

MINUTES



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

May 7, 2019

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 7, 2019, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Rick Pucci, presiding, Dan Tothoroh, Jeff Griffiths, Mark Tillemans, and Matt Kingsley.

Public Comment Chairperson Pucci asked for public comment during the first public comment period and there was no-one wishing to address the Board.

Closed Session Chairperson Pucci 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 – EXISTING LITIGATION – [Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9]** – Name of case: *In Re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, Inyo County et al. v. Amerisourcebergen Drug Corporation et al*; United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, Case Nos. 1:17-MD-2804, 1-18-OP-45646; and No. 3 **CONFERENCE WITH COUNTY'S LABOR NEGOTIATORS [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** – Regarding 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. County designated representatives – Administrative Officer Clint Quilter, Deputy Personnel Director Sue Dishion, County Counsel Marshall Rudolph, Health and Human Services Director Marilyn Mann, and Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson.

Open Session Chairperson Pucci recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:04 a.m. with all Board members present.

Pledge Supervisor Tillemans led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Public Comment Chairperson Pucci asked for public comment during the second public comment period and there was no-one wishing to address the Board.

County Department Reports HHS Director Marilyn Mann announced that May is Mental Health Awareness Month, asked for the Board's support, and said she would let the Supervisors know when related activities are occurring.

Public Works Director Mike Errante reported that the town water system rate study is expected to be finished by the end of the week and staff is eyeing public workshops as a follow-up in late May or early June.

Water Director Dr. Aaron Steinwand reported that the California Department of Water Resources has reclassified the non-adjudicated portions of the Owens Valley groundwater basin as low-priority.

Sheriff Hollowell reported that 97 pounds of prescription medication were collected at the recent Drug Takeback event. He also said his personnel met with the local real estate group about distributing CodeRED sign-up information to new homebuyers and also participated in the job fair over the weekend. He also provided an update on the fiber line that was cut last night north of Independence, shutting down phone, cell, and 911 services.

Ag Commissioner Nate Reade announced he received two grants for noxious weed control and that last week, the California Department of Food and Agriculture opened up registration for industrial help, which must go through his office at the local level.

Introductions

Ag Commissioner Nate Reade introduced to the Board new Agriculture/Weights & Measures/Cannabis Inspector I Carl Olsen; Museum Services Director Jon Klusmire introduced new Curator of Collections and Exhibits Heather Todd; Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson introduced new Deputy Probation Officer Lisa Marie Vetter; Public Works Director Mike Errante introduced new Building Inspector James Feeney and new Engineering Assistant II Gregory Waters. New Rehabilitation Specialists Maria Miranda and Chad Stark were unable to attend for their introductions.

*Presentation –
LADWP Spring
Runoff*

Eric Tillemans, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Waterworks Engineer, gave a presentation to the Board on this year's snowpack measurements, spring runoff projections, and department operations in preparation for the runoff, including how the measurements are taken and a comparison of this year's snowpack totals and runoff forecasts to record years and normal years. He reported that overall, the weighted average of the Eastern Sierra snowpack is 171% of normal and runoff is forecast at 137% of normal, which is typical for a "wet" year but not extreme like the conditions seen in 2017, 1983, and 1969. He said LADWP has already prepared spreading grounds throughout the valley and has others ready to go but does not think they will be needed. Tillemans did note that while runoff is not expected to be extreme this season, there is still concern about high flows in the Owens River and LADWP is working with the Sheriff's Department to warn the public. Chairperson Pucci thanked LADWP for being proactive. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine pointed out the potential for flooding on Bairs Creek near Manzanar and Tillemans said the department is aware of the issue and monitoring the situation.

*Parks & Recreation –
Seasonal Park &
Campground
Maintenance Helper*

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 funding for one (1) Seasonal Park and Campground Maintenance Helper exists in the General Fund, as certified by the Department Head and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where due to the seasonal nature of the position it is unlikely the vacancy could be filled by an internal candidates meeting the qualifications for the position, an open recruitment is most appropriate to ensure qualified candidates apply; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) Seasonal Park and Campground Maintenance Helper, Range PT50 (\$14.75 - \$17.91/hr.), contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-Behavioral
Health – Residential
Caregiver*

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) Residential Caregiver position exists in the non-General Fund Mental Health budget, as certified by the HHS Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates may meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could be filled through an internal recruitment, but an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified candidates apply; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) Residential Caregiver, Range 53 (\$3,070 - \$3,732). Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-Behavioral
Health – Full-time
and BPAR Addictions
Counselor III*

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths for the Board to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for one (1) full-time and one (1) part-time Addictions Counselor III exists in various non-General Fund HHS budgets, as certified by the HHS Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) whereas it is unlikely that the vacancies could be filled by internal candidates meeting the qualifications for the positions, an external recruitment would be appropriate to ensure qualified candidates apply for these specialized positions; and C) approve the hiring of one (1) full-time Addictions Counselor III, Range 64 (\$3,964 - \$4,817) and one BPAR Addictions Counselor III, Range 64PT (\$21.24 – \$25.82/hr.). Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-WIC –
Registered Dietician
Nutritionist*

Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to:

- A) Approve the amended Registered Dietician Nutritionist job description;
- B) Change the authorized strength in the HHS Women, Infants & Children, Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging, and Child Health and Disability programs by:

1. Deleting one (1) BPAR Registered Dietician Nutritionist at Range PT74 (\$26.90 - \$32.70/hr.)
 2. Adding one (1) Registered Dietician Nutritionist at Range 74 (\$5,021 - \$6,103)
- C) Find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy:
1. The availability of funding for one (1) Registered Dietician Nutritionist exists, as certified by the HHS Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller;
 2. Where internal candidates may meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could be filled through an internal recruitment, but an open recruitment is more appropriate to ensure qualified candidates apply; and
 3. Approve the hiring of one (1) Registered Dietician Nutritionist at Range 74 (\$5,021 - \$6,103).

Motion carried unanimously.

*Fish & Wildlife
Commission
Appointment*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to appoint John Frederickson to an unexpired four-year term on the Inyo County Fish and Wildlife Commission ending October 6, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

*Clerk-Recorder –
Annual DFM
Associates Payment*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to payment to DFM Associates for the annual DFM Associates Software License Maintenance and Support Fee in the amount of \$14,700, contingent upon the Board's adoption of the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

*Information Services
– Microsoft Windows
Licensing Payment*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the third of three annual payments in the amount of \$26,390 for the three-year Microsoft Windows 10 Enterprise licensing agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

*Motor Pool – SAR
Truck Bids*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to: A) award a bid to Bishop Ford for the purchase of one (1) 2019 Ford F350 Crew Cab in the amount of \$38,617.72; and B) award a bid to Enoven of Redding, CA for the purchase of a 2019 Highway Products Service Body in the amount of \$38,787.85. Motion carried unanimously.

*Motor Pool – Mr. K
Repair P.O.*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the repair of a Motor Pool vehicle and authorize a purchase order in the amount of \$3,363.32 payable to Mr. K Automotive in Bishop. Motion carried unanimously.

*Motor Pool – Inyo-
Mono Body Shop
Repair P.O.*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the repair of a Motor Pool vehicle and authorize a purchase order in the amount of \$4,048.87 payable to Inyo-Mono Body Shop in Bishop. Motion carried unanimously.

*County Counsel –
Revised Sheriff's
Conflict Code*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve a revised Conflict of Interest Code for the Sheriff's Department. Motion carried unanimously.

*Coroner – Central
Valley Toxicology
Sole-Source Contract*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to: A) declare Central Valley Toxicology, Inc. a sole-source provider of toxicology services; and B) approve the contract between Inyo County and Central Valley Toxicology, Inc. for the provision of toxicology services in an amount not to exceed \$18,000 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*Coroner – Taema
Weiss, M.D. Sole-
Source Contract*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to: A) declare Taema Weiss, M.D. a sole-source provider of autopsy services in the southern portion of Inyo County; and B) approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Taema Weiss, M.D. for autopsy services in the southern portion of the county for a total contract amount not to exceed \$43,200 for the term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Griffiths recused.

*HHS – System Data
Use/Disclosure*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the System Data Use and Disclosure Agreement between the County of Inyo, HHS, California Department of Public Health, and California Reportable Disease Information Exchange for the purpose of

<i>Agreement</i>	receiving and use of information associated with monitoring reportable disease, and authorize the HHS Director or designee to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>HHS-Behavioral Health – Blue Cross MOU Addendum</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve an addendum to the MOU between Blue Cross of California Partnership Plan, Inc. (Anthem) and Inyo County HHS Behavioral Health Division describing the responsibilities for Substance Use Disorder services for Medi-Cal beneficiaries, and authorize the HHS Deputy Director-Behavioral Health Division to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>HHS-Behavioral Health – Bakersfield Healthcare Hospital Payment</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to authorize a \$17,600 payment to Bakersfield Healthcare Hospital for two involuntary hospitalizations of Inyo County Medi-Cal beneficiaries placed in the facility pursuant to Welfare and Institutions (WIC) Code Section 5150. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Probation – ICA Contract</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Inyo Council for the Arts for the provision of an after-school music and art program to youth throughout Inyo County in an amount not to exceed \$15,300 for the period of May 13, 2019 to August 31, 2019, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Griffiths recused.
<i>Probation – Healthy Communities of So. Inyo Contract</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Healthy Communities of Southern Inyo County for a Delinquency Prevention Program in an amount not to exceed \$31,840 for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, contingent upon receipts from the California State Controller’s Office and the Board’s adoption of the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Probation – ICOE Contract</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Inyo County Superintendent of Schools for an Extended Day Program in an amount not to exceed \$21,227 for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, contingent upon receipts from the California State Controller’s Office and the Board’s adoption of the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Probation – Southern Computer Warehouse P.O.</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to authorize a purchase order in the amount of \$3,118.24, payable to Southern Computer Warehouse, Inc. of Atlanta, GA for the purchase of four (4) Hewlett Packard HP ProBook 450 G5 laptops. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Public Works – Environmental Concepts Blanket P.O.</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to authorize a blanket purchase in the amount of \$40,000 payable to Environmental Concepts of Tehachapi, CA for the purchase of liquid asphalt and parts to repair a Crafcro Crack Sealing Kettle. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Public Works – Safety Signs Blanket P.O.</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to authorize and approve blanket purchase orders for Safeway Signs in the amount of \$20,000 for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for use in the Public Works Department. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Public Works – Amend Feb. 23, 2016 Board Order</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to amend the February 23, 2016 Board Order regarding the Lease Agreement between the County of Inyo and Brenda and Harry Wilson to reflect the correct contract dates of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019 with two options to extend in 2019 and again in 2020; and B) similarly amend the minutes of the February 23, 2016 Board meeting to also reflect the correct dates. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Public Works – Amend March 14, 2017 Board Order</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to amend the March 14, 2017 Board Order regarding the Lease Agreement between the County of Inyo and the Bruce and Dorothy Branson Trust to reflect the correct contract dates of April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2020 with two options to extend in 2020 and again in 2021; and B) similarly amend the minutes of the February 23, 2016 Board meeting to also reflect the correct dates. Motion carried unanimously.

*Public Works –
Denver Gardens
Lease Agreement
Amendment 2*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve Amendment No. 2 to the Lease Agreement between the County of Inyo and Denver Gardens LLC for office space at 912, 914, 916 and 918 North Main Street in Bishop, extending the existing lease for two (2) consecutive years, for the period of May 1, 2019 through April 30, 2021, maintaining all current provisions and conditions, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

*Road Department –
Miller’s Towing
Blanket P.O.*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to authorize and approve blanket purchase orders for Miller’s Towing in the amount of \$11,000 for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for use in the Public Works Department. Motion carried unanimously.

*Road Department –
FY 18-19 Caltrans
Agreement*

Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to: A) approve the 2018-2019 Federal Apportionment Program Federal Exchange and State Match Program Agreement No. X19-5948(095) with the California Department of Transportation in the amount of \$673,353 plus a State match of \$100,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$773,353; and B) authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*CAO – Third Quarter
Financial Report*

CAO Quilter presented for approval the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Third Quarter Financial Report, thanking the Budget Team (Budget Analyst Denelle Carrington and Auditor-Controller Amy Shepherd) for doing the heavy lifting. He noted for the Board the report’s new format, and the differences between the Board Approved, Working and Third Quarter budgets. CAO Quilter also reviewed issues and factors that will be affecting the budget, in some fashion, in the weeks and months ahead, including the State and Federal budgets, property tax revenue, and bed and sales tax. Auditor-Controller Shepherd discussed a proposal for the County to begin a concerted effort to begin building up its General Reserves. She said she and CAO Quilter suggest, as a solid first step, moving the money currently in Contingencies to General Reserves, rather than rolling it over to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Fund Balance. Additional discussion about General Reserves ensued between Shepherd and the Board. Chairperson Pucci said building up the reserves is an extremely important goal. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to:

- A) Accept the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Third Quarter Financial Report as presented;
- B) Approve the specific budget action items and recommendations discussed in the report and represented in Attachments A & B, and authorize the Auditor-Controller to make the budget adjustments as listed in Attachments A & B (*4/5ths vote required*);
- C) Authorize the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller to make any additional year-end adjustments, as may be necessary within each fund (*4/5ths vote required*);
- D) Approve the Preliminary Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget Calendar (Attachment C) with regard to the proposed dates for the Budget Hearings and adoption of the Final Budget;
- E) Direct the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller to prepare a modified rollover budget for the start of Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and present it for approval on June 11 or June 18, 2019; and
- F) Authorize the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller to transfer the balance of General Fund Contingencies on June 28, 2019 to General Reserves and amend the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget to reflect the changes if needed (*4/5ths vote required*).

Motion carried unanimously.

*County
Counsel/Water Dept.
– OVGA Service
Contracts*

Water Director Dr. Aaron Steinwand presented for ratification two contracts to provide services to the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority: one for the Water Director and Administrative Assistant to provide Executive Manager services and the other for County Counsel to provide legal services. Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to: A) ratify and approve a contract to provide Executive Manager services to the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority in an amount not to exceed \$37,000 annually beginning April 1, 2019 and continuing until terminated by any party with 30 days’ written notice to the other party; B) ratify and approve a contract to provide legal services to the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority in an amount not to exceed \$1,500 per month beginning April 1, 2019 and continuing until terminated by any party with 30 days’ written notice to the other party; and C) authorize the Chairperson to sign both documents. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-Behavioral
Health – Pat Deegan,*

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to ratify and approve the CommonGround Services and License Agreement with Pat Deegan, Ph.D. & Associates, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$24,500 for the period of May 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020,

<i>Ph.D. & Associates Agreement</i>	contingent upon the adoption of named budgets, and authorize the Deputy HHS Director of Behavioral Health to sign the agreement and the HIPAA Privacy Officer to sign the Business Associates Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>HHS – Southern Computer Warehouse Purchases Ratification</i>	Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to ratify and approve purchases during Fiscal Year 2018-2019 from Southern Computer Warehouse in the amount of \$12,241.64, including a blanket purchase order in the amount of \$8,000 for the remainder of the fiscal year. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>HHS-Public Health & Prevention – FY 18-19 Children’s Medical Services Plan & Budgets</i>	Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to ratify and approve the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Children’s Medical Services Plan and Budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign the Certification Statements. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Public Works – No. Inyo Airport Advisory Comm. Appointments</i>	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to appoint Mr. Harry Bhakta to one regular unexpired four-year term on the Northern Inyo Airport Advisory Committee ending October 31, 2020 and Mr. Wayne Sayer to one alternate unexpired term on the Northern Inyo Airport Advisory Committee ending October 31, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Clerk of the Board – Approval of Minutes</i>	Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to approve the minutes from the following regular Board meetings: March 12, 2019, March 19, 2019, March 26, 2019, April 2, 2019, April 9, 2019, and April 16, 2019. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Griffiths abstaining with relation to the minutes of April 16, 2019.
<i>Correspondence-Action – ICA Reso. # 2019-19</i>	Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to approve Resolution No. 2019-19, 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,” and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Griffiths recused.
<i>Correspondence-Action – Fish & Game Fine Fund Donation</i>	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to authorize a \$922.75 expenditure from the Fish and Game Fine Fund to the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau to cover a portion of the reprinting costs for the Inyo-Mono Fishing Map. Motion carried unanimously.
<i>Sheriff – ICE Hearing</i>	Sheriff Hollowell addressed the Board to explain that as part of a new State law, and as outlined in Government Code Section 7283, the Board of Supervisors must hold a public hearing to provide information about the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s access to any individuals in its jurisdiction during the past year. He reviewed four instances where ICE sent the Sheriff’s Office detainers in 2018 for individuals who were booked into and fingerprinted at the Inyo County Jail, and whose fingerprints were uploaded into a national database. He explained that his office, in response, let ICE know when those individuals would be released, but did not, and will not, honor detainer requests as they have not been subject to the scrutiny of a judicial officer. The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 11:51 a.m. and, with no-one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing at 11:51 a.m.
<i>Ag Commissioner – Ordinance 1241 Enactment</i>	Supervisor Tillemans recused himself from the agenda item and left the room at 11:51 a.m. Ag Commissioner Nate Reade presented for approval proposed Ordinance 1241, which he first introduced on April 16, at which time the Board waived further reading and scheduled enactment for today. He said no changes have been made since then. The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 11:52 a.m. and, with no-one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing at 11:52 a.m. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve Ordinance 1241 titled, “An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Section 3.50.040 of the Inyo County Code.” Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.

*Ag Commissioner –
Ordinance 1242
Enactment*

Ag Commissioner Nate Reade presented for approval proposed Ordinance 1241, which he first introduced on April 16, at which time the Board waived further reading and scheduled enactment for today. He said no changes have been made since then but did remind the Board that there was discussion at the time about re-allocating some of the license types to different zones, which the Board directed be done as recommended. Supervisor Griffiths asked for clarification on the re-allocation. The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 11:59 a.m. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine said it sounded like there was an expansion of the program. Supervisor Kingsley clarified that no additional licenses were being introduced; rather, the ordinance is moving them to different areas of the county to recognize demand. The Chairperson closed the public hearing at 12:03 p.m. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve Ordinance 1242 titled, “An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Sections 5.40.020, 5.40.060, 5.40.070, 5.40.080, 5.40.090, 5.40.140, and 5.40.150 of the Inyo County Code.” Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.

*Planning/Ag
Commissioner/
County Counsel/CAO
– Ordinance 1243
Enactment*

Planning Director Cathreen Richards presented for approval an ordinance to bring consistency to certain definitions in County Code and to introduce a procedural change in the commercial cannabis permitting process. She explained that the change – removing the requirement that a cannabis business license be obtained prior to the Planning Commission holding a hearing on an application for a Conditional Use Permit – would help prevent conflicts in the land use entitlement process and simplify CEQA evaluations for commercial cannabis applications. Supervisor Kingsley noted that these were the kinds of adjustments the Board and staff anticipated might be needed at some point, considering the cannabis regulations are brand-new for the County. The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 12:09 p.m. and, with no-one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing at 12:09 p.m. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) approve Ordinance 1243 titled, “An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Sections 18.06.161, 18.78.360(A); and Adding Sections 18.06.183 and 18.78.184 to the Inyo County Code,” and enact said ordinance; and B) certify that the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act have been met. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.

Public Comment

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

*Board Member and
Staff Reports*

Supervisor Kingsley reported on the Wild Wild West Marathon held over the weekend in Lone Pine, and thanked CAO Quilter, Chairperson Pucci, and Supervisor Griffiths for attending the annual RCRC event in Death Valley last week.

Supervisor Totheroh said he attended an Air Pollution Control District meeting last week and will be attending upcoming meetings of the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority and Mental Health Advisory Board.

Supervisor Griffiths reported attending several Rotary meetings while on vacation in Brazil, the CSAC Legislative Conference, the Eastern Sierra Land Trust Garden Fest, and Art in the Park events Saturday in Big Pine and Sunday in Independence.

Chairperson Pucci reported attending the CSAC Legislative Conference, the RCRC event in Death Valley, and a Northern Inyo Airport Advisory Commission meeting last night. He also noted that he will be unable to attend the May 21 Board of Supervisors meeting as he will be helping the Bishop Mule Days Celebration get its vendors in place for the 50th anniversary event.

Adjournment

Chairperson Pucci adjourned the meeting at 12:18 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 14, 2019 in the County Administrative Center in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

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

*by: _____
Darcy Ellis, Assistant*