

MINUTES



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

October 18, 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 October 18, 2022 in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present per California Assembly Bill 361: Vice Chairperson Jennifer Roeser, presiding, Jeff Griffiths, Rick Pucci, and Matt Kingsley. Also present: County Administrator Nate Greenberg, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, Assistant Clerk of the Board Darcy Ellis, and Office Technician Hayley Carter. Absent: Dan Totheroh.

Public Comment

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

Closed Session

Vice Chairperson Roeser recessed open session at 8:32 a.m. to convene in closed session with all Board members present except Supervisor Totheroh to discuss the following item(s): **No. 2 Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation** - Significant exposure to potential litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) Government Code §54956.9: one potential case. Facts and circumstances: CalRecycle Threatened Compliance Order for Mandatory Commercial Recycling Program Implementation Gap(s); **No. 2A Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation** - Significant exposure to potential litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) Government Code §54956.9: one potential case.; **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 Nate Greenberg, Assistant County Administrators Sue Dishion and Meaghan McCamman, Deputy Personnel Director Keri Oney, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, Senior Budget Analyst Denelle Carrington, Health and Human Services Director Marilyn Mann, and Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson; and **No. 4 Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: County Administrator.

Open Session

Vice Chairperson Roeser recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:14 a.m. with all Board members present except Supervisor Totheroh.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Kingsley 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.

Proclamation – Great California ShakeOut Drill

Emergency Services Manager Mikaela Torres read aloud a proclamation declaring intent to participate in the Great California ShakeOut Drill. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the proclamation declaring intent to participate in the Great California ShakeOut Drill on October 20, 2022 at 10:20 a.m. in Inyo County. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Totheroh absent.

Introductions

HHS Director Marilyn Mann introduced the following new HHS employees to the Board: Blanca Zoraya Cruz, Prevention Specialist; Vivian DeLaRiva, Health & Human Services Specialist; Krystal Heinz, Social Worker I; and Katherine Zobie, Office Clerk III.

Public Comment

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

<i>County Department Reports</i>	<p>Sheriff Eric Pritchard updated the Board on a new program called “Sheriff’s Teaching and Reinforcing Safety” or STARS, to be introduced to school children at Owens Valley School on October 24, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>Emergency Services Manager Mikaela Torres introduced new Wildlife Preparedness County Coordinator Kristin Pfeiler to the Board.</p>
<i>HHS – CA Health & Wellness MOU Addendum</i>	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve an addendum to the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Inyo, HHS Behavioral Health and California Health and Wellness to clarify the exchange of protected Health Information/Data Exchange between the Mental Health Plan and Managed Care Plans and authorize the HHS Director to sign the addendum. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Totheroh absent.
<i>HHS-ESAAA – CDA Contract #IF-2223-16</i>	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to ratify and approve contract #IF-2223-16 with the California Department of Aging (CDA) for regional services to seniors, provided through the Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging (ESAAA), in the amount of \$485,725 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024, contingent upon the Board's approval of the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget, and authorize the HHS Director to sign the Standard Agreement, Information Integrity and Security Statement Certification, Contractor Certification Clause, and the California Civil Rights Laws Certification. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Totheroh absent.
<i>HHS-Social Services – Thurmond Consulting, LLC Sole-Source Contract</i>	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to 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, and C) authorized the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Totheroh absent.
<i>Public Works – Etchemendy Engineering Inc. Contract</i>	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve and award the contract for Engineering Consultant Services for the Inyo County Courthouse HVAC Upgrade Design Project to Etchemendy Engineering, Inc. of Reno, NV in an amount not to exceed \$155,500.00, and authorized the Chairperson to sign, contingent on all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Totheroh absent.
<i>HHS – Senior Center Improvements CDA Contract #NI-2223-16</i>	The agenda item was moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda for discussion. Board members expressed excitement at the senior center improvements. Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to ratify and approve Standard Agreement #NI-2223-16 with the California Department of Aging (CDA) for regional infrastructure improvements to senior centers with the Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging (ESAAA), in the amount of \$526,136 for the period of October 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024, contingent upon adoption of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget, and authorized the HHS Director to sign. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Totheroh absent.
<i>Public Works – BLM Right-of-Way Grants/ Reso # 2022-41</i>	The agenda item was moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda for discussion. Assistant Public Works Director John Pinckney provided an overview of the three-year effort to obtain the rights-of-way, Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to: A) approve Resolution No. 2022-41 titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Accepting Perpetual Right-Of-Way Grants from the United States Bureau of Land Management Regarding Fifteen Roads on BLM Land," and authorize the Chairperson to sign, and B) authorize the Chairperson to sign the right-of-way grant form 2800-14 for case file CACA-059558. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Totheroh absent.
<i>Information Services – Broadband Update</i>	Information Services Director Scott Armstrong updated the Board on Inyo County's Broadband Task Force activities to date.
<i>Clerk of the Board – Appointment of CSAC</i>	The Board discussed nominating from among its members a “director” and “alternate” to serve on the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Board of Directors for 2022-

Director and Alternate 2023. Moved by Vice Chairperson Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to nominate to the CSAC Board of Directors Supervisor Griffiths as “director” for the entirety of 2022-2023 and Supervisor Pucci as “alternate” to serve the remainder of his term until December 31, 2022. Motion carried unanimously 4-0, with Supervisor Totheroh absent.

Clerk of the Board – Appointment of RCRC, GSFA, GSCA, and ESJPA Delegates and Alternates Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Vice Chair Roeser to: A) appoint Supervisor Kingsley as the “delegate” and Supervisor Pucci as the “alternate” representing Inyo County on the boards of directors for the Rural County Representatives of California, Golden State Finance Authority, and Golden State Connect Authority; and B) appoint Supervisor Kingsley the “delegate” and Recycling & Waste Management Superintendent Cap Aubrey the “alternate” to represent Inyo County on the board of the Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority.

Public Comment Vice Chairperson Roeser solicited public comment for pending items not calendared on the agenda and there was none.

Board Member and Staff Reports Supervisor Kingsley said he attended the Standing Committee in Independence last week; joined Caltrans District 9 Director Ryan Dermody and CAO Greenberg on a tour of the flood damage in Southeast Inyo/Death Valley National Park; and that Lone Pine had two successful events last weekend: the John Wayne Cancer Foundation run and the Taildragger Jamboree fly-in.

Supervisor Pucci said he attended the Inyo Associates meeting last night.

Supervisor Roeser reported attending the Lone Pine Film Festival and gave organizers a shout-out for their hard work.

Supervisor Griffiths said he attended a Bishop City Council meeting, a Cattlewomen’s Association event, and last night’s Inyo Associates meeting, and has upcoming board meetings of the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Executive Board, Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG), and the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority (ESTA).

County Administrator Nate Greenberg reported attending the tour with Supervisor Kingsley to assess flood damage, the Inyo Associates meeting, and the Standing Committee meeting; holding ongoing meetings with County departments, including a collaborative meeting with Inyo County Sheriff and Emergency Services; and having plans to attend Friday’s ESCOG meeting, participate in Deputy Water Director interviews, and meet with City officials regarding the Bishop Rural Fire Protection District.

Adjournment Vice Chairperson Roeser adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, October 25, 2022 in the County Administrative Center in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

*Attest: Nate Greenberg
Clerk of the Board*

by: _____

Darcy Ellis, Assistant