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Diane Freeman, County Counsel  
Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board

## **Board of Supervisors**

### **Regular Meeting Action Summary**

**Date:** Tuesday, May 2, 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**

Supervisor Verboon stated that on April 28, 2023, his father William “Bill” Douglas Verboon passed away and asked for a moment of silence in his honor.

**INVOCATION – Pastor Tyler Jones – Koinonia Church**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ALL MEMBERS PRESENT**

**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.*

**Michelle Brown, Executive Director of Main Street Hanford stated that Thursday Night Market place kicks off in downtown Hanford on May 4, 2023 and runs through October 26, 2023. She stated that the focus of the market this year will be food insecurities and trying to get more residents access to local fruits and vegetables.**

**Sarah Hacker, Kings County District Attorney stated that in a recent recruitment for positions for her office they received no qualified applicants and had to close the recruitment.**

**Bill Lynch, Kings County Fire Chief stated that retiree Wayne Franks passed away and services will be held on May 6, 2023 at Fire Station 5, located at 11235 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Armona.**

**Scott Holwell, Kings County Veteran’s Services Officer, thanked Supervisor Valle, the City of Corcoran and Lemoore Naval Air Station on behalf of all Veteran’s in Kings County and across the Nation this is a world class project and everyone should come to see it. Supervisor Valle stated that the event was a County, City of Corcoran, California High Speed Rail and many others who were instrumental in making the event a success.**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for April 25, 2023.**

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

**IV. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. Department of Agriculture:**

1. Consider approving the Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Food and Agriculture for the County’s Pink Bollworm Cotton Plowdown and Host-Free Monitoring Program retroactively effective December 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. **[AGMT 23-039]**

**B. County Counsel:**

1. Consider appointing Helen Wells as a Trustee of the Hanford Cemetery District to fill a vacant term of office that expires on January 1, 2024.
2. Consider adopting a Resolution authorizing the Hanford Joint Union High School District to sell bonds directly. **[RESO 23-027]**
3. Consider renewing the declaration of a local emergency due to flood conditions in Kings County. **[RESO 23-028]**

**C. Human Resources:**

1. a. Consider authorizing the Human Resources Director to sign the side letter to the Agreement with the Supervisor’s Unit for modifications to Article 41 Public Health Department Professional Licenses;
- b. Authorize the Human Resources Director to sign the side letter to the Agreement with the General Unit for modifications to Article 42 Public Health Department Professional Licenses.



**D. Public Health Department:**

1. a. Consider approving an Agreement with Kings Partnership for Prevention to establish, facilitate, and support the Kings County Health Equity Advisory Panel per the California Equitable Recovery Initiative requirements effective upon execution through June 30, 2024; **[AGMT 23-038]**
- b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**
2. Consider adopting a Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Health to apply for the Local Enforcement Agency Grant application with the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery. **[RESO 23-029]**

**E. Administration:**

1. a. Consider changing the designation from Sarah Poots to the Risk Manager, as the representative for Kings County to the Board of Directors for the Public Risk Innovation, Solutions, and Management;
- b. Designate the County Administrative Officer, as the designated alternate for Kings County.

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

**V.**

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. Behavioral Health Department – Lisa Lewis**

**Public Health Department – Rose Mary Rahn**

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming the month of May 2023 as Mental Health Awareness Month and Maternal Mental Health Month in Kings County. **[RESO 23-030]**

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

**B. Public Health Department – Rose Mary Rahn/Czarina Marasigan**

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming the week of May 6-12, 2023 as National Nurses Week. **[RESO 23-025]**

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

**C. Administration – Kyria Martinez**

1. a. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming May 7 through May 13, 2023 as Public Service Recognition Week and declaring the Kings County Annual Employee Recognition Barbecue as a tobacco-free event; **[RESO 23-031]**
- b. Authorize the Chairman to sign letters of thanks on behalf of the Board to California Public Finance Authority, Kings Federal Credit Union, Central Valley Meat Company, Buddies Trophies, and other organizations for their contributions during the event.

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

**D. Administration – Kyria Martinez/Melissa Scheffel**

**Sheriff's Office – David Robinson**

1. a. Consider authorizing the Sheriff to sign the Agreement with the Department of State Hospitals for the Jail Based Competency Treatment Program retroactively effective December 2, 2022 through June 30, 2024; **[AGMT 23-040]**
- b. Approve an Agreement with the California Forensic Medical Group, Incorporated for the Jail Based Competency Treatment Program retroactively effective from December 2, 2022 through June 30, 2024; **[AGMT 23-041]**
- c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

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



**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 engage in flooding issues, attended the Power of the Purse luncheon sponsored by the United Way attended the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency meeting, attended the Kings County Association of Governments meeting, attended the Kings/Tulare Master Plan on Aging meeting, toured the Stratford levee with outside agencies, attended the Town Hall meeting at Kings River Hardwick school, attended the American Legion breakfast, attended the First 5 Children & Families Commission meeting, attended the Kings County Library/Friends of the Library book sale, attended the Kings Federal Credit Union meeting, and stated that today marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Coalinga earthquake.**

**Supervisor Fagundes stated that he continues to engage in flooding issues through calls from constituents.**

**Supervisor Verboon thanked everyone for their condolences on the recent passing of his father, William “Bill” Douglas Verboon, and that he was thankful for the lessons he learned from him. He thanked Supervisor Valle for having the Veteran’s Memorial Statue in Gateway Park in Corcoran lit in yellow for one week in memory of his father who served in the United States Air Force.**

**Supervisor Robinson stated that he attended the Town Hall meeting at Kings River Hardwick School and thanked everyone who presented information to the public on the flooding issues, thanked Supervisor Valle and the City of Corcoran for the Veteran’s Memorial Statue unveiling event at Gateway Park in Corcoran it was a wonderful event.**

**Supervisor Valle stated that he would present a wrap up of the Veteran’s Memorial Statue unveiling events at the next meeting, he thanked Governor, Gavin Newsom for coming to Corcoran, Allensworth and Alpaugh to see the flooding first hand and to assist in working to get funding for building up the levees in the area to prevent flooding the City of Corcoran and surrounding areas.**

- ◆ **Board Correspondence: Kyria Martinez stated that the Board received a Memorandum of Understanding from California Mutual Aid Region (MAR) for Mass Care and Shelter Supplies on April 28, 2023, and the Board received a Kettleman Hills Facility 8<sup>th</sup> annual Information meeting notice for May 9, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.**
- ◆ **Upcoming Events: Kyria Martinez stated Southern California Edison will be hosting a free Business Education S.T.A.R. Workshop via zoom on May 4, 2023 from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on how to network, start, build and scale for success. For more information you can contact the Tulare Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. P.A.T.Y Studio will host their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Cinco de Mayo Festival in downtown Hanford on 7<sup>th</sup> Street from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. there will be a free dance workshop, performances and social dancing, a free kid zone and food vendors. 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. Avenal will be hosting a weekend of “Old Timer’s Events” on Friday, May 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Vet’s hall with a Spaghetti Dinner. On Saturday, May 6, 2023, Avenal will be hosting a Old Timers Day breakfast buffet at the Veteran’s Hall starting at 7:30 a.m. and after there will be a parade line up at AES at 9:00 a.m. and park activities to follow at 11:00 a.m.. At 5:00 p.m. at the Vet’s Hall there will be the Avenal Old Timer’s Day Annual All Class Reunion dinner at a price of \$50 per person. On Sunday, May 7, 2023 there will be Tours of Discovery Well and Tar Canyon. Meet at Vet’s Hall at 1:00 p.m. the Kings County Sheriff’s Office will be hosting the Peace Officers’ Memorial Ceremony to honor our fallen law enforcement heroes on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Government Center Courtyard. Lastly the Central Valley Blood Bank will have their buses on campus for our employee blood drive on Thursday, May 18, 2023 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**



- ◆ Information on Future Agenda Items: **Kyria Martinez stated that the following items would be on a future agenda: Assessor- Clerk/Recorder- vehicle purchase, Community Development Agency - -Memorandum of Understanding with Kings County Association of Governments for REAP Program Funding for the 2024-2032 Housing Element Update, Agreement between Kings County and the Cities of Avenal, Corcoran, Hanford, and Lemoore for the Multijurisdictional 2024-2032 Housing Element Update, and Agreement for Services with Realty Planners Group, Inc. to Prepare the Multijurisdictional 2024-2032 Housing Element Update; District Attorney - continued participation in grant programs, advance step hire of a Deputy District Attorney III at salary range 265.5, Step 5; Human Services Agency - First Amendment Agreement with Kings Community Action Organization For Home Visiting Program Services; Public Health Department - Immunization Local Assistance Grant, Agreement with Heluna Health Epidemiology; Public Works Department – Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Senate Bill 1 Project List, Non-Routine Hazardous Encroachment of the Public Right of Way, Kettleman City Pedestrian Bridge project, and Installation of a Multi-Way (All Way) stop signs at the intersection of 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Idaho Avenue; Sheriff’s Office -purchase of Human Services Vehicles, Resolution with the California Department of Parks and Recreation.**

**VII. CLOSED SESSION**

- ◆ **Conference with Labor Negotiator/Meet and Confer: [Govt. Code Section 54957.6] Negotiators: Kyria Martinez, Carolyn Leist, Che Johnson of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore**
  - General Unit - CLOCEA
  - Supervisor’s Unit - CLOCEA
  - Blue Collar - SEIU
  - Detention Deputy’s Association
  - Firefighter’s Association
  - Deputy Sheriff’s Association
  - Probation Officer’s Association
  - Prosecutor’s Association
  - Unrepresented Management

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**The Regular Meeting for May 9, 2023 has been canceled due to Kings County Employee Appreciation Event.**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

<b>FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS</b>		
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
May 24, 25, 26	9:00 AM	Board of Equalization – Leprino Foods Company Hearing
May 29	-	Regular Meeting Canceled due to Memorial Day Holiday on May 28
June 6	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

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