

MINUTES

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

January 25, 2011

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, January 25, 2011, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Susan Cash presiding, Linda Arcularius, Rick Pucci, Marty Fortney and Richard Cervantes. Supervisor Cervantes provided the Invocation, and Supervisor Arcularius led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Public Comment** The Chairperson announced the public comment period and there was no one from the public wishing to address the Board.
- County Department Reports** The Chairperson announced the County Department Report period. The Clerk-Recorder, Ms. Kammi Foote, presented the Board Members with copies of the County Recorders Association of California 2009-2010 Statistical Report.
- Emerg. Serv./Oak Creek Mud Flows** Moved by Supervisor Fortney and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to continue the local emergency as a result of the Inyo Complex Oak Creek Mud Flows. Motion carried unanimously.
- Sheriff/Truck and ATV Purchases** Moved by Supervisor Fortney and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to A) approve the purchase of one Ford Crew Cab F350 4x4 Short Bed truck from Raceway Ford of Riverside, in an amount not to exceed \$29,353; and B) approve the purchase of two Utility All Terrain Vehicles from Golden State Cycle of Bishop, in an amount not to exceed \$24,586. Motion carried unanimously.
- Resol. #2011-01/
Vacate Portion of
Crocket Street** On a motion by Supervisor Fortney and a second by Supervisor Arcularius, Resolution of Vacancy No. 2011-01 was approved, pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Division 9, Chapter 4, Summary Vacation, for the westerly 40 ft of Crockett Street, from Mazourka Canyon Road to the Independence Cemetery property line: motion unanimously passed and adopted.
- Resol. #2011-02/
Investment Authority** On a motion by Supervisor Arcularius and a second by Supervisor Fortney, Resolution No. 2011-02 was approved, delegating the investment authority to the Inyo County Treasurer: motion unanimously passed and adopted.
- Treasurer/County
Investment Policy** The Treasurer, Ms. Alisha McMurtrie, presented the County's Investment Policy. She noted the one change she was recommending which was on pages 3 and 4 to provide for a portion of the investments to be allowed for 5-year investments instead of the current 3-year investments. She explained that this is allowed under State Code, that Inyo County is only one of two counties that still have the more restrictive time limits, and that the longer investment time on a portion of the investments will allow the County to take advantage of higher interest rates for the benefit of those invested in the Treasury. Ms. McMurtrie reviewed the current investment portfolio with the Board. Moved by Supervisor Fortney and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to approve the Inyo County Treasury Investment Policy as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.
- Planning/SCE
Contract for
Efficiencies Plan** The Planning Director, Mr. Josh Hart, provided additional information and further justification for the contract between the County of Inyo and Southern California Edison for the development of a Cost, Energy and Service Efficiencies Action Plan to promote long-term energy efficiencies at County facilities that will provide mutual benefits to both partners. Moved by Supervisor Cervantes and seconded by Supervisor Fortney to approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and Southern California Edison to prepare a Cost, Energy, and Service Efficiencies Action Plan, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets; and authorize the Chairperson to sign contingent upon the appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

Water/B.P.Tribe IRWMP Letter	Dr. Harrington, Inyo County Water Director, provided the Board Members with copies of the Big Pine Tribe's correspondence to the IRWMP regarding its project to study the effects of eliminating fish hatcheries in the Eastern Sierra. Dr. Harrington explained that the Tribe had representatives that participated in the project evaluation process and had concurred with the IRWMP project recommendations. The Board did not agree with the recommendations requested in the letter regarding actions that should be taken regarding the project and concurred with the elimination of the project by the IRWMP. The Board and Dr. Harrington also discussed the need to further develop the IRWMP procedures and protocols to refine the project recommendation process. The Board and staff discussed the Board's desire to discuss this project with the Tribe in order to discuss and better understand the reasoning for such a proposal. The Board asked the Chairperson to work with staff to send a letter to the Big Pine Paiute Tribal Chairperson and Tribal Council, offering to have Supervisors Cash and Fortney and other Staff meet with the Tribe to learn more about the proposal.
Board Members and Staff Reports	The Board Members reported on their activities during the preceding week, including an Owens Lake Master Plan Meeting, a tour of Diaz Lake, a visit to Black Rock, information regarding the Indian Gaming money and the State Budget, information regarding a meeting with ICEMA and an EMCC meeting, an Inyo Fish and Wildlife Meeting, the RCRC meeting and Officers Installation Dinner, a legislative update, the need to agendaize a workshop for a discussion regarding the County's position on the tax swap, an IMAAA meeting, an Inyo First Five Meeting, an ESTA Meeting, a Bishop City Council Meeting, a meeting on the results of the "leakage study", a meeting regarding the Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery with State DFG personnel, and future City/Tribal/County Liaison meeting.
Recess/ Reconvene	The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 10:45 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 11:00 a.m., with all Board Members present.
CAO-Adv. Co. Resc./Film Comm. Report	The Film Commissioner, Mr. Chris Langley, updated the Board on filming activities throughout the County. Mr. Langley highlighted some of his favorite shoots, and talked about upcoming filming and filming opportunities.
Forest Serv./Update	The new Acting Inyo Forest Supervisor, Mr. Jon Regelbrugge, updated the Board on Forest Service activities and projects. The Board and Forest Service Staff discussions included the following: requesting that the Board be given an opportunity to provide the Forest Service with traits they would like to see in the person selected to serve as the Inyo Forest Supervisor, similar to the process recently afforded the Modoc Board of Supervisors, the Travel Management Plan, the Forest Planning Rule, plans for the Interagency Visitors Center, the plans and construction schedule for the Bristlecone Center, the Adventure Trails System, coordination requirements and planning, and the diversions on Oak Creek.
Recess/ Reconvene	The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 12:15 p.m., to reconvene in open session at 1:00 p.m., with all Board Members present.
Planning/DRECP Presentation	Representatives of the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan (DRECP), made a presentation to and discussed with the Board the DRECP. The discussions included, protection of local jurisdictions land use authority, the benefits to be derived from the Plan, habitat creation and conservation areas, and economic opportunities as a result of renewable energy projects.
Public Comment	The Chairperson announced the second public comment period and there was no one wishing to address the Board.
Closed Session	The Chairperson recessed open session at 2:10 p.m., to convene in closed session, with all Board Members present to discuss and take action as appropriate on Agenda Items No. 11. PERSONNEL [Pursuant to Government Code §54957] - Public Employee Appointment - Title: Public Works Department Director; No. 12. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Title: Public Works Department Director - Negotiator: as designated by the Board of Supervisors; No. 12. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] .- Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: ICEA - Negotiators: Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion, Director Child Support Services Susanne Rizo, and Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson; No. 14. 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 and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 15. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: Inyo County Correctional Officers Association (ICCOA) - Negotiators: Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; and No. 16. **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

- Report on Closed Session The Chairperson recessed closed session at 2:30 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 2:30 p.m., to 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 1, 2011, 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*