

MINUTES



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

September 5, 2017

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:32 a.m., on September 5, 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 Chairperson Tillemans asked for public comment during the first public comment period and there was no-one wishing to address the Board.

CLOSED SESSION Chairperson Tillemans recessed open session at 8:33 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 (two cases); No. 3 **PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT [Pursuant to Government Code §54957]** – Titles: Environmental Health Director; and Health and Human Services Director; and 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.

OPEN SESSION Chairperson Tillemans recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:04 a.m. with all Board members present.

PLEDGE Supervisor Griffiths 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.

PUBLIC COMMENT Chairperson Tillemans asked for public comment during the second public comment period and there was no-one wishing to address the Board.

COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS Planning Director Cathreen Richards announced that Inyo County's successful SolSmart program is profiled in the July issue of the NACo news bulletin, and distributed copies to the Board.

Clerk-Recorder-Registrar of Voters Kammi Foote reported that the Candidate's Guide for the upcoming election has been published and posted on the Elections website. She said the Eastern Sierra Community Services District will be having a competitive election for board seats for the first time in 40 years since four people have filed for three available positions. She said she will be billing the district for the entire cost of the election, noting the district is one of many considering moving their future elections to even-numbered years and consolidating them with the County's elections.

Interim Health and Human Services Director Marilyn Mann announced that a video about Team Inyo for Healthy Kids has been produced and can be seen on the Team Inyo website.

Ag Commissioner/Director of Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Nate Reade said mosquito larvicide applications were made last Thursday and Friday via helicopter pursuant to the funding

commitment made by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power on August 15. Reade recognized the applications as a huge team effort involving Kelley Williams from administration, Auditor-Controller Amy Shepherd, Risk Manager Marlana Baker, and Assistant County Counsel John Vallejo. He told the Board that about 10 years' worth of larvicide was applied over the course of several hours.

*AUDITOR-
CONTROLLER – FY
17/18 TAX
RATES/RESO #2017-41*

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, California Adopting Tax Rates for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Pursuant to Government Code Section 29100." Motion carried unanimously.

*PARKS & REC –
BISHOP WASTE
CONTRACT
AMENDMENT 1*

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) approve Amendment No. 1 to the two contracts between the County of Inyo and Bishop Waste Disposal for the provision of waste hauling services at County parks and campgrounds, increasing the contract limit payable under the agreements from \$53,892.96 to \$75,604 for the North County agreement and from \$37,532.88 to \$52,520 for the South County agreement; and B) authorize the Chairperson to sign Amendment No. 1 to both agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-BEHAVIORAL
HEALTH – KINGS
VIEW CORP.
TELEPSYCH
CONTRACT*

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Kings View Corporation of Fresno, CA for the provision of tele-psychiatry services in a total amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the period of October 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, contingent upon the Board's adoption of the 2017-2018 Budget, and authorize the Interim HHS Director to sign the contract and HIPPA Business Association Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-FIRST 5 –
TRIPLE P CONTRACT
AMENDMENT 1*

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) approve Amendment No. 1 to the existing contract between the County of Inyo and Triple P American of Columbus, S.C. for the provision of training services, incorporating into Inyo's schedule a new Parenting Teens training and accreditation module for an amount not to exceed \$35,155, contingent upon the Board's adoption of the 2017-2018 Budget; and B) authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*PUBLIC WORKS –
WADELL CONTRACT
AMENDMENT 16*

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) approve Amendment No. 16 to County of Inyo Standard Contract No. 156 between the County and Wadell Engineering Corporation of Burlingame, CA for the provision of on-call airport engineering and planning services, to increase the contract amount by \$89,905 for a total amount not to exceed \$2,265,908, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets; and B) authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

*BOS-GRIFFITHS –
FAIRGROUNDS
FLAGPOLE
COMMEMORATION*

Supervisor Griffiths explained that a constituent, a veteran who served with the California National Guard during the Vietnam War, brought to his attention the fact there is no State Flag flying at the Tri-County Fairgrounds (a State-run facility), and asked if he could help rectify the situation. After 18 months of investigation and fundraising, it was determined a new flagpole was needed for the flag donated in the interim by Mono County Supervisor Bob Gardner. Supervisor Griffiths said CAO Carunchio was able to identify funding for the pole to donate to the Fairgrounds, and to commemorate the pole's installation, the constituent has suggested the following wording on a plaque installed with any leftover funds: "This flag and flagpole are dedicated to the California women and men on Active Duty and Veterans of Military Service, with gratitude for their service and sacrifice for State and Country. 2017." Supervisor Griffiths said he was bringing the matter before the rest of the Board and public now to see if there were any other suggestions. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine requested that a down-lit flagpole be considered. The Board was in consensus over the suggested commemoration and wording.

*AG COMMISSIONER-
OVMAP – SOLE-
SOURCE 32,000 LBS.
VECTOLEX LARVICIDE*

Ag Commissioner/Director of Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Nate Reade said he would be remiss if he did not mention CAO Kevin Carunchio's role in making the needed aerial mosquito larvicide applications happen, in addition to those he mentioned during Department Head Reports, particularly by working with LADWP. Reade noted that the larvicide is available from only one vendor and his office proceeded with the purchase via the emergency provisions of the County's purchasing policy. Supervisor Griffiths said he appreciated LADWP's help in addressing the mosquito outbreak, and also acknowledged Reade for researching and finding an organic product with no harmful effects on the environment or public health. Reade noted

that the larvicide is a naturally occurring bacteria applied in pellet form. He said the pilot of the helicopter that was used to apply the larvicide was surprised at the amount of water and tules near the river, especially over the Islands area, and understood why aerial applications were being conducted since there was no way to access those areas via the ground. Reade added that the adult mosquitoes in the area should die in about 10 days, and then the valley should start seeing the results of the larvicide application. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Tothoroh to ratify and approve, under the emergency provisions of the Inyo County Purchasing Policy, a purchase order to Adapco of Sanford, FL in the amount of \$218,603.20 for 32,000 pounds of VectoLex larvicide. Motion carried unanimously.

*AG COMMISSIONER-
OVMAP – SAN
JOAQUIN
HELICOPTERS
CONTRACT*

Ag Commissioner/Director of Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Nate Reade said his office had researched possible helicopter contractors with the expectation that aerial mosquito larvicide applications might be needed this summer because of the runoff. He said there was only one company that could respond within 48 hours and do the work for under \$1 million. Supervisor Kingsley noted that it is not easy to find a helicopter during fire season. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to: A) ratify and approve, under the emergency provisions of the Inyo County Purchasing Policy, the contract and associated expenses between Owens Valley Mosquito Abatement Program (OVMAP) and San Joaquin Helicopters of Delano, CA to conduct aerial larvicide applications via helicopter within Inyo County in an amount not to exceed \$23,887.50, excluding larvicide material; B) declare San Joaquin Helicopters of Delano, CA a sole-source provider of aerial insecticide application; and C) authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

*HERE IT COMES
EMERGENCY*

Emergency Management Specialist Kelley Williams said she learned runoff damage will not be included under the January storms for which the State has already proclaimed an emergency, but was told the State could declare a new emergency specifically for the runoff. She explained the County's paperwork has been submitted and now it's a matter of wait-and-see. Moved by Supervisor Tothoroh and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to continue the local emergency known as the "Here It Comes Emergency" that was proclaimed in anticipation of runoff 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 Tothoroh 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.

*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.

*GULLY WASHER
EMERGENCY*

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 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 Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Supervisors meetings of August 1, 2017 and August 15, 2017 and the special Board of Supervisors meeting of August 14, 2017. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Tothoroh to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Supervisors meeting of August 8, 2017. Motion carried 4-0 with one abstention from Supervisor Griffiths.

CAO-BUDGET
HEARINGS FY 17/18

See separate minutes (attached).

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Earl Wilson of Lone Pine commented that the print was too small and thus difficult to read in the hand-out accompanying the CAO's budget presentation. The CAO promptly handed him a copy with larger font.

CORRESPONDENCE-
ACTION – CAO
SIGNATURES ON
IMACA GRANT FORM

Supervisor Griffiths recused himself from discussions because he is a member of the IMACA Board of Directors. CAO Carunchio explained that IMACA has requested the County sign off on its grant application for hotel/motel voucher funding for the past three or four years. He said he is comfortable doing so only with the Board's endorsement. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to authorize the County Administrator's signature on Attachment C to the organization's grant application to obtain approximately \$100,000 to provide Emergency Shelter (hotel/motel vouchers) for homeless and at-risk-of-homelessness populations. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 with Supervisor Griffiths recused.

ADJOURN

Chairperson Tillemans adjourned the meeting at 1:08 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 12, 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