

MINUTES

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

August 26, 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, 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 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 - 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. 3. **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. 4. **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. 5. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6]** - Instructions to Negotiators re: wages, salaries and benefits - Employee Organization: Inyo County Peace 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. 6. **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. 7. **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 the regular meeting at 9:25 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 10:00 a.m., with all Board Members present.
- Pledge Supervisor Kingsley led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Report on Closed
Session The Chairperson requested a report on closed session. County Counsel reported that with regard to Agenda Items No. 2 through 7, which were negotiations with various employee unions, the Board provided instructions to the designated negotiators.
- Public Comment The Chairperson announced the public comment period and there was no one from the public wishing to address the Board.

County Department Head Reports	The County Administrator announced that the members of the Board of Supervisors would be participating in an ALS Ice Bucket challenge next Tuesday, at 8:30 on the historic Courthouse lawn in Independence, and have extended the challenge to any other appointed or elected officials who want to participate.
Introduction	Ms. Laura Wieggers, an RN in the Health and Human Services Department was introduced to the Board.
CAO-Info Serv./ Pitney Bowes P.O.	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve a blanket purchase order in the amount of \$60,000 to Pitney Bowes Purchase Power for postage. Motion carried unanimously.
CAO-Adv. Co. Resc./Laws, Fish Hatchery, & Amaragosa Grant Payments	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve final payments for 2013-14 Community Project Sponsorship Grant Projects as follows: A) to the Friends of the Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery - \$2,750 for the 2014 Father's Day Fishing Derby; B) the Bishop Museum and Historical Society – Laws Museum - \$850 for the 2014 LOCOMotive Geocache Event; and C) the Amargosa Conservancy - \$400 for the dedication ceremony for two new pup fish ponds. Motion carried unanimously.
Resol. #2014-37/ Anti-Drug Abuse Enforcement Grant	On a motion by Supervisor Griffiths and a second by Supervisor Kingsley, Resolution No. 2014-27 was approved authorizing the submittal of the reapplication for the Inyo County Anti-Drug Abuse Enforcement Team Program Grant to the Board of State and Community Corrections for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015; and authorizing the District Attorney to sign the application on behalf of the County: motion unanimously passed and adopted
HHS-Behavioral Hlth. Serv./Hlth Care Certifications	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to authorize Linda Benson, Inyo County Alcohol and Drug Administrator, to sign the California Department of Health Care Services Certifications of Compliance with the SAPT Block Grant and the Drug Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation funds. Motion carried unanimously.
HHS-Hlth. Serv./ WIC Contract	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve the Contract between the County of Inyo and California Department of Public Health for the California Woman, Infants and Children (WIC) Contract, for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015, in the amount of \$327,164, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets; and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the Allocation Agreement No. 14-10237. Motion carried unanimously.
Probation/Dr. Andersen Contract Amendment	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Kingsley to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Contract between the County of Inyo and Dr. Keith Andersen for professional services, for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, amending the scope of work, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.
HHS/Allocation Agreement	Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to approve and ratify the Allocation Agreement between the County of Inyo and the California Department of Public Health for the provision of local public health emergency preparedness, for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017, in the amount of \$857,379, contingent upon the Board's adoption of future budgets; and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign Allocation Agreement No. 14-10507, the Certification Regarding Lobbying, and the Non-Supplantation Certification form. Motion carried unanimously.
Planning/Forest Plan Update	The Board received a presentation from staff about coordination with Forest Service staff regarding the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision from the Planning Director. Mr. Hart reported that the Notice of Intent is scheduled for release on August 29 th for the three early adopter forests and there are a series of meetings scheduled one of which is in Bishop. He said the Forest Service announced there may be additional meetings during September in some of our communities that he would keep the Board apprised of, as well as possible other meetings scheduled in the Fall regarding the alternatives development. Josh also said that another iteration of the wilderness inventory that was scheduled to be released around now has not yet been seen. He said the Forest Service is looking at on the ground conditions in regards to that inventory, looking at areas that might be appropriate to be deleted.

Mr. Hart explained that the second portion of today's update was for the Board to receive a presentation from staff and Supervisors Kingsley and Tillemans about a recent meeting regarding regional collaboration in relation to the Plan Update/Revision and provide input. He explained that he, and Supervisors Tillemans and Kingsley had met, several weeks ago, with a variety of people; including folks from Mono County, the town of Mammoth Lakes, and the City of Bishop, to discuss potential regional collaboration, which could include the Plan Update, as well as other regional issues. The Supervisors assured the Board that anything done by this group will be returned to the Board of Supervisors for approval. Supervisors Tillemans and Kingsley went on to explain that this group had determined that probably general recreation would be the place where all the entities would have mutual concerns and this will be the area of primary focus. They said that the idea is to have the Sierra Nevada Conservancy come up with some money to facilitate this effort. Both Supervisors Tillemans and Kingsley acknowledged that the challenge will be to get a lot of different entities to find a common goal. Supervisor Arcularius addressed concerns that she has heard from constituents regarding actions being adopted in the plan that could preclude future individual actions that usually fall under a separate NEPA process. She said that we need to make sure that we do not agree to something that precludes future ability for the public to weigh in to an action. Supervisor Arcularius also addressed the idea that in the plan itself there was no science synthesis done for the east side. She said the science synthesis is based on west side sciences and there could be an advantage to highlighting the differences between the east side and the west side and have those differences incorporated into the NEPA process.

Emerg. Serv./CDA
Process Update

The County Administrator reviewed the information provided by CalOES on California's Disaster Proclamation Process and the CDA funding process. Mr. Carunchio explained that the processes that have been outlined are pretty much what the County has encountered over the past 10 years as it pursues emergency declarations and funding assistance from the State. He explained that this is the first time the County has seen anything in writing. He and the Board discussed the verification factors in detail and at length. The County Administrator provided specific examples of the County's interaction with the State CalOES and the Governor's office about how and why proclamations of disasters in Inyo County have, or have not, been concurred with through a Governor's Proclamation. Mr. Carunchio explained that he is recommending that he, the Sheriff and the Public Works Director, sign a general letter from the County of Inyo, on the Fact Sheet, conveying the request that some consistency of application be developed so there are some assurances that the factors are applied on a consistent basis. He said there should be a more detailed explanation of what the factor is and how it inter-relates with the other factors. Mr. Carunchio went on to say that Mr. Clint Quilter, the Public Works Director, provided the other really salient comment, which was that if the State is not going to do anything else to this information, they should at least make a commitment to local jurisdictions that at the time the Governor makes a decision, if the request for the Governor's Proclamation is denied, that the State come back to the jurisdiction with a disclosure of the factors that were considered, explaining how these factors inter-related to one another that led to the denial. The Board and the County Administrator continued to talk specifically about how the ambiguities of the factors as they are stated could or would have impacted Inyo County in its quest for Governor concurrence with many of our recent emergencies. In closing, Mr. Carunchio acknowledged Inyo County's appreciation of the State's assistance with our local emergencies over the past 10 years, and said that he would like to see the processes delineated in the Fact Sheet, clarified so that the County and CalOES can determine in advance of spending a great deal of State and County resources gathering information for an emergency that clearly will not get a Governor's concurring proclamation because of how these factors are applied.

P.W./Wadell
Contract
Amendment

Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to A) ratify the Contract Amendment No. 2 to the Contract between the County of Inyo and Wadell Engineering, Inc., for engineering design and construction support of the new Lone Pine Airport AWOS AV system, in the amount of \$18,000, and authorize the Chairperson to sign; B) approve the plans and specifications for the Lone Pine Airport AWOS AV Project; C) authorize the Public Works Director to advertise and bid the project; and D) authorize the Public Works director to sign the project FAA Grant Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

P.W./FAA Grant For
Bishop Airport

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Arcularius to approve the FAA Project Funding Grant Agreement for the Airfield Lighting, Signage, and Visual Aids Rehabilitation Project at the Bishop Airport; and authorize the Public Works Director to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

Org/Arts Council/ Millpond Closure	Moved by Supervisor Arcularius and seconded by Supervisor Griffiths to close Millpond Recreation Area to the public from Friday, September 19, 2014 at 6:00 a.m., through Sunday, September 21, 2014 at midnight for the 23 rd Annual Millpond Music Festival. Motion carried unanimously.
Public Comment	The Chairperson announced the final public comment period. Mr. Gary Walker updated the Board on his thoughts concerning the Inyo County library, highlighting his visit to Furnace Creek and Tecopa libraries.
Board Members and Staff Reports	The County Administrator invited the Board to the annual Employee BBQ that is held on the first night of the Millpond Music Festival and announced that the budget document had been released thirteen days prior to the budget hearings being conducted. He also informed the Board that a searchable version of the document is being compiled and should be available next week. The Board Members went on to report on an upcoming Sierra Nevada Conservancy meeting, an LTC Meeting, recognition of Mr. Keith Caldwell the retiring Bishop City Administrator and congratulations to former Inyo County Deputy Public Works Director, Mr. Jim Tatum who is now the Bishop City Administrator.
Recess/ Reconvene	The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 11:25 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 11:30 a.m., with all Board Members present.
P.W./Bishop Airport Plan Workshop	The Chairperson recessed open session at 11:30 a.m., to convene in a workshop with Public Works Director regarding the Bishop Airport Layout Plan and update of community meetings and outreach. The Chairperson recessed the workshop at 12:05 p.m., to reconvene in open session
Adjournment	The Chairperson adjourned the meeting in memory of Retired Inyo County Superior Court Judge Patrick Canfield, who passed away suddenly last week, with the Board offering its deepest sympathies to the family. The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m., to 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 2, 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