

# MINUTES



## County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

**April 15, 2025**

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 April 15, 2025, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Scott Marcellin, presiding, Will Wadelton, Jeff Griffiths, Jennifer Roeser and Trina Orrill. Also present: County Administrator Nate Greenberg, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, and Assistant Clerk of the Board Darcy Israel.

*Closed Session*  
*Public Comment*

The Chairperson asked for public comment related to closed session items and there was no one wishing to speak.

*Closed Session*

Chairperson Marcellin recessed open session at 8:33 a.m. to convene in closed session with all Board members present to discuss the following item(s): No. 2 **Conference with Real Property Negotiators – Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Government Code §54956.8** – Property: 127 W. Bush St., Lone Pine, CA 93545. Agency Negotiators: Nate Greenberg, John-Carl Vallejo, Meaghan McCamman, Denelle Carrington. Negotiating parties: Inyo County and New Coso Heritage Society, Inc. Under negotiation: price and terms of payment; and No. 3 **Conference with County's Labor Negotiators – Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6** – Regarding employee organizations: Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); 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 Administrative Officer Denelle Carrington, Assistant Personnel Director Keri Oney, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, and Assistant County Counsel Christy Milovich.

*Open Session*

Chairperson Marcellin recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:01 a.m. with all Board members present.

*Pledge of Allegiance*

Supervisor Marcellin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Report on Closed Session*

County Counsel Vallejo reported that the Board met under Item Nos. 2 and 3 and said no action was taken during closed session that is required to be reported.

*Employee Service Recognition Awards*

The Board recognized the following employees who reached service milestones during the First Quarter of 2025, many of whom were in attendance to receive their commemorative pins:

- David Stottlemire, 10 years – Assessor
- Katy Bowlan, 5 years; and Jessie Wilkinson, 5 years – Health & Human Services
- Sarah Simpson, 15 years – Probation
- Chris Preter, 10 years; and Sergio Cruz-Hernandez, 5 years – Public Works
- Hayley Carter, 10 years – Administration
- Kimberly Geiger, 30 years; Chris Connolly, 20 years; and Cianni Martinez, 5 years – Sheriff.

*Public Comment*

The Chairperson asked for public comment related to items not calendared on the agenda and comment was received from Lauralyn Hundley.

*County Department  
Reports*

Water Director Dr. Holly Alpert announced the completion of the season for the Saltcedar Program, as well as the end of the snow runoff year, and provided a brief report on precipitation data collected from recent snow surveys. Alpert said she expects to receive the 2025 Annual Operations Plan from the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power by April 20 at which time the County will have 10 days to respond. There will be upcoming opportunities for public input at the Water Commission meeting on April 28 and the Inyo County Board meeting on April 29.

Health and Human Services Director Anna Scott provided information on upcoming events for Child Abuse Awareness Month including the 2025 Resilience Symposium, being held at the Tallman Pavilion at the Tri-County Fairgrounds in Bishop on April 24; the annual memorial flag raising ceremony in observance of Children's Memorial Day, at the Clint Quilter Consolidated Office Building on April 25; and the "Superhero 5K Racing for Heroes" at Bishop Community Park on April 26. Scott also provided updates on the CARE Court Act Program.

Public Works Director Mike Errante provided updates on the Whitney Portal Road Culvert Repair Project and said it is projected to re-open by the end of next week.

*Clerk of the Board –  
Approval of Minutes*

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to approve the minutes from the regular Board of Supervisors meeting of April 8, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS-Social Services –  
FY 24-25 UC Davis  
Contract Amendment  
No. 1*

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to approve Amendment No. 1 to the contract between the County of Inyo and Regents of the University of California for the provision of training services, increasing the contract to an amount not to exceed \$150,195.00, which is an increase of \$31,620, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*Planning Department –  
Daniel B. Stephens,  
and Associates, Inc.  
Contract Amendment  
No. 9*

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to approve Amendment No. 9 to the contract between the County of Inyo and Daniel B. Stephens and Associates, Inc. for the provision of hydrological services, to amend all sections relating to the term of the agreement to be April 25, 2017 to April 25, 2026, contingent upon the Board's approval of the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year budget and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*Planning Department-  
Yucca Mountain  
Oversight –  
Hydrodynamics Group,  
LLC Contract  
Amendment No. 9*

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to approve Amendment No. 9 to the sole-source contract between the County of Inyo and the Hydrodynamics Group (Hydrodynamics) to amend Section 2 – Term of the agreement to be July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2026, and amend the term to be July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2026 on Attachments A-E as applicable, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*Public Works –  
Temporary Lane  
Closures*

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to approve the temporary lane closure of Onion Valley Road just west of U.S. Highway 395 and East Market Street, to allow the US Cycling Event to hold the annual Cycling Event on Onion Valley Road and East Market Street on April 27, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

*Public Works-Airports –  
Bishop Airport Runway  
12-30 Safety Area  
Improvement Project*

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to:

- A) Approve the plans and specifications for the Runway 12-30 Safety Area Improvement Project at the Bishop Airport;
- B) Authorize the Public Works Director to advertise and bid the project; and
- C) Authorize the Public Works Director to sign the forthcoming Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Project (AIP) funding Grant Agreement for the Runway 12-30 Safety Area Improvement Project at the Bishop Airport.

Motion carried unanimously.

*CAO-Information  
Services –  
Intention to Sell  
County-Owned*

Moved by Supervisor Orrill and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to:

- A) Approve Resolution No. 2025-11, titled, "A Resolution of the Inyo County Board of Supervisors Declaring Certain County-Owned Property Surplus, Determining its Value to Be Less \$500 and Declaring the Intention to Sell Via Private Sale," and

*Property/Resolution  
No. 2025-11*

- authorize the Chairperson to sign;  
B) Appoint and authorize Supervisor Griffiths to facilitate the sale of the surplus property; and  
C) Direct staff to return to the Board for confirmation of the sale once effectuated.  
Motion carried unanimously.

*CAO –  
Business Resource  
Center Operation  
Presentation*

The Board received a presentation from Small Business Resource Center Director Meryl Picard, who provided updates on operations and explained the range of services and resources available to small businesses and local non-profit groups.

*County Counsel –  
Mobile Vending  
Permits/Resolution  
No.2025-12*

Deputy CAO Meaghan McCamman briefly discussed the proposed fee schedule for mobile vending permits and answered Board member questions. McCamman explained that it is the County's intention to collect fees solely for the purpose of covering its bare-minimum costs and to continue to analyze those costs should adjustments need to be made.

Chairperson Marcellin opened a public hearing at 11:11 a.m. and with no one wishing to provide comment, closed the public hearing at 11:12 a.m.

Moved by Supervisor Orrill and seconded by Supervisor Roeser to approve Resolution No. 2025-12, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Creating a Fee Schedule for Mobile Vending Permits," and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

*CAO –  
2025 Cal-Fire County  
Coordinator Grant  
Program Application*

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Wadelton to direct staff to submit an application to the 2025 CalFire County Coordinator Grant Program. Motion carried unanimously.

*Public Comment*

Chairperson Marcellin asked for public comment related to items not calendared on the agenda and public comment was received from Lauralyn Hundley.

*Board Member & Staff  
Reports*

Supervisor Roeser said she attended an open house at the Blue Heron Farm, a Mule Days benefit gathering and barbeque, and meetings for the Resource Conservation District, Emergency Medical Care Committee, Buttermilk Working Group, Off-Highway Vehicle Working Group, the National Association of Counties Public Lands Committee, Fort Independence Long Range Transportation Planning Group, Bishop Creek Water Association, and the Rural County Representatives of California.

Supervisor Wadelton said he visited Death Valley and Sandy Valley, toured Inyo facilities in Tecopa and Charleston View, attended a Carson & Colorado train event at the Eastern California Museum and C&C fundraiser dinner at the Independence Legion Hall. Wadelton announced upcoming Fifth District events including the Keeler Swap Meet, Lone Pine Trout Derby, and Lone Pine Tribal Earth Day Celebration.

Supervisor Orrill said she attended the Mule Days barbeque fundraiser and Board meetings of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority and Laws Museum and reminded attendees about the upcoming Choo-Choo Swap Meet at the Bishop Fairgrounds on May 3-4.


Supervisor Griffiths said he attended meetings for the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority and the National Association of Counties Rural Action Caucus and the Earth Day celebration at Bishop City Park. He also provided information on upcoming meetings and events which include the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and National Association of Counties Advisory Board meetings, the start of a new round of the California State Association of Counties Leadership Academy, and the annual Manzanar Cultural Exchange.

CAO Greenberg said he attended meetings with Eastern Sierra Council of Governments, Bishop City Council, and HHS Director Anna Scott, and said there will be a "Coffee with CAO" gathering at the Consolidated Office Building this Thursday.


Supervisor Marcellin said he attended the Earth Day Celebration at Bishop City Park and a similar gathering at the Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Cultural Center. Marcellin said he has upcoming meetings of the Local Transportation Commission and the Inyo Associates, as well as the media reception for the Eastern Sierra Fishing Season Opener, the Manzanar Cultural Exchange, Lone Pine Trout Derby, Lone Pine Tribal Earth Day Celebration, and the 2025 CSAC Legislative Conference in Sacramento.

*Adjournment*

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 11:54 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 29, 2025, in the County Administrative Center in Independence.

  
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Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

*Attest: NATE GREENBERG*  
*Clerk of the Board*

by:   
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*Darcy Israel, Assistant*