



County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

May 13, 2014

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:30 a.m., in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Rick Pucci presiding, Linda Arcularius, Jeff Griffiths, Mark Tillemans and Matt Kingsley.

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

Closed Session The Chairperson recessed open session at 8:31 a.m., to convene in closed session with all Board Members present to discuss and take action as appropriate on Agenda Items No. 2. **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; No. 3. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6)** – Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits – Title: Director of Child Support Services – Negotiator – as designated by the Board of Supervisors; No. 4. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATIONS (Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(c))** – Meet with legal counsel for discussion and advice regarding potential litigation (one case); No. 5. **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: Labor Relations Administrator, Sue Dishion, Information Services Director, Brandon Shults, and Planning Director Josh Hart; No. 6. **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: Information Services Director Brandon Shults, and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 7. **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: Information Services Director Brandon Shults, and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 8. **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 (ICPPOA) - Negotiators: Information Services Director Brandon Shults, and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion; No. 9. **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, and Information Services Director Brandon Shults; and No. 10. **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: Information Services Director Brandon Shults and Labor Relations Administrator Sue Dishion.

Pledge Supervisor Kingsley 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. Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services updated the Board on legislative issues that could impact HHS services. Ms. Susanne Rizo, Director of Child Support Services reported on the Annual Child Support Services Director Training and upcoming outreach at the Bishop Tribe. Chief Thomson updated the Board on early release credits that are being established.

HHS-Behavioral Hlth. Serv./ Crestwood Contract	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc., for residential placement for adults in a locked facility or an enhanced board and care in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, contingent upon the Board's adoption of a FY 2014-15 budget; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
HHS-Behavioral Hlth. Serv./Sprague Contract	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and Jeannette Sprague, MFT for the provision of mental health services as part of the Mental Health Service Act (MHSA) Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, contingent upon the Board's adoption of a FY 2014-15 budget; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
HHS-Hlth. Serv./ Paradigm Contract	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and Paradigm HealthCare Services for Medi-Cal Administrative Activities in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
HHS-Soc. Serv./ Ford Escape Purchase	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the purchase of one 2014 Ford Escape 4x4 from Bishop Ford in an amount not to exceed \$24,340.99 and authorize the Deputy County Administrator to sign all purchase documents. Motion carried unanimously.
HHS-WIC/P.O. for Computer & Accessories	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the purchase of (3) HP computers and monitors, (3) Epson DX Voucher Printers, (3) print servers, (3) backup batteries and (1) switch from Southern Computer Warehouse (SCW) in an amount not to exceed \$14,848.92. Motion carried unanimously.
P.W./Blizzard Fire Protection Contact Amendment	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve Amendment No. 2 to the Contract between the County of Inyo and Blizzard Fire Protection for Fire Extinguisher Services for a three year period, increasing the amount of the Contract by \$1,200 to an amount not to exceed \$14,300, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets; and authorize the Public Works Director to sign the agreement and any amendments. Motion carried unanimously.
Resol. #2014-26/ Bishop Airport Improvement Project	On a motion by Supervisor Tillemans and a second by Supervisor Kingsley, Resolution No. 2014-26 was approved accepting the improvements and authorizing the recording of a Notice of Completion for the Bishop Airport Electrical Lighting Vault Improvement Project: motion unanimously passed and adopted.
P.W./FedEx Ground Lease	The request to approve amendment No. 1 to the Lease between the County of Inyo and FedEx Ground Package System, Inc., modifying the existing lease terms was pulled from consideration by the Department.
Rd. Dept./Fed Apportionment Exchange	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the 2013-2014 Federal Apportionment Exchange Program and State Match Program Agreement, with the California Department of Transportation in the amount of \$673,353 plus a State match of \$100,000 for a total not to exceed \$773,353; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
HHS-Senior Serv./ Position Request	Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the APAR Program Services Assistant (PSA) positions comes from State and Federal Funds and the General Fund, as certified by the Director of Health and Human Services and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) where due to the part-time nature of the positions it is unlikely that the positions could be filled by internal candidates meeting the qualifications for the positions, an open recruitment would be appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) approve the hiring of two A-PAR PSA's I at Range 039PT (\$11.02 – \$13.38/hr.) or II at Range 042PT (\$11.78 - \$14.33/hr.) depending upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.

HHS-Behavioral Hlth. Serv./Position Request	Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the BPAR Residential Caregiver position exists in the HHS Mental Health Budget, as certified by the Director of Health and Human Services and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) where it is unlikely that the position could be filled by internal candidates meeting the qualifications for the position, an open recruitment would be appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) approve the hiring of one BPAR Residential Caregiver at Range 053PT (\$15.19 - \$18.49/hr.). Motion carried unanimously.
CAO-Info Serv./ Position Request	Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the Network and Operations Analyst position comes from Health and Human Services, as certified by the Information Services Director and Director of Health and Human Services and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could possibly be filled through an existing list or an internal recruitment, but an open recruitment would be appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; and C) approve the hiring of one Network and Operations Analyst I through IV at Ranges 68 through 79 (\$4,025 - \$6,344); and authorize to hire at the E step depending on qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.
P.W./ATP Project Prioritization	Mr. Courtney Smith, Transportation Planner, provided additional information and further explanation regarding the request to rank the top three projects for the Active Transportation Project (ATP). Mr. Smith and representatives of Caltrans District 9 Office responded to questions from the Board regarding the three projects being recommended for prioritization. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to A) prioritize active Transportation Program (ATP) projects as recommended by Staff and direct staff to submit applications(s) on the top three ranked projects; B) authorize the submittal of a cover letter agreeing to partner with Caltrans District 9 and to be the primary applicant for a) the South Lone Pine sidewalk project and b) the Meadow Farms North sidewalk project, in the event the two projects are selected for funding; and C) authorize the Public Works Department and County Counsel's Office to enter into any agreements to implement the three proposed projects. Motion carried unanimously.
County Department Reports	The County Administrator provided information concerning the Governor's May Revise budget. He reported that the State has a larger surplus than anticipated. He said that he believes with the acknowledgement of the larger surplus this would be the time when the counties should try to get more funding for AB109 implementation. The Board and Mr. Carunchio briefly discussed the Water Bond issues that are being discussed at the State level as a result of the drought.
Child Support Serv./ Workshop	The workshop on the services provided by the Child Support Services Department, was pulled from the agenda and will be rescheduled.
P.W./Animal Shelter Updated and Plans & Specs Approval	The Board received an update on the Animal Shelter Building Project. Mr. Ted Shade, President of ICARE announced that through a combination of County funding, ICARE funding pledge, and fundraising efforts there is \$753,000 to fund the project. The Board commended Mr. Shade and the ICARE Organization for their successful efforts on behalf of this building project. The Board, staff and Mr. Shade briefly discussed how the existing Shelter facilities will continue to be utilized. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to (1) make the following findings regarding the Animal Shelter Building Project as recommended by the Planning Commission for the Mitigated Negative Declaration as follows (a) that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment as mitigated; (b) that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the County's independent judgment and analysis; (c) specify that the Public Works Department will be the custodian and the location of the documents and other materials which constitute the record of proceedings upon which the decision is based; (d) adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Inyo County Animal Shelter Project; and (e) certify that the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act have been satisfied; (2) approve the Plans and Specifications for the new Inyo County Animal Shelter Project; and (3) authorize the Public Works Director to advertise and bid the Project. Motion carried unanimously.
Recess/ Reconvene	The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 11:10 a.m., to reconvene in a Workshop at 11:25 a.m., with all Board Members present.

- Water/Blackrock 94 Workshop The Board convened in a workshop with the Water Director, Dr. Bob Harrington, to receive a briefing on the dispute between Inyo County and LADWP over vegetation conditions in vegetation parcel Blackrock 94, and the efforts at the Technical Group and Standing Committee to resolve the dispute. The Board discussed the information with staff and members of the public. The Chairperson recessed the workshop at 12:20 p.m., to immediately reconvene in open session with all Board Members present.
- Public Comment The Chairperson announced the final public comment period and there was not one from the public wishing to address the Board.
- Closed Session The Chairperson recessed open session at 12:20 p.m., to reconvene in closed session with all Board Members present to continue discussions on previously noted closed session items.
- Report on Closed Session The Chairperson recessed closed session at 1:25 p.m., to reconvene in open session to receive a report on closed session. County Counsel reported the following:
- With regard to Agenda Item No. 2. which was salary negotiations with the Water Director, the Board's designated negotiator, Supervisor Rick Pucci, met with the Water Director and they arrived at a tentative agreement for a 5% salary increase for a monthly amount of \$9,917 and to provide up to 80 hours of non-accruable administration leave annually, and that a Contract Amendment would be prepared to reflect the changes, subject to review and signature by the Department Head, at which time the Contract Amendment will be considered by the Board of Supervisor during open session of a future Board Meeting. With regard to Agenda Item No. 3 which was salary negotiations with the Director of Child Support Services, the Board's designated negotiator, Supervisor Rick Pucci, met with the Child Support Services Director and they arrived at a tentative agreement that the salary for the position would now reflect the 5% paid the Director for Regional work, a 5% salary increase, her premium pay for her law degree is part of her base pay, and to provide up to 80 hours of non-accruable administration leave annually and that a Contract Amendment would be prepared to reflect the changes, subject to review and signature by the Department Head, at which time the Contract Amendment will be considered by the Board of Supervisors during open session of a future Board Meeting. With regard to Agenda Items No. 5 through 10, instructions were given to the labor negotiators and Ms. Hennarty should be added as a named negotiator.
- Adjournment The Chairperson adjourned the regular meeting at 1:25 p.m., to 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 20, 2014 in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center in Independence.

Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisor

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

by: _____
Patricia Gunsolley, Assistant