

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, September 13, 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 – Pastor Andrew Cromwell – Koinonia Church
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ALL MEMBERS PRESENT



II. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS – JOE NEVES/DOUG VERBOON

Presentation of a Proclamation to Westlands Water District in recognition of their 70th Anniversary.

Ryan Ferguson, Board of Directors President accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the District and thanked the Board of Supervisors for the recognition.

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.

Josh Cunningham, Kings County Assistant Fire Chief stated that the State set up a County Strike team during the heat wave and staffed additional 17 staff to keep Kings County covered. He stated that nine County staff are deployed to the Mosquito fire and stated that the fire is 18% contained.

Alicia Ramirez, field representative for Assemblymember Rudy Salas stated that on the last day on the floor of the Capitol he was able to secure \$5.5 million for the Kings County Fire Department for life saving upgrades, \$6 million to the Kings County Public Works Department to complete the construction of the Kettleman City Pedestrian bridge project, \$6 million for the Kings County Superior Court facility judgeship expansion and \$2 million for the Lemoore Volunteer Fire Department. She stated that the ACR 157 was passed designating a portion of State Route 198 in Hanford as Army Specialist Juan Miguel Mendez Covarrubias Memorial Highway who fell in the line of duty on March 11, 2020 in Iraq. She stated that the check presentation for \$2 million for Lemoore Volunteer Fire Station will be held on September 26, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Supervisor Valle stated that the check presentation for the \$6 million towards the Kettleman City Pedestrian Bridge will be held on September 26, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. location to be determined. He thanked Assemblymember Rudy Salas for allowing him to attend the last session at the Capitol and for securing a total of \$8 million for the project, he stated that Highway 41 is dangerous and there are two Kettleman City families in mourning due to the loss of loved ones in a recent car accident.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for August 30, 2022.

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

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Behavioral Health Department:

1. Consider approving the Agreement with WestCare California, Incorporated for substance use disorder program services retroactively effective from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. **[AGMT 22-154]**

B. Library:

1. a. Consider authorizing the transfer of appropriations from contingencies for the purchase of the mobile library in the amount of \$238,000.
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

C. Public Health Department:

1. a. Consider authorizing the Public Health Director to accept the California Department of Public Health's Future of Public Health funding allocation in the amount of \$1,175,830 for the purpose of enhancing the public health workforce and infrastructure;
b. Authorize the Public Health Director to sign and submit any certifications, invoices, and documents required for receipt of the allocated funds;
c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**
2. Consider authorizing the Public Health Director to sign the three-year Agreement of the Women, Infants and Children Program. **[AGMT 22-155]**



3. a. Consider authorizing the Public Health Director to accept this additional funding;
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**
4. a. Consider approving the Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care Program Plan and Budget retroactively effective for Fiscal Year 2022-2023;
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**
5. a. Consider approving the Child Health and Disability Prevention Program Plan and Budget retroactively for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

D. Public Works Department:

1. Consider authorizing the Public Works Department to advertise the Central Services Generator Replacement project.

E. Sheriff's Department:

1. Consider authorizing the Sheriff's Office to purchase an overhauled engine for the Cessna T206H airplane.
2. Consider authorizing the Sheriff to sign the Agreement with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for temporary housing of a County of Kings' inmates.
[AGMT 22-156]
3. a. Consider authorizing the Sheriff's Office to purchase a mini-caliber robot from ICOR Technology, Inc.
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**
4. a. Consider approving the Agreement with Evidence IQ, Inc for a Ballistics Camera and Software.
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required) [AGMT 22-157]**
5. Consider approving the Memorandum of Understanding with the Tachi-Yokut Tribe for Animal Services.**[AGMT 22-158]**

F. Administration:

1. Consider approving amendment number three to the Agreement with Vanir Construction Management, Inc. for continued construction management services during the construction phase of the Juvenile Center Remodel Project. **[AGMT 15-058.3]**
2. Consider denying the Claim for Damages filed by Joseph McCasland.
3. Consider appointing one member from alternate to primary representative on the Kings County Fish & Game Advisory Committee.

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

VI.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Behavioral Health Department – Lisa Lewis/UnChong Parry

1. a. Consider approving the Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for the Mental Health Plan contract, retroactively effective from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2027.
b. Authorize the Director of Behavioral Health to sign the Agreement and any amendments with the California Department of Health Care Services. **[AGMT 22-159]**

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

B. Community Development Agency – Chuck Kinney

1. Consider accepting the monthly report of Planning Commission's actions from their September 12, 2022 meeting.

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



C. Department of Finance – James P. Erb/Rob Knudson

1. Consider adopting a Resolution establishing property tax rates within Kings County for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. **[RESO 22-064]**

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

D. Fire Department – William Lynch

1. a. Consider authorizing the Fire Chief to initiate a vehicle search for the replacement of Dozer 9's transport vehicle within the price range of \$150,000 to \$250,000;
- b. Authorize the Fire Chief to submit a letter of commitment for the purchase of a new or used transport vehicle with a recommended vendor once a vehicle is located.

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

E. Administration – Edward Hill/Matthew Boyett

1. Consider adopting a Resolution continuing to declare a local emergency due to drought conditions in Kings County. **[RESO 22-065]**

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

2. Consider introducing and waiving the first reading of the Ordinance to adopt organic waste recycling and edible food recovery requirements pursuant to Senate Bill 1383. **[ORD 705]**

ITEM WAS PULLED BY COUNTY COUNSEL AND WILL BE BROUGHT BACK ON A FUTURE AGENDA

F. Public Health Department – Rose Mary Rahn

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 Pedersen stated that due to the drought challenges and lack of surface water he has been working with constituents through the well permit process. He stated that he has received some concerns regarding seniors and their health in Tulare County and he will be working with staff to discuss this issues and see what can be done.

Supervisor Verboon thanked Bill Lynch, Kings County Fire Chief for the invitation to be at the check presentation from Assemblymember Rudy Salas for \$5.5 million to the Kings County Fire Department for life saving equipment needs. He stated that he attended the 70th anniversary party for Westlands Water District and thanked Vanir for the invite to attend the Kings County Sheriff's Posse event at Burris Park and stated that the State is aware of a possible Rail Road Union strike by October 6, 2022 and stated his concerns for our local economy and impacts to our citizens based on the dock worker strike from last year that hurt the agriculture industry and local growers haven't recovered from.

Supervisor Valle thanked staff who worked on the Job Fair on September 8, 2022 at the Hanford Civic Auditorium and stated that he visited the booths and employers at the event. He stated that he has concerns that he may have issues getting turkey's for operation gobble this year.



Supervisor Fagundes stated that he attended the Kings County Fire Department badge pinning and stated that there was a full house with all the families and fire personnel.

Supervisor Neves stated that he attended the South Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Act meeting, attended the Children's event in Clovis, attended the West Hills College and Lemoore High School openers, hauled lambs for grandchildren to Madera fair where his granddaughter was 2nd in her class, won showmanship and the round robin, attended the CalViva policy meeting, thanked the Kings County Fire Department personnel who responded to the house fire in Stratford, attended the CalVans meeting, helped Diane Badasci with the Lemoore High School Otis Tolbert scholarship fundraiser golf tournament and announced at Lemoore Raceway.

- ◆ Board Correspondence: Edward Hill stated that the Board received correspondence dated September 8, 2022 from the United States Department of the Interior regarding Petitions for Temporary Transfer, Friant Division, Central Valley Project California.
- ◆ Upcoming Events: Edward Hill stated that the Kings County Commission on Aging will be hosting a free Senior's Lunch in the Park to commemorate the independence of Mexico on September 16, 2022 from 9am – 2pm at Burriss Park in Hanford. The 21st Annual Blues & Roots Festival will take place in Downtown Hanford at Civic Park on Saturday, September 17th from 5:30 p.m. – 10pm. Admission is free. The Tenth Annual Light of Hope Elite Cocktail Event will take place on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Hanford Civic Center Auditorium. Attendees will hear from advocates about CASA of Kings County. Tickets are \$75 per person and the proceeds will provide hopeful futures for children in Kings County foster care. Sarah Mooney Museum will be holding a Legends of Lemoore Cemetery Walk on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 9am and 10:30 a.m. at the Lemoore Cemetery. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at Ramblin Rose, Kings Players and Eventbright.com. This will be a living history presentation by local actors portraying our early notable citizens. Supervisor Verboon stated that the Outlaws Sprint car event will be held on September 15-16, 2022. Supervisors Neves thanked Kyria Martinez, Assistant CAO for her work on the Kings County blood drive where 44 pints were collected. He stated that the Battle of the badges blood drive will be held on November 7-9, 2022.
- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items: Edward Hill stated that the following agenda items would be on a future agenda: Administration - Response to Grand Jury report entitled "FOLLOW UP TO GRAND JURY 2020-2021 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN KETTLEMAN CITY: A COMMUNITY'S LONG-STANDING PLEA FOR IMPROVEMENTS" ; Behavioral Health - approval of a Grant Agreement with California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA); Department of Finance - approval of a Tracker Debt Software Contract; Public Health -Public Health funding changes; Public Works - approval of a lease with FARM SERVICES AGENCY for Agriculture building space, approval of County Tract 931 Jackson Ranch subdivision improvement agreement, approval of an Agreement for temporary encroachment in County right of way; Sheriff's Office-approval of an Agreement with Hanford Adult School for Inmate Education Services, approval of Jail Key Management Purchase and approval of annual maintenance agreement for eight live scan machines.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION

- ◆ Personnel Matter: [Govt Code Section 54957]
Public Employee Appointment: Job Training Office Director
- ◆ Personnel Matter: [Govt Code Section 54957]
Department Head Evaluations
- ◆ Litigation initiated formally: Title:
Davidson v. Malone, et. al. 22C-0139
[Govt. Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1)]



IX. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

September 20	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
September 27	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
September 28-30	--	San Joaquin Valley Regional Association of California Counties – Kings County Hosting – Board Members attending.
October 4	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.