

MINUTES



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

September 25, 2018

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:30 a.m., on September 25, 2018, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Dan Totheroh, presiding, Rick Pucci, Jeff Griffiths, Mark Tillemans, and Matt Kingsley.

- Public Comment* Chairperson Totheroh asked for public comment during the first public comment period and there was no-one wishing to address the Board.
- Closed Session* Chairperson Totheroh recessed open session at 8:30 a.m. to convene in closed session with all Board members present to discuss the following items: No. 2 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9]** – *County of Inyo v. Los Angeles Department of Water and Power*, Kern Superior Court Case No. BVC-18-101260; Case No. BVC-18-101261; and Case No. BVC-18-101262; No. 3 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9]** – *Los Angeles Department of Water and Power v. County of Inyo*, Kern County Superior Court Case No. BCV-18-101513-KCT (CEQA); 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: Acting County Administrative Officer Clint Quilter, Assistant County Administrator Ken Walker, Deputy Personnel Director Sue Dishion, County Counsel Marshall Rudolph, and Assistant County Counsel John Vallejo; No. 5 **PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT [Pursuant to Government Code §54957]** – Title: Environmental Health Director; No. 6 **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS [Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8]** – Property: APN 010-490-12, Bishop, California. Agency Negotiators: Clint Quilter, Acting County Administrator, and Marshall Rudolph, County Counsel. Negotiating parties: Inyo County and Inyo County Development LLC. Under negotiations: price and terms of payment.
- Open Session* Chairperson Totheroh recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:06 a.m. with all Board members present.
- Pledge* Chairperson Totheroh led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Report on Closed Session* County Counsel Rudolph reported that no action was taken in Closed Session that is required to be reported.
- Public Comment* Chairperson Totheroh asked for public comment during the second public comment period.
- Carl Dennett of Southern Inyo Fire Protection District wanted to let the Board know the district appreciates, in advance, the Board’s willingness to continue Teeter treatment of its special tax assessment.
- County Department Reports* Planning Director Cathreen Richards announced that the public workshops to gather input on a potential dark skies ordinance are starting next week and a press release is going out this afternoon with dates and locations. She said she would work with Supervisor Tillemans to schedule a Big Pine workshop.

HHS Director Marilyn Mann reported a press release would be forthcoming about a community health survey to be conducted in English and Spanish, and reminded the Board about the upcoming volunteer appreciation dinner. She also said she would soon be introducing the new Assistant HHS Director.

Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson reported that he and staff members attended a presentation on pre-trial services by San Joaquin County, which is believed to be setting the gold standard moving forward.

Assessor – Tracy Morgan Assistant Assessor Contract

Acting CAO Quilter presented the agenda item on behalf of Assessor Dave Stottlemyre, who Quilter noted was enthusiastic about getting Ms. Morgan on staff. Supervisor Tillemans inquired about the at-will contract and was told Ms. Morgan negotiated for it. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the at-will contract with Tracy Morgan as the Assistant Assessor at a monthly salary of \$7,378 and authorize the Acting County Administrator to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff – Animal Shelter Attendant

Sheriff Hollowell requested permission to fill a position for which funding was authorized in the 2018-2019 Board Approved Budget. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans 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 one (1) Animal Services Shelter Attendant exists in the General Fund, as certified by the Sheriff and concurred with by the Acting County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates may meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could possibly be filled by an internal recruitment, but an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) Shelter Attendant, Range 42A-C (\$2,381 - \$2,625).

Water Department – Aaron Steinwand Assistant Director Contract

Acting CAO Quilter explained that four candidates applied for the Assistant Water Director position in August and Steinwand was found to be the most appropriate candidate with his experience dealing with DWP and the Long-Term Water Agreement, as well as his scientific background. Supervisor Kingsley said the County is lucky to have someone like Mr. Steinwand filling the position. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to: A) approve the Deputy Water Director job description; B) authorize a change in the authorized strength in the Water Department by adding one (1) full time Deputy Water Director, Range 88 (\$7,034 - \$8,547); C) find that, consistent with the Authorized Position Review Policy: 1. the availability of funding for one (1) Deputy Water Director exists in a non-General Fund budget, as certified by the Water Director and concurred with by the Acting County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; and 2. where internal candidates may meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could possibly be filled by an internal candidate, but an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and D) authorize the Acting County Administrator to sign the at-will contract with Aaron Steinwand as the Deputy Water Director at a monthly salary of \$8,547, effective October 4, 2018, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.

HHS – Change in Authorized Strength/ 7 Hiring Requests

HHS Director Marilyn Mann presented a request for a change in authorized strength in her department that was included in the CAO Recommended Budget, and for which funding was authorized in the 2018-2019 Board Approved Budget. Mann noted that with the exception of changes in the Prevention Program, where there will be an increase in a full-time position, most of the change involved deleting two positions and adding one. Supervisor Griffiths asked if the anticipated increase of \$3,359 to HHS budgets was an annual total and Mann confirmed it was. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to, per the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Board Approved Budget:

- A) Find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy:
 - 1. the availability of Social Services, Mental Health and other non-General Fund budget funding exists to support the positions for which funding was authorized in the 2018-2019 County Budget approved on September 11, 2018; and
 - 2. where internal candidates meet the qualifications for these positions, vacancies may be filled through internal recruitment, but an open recruitment for these positions would be more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply;
- B) Authorize the following changes in the HHS authorized strength:
 - 1. Delete one (1) Behavioral Health Nurse (Range 80)
 - 2. Delete two (2) Rehabilitation Specialists (Range 60)

3. Delete two (2) Office Technician II's (Range 59)
 4. Delete one (1) WIC Program Manager (Range 74) upon the retirement of current employee
 5. Delete one (1) Health and Human Services Specialist (Range 53)
 6. Delete one (1) Social Worker IV (Range 73-non-clinical position)
 7. Add two (2) Social Worker IV/Psychotherapists (Range 81)
 8. Add one (1) Administrative Analyst (Range 70)
 9. Add one (1) Prevention Program Manager (Range 74) upon the retirement of current WIC Program Manager
 10. Add one (1) Prevention Specialist (Range 60)
 11. Add one (1) BPAR Dietician (Range 74)
 12. Add one (1) Registered Nurse/Public Health Nurse (Range 80);
- C) Approve the hiring of the following positions:
1. Two (2) Social Worker IV/Psychotherapists at Range 73/81 (\$4,900[73a] - \$7,201[81e])
 2. One (1) Administrative Analyst at Range 68/72 (\$4,357[68a] - \$5,815[72e])
 3. One (1) Public Health Nurse/Registered Nurse at Range 78/80 (\$5,518[78a] - \$7,035[80e])
 4. One (1) Prevention Program Manager (following retirement of current WIC Program Director) at Range 74 (\$5,021-\$6,103)
 5. One (1) Prevention Specialist at Range 60 (\$3,612 - \$4,387)
 6. One (1) BPAR Registered Dietician Nutritionist at Range 74 (\$26.37 - \$32.05); and
- D) Approve the job descriptions for the Registered Dietician Nutritionist and the Prevention Program Manager.

Motion carried unanimously.

HHS – Administrative Analyst I-II

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley for the Board to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of non-General Fund Social Services and Mental Health funding exists for the position of Administrative Analyst I/II, as certified by the HHS Director and concurred with by the Acting County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could possibly be filled through an internal recruitment, but an external recruitment would be more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) approve the hiring of either an Administrative Analyst I, Range 68 (\$4,357 - \$5,294), or Administrative Analyst II, Range 70 (\$4,569 - \$5,557), dependent upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-Behavioral Health – Office Clerk III

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci for the Board to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for one (1) Office Clerk III exists in the non-General Fund Behavioral Health and Drinking Driver Program budgets, as certified by the HHS Director and concurred with by the Acting County Administrator, and the 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 Office Clerk III, Range 52 (\$2,997 - \$3,641). Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-Behavioral Health – Dr. Brian McKinney Jail Psychiatry Services Contract

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to ratify and approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Dr. Brian McKinney for jail psychiatry services in an amount not to exceed \$16,000 for the period of September 15, 2018 to June 30, 2019 and authorize the Chairperson to sign the contract and the HIPAA Business Association Agreement, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-Social Services – Social Worker I-IV

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci for the Board to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the requested position of Social Worker I, II, III or IV exists in the non-General Fund Social Services budget as certified by the HHS Director and concurred with by the Acting County Administrator, and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could possibly be filled through an internal recruitment, but with a State Merit System position, an open recruitment would be more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; C) approve the hiring of one Social Worker, either a I at Range 64

(\$3,964 - \$4,817), a II at Range 67 (\$4,253 - \$5,163), a III at Range 70 (\$4,569 - \$5,557), or a IV at Range 73 (\$4,900 - \$5,960), dependent upon qualifications; and D) if an internal candidate is hired into the Social Worker I,II, III or IV position, authorize HHS to backfill the resulting vacancy. Motion carried unanimously.

**Library – APAR
Librarian Specialist I
Reclassification**

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to, consistent with the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Board Approved Budget: A) reclassify two (2) APAR (1-\$19.99) Librarian Specialist I, Range 48PT positions to two (2) APAR (1-\$19.99) Librarian I, Range PT54 positions; and B) change the authorized staffing of the Library as follows:

1. Delete two (2) APAR (1-\$19.99) Librarian Specialist I, Range 48PT positions and add two (2) APAR (1-\$19.99) Librarian I, Range PT54 positions.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motor
Pool/Parks/Solid
Waste – Delete
BPAR Office Clerk II
& Add Office Tech I**

Supervisor Kingsley asked whether the funding for the position was General or non-General Fund. Auditor-Controller Amy Shepherd explained the position would be funded mostly from the non-General Fund Motor Pool and Solid Waste budgets, but also from the General Fund Parks budget. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to, consistent with the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Board Approved Budget: A) reclassify the BPAR Office Clerk II, Range 50 (\$2,860 - \$3,478) to a full-time Office Technician I, Range 55 (\$3,213 - \$3,907); and B) change the authorized staffing of the Motor Pool, Parks and Recycling and Waste Management as follows:

1. Delete one (1) BPAR Office Clerk II, Range 50 (\$2,860 - \$3,478) and add one (1) full-time Office Technician I, Range 55 (\$3,213 - \$3,907).

Motion carried unanimously.

**Parks – Add Parks
Specialist I**

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to: A) increase the authorized strength within the Parks and Recreation Department by adding one (1) full-time Parks Specialist I, Range 56 (\$3,292 - \$3,994), as approved in the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget; and B) find that, consistent with the Authorized Position Review Policy:

1. the availability of funding for the Parks Specialist I exists in the Parks and Recreation Budget;
2. where internal candidates meet the qualifications of the position, the vacancy could be filled through an internal recruitment; and
3. approve the hiring of one (1) full-time Parks Specialist I at Range 56 (\$3,292 - \$3,994), depending on qualifications.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Information Services
– GIS Job Title
Change**

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to change the Information Services (IS) Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Technician series (ranges I through IV) job title to GIS Analyst. *(This request does not include a change to the salary range.)* Motion carried unanimously.

**Personnel – CPS HR
Risk Manager
Recruitment Contract**

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and CPS HR Consulting for Executive Recruitment Services for the Risk Manager position, in an amount not to exceed \$23,000, and authorize the Acting County Administrator to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

**County Counsel –
Thomson Reuters
Contract**

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve a contract between the County of Inyo and Thomson Reuters for online legal research for a three-year period commencing November 1, 2018 for a total amount of \$42,617.33, 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.

**County Counsel –
Special District
Conflict of Interest
Code Reports**

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to receive the 2018 Conflict of Interest Code Biennial Reports from the following Local Agencies: Big Pine Community Services District, Big Pine Fire Protection District, Big Pine Unified School District, Independence Cemetery District, Independence Fire Protection District, Indian Creek-Westridge Community Service District, Keeler Community Service District, Lone Pine Community Service District, Lone Pine Fire District, Lone Pine Unified School District, Mt. Whitney Cemetery District, Northern Inyo Healthcare District, Olancho Community Services

District, Owens Valley Unified School District, Pioneer Cemetery District, Sierra Highlands Community Services District, Sierra North Community Service District, Southern Inyo Fire Protection District, Starlite Community Services District. Motion carried unanimously.

*County Counsel –
County Department
Conflict of Interest
Code Reports*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to: A) receive and approve the 2018 Conflict of Interest Code Biennial Reports from the following County Departments: Administration, Agriculture/Weights and Measures, Assessor, Auditor-Controller, Child Support Services, Clerk-Recorder, Coroner, County Counsel, District Attorney, Farm Advisor, Health and Human Services, Planning, Probation, Treasurer, and Water; and B) receive and approve the amended Conflict of Interest Code for the following departments: Administration, Agriculture/Weights and Measures, Auditor-Controller, District Attorney, Health and Human Services, and Planning. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS – Bulk ESTA
Bus Passes*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve an annual bulk purchase of Eastern Sierra Transit Authority bus passes for Health and Human Services programs, in an amount not to exceed \$28,718.01. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-Behavioral
Health –Kern
Behavioral Health &
Recovery MOU*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Kern Behavioral Health and Recovery and Inyo County Health and Human Services Behavioral Health that allows Inyo County access to Turning Point Crisis Stabilization Unit in Ridgecrest, CA and authorize the Deputy HHS Director of Behavioral Health and the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*Road Dept. –
Temporary Closure
of N. Pa Ha, Diaz &
Barlow*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the closure of portions of North Pa Ha, Diaz, and Barlow lanes in Bishop on Friday, September 28, 2018 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

*Presentation –
IMACA Continuum of
Care Program*

Supervisor Griffiths introduced Inyo-Mono Advocates for Community Action Executive Director Charlie Broten, who would be giving an update on the Continuum of Care program. Supervisor Griffiths said that, as he has noted recently in his Board Reports, there is an increased focus on homeless populations and homelessness in California and nationwide, and IMACA's been doing a great job spearheading efforts locally and building relationships to address the issue. Broten presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Board on the Continuum of Care's Coordinated Assessment System, and discussed update from Inyo-Mono Advocates for Community Action on the Continuum of Care program. He reported on the results of the 2018 Point in Time Count and discussed the different "types" of homelessness, from employed individuals living in their cars, or people who choose to live out of their vehicles and live a nomadic lifestyle, to those who camp on LADWP land and are removed by law enforcement. He said there are not many places to place homeless individuals because there is a lack of housing and no shelter. Broten said more flexible State grants, and funding that comes with the passage of Props 1 and 2 in November, could allow IMACA to possibly help residents pay for their rent or secure master leases on rentals or hotel rooms in order to provide rooms for people experiencing homelessness. Supervisor Griffiths said that preventing homelessness is much less costly than trying to address it after the fact, when it has led to lost jobs and other impacts. Supervisor Kingsley said he appreciated IMACA's work on the issue and said it seems very difficult to resolve on a permanent basis. Broten noted that an expanded support network to provide additional services, whether substance abuse or behavioral health counseling, is key. Chairperson Totheroh said he is encouraged the more resources get involved to tackle the problem. Supervisor Pucci commended Broten personally for his efforts and echoed Supervisor Griffiths' sentiments about prevention, noting there are a lot of individuals on the cusp of homelessness. He said one late paycheck, a lost job, or sudden debt can put someone on the street within days. He said removing the stigma attached to homelessness can also encourage these individuals to seek help before they lose their housing. Supervisor Tillemans said Inyo County does have an advantage in reaching out to provide aid because of its small population. He added that homelessness can also effect those individuals newly released from jail and reminded the Board the Big Pine American Legion did at one point want to use the old county farm for veterans housing. He encouraged the Board to look at all housing options available in Inyo County, including tiny homes and off-the-grid development. He also thanked Supervisor Griffiths for his work with IMACA and other committees committed to helping those in need. Supervisor Griffiths thanked HHS Director Marilyn Mann for engaging with staff and the Continuum of Care over the past year-and-half to

try to blend services to maximum benefit. She in turn commended both Broten and IMACA's Larry Emerson for their leadership. Supervisor Pucci asked whether Broten was working with the Veterans Service Office on veterans housing. He said he was part of the committee formed to look at options, but envisions one large project – with increased funding opportunities – that can address multiple needed. Supervisor Griffiths noted that he is seeing some of the best coordination among local agencies that he has witnessed in a long time.

Planning – Enact Ordinance 1234 (In Ernest Holdings Re-zone)

Associate Planner Tom Schaniel reviewed for the Board the proposed ordinance to rezone property in Lone Pine to better match current and future uses, and to make it compatible with surrounding zoning. Supervisor Kingsley said he supported the re-zoning request because of the inconsistent way the property was zoned in relation to the rest of the neighborhood. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to enact an ordinance titled, "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Approving Zone Reclassification No. 2018-07/In Ernest Holdings Ltd. Liability Company and Amending the Zoning Map of the County of Inyo by Rezoning a 0.34 Acre Parcel Located at 225 North Mount Whitney Drive (APN 005-073-34) in the Unincorporated Community of Lone Pine from Multiple Residential (R-2) to Single Residence or Mobilehome Combined (RMH)." Motion carried unanimously. The Board also requested an update on the short-term rental ordinance from the Planning Department in the next couple months as scheduling allows.

Ag Commissioner – Urgency Ordinance 1235 (Industrial Hemp Prohibition)

Supervisor Tillemans recused himself from the following discussion and left the room. Ag Commissioner Nate Reade summarized and reviewed for the Board the issue surrounding industrial hemp in California and Inyo County, which he first discussed at the September 4 meeting when the Board concluded an urgency ordinance should be brought forward prohibiting such cultivation until County staff has had time to develop regulations and research State regulations. The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 11:31 a.m. and, with no-one present to speak on the matter, closed the public hearing at 11:31 a.m. Supervisor Griffiths reiterated his comments from September 4 that he is not opposed to industrial hemp, but it seems wise to put a pause on commercial activity until the County has a better idea of what the forthcoming State regulations will be. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to waive the first reading and enact an urgency ordinance titled, "An Interim Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California Pursuant to Government Code Section 65858 Prohibiting Cultivation of Industrial Hemp and Declaring the Urgency Thereof." Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Tillemans absent. Supervisor Tillemans rejoined the meeting at the conclusion of the agenda item.

Planning – INF Forest Plan Revision and FEIS Objection Letter

Planning Director Cathreen Richards provided an overview of the objection forms prepared by staff in response to the Inyo National Forest's Forest Plan Revision and Final Environmental Impact Statement, based on feedback from the Board on August 28. Supervisor Kingsley said he supported sending both objection forms as is. Chairperson Totheroh suggested including more specific boundary lines in comments related to the Piper Mountain Wilderness, such as natural geographic features. Acting CAO Quilter suggested referencing section lines on the map. Supervisor Kingsley suggested having a marked map prepared for future objection discussions with Forest officials. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve the objection letters and authorize staff to send to the Inyo National Forest. Motion carried unanimously. The Board then discussed which Supervisors' names should be submitted as "lead objectors" and the Board decided on Supervisors Kingsley, Tillemans, and Griffiths.

HHS-Public Health – Ratify Tobacco Control Allocation Agreement

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to ratify and approve the Allocation Agreement between the County of Inyo and California Department of Public Health for the provision of the local Tobacco Control Program, in an amount not to exceed \$302,415 for the period of July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019, and the HHS Director to sign. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Kingsley out of the room at the time of the vote.

Here it Comes Emergency

Acting Public Works Director Mike Errante said repairs on Whitney Portal and Horseshoe Meadows roads are almost complete. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans 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 4-0, with Supervisor Kingsley out of the room at the time of the vote.

<i>Rocky Road Emergency</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans 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 4-0, with Supervisor Kingsley out of the room at the time of the vote.
<i>Land of EVEN Less Water Emergency</i>	Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans 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 4-0, with Supervisor Kingsley out of the room at the time of the vote.
<i>Gully Washer Emergency</i>	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans 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 4-0, with Supervisor Kingsley out of the room at the time of the vote.
<i>DV Down But Not Out Emergency</i>	Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths 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 4-0, with Supervisor Kingsley out of the room at the time of the vote.
<i>Clerk of the Board – Approval of Minutes</i>	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2018 and August 28, 2018 regular Board of Supervisors meetings. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2018 regular Board of Supervisors minutes. Motion carried unanimously 4-0-1, with Supervisor Kingsley abstaining. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2018 regular Board of Supervisors meeting. Motion carried 4-0-1, with Supervisor Tillemans abstaining.
<i>Correspondence – Informational – Secured Tax Delinquency Rate Report</i>	Treasurer-Tax Collector Alisha McMurtrie provided brief comment on an Informational Correspondence item she prepared for the Board. She said she is legally required to report when a special district's secured tax delinquency rate of all taxes and assessments exceeds 3% as of June 30. She said it is nothing to worry about in this case and appreciated members of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District making the trip to today's meeting.
<i>Correspondence- Informational – Destination Marketing Ad Report</i>	Assistant County Counsel John Vallejo, who has been working on promotional efforts for Inyo County in his spare time through the CAO's Advertising County Resources/Economic Development budgets, provided additional background information on an Informational Correspondence item regarding destination marketing advertisement in the Reel Rock 13 European Film Tour. He also screened for the Board a video promoting Inyo County and took the Board on a brief tour of the County's official Instagram account, which he manages. The Board was impressed with the video as well as the social media page. Vallejo discussed his efforts to use local photographers and videographers on promotional projects and the goal of turning Inyo County into a recognizable destination name-place like Yosemite.
<i>Board Member and Staff Reports</i>	Supervisor Kingsley thanked the Treasurer-Tax Collector for the written Transient Occupancy Tax update, noting that totals rose in almost every part of the county. He also reported attending the RCRC conference in Napa Valley, where Inyo County's basket was selected fourth out of 35 in the charity raffle and the winner donated back an item that went for \$700 in the charity auction, which raised a total of \$62,000.
	Supervisor Tillemans said he attended the Millpond Music Festival where the Inyo Council for the Arts held a special dedication in honor of former Supervisor Linda Arcularius.
	Supervisor Pucci said he also attended the RCRC conference and was impressed with the speakers and unfortunately did not make it back in time to witness Supervisor Arcularius' special honor.

Chairperson Totheroh said he, too, attended the RCRC conference, as well as the Music Festival and tribute to Supervisor Arcularius.

Supervisor Griffiths also reported attending the RCRC conference, where he won a basket in the raffle and donated it back for the auction. He said he then had the privilege of emceeding Supervisor Arcularius' honor at the Millpond Music Festival and on Monday attended the City Council meeting. He announced interviews for a new Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Executive Director were set for Friday.

County Counsel Rudolph said he would be speaking at a County Counsel Association's program in Ontario Thursday and then visiting family Friday in Southern California.

Acting CAO Quilter said he also attended the RCRC conference and found it very enlightening and enjoyable.

*Recess for
Lunch/Reconvene*

Chairperson Totheroh recessed the meeting at 12:21 p.m. for lunch and reconvened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. with all Board members present.

*BOS – Legislative
Platform Review*

Acting CAO Quilter presented proposed revisions to the County's Legislative Platform, based on input from the Board and Department Heads over the preceding weeks. He explained that the staff compiled the various comments, suggestions, and additions, and incorporated them into the existing document, adding color-coding for reference. He also noted that, per Board direction, staff also reviewed the legislative platforms of the California State Association of Counties and Rural County Representatives of California for possible policy areas and/or relevant items that might enhance Inyo County's platform. The Board proceeded to engage in a lengthy and thorough review of the document, section by section, directing additional changes and supporting proposed revisions. The Chair asked for public comment. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine suggested an index might be helpful. CAO Quilter said staff would make all changes approved and additionally directed by the Board and send a new draft to the Ferguson Group, the County's contracted federal advocacy service providers. He noted a representative from the Ferguson Group would be back to speak to the Board as a whole on October 2, as well as individual Board members and Department Heads in private meetings to further gauge legislative funding priorities. The Board thanked staff for their work on the platform.

Public Comment

Chairperson Totheroh asked for public comment during the final public comment period and there was no-one wishing to address the Board.

Adjournment

Chairperson Totheroh adjourned the meeting at 2:44 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, October 2, 2018 in the County Administrative Center in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

*Attest: CLINT G. QUILTER
Acting Clerk of the Board*

by: _____
Darcy Ellis, Assistant