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Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Action Summary

Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2023
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 – Kyria Martinez, Acting County Administrative Officer
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MEMBERS PRESENT: JOE NEVES, DOUG VERBOON, RUSTY ROBINSON
MEMBERS ABSENT: RICHARD VALLE, RICHARD FAGUNDES



II. 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.

Alex Walker, Lemoore Rotary Club member wanted to thank the community members who showed up to help with the Sleep in Heavenly Peace project to build 20 beds for children in our community, so they do not have to sleep on the ground. He thanked the following participants: Lemoore Middle College, Robinson's Interiors and all who donated to make this project possible. He stated that the next fundraiser will be a crab feed on November 4, 2023.

Sarah Hacker, Kings County District stated that she wanted to acknowledge the Victim Rights advocates who work with victims through the process and that the resolution is on the consent calendar this morning to adopt but wanted to recognize their contribution to the county. She also stated that the Victim Memorial quilt unveiling will be held on April 27, 2023.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for April 11, 2023.

REPORT OUT: Diane Freeman, County Counsel stated that the Board took no reportable action in closed session at their April 11, 2023 meeting.

B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for April 11, 2023.

ACTION: APPROVE AS PRESENTED (JN, RR, DV-Aye, RF, RV-Absent)

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. District Attorney's Office:

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming April 23-29, 2023, as Crime Victim's Rights Week. **[RESO 23-024]**

B. Human Services Agency:

1. Consider approving the interagency Agreement with the Kings County Office of Education and Kings County Local Educational Agencies for the procedural governance for school transportation effective for a three-year term. **[AGMT 23-037]**

C. Job Training Office:

1. Consider approving the 2023 Modification to the Kings County Workforce Development Board Program Year 2021-2024 Local Plan.

D. Public Works Department:

1. a. Consider declaring 68 vehicles and 3 pieces of equipment as surplus;
b. Authorize the sale of the surplus at public auction.

E. Sheriff's Office:

1. a. Consider approving the purchase of an Inmar Boat and Accessories;
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

F. Administration:

1. Consider appointing one member to the CalViva/Tri-County Health Authority Commission.
2. Consider appointing seven members to the Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council.

ACTION: APPROVE AS AMENDED (JN, RR, DV-Aye, RF, RV-Absent)



V.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Administration – Kyria Martinez/Sarah Poots

1. Consider approving the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Health Insurance renewal rate that includes the following: a 2.68% increase which includes a change in a deductible for the stop loss from \$250,000 to \$275,000, and a continuation of the Wellness Program that currently includes a \$50 incentive to be paid to eligible employees and their dependents who participate in the blood draw.

ACTION: APPROVE AS PRESENTED (JN, RR, DV-Aye, RF, RV-Absent)

VI.

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 Neves stated that he continues to be engaged in flood issues, attended the Soroptimist Achieve awards event, announced softball at Lemoore High School, was a judge for the Lemoore Lions Regional Speech club event, attended a meeting with Department of Water Resources regarding the levee to protect Stratford, stated that he has been advised that the Lincoln levee has been approved to be raised and now the funding approval portion is in the works, attended the Avenal/Riverdale choir event, attended the American Legion breakfast, attended the Emergency Operations Center briefings and congratulated County staff on getting the FEMA declaration for disaster relief, attended a New Beginnings Equine program at Circle T Ranch and observed flooding and seepage issues affecting properties in the Island District, attended the Lemoore High School Spring brunch and attended the Stratford Boil fundraiser at the Portuguese Hall.

Supervisor Robinson stated that he continues to be engaged in flood issues, attended a meeting with the Hanford Chamber of Commerce Director to discuss flooding issues, the upcoming Safety luncheon and upcoming small business workshop, attended a Sons of Liberty meeting regarding elections issues and attended the Monster Truck event.

Supervisor Verboon stated that he held his second Town Hall in conjunction with the Island Property Protection Association at Island School District and it was well attended and good information was presented. He stated that on April 27, 2023 his third Town Hall will be held in conjunction with Fresno County Board of Supervisor Buddy Mendes at Kings River Hardwick school and traveled through Corcoran to see the progress of the Five Pillars of Freedom Veteran’s Memorial Statues on Monday evening.

- ◆ **Board Correspondence: Kyria Martinez stated the Board received an invitation to the Grand Jury Open House on Friday, April 21, 2023 from 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. at 449 C Street in Lemoore. There will be an open buffet and RSVPs can be sent to Kathy at the grand jury email. Your Board received an invitation from the Board of Trustees of the Reef-Sunset School District to the Forty-Second Annual Milton O. Wilen Awards Ceremony honoring outstanding students and Community Leaders for Educational Excellence. The event will take place on May 23, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Avenal High School.**
- ◆ **Upcoming Events: Kyria Martinez stated that in honor of Child Abuse Awareness Month, Kings Partnership is inviting the community to join them in celebrating Kids Day on Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Hanford Mall. This is a free event. This event will be preceded by a Kid’s Day Walk for Child abuse which will start at 8am at the Hanford Civic Center and walk to the Hanford Mall. Everyone is encouraged to wear Blue in honor of child abuse awareness. Corcoran Rotary will be hosting Jeremy “Elvis” Pearce, a fundraiser benefitting the Corcoran Chamber of Commerce Mural Project on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the**



RAC Gymnasium located at 900 Dairy Avenue in Corcoran. VIP Seating is \$75 per person and General Seating is \$50 per person. Kings United Way is hosting its Power of the Purse luncheon to recognize Administrative Professionals Day in Kings County and to raise funds for local charities. The luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, April 25, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Hanford Civic Auditorium. Tickets for the event can be purchased on Eventbrite for \$35.00. Save the Date for the Veterans Memorial Statue Unveiling in Corcoran, on Saturday, April 29, 2023. The statues will be located in the heart of Corcoran’s new Gateway Park. RSVPs for large groups can be emailed to Richard Valle at vallerf@yahoo.com- everyone else does not need to rsvp. The Spring Book Sale will be taking place on April 29, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Hanford Branch Library. Most items are \$1 and items for sale will include new and used books and music CDs. For more information please visit KingsCountyLibrary.Org. The Food Truck Takeover will take place on Saturday, May 6, 2023 from 6:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. on Court Street in Civic Park in Hanford. There will be great food, a beer garden and live music. Avenal will be hosting a weekend of “Old Timer’s Events” on Friday, May 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Veterans Hall. There will be a Spaghetti Dinner, on Saturday, May 6, 2023, there will be a parade line up at AES at 9:00 a.m. with park activities to follow at 11:00 a.m., and at 5:00 p.m. at the Veterans Hall there will be the Avenal Old Timer’s Day Annual All Class Reunion Dinner at a price of \$50 per person. Sunday, May 7, 2023 there will be Tours of Discovery Well and Tar Canyon. Lastly, the Central Valley Blood bank will have their buses on campus for our employee blood drive on Thursday, May 18, 2023 .

- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items: **Kyria Martinez** stated that the following items would be on a future agenda: **Public Health Department - adopt a resolution proclaiming the week of May 6-12, 2023, as National Nurses Week, and approve an agreement with Kings Partnership regarding California Equitable Response Initiative Subcontract.**

VII. CLOSED SESSION

- ◆ **Personnel Matter: [Govt Code Section 54957]**
Public Employee Evaluation: County Counsel
- ◆ **Workers Compensation: (1 Case) [Govt. Code Section 54956.95]**
- ◆ **Deciding to initiate litigation: (1 Case) [Govt. Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)]**
- ◆ **Litigation initiated formally: (1 Case) [Govt. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]**
Sierra Club, et al. v. CA Dept. of Water Resources, et al. –
Sacramento Superior Court No. 34-2020-80003517

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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| April 25 | 9:00 AM | Regular Meeting |
| May 2 | 9:00 AM | Regular Meeting |
| May 9 | - | Regular Meeting Canceled due to Kings County Employee Appreciation Event |
| May 16 | 9:00 AM | Regular Meeting |
| May 23 | 9:00 AM | Regular Meeting |

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