

# MINUTES



# County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

**November 8, 2016**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:30 a.m., on November 8, 2016, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Jeff Griffiths, presiding, Dan Totheroh, Rick Pucci, Mark Tillemans, and Matt Kingsley.

*PUBLIC COMMENT* Chairperson Griffiths asked for public comment and there was none.

*CLOSED SESSION* Chairperson Griffiths recessed open session at 8:34 a.m. to convene in closed session with all Board members present to discuss the following items: No. 2 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**. Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 (one case); and No. 3 **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS** [Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6] – Employee Organizations: Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); Elected Officials Assistant Association (EOAA); Inyo County Correctional Officers Association (ICCOA); Inyo County Employees Association (ICEA); Inyo County Probation Peace Officers Association (ICPPOA); Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (LEAA). Unrepresented employees: all. Agency designated representatives: County Administrative Officer Kevin Carunchio, Assistant County Administrator Rick Benson, Deputy Personnel Director Sue Dishion, Senior Deputy County Administrator Brandon Shults, County Counsel Marshall Rudolph, and Assistant County Counsel John Vallejo.

*OPEN SESSION* Chairperson Griffiths recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:19 a.m. with all Board members present.

*PLEDGE* Supervisor Totheroh led the pledge of allegiance.

*REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION* County Counsel Marshall Rudolph reported that no action was taken during closed session that is required to be reported.

*PUBLIC COMMENT* Chairperson Griffiths asked for public comment and there was none.

*COUNTY DEPARTMENT REPORTS* Environmental Health Director Marvin Moskowitz gave the Board an update on the effort by the Water Department, Public Works, and Environmental Health to provide clean drinking water in Tecopa. He said he believed they had found a vending system that would work for the area and was now working on permits with the Lahontan Water Quality Control Board regarding a subsurface disposal system. He said he expected the system to go in within the next month to six weeks, and then have another month of chemical analysis before the water could be sold to the public. Moskowitz also noted some residents were concerned about the system's impacts on their own wells. Supervisor Kingsley suggested a public meeting where residents could air their concerns and/or get more information.

Health and Human Services Director Jean Turner presented the Board with the quarterly Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging report. She also passed around copies of hand-outs she'd be using at a First 5 panel in Sacramento. She said there is increasing anxiety around the State regarding shrinking tobacco taxes to fund the program, but she said Inyo County has prepared for the decline and is leveraging its First 5 money effectively. She said HHS is still having trouble recruiting RNs. She said direct mailings to 54,000 nurses resulted in only three replies, all from the San Diego area. She said HHS is open to new recruitment ideas. Turner also gave an update on the Juvenile Services Transition plan, noting that the implementation team is meeting weekly and staff is undergoing a lot of training.

Chief Probation Officer Jeff Thomson echoed the sentiment about a lot of staff training taking place. He said more youth are doing weekend commits at the Juvenile Center as the courts are catching on to the option. He said there have been a few snags, not on Probation's part, but on the kids' part. He explained some of them thought the weekend commits were optional and had to be told they weren't. One such youth was sent to an out-of-area detention facility. Thomson said it is important for Probation to impose sanctions when the rules are broken. He said his department has had a few call-outs and they were handled effectively and efficiently. CAO Carunchio noted that he had asked both Thomson and Turner to do a more in-depth presentation on Juvenile Services in December.

Public Works Director Clint Quilter reported that the Dehy Park Project was starting today, primarily the mobilization part. He said the parking lot will eventually be closed although the park will remain open. He said the project will take about three to four weeks. Quilter also noted that the City of Bishop received the go-ahead from FEMA to conduct a drainage study, which has the potential to impact the County. He said he might be back before the Board with a request to hire an expert to analyze those impacts.

Planning Director Josh Hart reported that Planning staff went to the Old West Days event in Shoshone over the weekend to provide information about the Southeast County Specific Plan. He said the outreach was successful.

*INTRODUCTIONS*

HHS Director Turner introduced Jennifer Shonafelt, Management Analyst, to the Board, and Public Works Director Quilter introduced Ashley Helms, Engineering Assistant.

*CLERK-RECORDER-REGISTRAR – APPOINTMENTS IN LIEU OF ELECTION*

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve: A) appoint in lieu of election nominees who completed Declarations of Candidacy during the filing period for the November 8, 2016 Consolidated Presidential General Election as indicated on the attached Clerk's Certificates to the office of Director and/or Trustee to special and school districts as indicated; B) appoint in lieu of election two qualified persons (letters of interest are attached) to the office of Director on the Inyo-Mono Conservation District, which had insufficient Declarations of Candidacy filed for the November 8, 2016 Consolidated Presidential General Election; C) authorize the County Clerk-Recorder-Registrar of Voters to issue Certificates of Appointment and Oaths of Office to the respective appointees. Motion carried unanimously.

*PW – NOTICE OF COMPLETION RESO – LANDFILL GAS SYSTEM*

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to approve a resolution titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California Authorizing the Recording of a Notice of Completion for the Bishop-Sunland Landfill Gas Extraction System Installation." Motion carried unanimously.

*SHERIFF – SURPLUS AND SALE OF RETIRING K-9*

Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) make the required findings under Inyo County Code Section 6.28.040 and declare one (1) 9-year-old male black Labrador Police K-9 named Rockfrin Capo Di Monte III as surplus property; and B) authorize the purchasing agent to sell Rockfrin Capo Di Monte III to Deputy Joshua Nicholson in the amount of \$1.00 (one dollar), as set forth in the Purchase Agreement between the County and Deputy Joshua Nicholson. Motion carried unanimously.

*CAO – COUNTY'S ROLE IN LADWP COMMERCIAL LEASE POLICY*

CAO Carunchio told the Board that since the urgency item of October 25, when the Board found cause to add approval of a letter to the Los Angeles Board of Water and Power Commissioners to the agenda in order to express reservations about a surprise change in business lease policy, Aqueduct Business Group Manager Jim Yannotta offered to come speak to both the Bishop City Council (November 14) and Board of Supervisors (November 15). He said LADWP was also supposed to hold a private meeting, tentatively scheduled for November 22, with its business lessees and business permit-holders. Carunchio noted that because the meeting would be closed, only two Supervisors would be able to attend without violating the Brown Act. Carunchio said that prior to those meetings, and following the Commissioners' gracious willingness to halt the changes in business lease policy, now would be a good time for the Board to discuss publicly what, if any, role the County has in LADWP lease policy. And if the Board does want the County to engage in the lease issue, Carunchio said, what should that engagement look like? He reminded the Board that while it's important to be responsive to constituents, each lease is unique, so any stance taken by the Board should be universal. Business owner Mike Allen explained what is essentially the problem at hand: business owners who lease land from LADWP are now being told they can neither turn their leases over to family members or sell their properties. Allen, as a 16- or 17-year lease-holder, said selling his business is his

retirement plan. He said he was told by LADWP – but can get nothing in writing – that the business owner would give LADWP a suggested selling price, LADWP would have the business appraised, and if it thought the asking price was reasonable, would take bids for the property on its website. At the same time, LADWP would accept separate bids for the lease. So, Allen said, the new procedure creates the potential for a situation in which Allen could ask for \$1 million for his business and only end up with \$150,000 because the buyer only wanted the building and offered LADWP the highest lease bid. On top of that, he said, that buyer would have to put his or her business up for bid in five years. Allen said his building needs about \$45,000 in repairs plus sewer work, and the likelihood of someone making those investments if they know they have to sell in five years is very low. He said he envisions buildings being vacated, deteriorating, even falling down. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine said one day the Pines Café in Independence will be gone because LADWP is not maintaining it, can't do anything with it and so will end up just leveling it. Supervisor Kingsley said he thought the Board could weigh in from a policy standpoint, because of the importance these businesses have to the economy. Supervisor Tillemans agreed, saying he is disappointed to be having this discussion although he's not surprised. He said vacant and dilapidated buildings are an issue in Inyo County, including in Big Pine and Independence. He said this new policy will only make it worse. Supervisor Totheroh said he couldn't help but think of the contradiction between what Mr. Allen was saying and what LADWP claims in its radio ads about being a "partner" in the Owens Valley. Supervisor Pucci said he thought LADWP needs to start respecting the local business community, starting with communicating with the businesses. He suggested maybe the 108-plus businesses leasing from LADWP form a group similar to the Cattleman's Association. He also said LADWP needed to have a clear, designated contact person for commercial lessees. Based on discussions, Chairperson Griffiths recommended a letter to L.A. summarizing the following: that Inyo County is advocating only on the policy level with the justification that the policy has a significant impact on the economy – with the disincentive to invest creating more vacant buildings and more blight; that the policy should allow for historic transfers as it has for decades while the new policy is being developed; that the County believes there was justification for the original transfer policy under the Charles M. Brown Act and in being a good neighbor; the County's concern about disposal of business leases impacting valuation; the speed with which L.A. might implement the disposal; the availability of water; that businesses should be able to purchase the property underneath their establishments; that the County still thinks L.A. has a responsibility to lease out all the vacant properties in all communities where they have become unmaintained vacant buildings and lots; and that blight has already created an impact on communities and L.A. should fix that. Supervisor Kingsley said it sounded like the County would be telling the City its policy should be to promote successful businesses and it hasn't been doing that. He said the letter should be addressed to the L.A. Board of Water and Power Commissioners because there are businesspeople on that board who understand the economic impacts. He added that the County should be careful about instructing L.A. about personnel lest it decide to hire a liaison and then jack up lease fees to pay for it. Supervisor Tillemans read from a 2005 LADWP report that states leases in the Owens Valley are not needed for LADWP purposes but to help the local economy. Chairperson Griffiths pointed out that the purpose for leases anyway was to make up for the economic hardship caused by the building and operation of the aqueduct. CAO Carunchio said the Board's letter could be used as the basis for a companion resolution. The Board asked when the letter might be brought back for approval and was reminded that November is a five-Tuesday month, which, per County policy, means only three Board meetings will be held. Carunchio noted a special meeting could always be called. The Board agreed to discuss scheduling during Board reports.

**CAO – FILM  
COMMISSIONER  
SEMI-ANNUAL ORAL  
REPORT**

Film Commissioner Chris Langley said he has had a busy six months, with eight different productions visiting during that time. He detailed a particularly onerous shoot that involved miscommunication by the crew with scouts and local permitting agencies, lack of permits, illegal road closures, and trying to create snow at the Lone Pine Airport in 103 degree heat in addition to dust storms with giant fans. He said he shared the story to demonstrate that even when the Film Commission and the current systems operate like they're supposed to, these shoots can go off the rails. He also discussed a film camp partnership between the BLM and Museum of Western Film History for students from Bakersfield and Inyo County. He said a small movie called "A Poor Man's War," about the militia along the Arizona-Mexico border, may film here and he is also expecting a big-budget production with recognizable names sometime after Christmas. He said he can't reveal what the project is, but said the cast is huge. In wrapping up his presentation, Langley showed off some lobby cards from the first film thought to have been shot in Lone Pine: 1920's *The Round Up* starring Fatty Arbuckle. He said the

Museum now has a complete set worth \$400. He also showed off a belt that belonged to Arbuckle and an old promotional pin. Langley added that the Film Festival seemed to go off as usual, and noted that for next year, organizers are trying to get Clint Eastwood to attend as well as Quentin Tarantino. He also said he would soon be attending the California On Location Awards.

**CAO – WAIVING  
FIRST READING OF  
MERIT SYSTEM  
REMOVAL  
ORDINANCE**

CAO Carunchio reminded the Board that at the conclusion of retiring Information Services Director Brandon Shults' September 13 recruitment presentation, the Board supported the idea of taking four positions – an Information Services Director, Deputy Information Services Director, Medical Director/ Corrections, and Deputy County Counsel I – out of the Merit System to make them at-will, contracted positions. Carunchio said this will give the Board more flexibility in creating compensation and benefits packages to recruit top-notch candidates. The Ordinance is the next step in making this a reality, and when approved, will mean the Board no longer has to adopt an ordinance every time it wants to remove a position from the Merit System. Moved by Supervisor Pucci and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh to: A) waive the first reading of an ordinance titled, "An Ordinance of the County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Section 2.80.055 of the Inyo County Code Pertaining to Exemptions from the Competitive Service;" and B) schedule the enactment for 11 a.m. Tuesday, November 15, 2016, in the Board of Supervisors Room, at the County Administrative Center in Independence. Motion carried unanimously 4-0 (Supervisor Kingsley was out of the room at the time of the vote).

**RECESS FOR LUNCH**

Chairperson Griffiths recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:14 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:09 p.m. with all Board members present.

**CAO – NEW CPSP  
GUIDELINES**

CAO Carunchio explained that the new Community Project Sponsorship Program guidelines being presented to the Board were the result of direction given to staff at the conclusion of a Community Project Sponsorship Program workshop in July. Basically, the recommendation was to divide the program, and its pot of \$95,000, into three categories: a group of historically-funded projects that would be made line-item expenditures; fishing derbies; and competitive grants based on existing criteria. Carunchio noted that a figure on page 1 of the guidelines needed to be changed to \$39,016. He said the guidelines discussed the above-mentioned components in detail. He said staff hoped to get recommendations for the competitive grants back to the Board by December or January. The fishing derby funding would be distributed first to eligible organizations who agree to continue sponsoring their community's respective derby. In the case of Big Pine, a Big Pine organization would be given time to come forward. If none agreed to host a derby by the end of January, then other eligible organizations throughout the County would get a chance to host a Big Pine derby. Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce Director Kathleen New told the Board she approves of and is excited about the new process, which will allow her to spend more time doing her job instead of applying for grants. She noted that the events for which the Chamber will receive automatic funding benefit not just Lone Pine, but the entire County. Supervisor Pucci said he thought the proposed changes were great, and that reverting to a single funding cycle allows organizations to plan in advance. He said smaller events now have a better chance at funding because they won't be competing against the larger, annual events like the High School Rodeo Finals. Supervisor Tillemans said he appreciated the tremendous amount of work that went into the new guidelines. He said while it might not sound like a lot of money is available, it goes a long way in promoting Inyo County. Chairperson Griffiths passed on the comment from Bishop Chamber of Commerce Director Tawni Thomson that she is happy with the changes. He inquired on her behalf about some timing issues. Supervisor Kingsley said he wanted to encourage new events to apply for funding to eventually become self-sustaining, like the Bird Festival. Supervisor Totheroh said he hoped the new guidelines would result in less staff time being spent on the program and therefore cost savings for the County. Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the new Community Project Sponsorship Program Guidelines to implement changes to the Community Project Sponsorship Program directed by the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

**HHS – SOCIAL  
WORKER  
SUPERVISOR**

Marilyn Mann of HHS said this vacancy is the result of a supervisor's lateral transfer. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans for the Board to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the requested Social Worker Supervisor position exists in the non-General Fund Social Services budget as certified by Health and Human Services Director Jean Turner and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could be filled through an internal recruitment, but as

a State Merit System position, an external recruitment would be more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; C) approve the hiring of one Social Worker Supervisor, Range 76 (\$5,059 - \$6,151); and D) if an internal candidate is hired resulting in a Social Worker vacancy, authorize the hiring of a Social Worker II, III, or IV. Motion carried unanimously.

*HHS – SOCIAL  
WORKER II, III, OR IV*

Marilyn Mann of HHS noted this agenda item is the result of a vacancy. Moved by Supervisor Tillemans and seconded by Supervisor Totheroh for the Board to find that, consistent with the adopted Authorized Position Review Policy: A) the availability of funding for the requested Social Worker II, III, or IV position exists in the non-General Fund Social Services budget as certified by Health and Human Services Director Jean Turner and concurred with by the County Administrator and Auditor-Controller; B) where internal candidates meet the qualifications for the position, the vacancy could be filled through an internal recruitment, but as a State Merit System position, an external recruitment would be more appropriate to ensure qualified applicants apply; C) approve the hiring of one Social Worker II at Range 67 (\$4,088 - \$4,962), a Social Worker III at Range 70 (\$4,391 - \$5,341), or a Social Worker IV at Range 73 (\$4,079 - \$5,728), depending on qualifications; and D) if an internal candidate is hired into the Social Worker II, III, or IV position, authorize HHS to backfill the resulting vacancy. Motion carried unanimously.

*PW – AMENDMENT OF  
FEBRUARY 23, 2016  
BOARD ORDER AND  
MINUTES*

Public Works Director Quilter explained that while the lease amount was correct in the contract, it was transposed on the original ARF and subsequently the Board Order and minutes. He said a request was being made to amend the Board Order and minutes in order to fix the record and because the Auditor-Controller has asked that the Board Order match the contract. Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to: A) amend the February 23, 2016 Board Order for the Lease Agreement between the County of Inyo and Brenda and Harry Wilson for the real property described as 163 May Street, Bishop, CA to reflect the correct contract amount of \$5,897.64 rather than the transposed figure of \$5,879.64 which appeared on the original Agenda Request Form and which was approved in a motion by your Board; and B) similarly amend the minutes of the February 23, 2016 Board meeting to also reflect the change. Motion carried unanimously.

*PW – CALTRANS  
REPORT ON STATE  
ROUTE 178*

Public Works Director Quilter explained that Caltrans recently presented a Transportation Concept Report on State Route 178 that raised issues regarding the continuity of the route, which runs from Kern Valley and dead-ends on the other side of Trona before picking up again west of Shoshone. Quilter said the blank stretch goes through the China Lake Naval Air Weapons Station and Death Valley National Park, where a road will never be constructed, leaving 178 forever disconnected. Quilter said County staff felt Caltrans should take a look at giving 178 some continuity by connecting it to other routes and eliminating the blank portion going through NAWS and DVNP. He said the missing section has been problematic for visitors. Quilter said legislative action would be required to reroute 178 through the County, including on some County roads that could be potentially turned over to the State. Supervisor Kingsley said he recently discovered that the quickest way to get to Death Valley from Los Angeles is through Trona. He said it is a true gateway to Death Valley and the idea of the road out of there becoming a state highway is appealing, especially since the paper route that goes through the Park is never going to be built. He said another route that could be used is a portion of Stateline Road, which is heavily used as part of the shortest route to Death Valley from Las Vegas. He said it could be used as a continuation of State Route 190. Supervisor Totheroh said he could empathize with the issues travelers face, since State Route 168 West similarly dead-ends in his district at Lake Sabrina and picks back up on the other side of the Sierra. Quilter told the Board he recommended having his staff look into making the re-routing a reality. The Board gave its consensus to have Public Works explore the matter. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine offered comments. He reminded the Board that Inyo County has competition for Death Valley money, as Ridgecrest also claims to be the gateway to Death Valley. He suggested Public Works' study also include a cost analysis because of the high probability of flash flooding in that area. He concurred that State Route 178 will never go straight through the park, but said if it did, the road would be like a pipeline carrying tourists' money straight to Las Vegas.

*PLANNING –  
RESPONSE TO  
EVALUATION OF  
JOSHUA TREE  
LISTING*

Planner Michael Draper reported that on September 29, 2015, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service received a petition from WildEarth Guardians to list the Joshua tree as a threatened species and, if applicable, designate critical habitat. The USFWS evaluated the petition and published its findings on September 14, 2016 for a 90-day comment period ending November 14. The USFWS essentially found that the petition shows substantial scientific or commercial

evidence that the listing may be warranted based on several factors, including threats to habitat or range due to climate change and over-harvesting. Draper said Planning staff reviewed the evaluation and prepared a draft comment letter asking for a negative finding for the listing based on the notion that the tree's habitat or range within Inyo County is not threatened to be destroyed, modified, or curtailed; and that regulatory mechanisms could be put in place for federal land managers to prevent over-harvesting. Supervisor Kingsley suggested maybe changing that to say Inyo County is aware of the issue of over-harvesting and would support regulations outside of a listing to curtail that activity. He wondered whether the County shouldn't add in its letter the fact that every plant and animal on Earth is or will be affected by climate change. He also wondered why anyone is harvesting Joshua trees in the first place, since they can't be transplanted very easily, are very prickly to the touch, and cannot be used as firewood. Supervisor Pucci agreed that there are regulations that can address the over-harvesting issue without creating designated habitat and cutting off access to public lands. Supervisor Kingsley also suggested adding something about the cumulative effects one listing after another has on Inyo County. CAO Carunchio said this kind of listing seems to treat the symptoms rather than the cause, and leaves Inyo County to feel the impacts. Earl Wilson of Lone Pine offered comment. He said he does agree with the County's comments in the letter, but is concerned about the wholesale massacre of Joshua trees taking place as a result of solar developments and grading permits. He also said the USFWS' description of the Joshua trees stopping at Haiwee Reservoir is inaccurate because Inyo County has Joshua trees much farther north than that. Supervisor Totheroh said if the County is concerned about cumulative impacts it should consider that there is a species of lizard that only lives on the Joshua tree. Chairman Griffiths added that there is a species of beetle that similarly only lives on the Joshua tree. Chairman Griffiths said he was happy to send the letter, but when he thought about the Joshua tree and the potential listing, he didn't think it would have a whole lot of impact on Inyo County since the vast majority of Joshua trees exist in Wilderness and National Parks on federal lands. He said there are a lot of petitions from environmental groups for listings for various species and he wanted to make sure staff is focusing its limited resources on issues and species that would have an impact on the County. He said in the future, staff should make sure it's not spending a lot of resources the County doesn't have on items that are not going to have a huge impact on us. Moved by Supervisor Kingsley and seconded by Supervisor Tillemans to have staff send the letter with the suggested additions. Motion carried unanimously.

*CLERK OF THE  
BOARD – APPROVAL  
OF MINUTES*

Moved by Supervisor Totheroh and seconded by Supervisor Pucci to approve the minutes from the regular Board of Supervisors meetings of October 11, 2016, October 18, 2016, and October 25, 2016. Motion carried unanimously, with Chairperson Griffiths abstaining on the minutes for October 25.

*PUBLIC COMMENT*

Chairperson Griffiths asked for public comment and there was none.

*BOARD MEMBERS  
AND STAFF REPORTS*

Supervisor Kingsley said he attended Old West Days in Shoshone on November 4, and hosted a public meeting in Death Valley last night attended by about 15 people. He said there was good conversation and he picked up the sentiment that some residents there don't feel cared for by the County and wonder how their tax dollars are spent. Kingsley said he also learned that a lot of the Death Valley residents pay a tax of about \$400 to \$700 that the Park Service reimburses them for.

Supervisor Pucci said he attended the Standing Committee in Los Angeles on October 27 and it went as they always go. He said on the way home he had the privilege of meeting with the Death Valley National Park Superintendent on a range of issues. He called it a learning experience.

Supervisor Totheroh said he attended a meeting of the Northern Inyo Airport Advisory Committee last night. The fencing project is almost done and combination locks and access will be in place soon. He said the airport does a really good job at fuel sales and getting advanced notice of when prices are going up or down so it can buy in bulk and save money.

Chairperson Griffiths reported there will be a Forest and Air Workshop hosted by the Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District in Mammoth on November 10. The focus would be on wildland fires and the impacts to air quality, with numerous agencies represented.

Supervisor Tillemans said he would be attending a special meeting of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority governing board where it was hoped labor negotiations would be wrapped up. He also noted that the next meeting of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments has been canceled.

CAO Carunchio reported that next Tuesday is the Board's last regular meeting before December 6. LADWP would be holding its meeting on November 22, after which there is one day before Thanksgiving. After Thanksgiving, the Board and Carunchio plan to travel to Palm Springs for the annual California State Association of Counties conference. The Board opted for now to wait and consider the LADWP lease policy letter at its December 6 meeting.

*ADJOURNMENT*

Chairperson Griffiths adjourned the meeting at 2:16 p.m., to Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at the County Administrative Center in Independence.

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Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

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

by: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Darcy Ellis, Assistant*