

Board Members

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Edward Hill, County Administrative Officer
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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board

Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting Action Summary

Date: Tuesday, January 4, 2022
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Board of Supervisors Chambers, Kings County Government Center
1400 W. Lacey Boulevard, Hanford, California 93230

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- I. 9:00 AM CALL TO ORDER**
ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board
INVOCATION –Edward Hill, County Administrative Officer
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ALL MEMBERS PRESENT
- II. BOARD REORGANIZATION**
Clerk of the Board/Chairman of the Board
- A.** The Office of Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is declared vacant and a call for nomination is made.
On a motion by Supervisor Verboon, seconded by Supervisor Valle, the Board Elected Supervisor Neves as Chairman for 2022 and closed the nominations. (DV, RV, JN, CP, RF-Aye)
- B.** The Office of Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is declared vacant and a call for nominations is made.
On a motion by Supervisor Valle, seconded by Supervisor Verboon, the Board Elected Supervisor Fagundes as Vice-Chairman for 2022 and closed the nominations. (RV, DV, JN, CP, RF-Aye)



III. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES

Any person may directly address the Board at this time on any item on the agenda, or on any other items of interest to the public, that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Two (2) minutes are allowed for each item.

Marie Waite, Director of Child Support Services stated that the slipper sock drive was successful and they were able to donate 312 slipper socks to five nursing homes in Kings County. She congratulated Dori McCarty for promoting to Program Manager in the Child Support Services Department and congratulated Danyeale Leap on her promotion to Personnel Technician with the Human Resources Department.

The Chairman allowed public comment after the public comment was closed, due to a request from the public.

Claire Fitiausi, Kings County resident requested that the WebEx link be added to the Agenda to make it easier for the public to participate.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Report out of Closed Session from the special meeting for December 20, 2021.

B. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for December 21, 2021.

EDWARD HILL, COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STATED THAT THE BOARD TOOK NO REPORTABLE ACTION IN CLOSED SESSION ON DECEMBER 20, 2021 AND DECEMBER 21, 2021.

C. Approval of the minutes from the special meeting for December 20, 2021.

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, RF, RV, CP, JN - Aye)

D. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for December 21, 2021.

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, CP, RV, RF, JN - Aye)

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Veteran's Service Office:

1. Consider approving the Certificate of Compliance for the County Subvention Program and the Certificate of Compliance for the Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance Program with the California Department of Veteran's Affairs.

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, RV, CP, RF, JN - Aye)

VI. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Human Resources Department – Henie Ring/Carolyn Leist/Melissa Avalos

1.
 - a. Consider approving the revised job specification for a new classification series of Heavy Fire Equipment Operator I/II;
 - b. Set the salary for the Heavy Fire Equipment Operator I at Range 206.0 (\$4,668 - \$5,696 monthly); and
 - c. Set the salary for the Heavy Fire Equipment Operator II at Range 216.0 (\$5,155 - \$6,294 monthly).

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, RV, CP, RF, JN - Aye)

2.
 - a. Consider adopting the Salary Resolution, which reflects recommended and previously authorized classification changes and salary increases; and
 - b. Set the salary for Animal Shelter Technician I, Central Services Operator I, Kennelworker, Laboratory Assistant I, Legal Clerk I, Janitor, and Park Aide at Range 147.5, effective December 27, 2021. **[Reso 22-001]**

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (CP, DV, RV, RF, JN - Aye)



B. Public Health Department – Darcy Pickens/Heather Silva

1. Receive an update on the local emergency in Kings County due to the imminent and proximate threat of exposure of COVID-19 on the residents of the County of Kings and take action as deemed necessary.

The Board received an update and no official action was taken.

VII.

BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

On their own initiative, Board Members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. They may ask questions for clarification, make a referral to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda (Gov. Code Section 54954.2a).

Supervisor Fagundes stated that he had a good Holiday with family and is looking forward to the coming year.

Supervisor Verboon wished everyone a Happy New Year and welcomed all employees back.

Supervisor Pedersen congratulated Supervisor Neves as Chairman, he thanked all the county staff, department heads and clerks for their support in helping him to be successful as Chairman for 2021. He stated that had a great New Years with his grandson.

Supervisor Valle wished everyone a Happy New Year, he congratulated Supervisor Neves on his Chairmanship, and stated that its probably a record for Kings county and at least tied or the lead for service to counties statewide. He congratulated Vice Chairman Fagundes, and stated that together we start our 14th year serving on the County Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Neves stated that he attended Rosie Alvarez retirement after 27 years with Human Services Agency, and stated that there were several retirements over the holidays, and wished all the retirees who reached that milestone well. He wrapped up his Santa duties on December 27, 2021 with a total of 65 visits. He stated that he attended the South Fork Kings Ground Water Sustainability Special meeting on January 3, 2021.

- ◆ Board Correspondence - None
- ◆ Upcoming Events – **Edward Hill stated that Winter Wonderland ice rink in Downtown Hanford continues operation until January 9, 2021 in the Civic Park. The schedule is Monday-Friday from 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Saturday 12:00 p.m. -10:00 pm and Sunday 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.**
- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items – **Edward Hill stated that the following items will be on a future agenda: Administration – Kettleman City Water Purchase, Behavioral Health – Agreement with Up Holdings and Up Northstar for development of the Kings County No Place Like Home Project, Fire Department – Purchase of Lincoln Ranger 225 welder, Public Health Department – COVID-19 update and an amendment to the Housing Opportunities for Persons with Acquired Immune Deficiency Grant, Human Services Agency – Agreement with Central California Food Bank and an Accountant-Auditor position request, Child Support Services – License for the use of Real Property with the Judicial Council of California, Public Works Department – Notice of Completion for Senate Bill 1 Funded Kings County Roadway Improvement Project, consideration of Tract 756 Phase 6 & 7 Agreement, consideration of an Agreement with DKJ Architects for Fire Station 5 Partial remodel and consideration for consulting services with Peters Engineering Group Agreement.**

VIII.

CLOSED SESSION

- ◆ **Litigation initiated formally: Title: *Leprino v. Kings County, Case No. 20C0159*
Govt. Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)]**
**Litigation initiated formally: Title: *O’Neal v. Kings County ADJ11500427*
[Govt. Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)]**



IX. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

January 11	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
January 18	---	Regular Meeting Cancelled due to observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on January 17.
January 25	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
February 1	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
February 8	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

Agenda backup information and any public records provided to the Board after the posting of the agenda will be available for the public to review at the Board of Supervisors office, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd, Hanford, for the meeting date listed on this agenda.