

MINUTES



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

July 11, 2017

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:35 a.m., on May 9, 2017, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Mark Tillemans, presiding, Dan Tothoroh, Jeff Griffiths, Rick Pucci, and Matt Kingsley.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice Chairperson Dan Tothoroh, temporarily presiding, asked for public comment during the first public comment period.

Ted Pederson with Friends of the Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery invited the Board to the Hatchery's 100th Anniversary Celebration taking place from 4-8 p.m. Saturday, August 19.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairperson Tillemans recessed open session at 8:37 a.m. to convene in closed session with all Board members present 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 (three cases); No. 3 **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; and No. 4 **PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT [Pursuant to Government Code §54957]** – Titles: Environmental Health Director; and Health and Human Services Director; and No. 5 **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION [Pursuant to Government Code §54957]** – Title: Chief Probation Officer.

OPEN SESSION

Chairperson Tillemans recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:09 a.m. with all Board members present.

PLEDGE

CAO Kevin Carunchio 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.

U.S. Forest Service employees wanted to address the Board on the Schaeffer Fire, suppression efforts, and impacts being felt in the Eastern Sierra. Adrienne Dunfee with the Angeles National Forest explained she is helping the Sequoia National Forest with management of the Schaeffer Fire in Tulare County, and being a former Inyo National Forest employee, said she is familiar with the types of impacts West Side fires cause on the East Side. Incident Commander Van Arroyo provided details about the fire and crews' efforts, providing the Board with maps, an air quality monitoring report, an air quality guide and an Incident Status Summary as of July 10. He said the fire is about 25% contained and was confident crews would have it 65% contained in another week. He noted that the road to Kennedy Meadows is closed at the border due to the amount of fire traffic on the road. Supervisor Kingsley said there are residents and visitors with cabins in that area and it might be helpful to at least escort these motorists through the closures at certain times of days. Supervisor Griffiths thanked the Incident Command Team members for considering Inyo

County and taking the time to provide an update. Chairperson Tillemans said the information would be passed on to constituents.

**COUNTY
DEPARTMENT
REPORTS**

Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson announced a Drug Court Graduation scheduled for tomorrow at the courthouse in Bishop and said one of the summertime after-school programs initiated through a partnership with the Inyo County Superintendent of Schools – a Physical Fitness Program where youth can earn PE credits under the supervision of rehabilitation specialists – has already served 29 youth, mostly from Lone Pine.

Public Works Director Clint Quilter said the flooring project at the Annex Building is nearing completion and has involved moving departments and their personnel around in phases. He thanked everyone for their cooperation and patience, and especially thanked the Information Services Department for its flexibility and responsiveness, which really made the project run smoothly.

Ag Commissioner Nate Reade offered an update on the mosquito situation. He said a record 3,200 mosquitoes were caught in a trap in Independence and a week later that record was broken by a trap in Bishop with 5,400 mosquitoes. He said that record was broken today at Blackrock. He said the good news is the mosquitoes are moving, which indicates that abatement crews' hard work is paying off. He said some traps in Lone Pine contained zero mosquitoes recently and the ones in Independence with thousands of mosquitoes two weeks ago recently had fewer than 100. He said he gives a lot of credit to the abatement crews. Reade noted that Inyo County is catching 10 times more mosquitoes than any other rural county in California, and attributes the numbers to the higher flows in the Lower Owens River and water spreading efforts traced to the high runoff. He said testing of mosquitoes for diseases will begin next week, earlier than normal but prompted by the severity of the season. He said despite the high numbers of mosquitoes, complaint levels countywide have not increased, probably because the public understands the abatement program is facing an epic situation this year.

INTRODUCTIONS

Information Services Director Scott Armstrong introduced new Office Technician II Shiela Ward, to the Board and Interim Health and Human Services Director Marilyn Mann introduced Barbara Keller, Prevention Specialist, and Colleen Wilson, Correctional Nurse.

**AG COMMISSIONER/
OVMAP – SOLE-
SOURCE ADAPCO
P.O.**

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Tothoroh to: A) declare Adapco, Inc. of Sanford, FL a sole-source provider of VectoBac GR and VectoLex FG; and B) approve a blanket purchase order to Adapco, Inc. in the amount of \$21,500 for the purchase of mosquito adulticides and larvicides for the Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Program. Motion carried unanimously.

**AUDITOR-
CONTROLLER/INFO
SERVICES –
SUPERION
(SUNGARD)
AMENDMENT 2**

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Tothoroh to approve Amendment No. 2 to the agreement between the County of Inyo and Superion (formerly known as SunGard Public Sector) of Lake Mary, FL to increase the contract amount by \$112,000, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Auditor-Controller to sign, with a copy remitted to the Board Clerk for the Board's records. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTOR POOL –
VEHICLE SURPLUS
DECLARATION &
ONLINE AUCTION**

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Tothoroh to: A) declare the Motor Pool vehicle Asset No. 7229, a 1995 Volvo flatbed truck used in Weights & Measures, as surplus; B) authorize Motor Pool to offer the vehicles for sale utilizing the Public Surplus auction site; and C) authorize Motor Pool to utilize another auctioneer for the removal of the vehicle in the event it goes unsold after the Public Surplus process. Motion carried unanimously.

**RECYCLING & WASTE
– BISHOP WASTE
RECYCLING
CONTRACT**

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Tothoroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Bishop Waste for processing of recyclables collected at the Bishop-Sunland Landfill, in an amount not to exceed \$17,271 for the period of July 11, 2017 through June 30, 2020, contingent upon the Board's adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget and future budgets; and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY – VICTIM-WITNESS GRANT SUBAWARD AMENDMENT 1 & EXTENSION Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) authorize a sub-award Amendment No. 1 to the Victim Witness Assistance Program Grant No. VW16250140 in the amount of \$55,676 for a total grant amount of \$202,815; B) authorize the District Attorney to sign any necessary documentation to accept and utilize the grant and sub-award of the grant on behalf of the County; C) authorize acceptance of the Victim Witness Assistance Program OES/VWAC extension to the 2016-2017 Victim/Witness grant with a new project end date of September 30, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-SOCIAL SERVICES – CWDA 17/18 DUES Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the payment of County Welfare Directors Association of California dues for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 in an amount not to exceed \$17,825, contingent upon the Board’s adoption of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS – JUVEY HVAC PROJECT N.O.C./ RESOLUTION NO. 2017-29 Moved by Supervisor Pucci 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 Juvenile Hall HVAC Replacement Project.” Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS – QUINCY ENGINEERING AMENDMENT 10 Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve Amendment No. 10 to County of Inyo Standard Contract No. 156 between the County of Inyo and Quincy Engineering of Sacramento, CA for the provision of engineering services, increasing the contract amount \$10,000 to a total amount not to exceed \$1,545,862, 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.

ROAD DEPT. – TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES ON BISHOP RESERVATION Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the temporary closure of intersections at Diaz and Winuba, Diaz and Barlow, Diaz and Tu Su, Diaz and See Vee lanes, with See Vee Lane being closed from Diaz Lane south to the Toiyabe Clinic, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 19, 2017 to support a drug abuse Awareness Walk. Motion carried unanimously.

WATER DEPT. – R.O. ANDERSON ENGINEERING CONTRACT Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve a contract between the County of Inyo and R.O. Anderson Engineering, Inc. of Minden, NV for the provision of consulting services related to the Recycled Water for Restoration and Community Projects in Big Pine, in the amount of \$267,000 for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – HHS SPECIALIST IV Interim HHS Director Marilyn Mann said a longtime employee has decided to resign after an extended leave of absence, creating a vacancy in Behavioral Health that needs to be filled. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh for the Board to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of non-General Fund funding for a full-time HHS Specialist IV exists in the Behavioral 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 vacancy could be filled by an internal candidate, but an open recruitment would be more appropriate to ensure more qualified candidates apply; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) full-time HHS Specialist IV at Range 60 (\$3,471 - \$4,216). Motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING – SENIOR PLANNER Planning Director Cathreen Richards asked for permission to essentially replace herself now that she has been promoted to Department Head. She said Senior Planner is a critical position that works on complex projects while also helping other staff. CAO Carunchio said this position will make the Planning Department fully staffed again, and once more offered his congratulations to Richards. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley for the Board to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for a Senior Planner position exists in the Planning Department budget, as certified by the Planning 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 by an internal candidate, but an open recruitment would be more appropriate to ensure more qualified candidates apply; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) Senior Planner at Range 78 (\$5,303 - \$6,445). Motion carried unanimously.

*PLANNING – UPDATE
ON NORTH SIERRA
HIGHWAY CORRIDOR
PLAN*

Planning Department staff and consultants presented an update to the Board on the North Sierra Highway Draft Corridor Plan. Associated Planner Tom Schaniel introduced Jami Williams, Principal for RRM Design Group, which was brought on in April of 2016 to help develop the plan. Williams presented a PowerPoint presentation that offered background on the project, including project goals (improving multi-modal and accessibility; supporting a vibrant economy; improving public safety; etc.) and the multi-jurisdictional team behind the effort, as well as the 12-member advisory committee that has acted as a sounding board reviewing and providing input on the various reports and analyses that have been produced during research phases. She explained that the project involves two phases, the current Corridor Plan and then the Specific Plan, and also discussed the extensive public outreach that occurred over the last year. She said a number of priorities percolated to the top of community comments, including maintaining small-town character; increasing pedestrian safety with bike lanes and walkability, additional lighting and improved intersections; creating more highway crossings; creating consistent speed limits and connections to schools; promoting mixed-use development; and addressing the “Y” area and traffic egress issues from Vons and Kmart. Williams showed the Board where some of the public suggestions could be implemented along the route. She also discussed opportunities for streetscape improvements and additional bus stops. Supervisor Griffiths had concerns that the viability of projects proposed in the Corridor Plan might be impacted by factors yet to be discovered/explored in the Specific Plan. Schaniel said the development of the Corridor Plan included forecasting as much as possible, and said a lot of work has been done in tandem on the Specific Plan but it’s not quite at the level of being ready for public presentation. He said for the purposes of the Caltrans grant, it made sense to separate out the Corridor Plan now. Supervisor Pucci thanked Planning and the consultants for their work and gathering a lot of public input. CAO Carunchio said the project is very exciting and said Planning staff deserves a lot of credit for ushering it into its next phases after being introduced by the former Planning Director. He also noted that opportunities for community input will continue. He also encouraged Planning staff to develop cost estimates and an economic benefit analysis in order to capitalize on infrastructure spending.

*CAO-PURCHASING –
SURPLUS
DECLARATION &
PUBLIC AUCTION
APPROVALS*

CAO Carunchio said Assistant Purchasing Agent Emma Bills manages surplus property so it doesn’t accumulate. One method for purging surplus property is transferring to other entities and another is public auction. Carunchio said public auctions are supposed to take place on the steps of the courthouse but it’s not really practical, so Purchasing is asking the Board to approve an alternate location in addition to the auction itself. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to: A) declare certain property surplus; B) authorize the transfer thereof to other public entities and non-profit organizations (*4/5ths vote required*); C) approve the public auction of County surplus equipment not claimed by those entities/organizations on July 26, 2017; and D) authorize the auction to take place at the Building & Maintenance yard located at 136 S. Jackson St., Independence (*4/5ths vote required*). 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.

*HERE IT COMES
EMERGENCY*

CAO Carunchio reported that stream flows are down but Lake Sabrina continues to rise. He said in general the system is at or over capacity but all agencies continue to work together and are holding tight for the summer. Emergency Management Specialist Kelley Williams said she is collecting from departments and various agencies damage, labor, equipment and other cost estimates related to the Here It Comes Emergency. She said the State will be notifying the County whether the Governor declares an emergency on its behalf but the County might not be a priority with the recent outbreak of wildfires. She also said Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District provided aerial photos of the Eastern Sierra at yesterday’s Unified Command meeting. Public Works Director Clint Quilter provided costs estimates for damage to County roads and said his Road Department crews have been pulled back from “around the clock” status. CAO Carunchio said Williams deserves a lot of credit for keeping track of the numerous costs and noted if anybody is to be reimbursed, the request must come from the County. Moved by Supervisor Tothorh and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to continue the local emergency known as the “Here It Comes Emergency” that was proclaimed in anticipation of run-off conditions from near-record snowpack posing extreme peril to the safety of property and persons in Inyo County. Motion carried unanimously.

ROCKY ROAD EMERGENCY Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh 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 Public Works Director Clint Quilter said a final inspection of the work on Upper Trona Wildrose Road is in the works and the road should be opened soon. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to continue the 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 Totheroh 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 Kingsley to approve the minutes from the regular Board of Supervisors meetings of June 6, 2017 and June 13, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Larry Krauss of Darwin said he just came from Diaz Lake and the algae bloom is so bad he refused to put his head under the water. He said he could not see below the surface and he was told the algae extends around the entire lake. He said it could not possibly be healthy. Krauss said at Millpond, the grasses in the water are very thick and tangled with fishing line. He said if someone without a lot of experience in the water gets caught up, the situation could be life-threatening.

RECESS FOR BREAK Chairperson Tillemans recessed the meeting for a 10-minute break at 11:23 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:33 a.m. with all Board members present.

AG COMMISSIONER-OVMAP – FY 17-18 MOSQUITO ASSESSMENT RATES Ag Commissioner Nate Reade introduced the annual continuation of the “Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Program Assessment” and the “Mosquito Control and Disease Prevention Assessment.” He said the “Mosquito Control and Disease Prevention Assessment” rate for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 is \$24.22 per single-family equivalent benefit unit, an increase of 47 cents. The rate for the “Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Program Assessment” will remain the same at \$20.80. He introduced Chris Coulter, of SCI Consulting Group, which prepared the Engineer’s Reports for the “Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Program Assessment” and the “Mosquito Control and Disease Prevention Assessment.” The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 11:38 p.m. on the proposed continuation of the assessments for the “Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Program Assessment” and the “Mosquito Control and Disease Prevention Assessment.” There was no one from the public wishing to provide comment and the Chairperson closed the public hearing at 11:38 p.m. Supervisor Kingsley noted he is always happy with the response the public gets from the County’s mosquito abatement team and said he is glad adjustments were built in to the assessments. Chairperson Tillemans said he is happy with the County’s mosquito combat team as well. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to adopt a resolution titled, “A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo Administering the Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Program Approving the Engineer’s Reports, Confirming the Assessment Diagram and Assessment and Ordering the Levy of Assessments for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 for the Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Program Assessment (Assessment No. 1) and the Mosquito Control and Disease Prevention Assessment (Assessment No. 2).”

AG COMMISSIONER – 2016 CROP & LIVESTOCK REPORT Ag Commissioner Nate Reade distributed to the Board copies of the 2016 Crop & Livestock Report as well as a separate economic study on Inyo and Mono counties’ agricultural industry, which he agreed to bring back for a separate presentation at a later date. Reade reviewed via a PowerPoint presentation the key facts and figures related to both counties’ agricultural output in 2016, noting that it was another rough year due to the statewide drought. He said Inyo and Mono experienced a combined retraction of 11.3%. He also talked about the differences between the two counties, including the fact that Mono County has more alfalfa production than

Inyo and alfalfa is a high-dollar crop. He also provided a look at some of the highlights of the economic study, one of the conclusions of which was that the Eastern Sierra needs wineries or cannabis in order to diversify its ag industry. He added that one of the things he hoped to explore further is the issue of cross-county dependencies. He also would like to see the ag industry's environmental contributions quantified in dollar amounts. CAO Carunchio said he looked forward to the presentation on the economic study and Chairperson Tillemans said it might be worth examining how much water is needed to grow different crops. Reade concluded with the news that he believes there is a real opportunity in the Eastern Sierra to capitalize on the demand for certified weed-free alfalfa, which can sell for \$10,000 a ton.

*RECESS FOR
LUNCH/CLOSED
SESSION*

Chairperson Tillemans recessed the meeting at 12:15 p.m. for lunch and to convene in closed session with all Board members present at 1 p.m. to continue discussion and possible action as appropriate on previously noted closed session items. Chairperson Tillemans recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 1:47 p.m. with all Board members present. No action was taken during closed session that is required to be reported.

*COUNTY COUNSEL –
PARKING ORDINANCE
NO. 1208 INTRO*

In accordance with the Board's direction at the conclusion of the June 27 workshop on parking and vending regulations, County Counsel's Office presented the Board with a proposed ordinance establishing parking restrictions in Lone Pine and Independence. County Counsel Marshall Rudolph explained that the goal was to address the dual problems of motorists taking up valuable, limited parking in downtown Lone Pine and big rig drivers parking overnight in residential neighborhoods in Independence. He said staff used Vehicle Code Sections 22507 and 22507.5 to develop restrictions to address the problems on certain streets only. He noted that staff added language to allow the Board to add other roads or streets by resolution. The ordinance specifically would prohibit anyone from parking within 100 feet of intersections for more than four consecutive hours between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. and prohibit vehicles from parking again in that same stretch of 100 feet until after 6 p.m. on the following streets in Lone Pine: West Post Street, East Post Street, Whitney Portal Road, West Willow Street, and East Willow Street. The ordinance also prohibits vehicles six feet or more in height from parking within 100 feet of the intersection on those same streets between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. At Chairperson Tillemans' request, the ordinance further prohibits commercial vehicles weighing 10,000 pounds or more from parking on the following streets in Independence from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m.: West Park Street from the intersection of Edwards to the intersection of South Washington Street, South Washington Street from the intersection of West Park Street to the intersection of West Citrus Street, and West Citrus Street from the intersection of South Washington Street to the intersection of Edwards Street. Rudolph said it was brought to his attention that West Citrus Street is technically not a residential street so it cannot be included, thus he recommended it be deleted from the ordinance. Chairperson Tillemans suggested it might be worth following through with a zoning update on the street at a later date if the parking problem persists. Supervisor Pucci expressed concerns with the 10,000 pound commercial weight limit because the State and CHP consider large horse trailers to be commercial. Discussion ensued on what legally constitutes a "commercial" vehicle, with Rudolph clarifying that the terms in the ordinance come directly from the Vehicle Code, where they are further defined. Deputy County Counsel Terry Walker said the weight limit could be increased to 12,000 pounds if the Board desired. Supervisor Kingsley reiterated his feelings that new restrictions are not attractive and the County's hand has been forced, but he is appreciative that the County is seeking a minimum level of restrictions to avoid as many unintended consequences as possible. Supervisor Totheroh concurred that the County should not have any more regulations than are necessary, but noted the issues of long-term parking and big rigs in residential neighborhoods need to be addressed. The Chairperson asked for public comment. Dan Hardwick, owner of High Sierra Outfitters, said Whitney Portal Road in particular has parking and safety issues and thinks regulating parking by time is a good move. Cheryl Howerton of Lone Pine said she finds the ordinance confusing and wonders who is going to enforce the regulations outside of vigilante groups. She said the signage itself will be confusing and asked if a vehicle parked for three hours on one of the above-mentioned streets in Lone Pine can drive around the block and then come back, re-starting the clock (like is being done now with the 10-day parking rule in effect countywide). She also said the street with the most dangerous parking situation in Lone Pine isn't even being addressed, and said a lot of trucks in Lone Pine, like hers, are over six feet in height. Howerton also said the parking restrictions would disincentivize travelers from stopping in town to shop and suggested an overnight parking restriction would be easier. Supervisor Griffiths said in response that enforcement will happen the same way it's happening now with the 10-day restriction: through citizen complaints, which he wouldn't characterize as vigilante

action. County Counsel Rudolph clarified that there is no legal requirement to provide enforcement. He said the Board can adopt the ordinance and then decide how to enforce the regulations with the resources available. He noted that restrictions have to be posted to be enforced, and said if there is an egregious violation the County can certainly muster the resources to respond. Supervisor Griffiths noted that in the City of Bishop, where there are numerous parking restrictions, enforcement is sporadic. Supervisor Kingsley said the parking issue is complicated and an overnight restriction was not selected because there are residences within 100 feet of the intersections and there are hotels that use the public right-of-way. He added that he frequently visits other places with parking restrictions and rather than not stopping, he simply abides by the rules posted. He said he doesn't buy the argument that visitors will just drive through. Hardwick suggested raising the height restriction from six feet to seven. Supervisor Pucci said the height restriction should be reconsidered for those people traveling in campers or RVs. Supervisor Kingsley said he was okay with raising the restriction to seven feet. Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Kathleen New expressed concerns about the signage and its impact on the aesthetics of Lone Pine. She said she did not want them to be ugly. Discussion turned to the Independence portion of the ordinance. Chairperson Tillemans said the problem of big rigs parking overnight in residential areas has preceded him by a couple of supervisors and he is excited that the issue is finally being addressed. He said he appreciated the modest initial approach and said it lays the foundation for addressing similar issues in Big Pine in the future. Before the vote, Supervisor Kingsley said he is not keen on putting up more signs in Lone Pine. New said she is concerned about unintended consequences and realizes Supervisor Kingsley has been forced into this situation. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to introduce and waive further reading of a proposed ordinance titled, "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, adding Section 10.36.100 to the Inyo County Code Pertaining to Parking Restrictions within 100 feet of Certain Intersections; and Adding Section 10.36.110 to the Inyo County Code Pertaining to Parking Restrictions Between 2:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M."

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Dan Hardwick of Lone Pine reiterated his earlier comments about Whitney Portal Road having safety issues near the intersection, and offered the Board luck in its efforts to address parking issues in Lone Pine.

David Woodruff of Independence announced a program at the Mt. Whitney Hatchery on August 19 to kick off his new book about the history of the hatchery. He thanked the Board for the work it is doing on behalf of the county.

BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

Supervisor Kingsley reported Assemblymember Bonta's AB 924, which would have exempted tribes from State and local rules and regulations regarding cannabis, was pulled from consideration Friday afternoon but he learned that the Timbisha-Shoshone Tribe had lobbied for the legislation which he found surprising.

Supervisor Totheroh said he attended a Behavioral Health awareness meeting Monday where difficulty in recruiting nurses was discussed.

Chairperson Tillemans said he had the honor of helping to recognize outgoing Big Pine Tribal Council members recently, and he also reported there would be a town hall meeting in Big Pine regarding the Recycled Water for Restoration and Community Projects. He said he had an opportunity to speak and listen at the Slim Princess Silver Spike Ceremony in Independence and said it was an amazing sight, with hundreds of people in attendance. He attended the Veterans Walk in Big Pine, which was held in honor of Rich Coffman, and got to participate in the July 4 parade in Independence and enjoy the pie social, kids games, and fireworks show. He noted that he also saw the CAO and his family enjoying the festivities.

Supervisor Griffiths said he attended a Mammoth-Inyo Airport Working Group meeting and thinks the parties are beginning to embrace the need to work regionally at commercial air service and utilize what works best at both facilities. He also attended a 10th anniversary party for Eastern Sierra Transit Authority as well as the summer concert at Laws Railroad Museum, where he saw the CAO and his family also enjoying the event.

Chairperson Tillemans noted that he received an email from Mono County Supervisors Corless and Gardner about joining a gateway community recreation-focused caucus at the NACo conference and received consensus from the Board to agendaize a discussion at next week's meeting.

- CLOSED SESSION* Chairperson Tillemans recessed open session at 2:55 p.m., to continue discussion and possible action as appropriate on previously noted closed session items with all Board members present.
- OPEN SESSION* Chairperson Tillemans recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting at 4:10 p.m. with all Board members present.
- REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION* County Counsel Rudolph reported no action was taken during closed session that is required to be reported.
- ADJOURN* Chairperson Tillemans adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2017 in the County Administrative Center in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

Attest: KEVIN D. CARUNCHIO
Clerk of the Board

by: _____
Darcy Ellis, Assistant