

MINUTES

County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

February 3, 2015

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, February 3, 2015, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Matt Kingsley, presiding, Dan Totheroh, Jeff Griffiths, and Rick Pucci. Supervisor Tillemans was absent.

- 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, except Supervisor Tillemans 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: ICEA - Negotiators - County Administrative Officer, Kevin Carunchio, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults; and No. 3. **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, Deputy Personnel Director, Sue Dishion, and Information Services Director, Brandon Shults.
- Recess/
Reconvene The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 9:20 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 10:00 a.m., with all Board Members present, except Supervisor Tillemans.
- Pledge The County Administrator, Mr. Kevin Carunchio, led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Report on Closed
Session County Counsel reported that with regard to Agenda Items No. 2 and 3, which are instructions to negotiators with various labor unions, instructions were given to the negotiators.
- Public Comment The Chairperson announced the public comment period and there was no one wishing to address the Board.
- BofS/Interagency
Visitor's Center
Update Ms. Bernadette Johnson, Superintendent of Manzanar Historic Site and the Chairperson for the Interagency Visitor's Center Board, updated the Board on the activities and issues relative to the Interagency Visitor's Center. She gave the Board a copy of the Visitor's Center's 5-year Action Plan, and discussed some of the aspects of the Plan with the Board.
- CAO-General/
Kotin Contract
Amendment #7 Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve Amendment #7 to the Contract between the County of Inyo and Allan D. Kotin & Associates, to extend the term of the Contract to December 31, 2015 and to increase the amount of the Contract by \$15,000 to a total amount not to exceed \$95,000, 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, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
- Motor Pool/Vehicle
Purchases Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to award the bid for and approve the purchase of two 2015 Ford Police Interceptor Sedans in the amount of \$58,171.18, and three 2015 Ford Utility Interceptors in the amount of \$107,876.13, from Bishop Ford. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
- HHS-ESAAA/Mono
County Agreement
Amendment #4 Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement with the County of Mono for the provision of Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging (ESAAA) services to Mono County resident senior citizens, changing invoicing to monthly and increasing the amount by \$2,217, for a total amount not to exceed \$289,587, for the period of October 1, 2012 through June 30, 2016; and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.

HHS-Misc./Position Request Prevention Specialist	Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to find that consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for a Prevention Specialist position exists in the Social Services, Tobacco, and Substance Use Disorders (SUD) Budgets, as certified by the Director of Health and Human Services, and concurred by the County Administrator and the Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy may be filled through an internal recruitment; and C) approve the hiring of one Prevention Specialist at Range 60 (\$3,336 - \$4,052). Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
HHS-Misc./E Cigarettes Report	The Board heard from April Eagan who reported on the use of electronic cigarettes (E-Cigarettes) in Inyo County. She had a student from Bishop High School who talked about her experiences with her peers and their use of E-Cigarettes, who told the Board that many young people are using E-Cigarettes because they believe they are safe. Ms. Eagan provided information (a Public Health Brief) on E-Cigarettes and discussed the information contained in the Brief with the Board. Supervisor Griffiths asked Ms. Eagan to look into making County Parks smoke free.
HHS-Hlth. Serv./ CHWP MOU	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to ratify and approve the Memorandum of Understanding with California Health and Wellness Plan (CHWP), effective January 1, 2015, defining responsibilities between HHS' public health services and the Medi-Cal Managed Care entity known as CHWP; and authorize the Director of HHS to sign. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
Water Dept./ Standing Committee Agenda	Dr. Bob Harrington, Water Director, reviewed the draft Agenda for the upcoming Inyo/LA Standing Committee Meeting to be held in Los Angeles on February 9, 2015. He said that the only action item on the agenda is the approval of the documentation from the last Standing Committee Meeting. He said other than that the items on the Agenda were to provide updates on the items identified.
Integrated Waste/ Resolution to Waive Fees for Clean Up of Lower Owens River	Mr. Scott Eagan, Superintendent Integrated Waste Management, reviewed the request from the California Waterfowl Association to have gate and disposal fees waived for their Lower Owens River Inaugural Clean-Up Event. During the course of the discussion it was discovered that the portion of the River identified for clean-up was near the Wild Trout Section in the northern part of the County rather than the LORP area of the River in the southern part of the County which was referenced in the Resolution. The County Administrator requested the Board postpone action on the request until later in the meeting to provide staff an opportunity to make cogent changes to the language in the resolution to more accurately reflect the event.
Emerg. Serv./D.V. Roadeater Emergency	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci 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, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
Emerg. Serv./Gully Washer Emergency	Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Pucci 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, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
Emerg. Serv./ Canyon Crusher Emergency	Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh 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, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
Emerg. Serv./Land of Even Less Water Emergency	Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh 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, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
BofS/Minute Approvals	Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the minutes of the Board of Supervisors Meetings of A) January 13, 2015 and B) January 20, 2015. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.

County Department Reports	The Chairperson announced the County Department Report period. Ms. Jean Turner, Director of Health and Human Services, updated the Board on an ESAAA Advisory Council Meeting, provided statistics on the IC-Gold Congregate Meals program, and reported on an EMCC Meeting. Dr. Bob Harrington, Water Director, reminded the Board of the upcoming Water Commission Meeting.
Recess/ Reconvene	The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 10:55 a.m., to reconvene in open session at 11:00 a.m., with all Board Members present, except Supervisor Tillemans.
Resol. #2015-18/ Disposal & Gate Fee Waiver CA Water Fowl Assoc. Clean-Up Event	<p>Mr. Eagan and the County Administrator presented the Board with a revised resolution that referenced the area for the California Waterfowl Association's Clean-Up event as the (Upper) Lower Owens River. They went on to review the other changes in the Resolution which associated the Clean-Up event as being beneficial in assisting DWP keep their public lands clean and accessible and that the area of the event is the Owens River below Pleasant Valley Reservoir.</p> <p>On a motion by Supervisor Griffiths and a second by Supervisor Pucci, Resolution No. 2015-18 titled "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Waiving Solid Waste Disposal and Gate Fees for the Trash and Litter Removal During the (Upper) Lower Owens River Inaugural Clean-Up," as requested from the California Waterfowl Association for Saturday, February 7 and Sunday, February 8, 2015, event, was approved: motion unanimously passed and adopted, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.</p>
Planning/National Forest Plan Update/ Revision Priorities	The Planning Director, Mr. Josh Hart, reviewed the County priorities developed by the Board of Supervisors in 2012 for the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision. The Board and staff discussed the priorities in detail and at length with the Board identifying various priorities for revision, including updating the Access Priority to indicate a sustainable road system should be implemented and that roadless areas should be evaluated for removal; Vibrant Economy Priority should be updated to address multiple uses, replace renewable energy production with recreation, and facilitating use permits; and updating the Local Culture Priority to advocate for increase use in partnering with local agencies, communities, and non-profits. Mr. Hart indicated that he would bring back an amended Priority List for the Board's consideration at a future meeting.
Planning/Forest Service Update/Revision	The Planning Director, Mr. Josh Hart, updated the Board on coordination with Forest Service staff regarding the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision. The Board and staff discussed the information received from the Eastern Sierra Recreation Collaborative, including the Eastern Sierra Recreation Collaborative Proposed Recreation Strategy. The Board reviewed the draft letter prepared by staff. The Board felt it was important to support the concept of the Collaborative, without supporting the specific items identified. The Board talked about how certain aspects of the plan are benign, some are probably contrary to the County's interests, and some probably further the interests of the County. The Board also discussed how some of the items identified in the ESRC documentation is contradictory to itself. The Board and staff went on to note it is imperative that the Forest Plan identifies the critical aspects of recreation to both Inyo and Mono counties. Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to authorize the Chairperson to sign a letter, at his discretion, regarding the Eastern Sierra Recreation Collaborative efforts to provide enhanced recreation and access to the Forest through its Proposed Recreation Strategy, based on the information provided and comments made by the Board during today's discussion. Motion carried unanimously, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
Resol. #2015-19/ Indian Cemetery Rd. Name Change	The Chairperson opened the public hearing at 11:50 a.m., to consider changing the name of Indian Cemetery Road in Lone Pine to Magazine Road. The Public Works Director, Mr. Clint Quilter, reviewed the staff report and recommendations. There was no one from the public wishing to address this issue and the Chairperson closed the public hearing at 11:52 a.m. On a motion by Supervisor Griffiths and a second by Supervisor Totheroh, Resolution No. 2015-19, titled "Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, To Change the Name of Indian Cemetery Road, County Road #4039, to Magazine Road," was approved: motion unanimously passed and adopted, with Supervisor Tillemans absent.
Board Members and Staff Reports	The Board Members reported on their activities during the preceding week, including the Search and Rescue dinner, a Northern Inyo Airport Advisory Committee Meeting, and Supervisor Arcularius' retirement party. The County Administrator updated the Board on the Boating and Waterways Grant applications for Diaz Lake and Millpond, which he reported had been delivered on time.

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

Adjournment The Chairperson adjourned the regular meeting at 12:05 p.m., to 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 10, 2015, 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