANAGEMENT – JOHN KIRBY CONTRACT AMENDMENT 7 Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve Contract Amendment No. 7 to the agreement between the County of Inyo and John D. Kirby, APC for the provision of Civil Litigation Attorney Services for the period of July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017, increasing the amount of the contract to \$302,000, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

CAO-RISK MANAGEMENT – PORTER SCOTT CONTRACT Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and Porter Scott, A Professional Corporation (Carl Fessenden, Esq., Contact) for the provision of Civil Litigation Attorney Services in an amount not to exceed \$230,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board’s adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

CAO-EMERGENCY SERVICES/PUBLIC WORKS – MICHAEL BAKER PROJECT MANAGER CHANGE NOTICE Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to accept contractor Michael Baker International’s Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation-Project Manager Change Notice and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign the written approval for Michael Baker International to enter into a Subconsultant Agreement with Placeworks, to assist with the finalization and completion of the Inyo County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – ANNE SIPPY GROUP CONTRACT Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Anne Sippy Treatment Group for residential placement for an adult conserved under the Laterman Petris Short Act, in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 contingent upon the Board’s adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract and the HIPAA Business Associate Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – CHARIS YOUTH CENTER CONTRACT Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Charis Youth Center for the provision of mental health services within a residential placement setting in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board’s adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract and the HIPAA Business Associate Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – JEANETTE SPRAGUE CONTRACT Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Jeanette Sprague, MFT for the provision of bilingual mental health services as part of the Mental Health Service Act Community Services and Support Plan in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board’s adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract and the HIPAA Business Associate Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-SOCIAL SERVICES – APPOINT INTERIM WELFARE ASSOC. REP Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to appoint HHS Acting Director Marilyn Mann as the interim representative to the County Welfare Directors Association of California, beginning July 1, 2017 and continuing until the appointment of a new HHS Director. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-SOCIAL SERVICES – ICSOS CHILD CARE CONTRACT Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and the Inyo County Superintendent of Schools for the provision of Stage I Child Care Services, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board’s adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018

budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*PLANNING – LAFCO
CONTRACT*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and the Inyo Local Agency Formation Commission to provide staff services in the amount not to exceed \$21,114 for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, authorize the Chairperson to sign, and direct the Planning Department and County Counsel to provide services as outlined in the contract contingent upon the Board's adoption of a Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

*PLANNING-YUCCA
MTN. –
HYDRODYNAMICS
CONTRACT
AMENDMENT 1 &
ANDY ZDON
CONTRACT
AMENDMENT 3*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) approve Amendment No. 1 to the contract between the County of Inyo and the Hydrodynamics Group to amend all sections relating to the term of the agreement to be July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained; and B) approve Amendment No. 3 to the agreement between the County of Inyo and Andy Zdon & Associates to amend all sections relating to the Contractor's title to be Partner Engineering and Science, Inc./Andy Zdon, to all sections relating to the term of the agreement to be July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

*PROBATION –
SIEMENS SOLE-
SOURCE CONTRACT*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) declare Siemens Industry, Inc. of Fresno, Calif. a sole-source contractor; B) approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Siemens Industry, Inc. of Fresno, Calif. for the provision of a semi-annual inspection and maintenance of equipment services (fire and safety equipment – Fire Suppression System) in an amount not exceed \$21,726 for a three-year term (July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020) with options to extend a fourth and fifth year, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets; and C) authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*PUBLIC WORKS –
WILDER BARTON
CONTRACT
AMENDMENT 1*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve Amendment No. 1 to Standard Contract 116 with Wilder Barton for the operation and maintenance of the Independence, Laws and Lone Pine town water systems, increasing the contract amount not to exceed \$706,668 and extending the term through December 31, 2017 unless terminated earlier, contingent upon the adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

*PUBLIC WORKS –
SOUTH STREET HVAC
N.O.C. & RESOLUTION
2017-26*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve a resolution titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California Authorizing the Recording of a Notice of Completion for the South Street HVAC Replacement Project." Motion carried unanimously.

*WATER DEPT. – 17/18
WORK PLAN HIGH
FLOW AMENDMENT &
HILL/PLATTS
CONTRACTS*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve: A) a High-Flow Amendment to the 2017-2018 Work Plan to allow for additional contracted services from the LORP MOU Consultants Mark Hill and Bill Platts; and B) approve the Consultants contract between the County of Inyo and LORP MOU consultants Mark Hill and Bill Platts (formerly, Ecosystem Sciences), serving as independent contractors, for the provision of biological resources consulting services in the amount of \$38,070 for Mark Hill and \$35,970 for Bill Platts (dba Platts Consulting) for a total amount not to exceed \$74,040 for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, subject to the Board's approval of the High Flow Amendment to the Work Plan, and authorize the Chairperson to sign contingent on all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

*PROBATION – REVIEW
YOUTH EARLY
INTERVENTION
PROGRAM*

Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson introduced a proposed Youth Early Intervention Program to be offered to Local School Districts to provide early intervention services to at-risk youth in an effort to keep them out of the juvenile justice system. He said the program is part of the County's Juvenile Services Transition and is not a result of the Juvenile Hall going from a full-service to special purpose facility because the program is an early intervention effort meant to utilize staff's skills in other areas. He drew the Board's attention to a letter he drafted for school districts to sign, and discussed a menu of in-school and after-school programs, the latter of which will include outreach to families. He said the proposed schedule is not set in stone. He also noted that some schools have declined participating in the program now but are willing to consider doing so in the future if the need arises. Thomson also said Probation is trying to convey that the program is a partnership and it is incumbent on schools to get the youth into the

programs. He said the letter includes the responsibilities of both parties, which, for Probation, will not include providing security or being the homework police. He said the target start date is the beginning of the school year and staff will be working over the summer with Health and Human Services about sharing resources. Supervisor Kingsley said he liked the idea of tying program participation to a student's eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities and thought Probation had a great plan. Supervisor Tothoroh said the letter looks good to him. Karen Kong, representing the Inyo County Superintendent of Schools, said the sooner the schedule is finalized the better so ICSOS can plan the use of its facilities. Assistant HHS Director Marilyn Mann said it's important not to overlook engagement of parents and HHS can assist in that endeavor.

*HHS/PROBATION –
JUVENILE SERVICES
TRANSITION UPDATE*

HHS Management Analyst Jody Veenker offered a review of the Juvenile Services Transition Update, including the history of the continuum of care reform that kick-started the County's effort. She said a joint tool is being developed for Probation, CPS and HHS to be trained in for case review, and showed a list of programs that are intertwined with Probation's work. Chairperson Tillemans said it is great to see staff's passion and the fact that staff is looking at interweaving program shows their innovation. Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson said best practices, as Veenker said, is to start at the beginning so the agencies are looking at breaking down the formal petitions that initiate Probation involvement and working collaboratively. Charles James of Big Pine said that as the former director of Healthy Communities of Southern Inyo, he wanted to say Probation is probably the most underrated department and he has never seen a group more committed to youth than Thomson and his staff. He also said the County should follow through on its commitment to fund afterschool programs with the savings realized by closing Juvenile Hall during the week. CAO Carunchio said the County did follow through on its funding commitment even though the Inyo County Superintendent of Schools Office could not follow through on its funding commitment or hold the Friday night open gyms. Karen Kong on behalf of ICSOS clarified it was the district superintendents who didn't want the gym nights at their schools. Supervisor Griffiths revisited the issue of Thomson's letter to the superintendents regarding the proposed Youth Early Intervention Program and encouraged him to be as proactive as possible in reaching out and communicating that the program is a partnership. Supervisor Pucci said he liked that the program was being done proactively and that the letter was attempting to get commitments from the districts. He said if it turns out the program cannot be implemented, the money can be used elsewhere. Assistant HHS Director Marilyn Mann said the project is being framed as a pilot because the participation level is unknown. Discussion continued and Supervisor Griffiths encouraged those speaking to use more inclusive terminology that would register the fact that the program is a team effort, to break down barriers, and to really provide services from with a holistic approach. CAO Carunchio thanked Superintendent of Schools Dr. Lisa Fontana for convening a meeting with himself, Thomson, the D.A. and Sheriff to discuss the early intervention effort and agreed with Supervisor Griffiths that the old way of thinking has everyone in separate silos. He said Thomson's program brings everyone to uncharted middle ground and he appreciates their participation.

RECESS FOR LUNCH

Chairperson Tillemans recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:35 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:17 p.m. with all Board members present.

*CAO-PERSONNEL –
CATHREEN
RICHARDS PERSONAL
SERVICES
CONTRACT/
RESOLUTION 2017-25*

CAO Carunchio announced that Page 2 of the Resolution originally presented to the Board contained a typo and a new copy being distributed contained the corrected date of 2018. He said Cathreen Richards has been serving as interim Planning Director since January when the longtime Planning Director relocated and since that time has guided the Department through the initiation of a series of exciting projects that have become the hallmark of Planning. He said the County is grateful she has accepted the permanent position and for all the work she does on behalf of the County. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Tothoroh to: A) approve a contract between the County of Inyo and Cathreen Richards for the provision of personal services as the Planning Director at a monthly salary of \$8,500.00, effective June 29, 2017 and authorize the Chairperson to sign; and B) approve a resolution titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Resolution 2006-09, Changing Salary and/or Terms and Conditions of Employment for Appointed Officials Employed in the Several Offices or Institutions of the County of Inyo" and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*PLANNING –
PRESENTATION – INF
SUPERVISOR FOREST
PLAN REVISION*

Inyo National Forest Supervisor Ed Armenta provided the Board with an update on the status of the Forest Plan Revision. He began, however, by noting that the INF is also dealing with flooding events related to the massive runoff, as well as similar challenges with recruitment and retention in the workforce. He said the INF is on schedule to complete a Final Environmental Impact Report by October, and has been given permission to do so separate from the Sierra and Sequoia National Forests because a lot of the 30,000 comments received in response to the Draft Forest Plan Revision and Draft EIR dealt with the tree mortality issue affecting the West Side of the Sierra. Armenta said INF struggled with how to respond to an issue that doesn't affect the local forest to such a drastic extent, so he recommended INF be allowed to proceed separately. He said that INF will be updating four Plan Components in its Forest Plan Revision, based on the comments received specific to the local forest: sustainable recreation, aquatics, Species of Conservation Concern, and Wild and Scenic Rivers. He said the updates will be posted on INF's website so the public can see the new additions. The publication of the Final EIR will kick off a 45-day objection period but Armenta said he doesn't view that time as needing to be contentious, but rather an opportunity to work out remaining disagreements. He said he knows there will be objections to the revision. He added that the INF has been working with the Planning Department, and plans to conduct an Integration Exercise with the Plan Components to ensure they don't conflict with any other areas of the Forest Plan. He said he feels confident in what INF has produced so far. Supervisor Totheroh asked whether INF was given permission to use evaluation criteria better suited to the East Side when it was given permission to break away from the other forests. Armenta said he brought that point up early on and got agreement from his boss to give INF the resources it needed to complete the Plan Revision. He noted INF will be the first forest in the nation to have a Final Forest Plan Revision/Final EIR under the Planning Rule. He also noted that the process has included great public relations and public interest, with a significant portion of the 30,000 comments received coming from Inyo County. He reiterated that the plan won't meet everybody's needs or wishes but it will be a good finished product. Supervisor Pucci complimented INF staff for its public outreach and for making sustainable recreation a priority. Supervisor Kingsley said it shows great leadership to break away from the West Side forests. He added that the Board of Supervisors worked hard to provide well thought-out comments to the plan and he is excited to how they have been integrated into the final product. Armenta said he thinks the INF and County have forged a good relationship. He said socioeconomic is a big issue that was raised by the County and INF is trying to share the MOU example it had with the County with the next forests that will be undertaking Plan revisions. Armenta said he will be giving a briefing in D.C. in August, and then the Plan Revision will be released in October.

*BOS- SUPERVISORS
KINGSLEY &
GRIFFITHS – AB 1250
OPPOSE LETTER*

Supervisor Griffiths said Assembly Bill 1250 has been opposed by the California State Association of Counties, Rural County Representatives of California, League of California Cities, and numerous other groups, and would basically prohibit any county contracting with nonprofit groups and individuals without extensive hurdles; is bad policy; and would prevent a lot of necessary services for vulnerable people. Supervisor Kingsley said the bill is opposed by virtually all rural counties and would be counterproductive to getting the people's work done. Supervisor Griffiths said AB 1250 is also opposed by the Urban Counties Caucus. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve sending a letter in opposition of Assembly Bill 1250 – Counties and Cities: Contracts for Personal Services, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*PLANNING –
AUTHORIZED
STRENGTH CHANGE
(deleting Associate
Planner, adding
Assistant Planner)*

Planning Director Cathreen Richards explained recruitment efforts have turned up candidates more viable for the position of Assistant Planner than Associate Planner. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths authorize a change in the Planning Department Authorized Strength by deleting one (1) Associate Planner position at Range 74 (\$4,826 - \$5,586) and adding one (1) Assistant Planner at Range 70 (\$4,391 - \$5,341), effective June 27, 2017; and then find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for this requested position exists in the Planning Department budget, as certified by the Interim Planning Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could be filled through an internal recruitment, but an open recruitment would be more appropriate to ensure qualified candidates apply; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) Assistant Planner at Range 70 (\$4,391 - \$5,341). Motion carried unanimously.

*CAO-INFO SERV. –
NETWORK &
OPERATIONS
ANALYST AND
PROGRAMMER
ANALYST*

Information Services Director Scott Armstrong requested permission to fill two vacancies in his department. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley for the Board to find that, consistent with the Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for one (1) Network and Operations Analyst and one (1) Programmer Analyst position exists in the planned Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget, as certified by the Information Services Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could be filled through an internal recruitment, but an open recruitment would more appropriate to ensure qualified candidates apply; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) Network and Operations Analyst I-IV, Range 68 (\$4,188 - \$5,088) to Range 79 (\$5,427 - \$6,600), and one (1) Programmer Analyst I-IV, Range 68 (\$4,188 - \$5,088) to Range 79 (\$5,427 - \$6,600), dependent on qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-PUBLIC HEALTH
– TEMPORARY
AUTHORIZED
STRENGTH
MODIFICATION (adding
& deleting Correctional
Nurse)*

CAO Carunchio said the request before the Board was good news, because as the Supervisors were aware, there is a statewide and national nursing shortage. He recalled the comments from the new Bishop Care Center director earlier in the meeting about also needing nurses and noted that Bishop Care Center has a giant banner along the south side of its building advertising for nurses. He said the temporary modification of Public Health's authorized strength would allow the department some overlap in order to train a newly hired nurse. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to authorize the temporary modification of the Health and Human Services Department Authorized Strength by increasing the authorized strength by one (1) full-time Correctional Nurse, Range 78 (\$5,303 - \$6,445, plus a 5% stipend) effective June 29, 2017 and deleting a Correctional Nurse, Range 78 (\$5,303 - \$6,445, plus a 5% stipend), effective July 14, 2017; and then find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for this requested position exists in the Health budget, as certified by the HHS Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; and B) approve the hiring of one (1) full-time Correctional Nurse, Range 78 (\$5,303 - \$6,445, plus a 5% stipend). Motion carried unanimously.

*PUBLIC WORKS –
OFFICE TECHNICIAN
I/II*

Public Works Director Clint Quilter said a Public Works Office Technician was hired to fill the recently vacant Project Coordinator position shared between Planning and Public Works, so now he needs to backfill that position. Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh for the Board to find that, consistent with the Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for one (1) Office Technician I/II exists within the Public Works Department's Building & Maintenance, Public Works, Building & Safety, Road and Local Transportation budgets, as certified by the Public Works Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; and B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could be filled through an internal recruitment, but an open recruitment would be more appropriate to ensure qualified candidates apply; and C) authorize the hiring of one (1) Office Technician I/II at Range 55 (\$3,088 - \$3,754) to Range 59 (\$3,389 - \$4,118). Motion carried unanimously.

*RECYCLING & WASTE
– FT. INDEPENDENCE
TRIBE RECYCLING
CONTRACT*

Assistant County Administrator Rick Benson presented what he called a nice win-win situation in the form of a contract with the Ft. Independence Tribe to process at its new recycling center the recyclables collected at the Big Pine, Independence and Lone Pine solid waste facilities. He said the contract is driven by the fact Sierra Conservation left Bishop. Chairperson Tillemans agreed the contract is a win-win and said while timing is one thing, the Fort also put together a great deal for the County. Cheyenne Stone, the Tribe's Environmental Director, said the deal does benefit both parties. She said the Tribe hoped to become certified soon as a CRV processor to begin offering redemption for residents' recycling. She said she hoped they could help get residents in the mindset of recycling. She also thanked Chairperson Tillemans, Benson and CAO Carunchio for participating in the Tribe's National Recycling Day event in November. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Fort Independence Tribe to provide services processing recyclables collected at Inyo County Manned Solid Waste Facilities, in the amount of \$6,666 per year for the three-year period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 over the three-year period, contingent upon the Board's adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

**WATER –
GROUNDWATER
SUSTAINABILITY
AGENCY FILING FOR
FISH SLOUGH**

Water Director Dr. Bob Harrington reviewed two separate issues before the Board regarding meeting requirements of the State Groundwater Management Act by June 30. One issue is filing a notice with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) to become the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for a small portion of the Fish Slough area and the other is to address any filings that may have been made for the Owens Valley Basin by the City of Los Angeles. Harrington showed the Board a map of the basin and which areas eligible agencies have filed to become GSAs for. He explained there is a small portion of Fish Slough within Inyo County that was not included in the County's previous GSA filing. He said the County did not include that portion because the subbasin has not been prioritized, and only areas with priorities ranked medium and higher need management under SGMA. He said that the DWR nevertheless notified the County that its application still left an unmanaged area in the Owens Valley Basin. Harrington said the Water Department wrote back but did not receive a response, so out of an abundance of caution, is recommending the County go ahead and file to be the GSA for the Fish Slough portion as well. The Chairperson opened a public hearing on the matter. No comments were received. The Chairperson closed the public hearing. Supervisor Kingsley said the filing is pretty much fulfilling a paper requirement by the DWR but he was supportive of the move if it prevented any punitive actions from the DWR against the single well owner in the Fish Slough Subbasin. Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to: A) adopt a resolution titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Electing to Become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency for Additional Portions of the Owens Valley Groundwater Basin within the Statutory Boundaries of the County;" and B) direct staff to proceed to file the required notification(s) with the Department of Water Resources within 30 days to become the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the portion of the Fish Slough Subbasin of the Owens Valley Groundwater Basin (Basin 6-12.02) that lies within Inyo County. The Board then discussed the possibility of filing to become the GSA for any portion of the Owens Valley Subbasin (Basin 6-12.01) for which the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power has filed to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency. Harrington explained that over the past year or so it has become evident to staff during discussions with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power that LADWP was considering filing to become the GSA for some unknown portion of the Owens Valley. Before doing so, LADWP would have to hold a public hearing and Harrington said staff has not seen a public notice for such a hearing, nor has any GSA application been posted by the DWR. He said it is now staff's opinion that an overlapping filing by the County is not necessary. He suggested the Board provide direction to staff that if a GSA application were to crop up between now and Friday that the County protest on the grounds the SGMA process wasn't followed. The Chairman re-opened the public hearing to take comments on the matter of a possible overlapping filing. There were no comments and he closed the public hearing. It was the consensus of the Board to have staff protest any LADWP filings that may appear between now and Friday.

**HERE IT COMES
EMERGENCY –
AMEND RESOLUTION
#2017-15**

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to continue and amend Resolution 2017-15, which confirms the declaration and continued existence of the local emergency known as the "Here it Comes Emergency." Motion carried unanimously.

**LAND OF EVEN LESS
WATER EMERGENCY**

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to continue the local emergency known as the "Land of EVEN Less Water Emergency" that was proclaimed as a result of extreme drought conditions that existed until recently in the County, while considering how to address the ongoing hydrologic issues in West Bishop. Motion carried unanimously.

**ROCKY ROAD
EMERGENCY**

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to continue the local emergency known as the "Rocky Road Emergency" that was proclaimed as the result of flooding, mud, and rock landslides and deep snow drifts over portions of Inyo County caused by an atmospheric river weather phenomena that began January 3, 2017 and continued throughout February. Motion carried unanimously.

**GULLY WASHER
EMERGENCY**

Supervisor Kingsley asked for an update on repair work on Trona Wildrose Road. Public Works Director Clint Quilter said the road should be open in the next few weeks. Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to local emergency known as the "Gully Washer Emergency" that resulted in flooding in the central, south and southeastern portion of Inyo County during the month of July, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

*DV DOWN BUT NOT
OUT EMERGENCY*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to continue the local emergency known as the “Death Valley Down But Not Out Emergency” that was proclaimed as a result of flooding in the central, south and southeastern portion of Inyo County during the month of October, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

*CLERK OF THE
BOARD – APPROVAL
OF MINUTES*

Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Supervisors meeting of May 16, 2017. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the minutes of the special Board of Supervisors meeting of June 2, 2017. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with one abstention from Chairperson Tillemans.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Tillemans asked for public comment during the final public comment period.

Big Pine Tribe Environmental Director Sally Manning spoke on behalf of the Tribe’s Water Program Coordinator, Alan Bacock, to distribute to the Board copies of a Tribal resolution approved June 15, 2017 that authorizes the Tribe’s voluntary participation in a Groundwater Sustainability Agency under the California Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. She also distributed copies of two letters, one dated March 11, 2016 and addressed to the Board and one dated June 15, 2017 and addressed to Supervisors Tillemans and Totheroh, requesting consultation with regard to SGMA.

*CLOSED
SESSION/OPEN
SESSION*

Chairperson Tillemans recessed open session at 2:04 p.m., to continue discussion and possible action as appropriate on previously noted closed session items with all Board members present. He recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 2:46 p.m. with all Board members present.

*COUNTY COUNSEL –
WORKSHOP –
REGULATING
PARKING & VENDING
IN COUNTY RIGHTS-
OF-WAY*

The Board received a presentation from County Counsel’s Office regarding legal options for regulating parking and vending in the County’s rights-of-way (including mobile businesses and “peddling”). Deputy County Counsel Terry Walker provided some context for the presentation, noting that the Board had asked staff to review the County’s current peddler’s license as well as the new business model in Lone Pine that recently brought to light a deficiency in County Code (a 10-day parking maximum that can easily be worked around by driving around the block and reparking in the same spot) and other concerns by residents and business owners. She said staff identified four main issues to research: parking, vending, peddling, and enforcement. She said much of her PowerPoint presentation is focused specifically on Lone Pine because that is where the mobile vending business model is located that brought the other issues to the Board’s and public’s attention. She said she spoke with the businesses in Lone Pine and they overwhelmingly said parking is a problem. They said backpackers will sometimes park their vehicles for up to 10 days at a time while in the backcountry, taking up valuable parking spots meant for customers. She said, through the Vehicle Code, there are numerous options for limiting long-term parking in the County right-of-way, such as time limits, regulating the types of vehicles that can park within 100 feet of intersections, prohibiting overnight parking and prohibiting parking on certain streets or highways by vehicles over 10,000 pounds between 2 and 6 a.m. Delivery type services would be exempt. Walker then discussed the issue of mobile businesses versus peddling and suggested the County look at a permit process that differentiates between the two. She said the City of Santa Monica issues a mobile vending permit through an ordinance that sets location and time restrictions. Walker said Santa Monica specifically prohibits food trucks in certain areas between 1 and 3 a.m. because as bars let out, the trucks tend to block pedestrians’ views of oncoming traffic and create safety hazards. Walker further suggested that vending permits could come with insurance requirements where the County is named as additional insured since vending on a County Road could expose the County to liability. Walker also said the current peddler’s license should be revised to fix or add definitions that would clear up a lot of confusion or misunderstanding, namely with the duration of the permit and who exactly it’s intended for. She said staff suggested it be changed to apply to non-motorized vendors for three months. Walker then discussed enforcement, which she acknowledged will not be simple since the County does not employ staff to chalk or otherwise mark tires. But she said the Sheriff does have the authority to enforce tow-aways when there are violations. County Counsel Marshall Rudolph acknowledged the amount of hard work and research Walker put into her presentation. He said it is not staff’s job to tell the Board which option is the best, but the options available and are not mutually exclusive. He said the Board can start with addressing parking and then revisit the vending/peddling issue. He cautioned that

unintended consequences could result if the Board tried to establish countywide regulations. He noted that Vehicle Code says regulations can be adopted by ordinance or resolution, the latter of which are easier procedurally to adopt. Rudolph said an initial ordinance could reference future resolutions adding additional streets as necessary. Supervisor Kingsley said he was in favor of working on a parking ordinance that initially addressed the issues in Lone Pine. He wanted to preface the public comment portion of the discussion by noting that it will not be easy because there will be a lot of factors for staff and the Board to consider. Charles James of Big Pine said today's workshop and the ideas and advice from staff being discussed are why he previously asked the Board to take its time before adopting any mobile vending ordinances. He said he was concerned about government rushing to adopt new regulations and believed there should be a mechanism for citizen complaints. He also hoped there would be a review process wherein the regulations could be revisited in a year. He said he thinks the Planning Commission would be helpful in fielding complaints or special requests and said the Board might consider exemptions for special groups. He also said long-term, the County might consider negotiating with LADWP to convert an empty lot into public parking in Lone Pine. No one else from the public had any comments. Supervisor Pucci said the regulation applying to vehicles to over 10,000 pounds in residential areas is a separate issue that he would like separated out from any ordinance since many RVs and even some horse trailers surpass that weight mark. He said he is also not in favor of countywide regulations but rather restrictions that are specific to certain districts. He said insurance conditions protecting the County are critical and said the idea of requiring surety bonds is also interesting. Pucci also said that any vending related to food must also meet local and state health department guidelines. He said that the issue of permits will need to be discussed at length but for now, parking should be addressed. He thanked Walker for her presentation and the options provided. Charles James stepped to the podium again to offer information on research he has done into the vending permits issued by the City of Bishop, BLM and U.S. Forest Service. Supervisor Dan Tothoroh said every business he can think of in the county has limited parking, which should and could be resolved by a two-hour parking limit. Supervisor Griffiths said he agreed that two- to four-hour parking in business cores would be an appropriate and easy regulation, and also agreed that in the long-term, the peddler's license needs to be updated. He said based on Santa Monica's ordinance, it appears the County can put reasonable restrictions on location and hours of operation for mobile vending and establish reasonable standards, and while he didn't want to rush into those restrictions, they need to be on the County's radar. Also long-term, he said the County should have some sort of business license system. He said the immediate concerns should be people parking long-term in the downtown cores of the county's communities. Supervisor Kingsley said Charles James is against government creating additional regulations but the mobile business he supports has forced the County to do exactly that. He said the proponents of mobile vending in the County right-of-way can proudly say they're forcing a community to face parking regulations. Kingsley said he is not an advocate for more regulations and thinks the 10-day parking could be kept in most areas. He said the mobile vending proponents have done a good job of stretching the recent deliberations out so they'll be able to operate through the summer and they can be proud of that too. He said he thinks government can take its time when it needs to, but it should also be able to react when it needs to. He said the County will be looking at regulations that are innovative and responsive to the community of Lone Pine and while he still doesn't think the community should have to have them, the County will do it so mobile vendors can't squat in Lone Pine. He said that's what all this is about: squatting on County property. Charles James stepped to the podium again and said as a resident, citizen and taxpayer he has the right to object to anything and not be accused of dragging this out or being a proponent. Chairperson Tillemans said there has been some good back and forth and the current outburst is not solving anything. Charles James said he is a constituent of Tillemans' and is not happy with his recent vote to approve a previous ordinance banning mobile vending in the right-of-way. Supervisor Kingsley said he is also entitled to his opinion and represents constituents who are directly impacted by the issue. He clarified he was not referring to Charles James as the proponent. Chairperson Tillemans said the Board has given Charles James the respect to voice his opinion with several visits to the podium but he is now closing public comment. Discussion continued between the Supervisors and staff on procedural matters. Staff was directed to return on July 11 with a proposed ordinance related to the parking issues discussed.

**CORRESPONDENCE-
ACTION – ICA
PARTNERSHIP &
RESOLUTION 2017-28**

Supervisor Griffiths recused himself from discussions/deliberations because of his membership on the Inyo Council for the Arts Board of Directors. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve a resolution titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California Designating Inyo Council for the Arts as the County's Partner to the California Arts Council." Motion carried unanimously, 3-0, with

Chairperson Tillemans absent and Supervisor Griffiths recused.

**CORRESPONDENCE-
ACTION – MESA CSD
ELECTIONS**

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the re-scheduling of Mesa Community Services District Governing Board Elections from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years in accordance with Elections Code 1303(b) and Senate Bill 415 (2015-2016 Regular Session), and approve the consolidation of the District's Governing Body Elections with the Statewide General Election pursuant to Elections Code 10404. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Chairperson Tillemans absent.

**CORRESPONDENCE-
ACTION – SIERRA
HIGHLANDS CSD
ELECTIONS**

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve the re-scheduling of Sierra Highlands Community Services District Governing Board Elections from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years in accordance with Elections Code 1303(b) and Senate Bill 415 (2015-2016 Regular Session), and approve the consolidation of the District's Governing Body Elections with the Statewide General Election pursuant to Elections Code 10404. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Chairperson Tillemans absent.

**BOARD MEMBER AND
STAFF REPORTS**

Public Works Director Clint Quilter notified the Board he had received report of a sink hole on Pine Street in Big Pine, believed to be the result of a failed sewer line that had been taking in dirt. He said he dispatched some personnel to the site who will probably close the road while the situation is assessed.

CLOSED SESSION

Vice Chairperson Totheroh recessed open session at 3:45 p.m., to continue discussion and possible action as appropriate on previously noted closed session items, with all Board members present except Chairperson Tillemans.

OPEN SESSION

Vice Chairperson Totheroh recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 4:40 p.m. with all Board members present except Chairperson Tillemans.

**REPORT ON CLOSED
SESSION**

County Counsel Rudolph reported that no action was taken during closed session that is required to be reported.

**BOARD MEMBER AND
STAFF REPORTS
(continued)**

Supervisor Pucci reminded the Board that he is the County's voting delegate for the upcoming National Association of Counties Conference in Ohio and asked for any input on issues.

Supervisor Kingsley said there were a couple of robust discussions at last week's meeting of the Rural County Representatives of California meeting and one close, 14-11 vote (with 5 abstentions) in support of states' rights marijuana legislation that supported rural counties.

Supervisor Griffiths mentioned the Inyo Council Arts Art in the Park Days in Lone Pine and Big Pine, the former of which was much better attended than the latter. He also attended a Senior Resource Fair at Bishop Senior Center and various other meetings and events, including a trip to the Crater Mountain area with Wild Wilderness Youth Leadership Diversity and Big Pine Tribal leaders and an ESCOG/ESTA meeting where ESTA just paid off its PERS obligation thanks to benefiting from the low fuel costs for quite some time. He said Mammoth has 2,000 short-term rental listings and the Town of Mammoth is considering hiring a firm for compliance and monitoring. Griffiths said when Mammoth runs out of housing, its residents come to Inyo County, which then runs out of housing.

Supervisor Totheroh said he had a very good visit to Washington, D.C., which included an extended visit with Congressman Cook and his aide. He said he is meeting this week with the BLM and IMACA about long-term stays at local campgrounds.

County Counsel Marshall Rudolph said he attended a county counsel conference June 15-16 and thanked the Board for supporting his attendance of such events.

CAO Carunchio said he, Chairperson Tillemans, and Supervisor Totheroh spent last Wednesday and Thursday on the Hill in D.C. meeting with Congressman Cook, Senator Feinstein's staff and Senator Harris' staff, as well as officials with the Small Business Administration about how the SBA's services can be more meaningful in the Owens Valley. The three days prior, he and Tillemans attended the Select USA Economic Development Summit where they made connections with potential foreign investors and distributed flyers about Inyo County to movers and shakers in attendance, including the RCRC Executive Director who was very impressed with Inyo County's flyer. CAO Carunchio said he also attended an infrastructure

symposium where the key topics were broadband and airports. He also offered an update on progress with the proposed Joint Powers Agreement with local eligible agencies in forming a Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

Supervisor Kingsley added that there was a vacation rental workshop in Lone Pine attended by 25-30 people who were generally in favor of regulating the rentals. He said another workshop will be held tomorrow in Tecopa. He also said that the RCRC Executive Director told him he was impressed that Inyo County was at the D.C. Summit and that CAO Carunchio was there personally.

ADJOURN

Vice Chairperson Tothorh adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at the County Administrative Center in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

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

*by: _____
Darcy Ellis, Assistant*