

MINUTES

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

May 20, 2014

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:35 a.m., on Tuesday, May 20, 2014, 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 from the public wishing to address the Board.
- Closed Session The Chairperson recessed open session at 8:35 a.m., to convene in closed session, with all Board Members present, to discuss and take actions as appropriate on Agenda Items No. 2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a)]** – Inyo County and Inyo County Probationary Police Officers Association Tim Schumacher SMCS Case No. ARB-13-0116; No. 3. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATIONS (Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(a) – Gina Gleason v. Debra Bowen, et al., Sacramento Superior Case No. 34-2014-80001786;** 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: County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; 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 - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; 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 - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; 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 - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; No. 9. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: ICEA - Negotiators - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, 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: - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, Pam Hennarty, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults.
- Recess/
Reconvene The Chairperson recessed closed session at 10:02 p.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present.
- Pledge Supervisor Jeff Griffith 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, provided handouts and reported on several programs including the CSAC letter regarding legislation for foster care, inmate medical update, and the Children and Families Commission. Ms. Pam Hennarty, Sr. Deputy County Administrator, updated the Board on the transition of Diaz Lake from Concessionaire to the County, and reported on an issue that has arisen concerning the length of stay for campers in County Parks. Mr. Clint Quilter, Public Works Director, updated the Board on the Animal Shelter Project and reported that the County has broken ground on the Agricultural Building. Mr. Jeff Thomson, Chief Probation Officer, updated the Board on the Governor's May Revise impacts on Probation, and on other issues impacting Probation, i.e., early release credits, additional funding that has become available, fire camp populations, and AB109 funding. The County Administrator reported on the CSAC Leg Conference and the CAOAC Meeting that was held in conjunction with the CSAC Conference. Mr. Carunchio talked about the continuing effort to have the State fund AB109 at a higher level. Dr. Bob Harrington, Water Director, reported AB3030, with the Board requesting a workshop on the legislation.
Parks/Riding Tractor Purchase	Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to approve the purchase of one 35XT Nortrac commercial riding tractor from Northern Tool in an amount not to exceed \$14,550. Motion carried unanimously.
P.W./Fed Ex Ground Lease	The request to approve Amendment #1 to the Lease between the County of Inyo and FedEx Ground Package System, Inc., was pulled from the agenda at the request of the Department.
Rd. Dept./Road Closure	Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to authorize the closure of a portion of Round Valley Road during the morning of May 22, 2014 for the purpose of the Round Valley School 6 th Annual Jog-A-Thon. Motion carried unanimously.
Motor Pool/Vehicle Purchase	Supervisor Tillemans requested more information concerning the purchase of vehicles in light of recent actions to raise the costs and change the hours of operations at the County's landfills. The County Administrator explained that vehicle purchases are made through an Enterprise Account that charges individual budgets for the use of motor pool vehicles. He explained that the funds from the Motor Pool account are not available for other purposes like the General Fund. Mr. Carunchio also explained that the County Motor Pool has a replacement policy which requires safety vehicles to be replaced at 125,000 miles and other vehicles to be replaced at 170,000 miles. Mr. Carunchio also said that because programs that are not funded through the General Fund are charged mileage, State and Federal governments require that the vehicles be managed and replaced per the policy. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to award the bid for and approve the purchase of one 2014 Toyota Prius from Perry Motors of Bishop as the low bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$25,428.71. Motion carried unanimously.
Planning/Workshop	The Chairperson recessed open session at 11:07 a.m., to convene in a workshop, with all Board Members present, regarding the transmission planning relevant to Inyo County, including the West-Wide Energy Corridor Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. The Chairperson recessed the workshop at 12:05 p.m. The Board and staff talked about possible correspondence regarding the West Wide Energy Corridor Programmatic EIS. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius directing the Planning Director to prepare and sign correspondence in regards thereto.
HHS-Soc. Serv./ Video Surveillance System	Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, provided additional information and further justification for the installation of video surveillance systems in the Eligibility Offices in Bishop and Lone Pine. She explained that this equipment was being recommended as a result of the breach in the system by an employee. Ms. Margaret Kemp-Williams, County Counsel, explained that her office had not had an opportunity to review the item and informed the Board that because there are employee implications concerning this equipment, she would work with the Department and Personnel to make sure that this equipment is installed properly and that the employees are provided the required notifications. The Board also talked about the archival capabilities of the equipment.

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to A) declare American Security Group a sole source provider of video surveillance systems; B) amend the FY 2013-14 Social Services Budget Unit 055800 by increasing estimated revenue in Realignment 2011 (*Revenue Code #4460*) by \$13,850 and increasing appropriations in Equipment (*Object Code #5650*) by \$13,850 (*4/5's vote required*); C) approve the purchase of two IP Video Surveillance Systems (and all required parts and labor) one for the Bishop Employment and Eligibility Office located at 920 N. Main Street, and one for the Lone Pine Social Services Building located at 380 N. Mt. Whitney, in an amount not to exceed \$13,850; and D) authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the Proposals and Certificate of Acceptance upon approval of the purchase.

HHS-Soc.Serv./
Position Request

The County Administrator responded to questions from the Board regarding the internal recruitment language. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the Office Clerk position exists in the Social Services Budget, as certified by the 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 should first be recruited through an internal recruitment; and C) approve the hiring of one Office Clerk I at Range 48 (\$2,530 – \$3,067) or II at Range 50 (\$2,642 – \$3,213) depending upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Position
Request

Mr. Clint Quilter, Public Works Director, explained that the Board had authorized hiring the Mechanic/Operator at a Range 58. He said that this is a lateral movement and the current employee is at a Range 60, and therefore he was requesting Board authority to hire at the Range 60. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to A) rescind the Board Order of May 6, 2014 regarding the Mechanic/ Operator position; B) change the authorized strength by deleting one Equipment Operator Series at Ranges 58 through 60 (\$3,181 - \$4,052) and adding one Mechanic/Operator Series at Ranges 58 through 60 (\$3,181 - \$4,052 + 2.5% tool allowance); and C) find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: (1) the availability of funding for the Mechanic/Operator position exists in the Road Budget, as certified by the Public Works Director and concurred with by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; (2) authorize an internal recruitment for the position; and (3) approve the hiring of one full time Mechanic/Operator I at Range 58 (\$3,181 – \$3,871 + 2.5% tool allowance) or II at Range 60 (\$3,336 - \$4,052 + 2.5% tool allowance) depending upon qualifications. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./Service
Redesign Staff
Adjustments

The Public Works Director, Mr. Clint Quilter, reported on a Service Redesign Pilot Project he is implementing to adjust deployment of Office Staff in the Public Works Department that should save the County the Maintenance Supervisor position's salary. He said that he would keep the Board informed as the project proceeds.

P.W.-Planning/
Service Redesign
Project Coordinator
Position

The Public Works Director, Mr. Clint Quilter and the Planning Director, Mr. Josh Hart, provided information regarding a Service Redesign proposal to eliminate the Planning Coordinator and an Engineering Technician position in the Planning and Public Works Departments and create a combined Project Coordinator position, which should result in salary savings in both Departments while providing Planning coverage in the Bishop Office one day a week. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to direct staff to proceed with recommending the associated changes in the Departments' authorized strength and hiring approvals for this Service Redesign proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

Water/P. Bruce
Contract
Amendment

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Contract between the County of Inyo and Paul N. Bruce, as the mediator representing Inyo County in its dispute with the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, increasing the amount of the Contract by \$10,000 to a total amount not to exceed \$30,000, and extending the term of the Contract to September 30, 2014, and authorize the Chairperson to sign, contingent upon the appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

Recess/
Reconvene

The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 12:30 p.m., to reconvene in a workshop at 1:30 p.m., with all Board Members present.

HHS-Senior Serv./ IC-Gold Workshop	The Board met in a workshop with representatives of the Health and Human Services Department and members of the public regarding IC – GOLD Service Redesign. The Chairperson recessed the workshop at 3:05 p.m., to reconvene in the workshop at 3:15 p.m., with all Board Members present. The Chairperson recessed the workshop at 3:40 p.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present.
CAO-Purchasing/ Surplus Sale	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to A) declare certain property surplus; B) authorize the transfer thereof to other public entities and non-profit organizations (<i>4/5's vote required</i>); C) approve the public auction of County surplus equipment not claimed by those entities/organizations on June 12, 2014; and D) authorize the auction to take place at the Building and Maintenance yard located at 136 south Jackson Street, Independence and not the Courthouse door. Motion carried unanimously.
Emerg. Serv./D.V. Roadeater Emerg. Continued	The County Administrator recommended that the Death Valley Roadeater Emergency be continued. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to continue the local emergency, The Death Valley Roadeater Emergency, that resulted in flooding in the eastern portion of Inyo County during the month of August 2012, per Resolution #2012-32, as recommended by the County Administrator. Motion carried unanimously.
Emerg. Serv./Gully Washer Emerg. Continued	The County Administrator recommended that the Gully Washer Emergency be continued. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to continue the local emergency, The Gully Washer Emergency that resulted in flooding in the central, south and southeastern portion of Inyo County during the month of July, 2013, as recommended by the County Administrator. Motion carried unanimously.
Emerg. Serv./ Canyon Crusher Emerg. Continued	The County Administrator recommended that the Canyon Crusher Emergency be continued. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to continue the local emergency, The Canyon Crusher Emergency, that resulted in flooding in the portions of Inyo County during the month of August, 2013, was recommended by the County Administrator. Motion carried unanimously.
Emerg. Serv./Land of EVEN Less Water Emergency	The County Administrator reported on State actions concerning the California drought emergency. The County Administrator recommended that the Land of EVEN Less Water Emergency be continued. Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to continue the local emergency, known as the "Land of EVEN Less Water Emergency" that was proclaimed as a result of extreme drought conditions that exist in the County as recommended by the County Administrator. Motion carried unanimously.
Planning/Forest Plan Update	The Planning Director, Mr. Josh Hart, updated the Board on activities concerning staff's coordination with the Forest Service staff regarding the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision.
Planning/Zoning Code Update Workshop	The Chairperson recessed open session at 4:10 p.m., to convene in a workshop with all Board Members present regarding the Draft Zoning Code Update pertaining to Special Event Permits, blighted buildings, and community character zoning overlays. Supervisor Griffith's excused himself from the meeting at 4:15 p.m. The Chairperson recessed the workshop at 5:30 p.m., to reconvene in open session, with all Board Members present, except Supervisor Griffiths.
BofS/Minute Approval	Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meeting of May 6, 2014. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Griffiths absent.
Public Comment	The Chairperson announced the final public comment period and there was no one from the public wishing to address the Board.
Report on Closed Session	County Counsel reported that with regard to closed session Item No. 2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a)] – Inyo County and Inyo County Probationary Police Officers Association Tim Schumacher SMCS Case No. ARB-13-0116, the Board in a unanimous vote, with Supervisors Arcularius, Griffiths, Pucci, Tillemans, and Kingsley voting yes, instructions were given to County Counsel to move forward in the matter; with regard to Item No. 3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATIONS (Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(a)) – <i>Gina Gleason v. Debra Bowen, et al.</i> , Sacramento Superior Case No. 34-2014-80001786, the Board in a unanimous vote, with Supervisors Arcularius, Griffiths, Pucci, Tillemans and Kingsley voting yes, instructions were given

to fully defend the Clerk-Recorder, Ms. Kammi Foote, in this matter; with regard to Items 5 through 10, which are negotiations with various labor unions, instructions were given to negotiators; and Item 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), was withdrawn.

Board Members and Staff Reports The Board Members reported on their activities during the preceding week, including Big Pine Civic Club meeting regarding the Memorial Pathway, a Keller Art Event, notification of the June 3, 2014 Ceremony by the Big Pine School District commemorating the installation of the Bronze Statue honoring Alice Piper, notification that legislation concerning the Alabama Hills designation is moving forward, and a Bishop Creek Water Association Meeting.

Adjournment The Chairperson adjourned the regular meeting at 5:35 p.m., to 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 27, 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