



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

May 20, 2008

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 20, 2008, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Linda Arcularius presiding, Susan Cash, Beverly Brown, Jim Bilyeu and Richard Cervantes. Supervisor Bilyeu provided the Invocation, and Supervisor Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment The Chairperson announced the public comment period and there was no one wishing to address the Board.

County Dept. Reports The Chairperson announced the County Department Report period. Ms. Tanda Gretz, Senior Planner, reported on the Department's corrective action plan.

Road Dept./Mill Creek and Mustang Mesa Rd. Project Contract Moved by Supervisor Cash and seconded by Supervisor Bilyeu to A) approve Amendment No. 1 to the Contract between the County of Inyo and Granite Construction for construction of the Mill Creek Road and Mustang Mesa Subdivision Roadways Improvement Project, increasing the contract amount by \$459,727 to a contract amount of \$1,395,505; and authorize the Chairperson to sign; and B) amend the FY 2007-08 State Funded Roads Budget Unit 034601 by increasing revenue in State Other (*Revenue Code #4499*) by \$214,828 and increasing appropriations in Mustang Mesa (*Object Code #5725*) by \$214, 828. Motion carried unanimously.

Planning/Rt. Designation Update The Board received an update from Planning Staff concerning the coordination with the U.S. Forest Service regarding its Route Designation Process for the Inyo National Forest. Staff reported they are scheduled to meet with the Forest Service next week to begin the process for County review of Forest Service data regarding road closures. The Board and staff continued to discuss how the content would be evaluated. Supervisor Bilyeu informed the Board that a constituent had told him that there was a Wild Heritage Act being developed that will impact the Eastern Sierra.

CAO-Dev. Disabilities Board Appt. Moved by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Supervisor Cervantes to re-appoint the following to the Developmental Disabilities Area Board #12: Ms. Phyllis Mikolowsky to complete an unexpired three-year term ending December 31, 2010 and Mr. Chad Cathey to complete an unexpired three-year term ending December 31, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS/Franz Office Space Lease Moved by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Supervisor Cervantes to approve a lease agreement between the County of Inyo and Michael and Linda Franz, for property located at 126 W. Washington St., in Lone Pine for use as a wellness center site, for the period of June 1, 2008 through May 30, 2009, at the rate of \$450 per month, plus a \$300 security deposit, contingent upon the Board's adoption of a FY 2008-09 Budget; and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon the appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Specs Electrical Upgrade Project Moved by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Supervisor Cervantes to approve the Plans and Specifications for the Inyo County Electrical Upgrade Project; and authorize the Public Works Director to advertise for bids for the Project. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Specs Bishop Landfill Fencing Project Moved by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Supervisor Cervantes to approve the Plans and Specifications for the Bishop-Sunland Landfill Security Fencing Project; and authorize the Public Works Director to advertise for bids for the Project. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Specs for L.P. Park Irrigation Project Moved by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Supervisor Cervantes to approve the Plans and Specifications for the Lone Pine Park Irrigation and Hydroseeding Project and authorize the Public Works Director to advertise for bids for the Project. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Update	Acting Public Works Director, Mr. Doug Wilson, updated the Board on the Department's activities and operations.
BofS/Minute Approval	Moved by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Supervisor Bilyeu to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meetings of A) May 6, 2008; and B) the Special Meeting of May 12, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.
Closed Session	County Counsel noted that Agenda Items No. 21. PERSONNEL [Pursuant to Government Code §54957] - Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Title – Acting Water Director; and No. 22. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6) – Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits – Title: Water Director – Negotiator – as designated by the Board of Supervisors, were being pulled from consideration. The Chairperson recessed open session at 9:05 a.m., to convene in closed session, with all Board Members present, to discuss and take action as appropriate on Agenda Items No. 18. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization – ICEA; Negotiators - CAO Kevin Carunchio and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 19. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization - Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); No. 20. Negotiators - CAO Kevin Carunchio, Sheriff Bill Lutze and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 22. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization - Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (LEAA); Negotiators - CAO Kevin Carunchio and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 23. PERSONNEL [Pursuant to Government Code §54957] - Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Title – Planning Director; and No. 24. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6) – Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits – Title: Planning Director – Negotiator – as designated by the Board of Supervisors. The Chairperson recessed closed session at 10:05 a.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present, except Supervisor Bilyeu, who, the Chairperson noted, had left to attend the funeral of a close friend.
Parks/Diaz Lake ADA Deck	Mr. Chuck Hamilton, Deputy County Administrator, reviewed the Staff Report and recommendations concerning a proposed project to construct an ADA accessible deck at Diaz Lake to allow fishing access. He explained that this would be a Public Works project, and reviewed some of the organization, which would need to be coordinated with if the deck is built, including Fish and Game and LADWP. Mr. Bruce Cotton, Lone Pine Resident, addressed the Board to support building the deck. The Board and Staff went on to discuss funding for the project, including using Prop. 40 funds. The Board and Staff also discussed the timing for this project, with Mr. Hamilton explaining that even if this project is fast tracked, it will take 2-years to get it completed. The Board directed Staff to pursue what would be required by DWP to place the deck at Diaz Lake and also what Fish and Game requirements would be, and report back.
Integ. Waste/Web Page	Mr. Chuck Hamilton, Deputy County Administrator, gave a brief presentation on the Inyo County Solid Waste web page. The Board thanked Mr. Hamilton for the great job.
BofS/Brill Car Update	Supervisor Cash provided introductory remarks regarding the Brill Car update. Mr. Jon Klusmire, went on to review the Staff recommendation regarding the County's continued involvement in the Brill Car Project. Mr. Jim Morrow, President of the Bishop Museum and Historical Society, provided additional information concerning the proposed project to operate the Brill Car on the Laws Museum grounds on a limited basis. He explained that since the County owns the museum and the Brill Car they needed the County's approval for the limited operations. He also explained that the Society's going to provide the insurance being required by the County. The Board expressed their support of this project. Moved by Supervisor Cash and seconded by Supervisor Brown to direct the Planning Department to work with Laws Museum and the Bishop Museum and Historical Society to complete the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act regarding the limited operation of the Museum's Brill Car, including waiving fees for a CEQA review if the review results in a Negative Declaration of No Significant Impacts or a Categorical Exemption under CEQA and further direct that if during the CEQA review process, the Planning Department or any other agency involved in the review determines a more in-depth or more complete CEQA document will be required, the Planning Department will cease work on the project and bring the issue back to the Board of Supervisors for further consideration. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Bilyeu absent.

- CAO-Advertising
County Resources/
Year End Reports
- Representatives of the Bishop Chamber of Commerce, Tawni Thompson, Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce, Dana Jeffries, and the Eastern Sierra Avalanche Center, Allen Pietrasanta, provided year-end reports on several of their projects funded by the County through the Community Project Sponsorship Grant Program. The Board, Staff and representatives of the recipient organizations discussed the County's recognition requirement. The Board asked for additional information concerning the Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce's project, prior to approving the full amount being requested. Moved by Supervisor Cash and seconded by Supervisor Brown to approve the final payments to the following Community Project Sponsorship Grant recipients as follows: \$8,530 to the Bishop Chamber of Commerce for three completed projects; \$850, instead of the \$2,125 requested, to the Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce for one project; and \$1,000 to the Eastern Sierra Avalanche Center for one project. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Bilyeu absent.
- Ord. 1135/
Reassessment of
Damaged Property
- With regard to the Ordinance relating the reassessment of damaged and destroyed property, the Assessor, Mr. Tom Lanshaw, noted a clerical correction on page one, asking that the reference to Section 710 be changed to 170. County Counsel confirmed that clerical corrections are allowed without requiring the ordinance process begin again. On a motion by Supervisor Cash and seconded by Supervisor Brown to approve Ordinance No. 1135 entitled "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Repealing Inyo County Ordinance Number 430, Repealing Chapter 3.28 of the Inyo County Code, and Enacting a New Chapter 3.28 of That Code Relating to Reassessment of Damaged or Destroyed Property Procedure and Eligibility:" motion unanimously passed and adopted, with Supervisor Bilyeu absent.
- Report on Closed
Session
- The Chairperson recessed closed session to reconvene in open session at 12:10 p.m., to receive a report on closed session. County Counsel reported there were no actions taken in closed session, which are required by law to be reported on in open session.
- Adjournment
- The Chairperson adjourned the regular meeting at 12:10 p.m., to 9:00 a.m., May 27, 2008, in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center, in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

*Attest: KEVIN D. CARUNCHIO
Clerk of the Board*

*by: _____
Patricia Gunsolley, Assistant*