

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

September 6, 2022

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:31 a.m., on September 6, 2022 in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present per California Assembly Bill 361: Chairperson Dan Totheroh, presiding, Jeff Griffiths, Rick Pucci, Matt Kingsley, and Jennifer Roeser. Also present: County Administrator Leslie Chapman, Assistant Clerk of the Board Darcy Ellis, Office Clerk Hayley Carter, and County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo.

Closed Session
Public Comment

The Chairperson asked for public comment related to Closed Session items and no one requested to speak.

Closed Session

Chairperson Totheroh recessed open session at 8:32 a.m. to convene in closed session with all Board members in attendance to discuss the following item(s): No. 2. *PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – Pursuant to Government Code §54957* – Title: Public Works Director; 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 Leslie Chapman, Assistant County Administrators Sue Dishion and Meaghan McCamman, Deputy Personnel Director Keri Oney, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, Health and Human Services Director Marilyn Mann, and Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson.

Open Session

Chairperson Totheroh recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:03 a.m. with all Board members present except Supervisor Pucci, who had an emergency and had to leave.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Roeser led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Report on Closed Session

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

Public Comment

Chairperson Totheroh asked if there was any public comment pending for items not calendared on the agenda.

Public comment was received from Lauralynn Hundley.

County Department Reports

HHS Director Marilyn Mann updated the Board on the Coalition of Care, the mobile homes previously donated by LADWP, and AB 1951 and its potential impacts to 1991 Realignment Funds.

Risk Manager Aaron Holmberg provided a safety warning about the excessive heat in the region.

Emergency Services Manager Mikaela Torres gave an update on operational calls with California OES regarding the heat, power outages, and the activation of a cooling center in Tecopa, and distributed copies of the Governor's Emergency Proclamation regarding the heat wave.

Planning Director Cathreen Richards reported that the State has approved Inyo County's 6th

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Cycle Housing Element Update, and distributed copies of the approval letter to the Board.

Museum Director Shawn Lum passed around flyers for an author event at Eastern California Museum and updated the Board on a grant she is pursuing.

Introductions

CAO Leslie Chapman introduced new CAO Nate Greenberg, after which the following new employees were introduced to the Board by departments: Sara Alden, Integrated Case Worker, Gustavo Ortiz, Bilingual Clerk, Nicholas Pfaff, Social Worker IV, and Alexeya Williams, Prevention Specialist, HHS; and Ann Harrison, Office Tech III, Information Services.

Proclamation – Patriot Day 2022 Proclamation Supervisor Roeser read aloud a proclamation declaring September 11, 2022 Patriot Day in Inyo County. Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve a proclamation declaring September 11, 2022 Patriot Day in Inyo County. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Item Pulled

The following item was pulled from the agenda at the request of the department:

Health & Human Services - Social Services - Request Board: A) declare Thurmond Consulting, LLC of Sacramento, CA a sole-source provider; B) ratify and approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Thurmond Consulting, LLC of Sacramento, CA for the provision of Continuum of Care Grants Management consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$42,000 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, contingent upon the Board's approval of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget; and C) authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained.

Auditor – Gann Limit Reso # 2022-30 Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to adopt proposed Resolution 2022-30, accepting the calculations of the appropriation limitation for the County of Inyo for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Auditor – Property Tax Rates Reso # 2022-31 Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve Resolution No. 2022-31, setting the property tax rates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, per California Government Code Section 29100. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

CAO-Economic
Development –
Purchasing Agent
Delegation
Renewal

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to renew delegation of authority for the purchasing agent to lease or rent County-owned property pursuant to Inyo County Code Section 6.24.030. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Emergency Services

– April 2022 Wind

Emergency

Terminated

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to terminate the local emergency that was proclaimed in response to the extreme winds in April 2022. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Information Services

– Maverick Networks,
Inc. Agreement

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to: A) declare Maverick Networks, Inc., of Pleasanton, CA, a sole-source provider; B) approve the licensing and support agreement between the County of Inyo and Maverick Networks, Inc., of Pleasanton, CA for the provision of Mitel telephone system annual software licensing and hardware maintenance services in an amount not to exceed \$66,350 for the period of September 17, 2022 through September 16, 2027, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets; and C) authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

County Counsel – AB 361 Findings Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to adopt findings pursuant to AB 361 that: A) the Board reconsidered the circumstances of the existing State of Emergency issued on March 4, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and B) local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing, and/or the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

HHS – Child Abuse

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve Resolution No.

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Prevention Council Reso # 2022-32 2022-32, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Repealing Resolution No. 1992-35 and Establishing Certain Procedures Pertaining to the Inyo County Child Abuse Prevention Council," and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

HHS-Behavioral Health – Angela DaRe Contract Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Angela DaRe of Jackson, CA for the provision of Crisis Care Mobile Unit (CCMU) Consulting Services in an amount not to exceed \$155,000.00 for the period of September 6, 2022, through February 14, 2023, contingent upon the Board's approval of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

HHS-First 5 – Bishop Indian Head Start Contract Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to ratify and approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Bishop Indian Head Start of Bishop, CA, for the provision of First 5 Community Grant services in an amount not to exceed \$13,000 for the period of September 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, contingent upon the Board's approval of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

HHS-First 5 – Discovery Point Preschool Contract Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to ratify and approve the contract between the County of Inyo and Discovery Point Preschool of Bishop, CA, for the provision of First 5 Community Grant services in an amount not to exceed \$17,000 for the period of September 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, contingent upon the Board's approval of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Probation – Sacred Rok Contract Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and Sacred Rok of Yosemite, CA for the provision of nature education and mentoring in an amount not to exceed \$45,000 for the period of October 1, 2022 through April 30, 2024, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Public Works – ESE Design Contract Change Order #1 Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to authorize the Public Works Director to sign Change Order No. 1 (Task Order 8) to the design contract between the County of Inyo and Eastern Sierra Engineering of Reno, NV, increasing the original contract amount of \$137,956.17 by \$16,574 to a total of \$154,530.17. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Public Works – Diaz ADA Boat Dock Plans & Specs Moved by Jennifer Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to: A) approve the plans and specifications for the Diaz ADA Boat Dock Project and authorize the Public Works Director to advertise the project; and B) authorize the use of Geothermal Royalties to fund the project beyond the available remaining grant. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Public Works – American Asphalt South Contract Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to: A) approve the contract between the County of Inyo and American Asphalt South, Inc. of Riverside, CA for the provision of microfiber slurry seal asphalt coatings in an amount not to exceed \$457,167.30 for the period of September 6, 2022 through December 31, 2022, contingent upon the Board's approval of the FY 2022-2023 Budget, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained; and B) authorize the Public Works Director to execute all other project contract documents, including contract change orders, to the extent permitted by Public Contract Code Section 20142 and other applicable laws. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Public Works – Independence Hangar Demo N.O.C./ Reso # Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve proposed Resolution No. 2022-33, 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 Independence Airport Hangar Demolition," and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously

2022-33 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Road Department – Emergency Purchase Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to receive written report regarding emergency purchase of John Deere hydraulic pump and accessories. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Water Department – OVGA Rep Direction

Water Director Dr. Aaron Steinwand briefed the Board on the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority Board of Directors meeting scheduled for September 15, 2022.

Emergency Services

– August 2022
Flooding Emergency

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to continue the local emergency proclaimed in response to flash flooding in Death Valley National Park in August 2022. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Emergency Services

- Fairview Fire

Emergency

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to continue the local emergency that was proclaimed in response to the Fairview Fire in July 2022. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Emergency Services

– Here it Comes

Emergency

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley 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 in 2017 posing extreme peril to the safety of property and persons in Inyo County. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Risk Management – Proposed Code Amendment Ordinance (Claims) Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Roeser to waive further reading of proposed Ordinance 1287, titled, "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Subsection (B) of Section 1.28.040 of the Inyo County Code, Pertaining to Delegation of Authority to Compromise or Settle Claims Against the County," and schedule enactment for September 20, 2022, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Administrative Center, Independence. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Clerk of the Board – Approval of Minutes Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Supervisors meeting of August 16, 2022. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Public Comment

Chairperson Totheron asked if there was any public comment pending for items not calendared on the agenda and there was none.

Correspondence-Action – Fish & Wildlife Fund Donation Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to approve the request from the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau for \$5,000 from the Fine Fund to help support production of a new Inyo County Fishing Map Brochure, contingent on the approval of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Pucci absent.

Board Member and Staff Reports

Supervisor Kingsley reported attending a Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District meeting in Bishop last Thursday and spending time with new CAO Greenberg last Friday.

Supervisor Roeser also reported attending the GBUAPCD meeting and NACo public lands meetings, working with area mountain guides for a women's summit of Mt. Whitney, and hosting State Treasurer Fiona Ma last Friday.

Chairperson Totheroh announced he expected to be unavailable for a couple months and Vice Chair Roeser will be taking up his duties as Chair.

Supervisor Griffiths reported attending an IMACA meeting, Eastern Sierra Foundation meeting, "Baby CAO" panel, and CSAC Board meeting.

Chair Totheron acknowledged that he would be missing CAO Chapman's last meeting on Sept. 27 and wanted to thank her for her wisdom, assistance, and guidance.

Supervisor Roeser wished Chairperson Totheroh the best of luck.

Adjournment

Chairperson Totheroh adjourned the meeting at 11:23 a.m. to 10 a.m. Tuesday, September 20, 2022 in the County Administrative Center in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

Attest: LESLIE L. CHAPMAN

Clerk of the Board

by: _____ Darcy Ellis, Assistant