

MINUTES

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

July 14, 2009

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Beverly Brown presiding, Linda Arcularius, Marty Fortney and Richard Cervantes. Supervisor Cash was absent. Supervisor Cervantes provided the Invocation, and Supervisor Fortney led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Public Comment** The Chairperson announced the public comment period. Supervisor Brown queried the Board regarding a request for the County to join the Gateway Communities Association. The Board indicated their desire to have a formal discussion regarding the request and the Chairperson requested that the item be agendaized for the July 21, 2009 Board of Supervisors Meeting
- County Department Reports** The Chairperson announced the County Department Report period. Mr. Jon Klusmire, Director of Museum Services, reported on the Bill Oliver presentation on Norman Clyde, noting that Mr. Glenn Dawson the last surviving member of the Norman Clyde climbing group was able to attend. He informed the Board of an upcoming project that is being conducted in collaboration with the Lone Pine Film Museum, where they will be presenting adventure films once a week at the Lone Pine Film Museum, free of charge. He also informed the Board of an upcoming presentation by local Geologists regarding the Oak Creek Mud Flow event, which includes a lecture and a tour of the area. Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, corrected some misinformation, which is being reported regarding the level of fraud associated with the State's social services programs. She explained that the State level of fraud in the program is right around 1%, which coincides with the County's figures. Ms. Turner went on to provide her weekly State budget impact update. Ms. Turner also reported (a) that there are three confirmed cases of the H1N1 virus in Inyo County; (b) on the Mentoring recruiting event which was sponsored by the Bishop Rotary and (c) that the Grove Street ADA parking situation is being resolved as a result of the City of Bishop's sidewalk project. Mr. Ted Pedersen, Public Works Director, updated the Board on Public Works and Road projects, including notification that the County is eligible for about \$94,000 in grant funds to replace light fixtures, which he will be pursuing. The Treasurer-Tax Collector, Ms. Alisha McMurtrie, informed the Board that the County has received its first "registered warrant" from the State and that it was for Health and Human Services in the amount of \$600. She also explained that she and the Auditor are working on a process for the County to accept the warrants.
- Emergency Serv./Oak Creek Mud Flow Cont'd.** Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to continue the local emergency as a result of the Inyo Complex Oak Creek Mud Flows. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Cash absent.
- P.W./N. Barlow-Dixon Lanes Improvement Project Plans & Specs.** Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to approve the plans and specifications for the North Barlow/Dixon Lanes Improvement Project and authorize the Public Works Director to advertise for bids for the project, contingent upon receipt of the State's authorization to proceed with construction. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Cash absent.
- Road Dept./Annual Road Report Contract** Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and the Controller of the State of California for preparation of the Annual Road Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$4,000, contingent upon the Board's adoption of a FY 2009-2010 budget; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Cash absent.

CAO-Advert. County Resources/Bishop C of C FY 08-09 Projects	Mr. Jon Klusmire, Museum Services Director, reviewed the final Bishop Chamber of Commerce Community Sponsorship Grant projects, which were the Blake Jones Trout Derby, the Trout Opener Reception, the Late Season Fish-Planting and the California High School Rodeo Finals. Ms. Tawni Thomson, Executive Director of the Bishop Chamber of Commerce, addressed the Board to offer the Chamber's thanks for support of the projects. Supervisor Arcularius congratulated the Chamber on their success in getting the State High School Rodeo Finals back for two more years. Ms. Thomson and Supervisor Arcularius discussed the need to step up what the community offers the event, since in selecting Bishop, the Association left a substantial amount of money on the table from the other contender, Red Bluff. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to approve the final payment to the Bishop Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$14,600 for the completion of four Community Project Sponsorship Grant projects, to be paid from the FY 2008-09 Advertising County Resources Budget. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Cash absent.
CAO-Film Comm. Year End Report	The Film Commissioner, Mr. Chris Langley, presented the Board with the Film Commission Year End Report. He reviewed the report in detail noting that there were 36 permits issued this year compared to 77 permits last year. He said that while permit numbers were down the size of productions associated with the permits were larger thus the money generated by the productions was only slightly less. Mr. Langley highlighting some of the productions, which filmed in Inyo County last year, as well as discussed upcoming shoots, i.e., student and thesis films that are scheduled. He showed some of the memorabilia he collected from the Transformer filming. The Board and Mr. Langley discussed the downward trend in location filming, as well as the development of a County filming permit.
Recess/ Reconvene	The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 10:10 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 10:25 a.m. with all Board Members present, except Supervisor Cash.
Board Members and Staff Reports	The Board Members reported on their activities during the preceding week including, the Standing Committee Meeting, a FAC meeting, a Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District Meeting, Alabama Stewardship Meeting, and a Caltrans Meeting regarding the Lone Pine road project. The County Administrator reported on budget information including notification that State generated revenue, i.e. VLF revenue, is down as a result of the economic downturn, which in turn is effecting County revenue and that if the State's issuance of registered warrants continues into September, the impact on the County budget will start to snowball. Mr. Carunchio also explained that the registered warrant referred to by the Treasurer Tax Collector during Department Reports was identified by the State as not being a program subject to the warrants. Mr. Carunchio also notified the Board that he would be meeting with the Mono County Administrator regarding the Regional Child Support Services, explaining that Mono County's Child Support services equate to about 25% of the program while their financial contribution to the program equates to about 33%. The Assistant Clerk notified the Board that the "Ribbon Cutting" ceremony for the Black Rock Highway 395 4-lane Project is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., next Tuesday, July 21, 2009. The Board directed Staff to begin the July 21, 2009 meeting at 8:30 a.m., and to agendize the ceremony so that the Board can attend.
Public Comment	The Chairperson announced the second public comment period and there was no one wishing to address the Board.
Closed Session	<p>County Counsel announced that Closed Session Agenda Item No. 15. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits – Title: IHSS - Negotiators: Bill May and Rochelle Parkinson, had been pulled from consideration at the request of the Health and Human Services Department.</p> <p>The Chairperson recessed open session at 10:45 a.m., to convene in closed session, with all Board Members present except Supervisor Cash, to discuss and take action as appropriate on Agenda Items No. 9. REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS [CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8] - Property – Independence Airport and Eastern Sierra Regional Airport (Bishop) - Negotiating Parties – Inyo National Forest – Negotiations – Lease Price and Terms; No. 10. 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. 11. 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) - Negotiators: CAO Kevin Carunchio,</p>

Sheriff Bill Lutze, and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 12. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: Elected Officials Assistant Association (EOAA) - Negotiators: CAO Kevin Carunchio and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 13. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: Inyo County Probation Peace Officers Association (ICPPOA) - Negotiators: CAO Kevin Carunchio and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion and No. 14. **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.

- Report on Closed Session The Chairperson recessed closed session at 12:30 p.m., to reconvene in open session, 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 12:30 p.m., to 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 21, 2009, 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