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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board

Board of Supervisors

Regular Meeting Action Summary

Date: Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: MULTI PURPOSE ROOM, Administration Building 1, 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 Tim Brown – First Presbyterian Church - Hanford

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: JOE NEVES, DOUG VERBOON, RUSTY ROBINSON, RICHARD FAGUNDES

MEMBERS ABSENT: RICHARD VALLE



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.

Danny Garcia, Kings County resident stated his concerns about the low-income development being built near his home on Kings Road and the traffic increases due to the project.

Natalie Brinson, Kings County Parks, and Grounds Superintendent stated that she has completed her first year at Kings County and gave an overview of the projects the team has accomplished in the County Parks and on County Government Center grounds.

Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors introduced Francesca Lizaola, Deputy Clerk of the Board who has worked for the County for 20 years serving in the Child Support Services Department and Administration Office/Risk Division before starting in the Board of Supervisors office on November 13, 2023.

Francesca Lizaola, Deputy Clerk of the Board thanked the Board for the opportunity to join the team and looks forward to the future with the department.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for November 7, 2023.

REPORT OUT: Rise Donlon, Assistant County Counsel stated that the Board took no reportable action in closed session at their November 7, 2023 meeting.

B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for November 7, 2023.

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

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. County Counsel:

1. Consider approving the Conflict of Interest Code Amendment for the South Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency as submitted.
2. Consider appointing Craig Andrew, Jim Wilson, and Ajay Malik to four-year terms as Trustees of the Tulare Lake Reclamation District No. 761 in lieu of election, to qualify, take office and serve exactly as if elected at a general district election.

B. Probation Department:

1. a. Consider approving the purchase of 56 Endurance Lockers and 56 Endurance Nightstands for each youth to store personal belongings from CORTECH Company;
- b. Approve the purchase of 15 institutional chairs and three sofa seats from MODUFORM to create recreational, educational, treatment, visitation and family engagement space within the facility;
- c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

C. Public Works Department:

1. Consider approving the notice of Award for the construction contract to Agee Construction Corporation to begin the construction contract award process.

D. Sheriff's Office:

1. a. Consider authorizing the Sheriff's Office to allow the Deputy Sheriffs' Association to purchase the service handgun for Commander Mark Bevens;
- b. Approve the purchase of a Glock handgun as replacement;
- c. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

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



V.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Child Support Services – Marie Waite/Kim Eggert

1. Consider approving the Plan of Cooperation with Hanford Community Hospital Adventist Health Hanford to establish paternity retroactively effective from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025. **[AGMT 23-200]**

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

B. District Attorney's Office – Sarah Hacker

1. Consider authorizing the advanced step hire of Gabriela Rivera as a District Attorney Investigator II at Salary Range 233.5, Step 5 retroactively effective from November 13, 2023 Pay Period 24-2023.

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

C. Public Health Department – Rose Mary Rahn/Heather Silva

1. a. Consider approving the Child Health and Disability Prevention Program Plan and Budget retroactively effective from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; **[AGMT 23-201]**
b. Adopt the budget change. **(4/5 vote required)**

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (RF, JN, RR, DV-Aye, 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 Robinson stated that he attended the California State Association of Counties annual conference, attended a meeting with the Director of the Job Training Office, helped hand out turkeys in Corcoran for Operation Gobble and attended a Kings County Homelessness Collaborative meeting,

Supervisor Fagundes stated that he attended the Kings Community Action Organization meeting, attended the Kings Commission on Aging Council meeting and attended the Westside Distinguished Citizen luncheon honoring Joe and Kathy Neves hosted by the Sequoia Council Boy Scouts of America at Harris Ranch.

Supervisor Neves stated that he attended the Housing Authority of Kings County meeting, attended the Lemoore High School basketball and West Hills College volleyball game, attended the Tachi Palace 40th anniversary dinner and comedy show, attended the Veteran's Day event at the Hanford Cemetery Memorial Tank, attended the Veteran's Day event and car show at Hanford Civic Park, announced at the American Legion Post 100 Veteran's Day parade, announced at the Lemoore High School basketball games, attended the City/County Coordinating meeting, attended the South Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability meeting, attended the Lemoore High School game, attended the Friends of Tulare Basin meeting, started his 41st Santa season with the Soroptimist Festival of Trees event at Kings Fair Grounds where there were over 800 people in attendance and was honored to be chosen as the Westside Distinguished Citizen along with wife Kathy and attended the luncheon hosted by the Sequoia Council Boy Scouts of America at Harris Ranch.

Supervisor Verboon stated that he attended the California State Water Board public workshop on the Tulare Lake groundwater subbasin held at the Hanford Civic Auditorium, attended the California State Association of Counties annual conference, and participated online in the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority-Amtrak meeting.



- ◆ **Board Correspondence:** Kyria Martinez stated that the Board received correspondence from the State of California Department of Transportation dated October 16, 2023 regarding an Environmental Disclosure Memo. The Board received correspondence from Kings County 4-H Sponsoring Committee dated October 30, 2023 regarding supporting the Kings County 4-H program. The Board received correspondence on November 14, 2023 from the National Fire Protection Association regarding a Wildfire Mitigation Survey. The Board received correspondence from the Department of Transportation dated November 14, 2023 regarding a Notice of Intention to Relinquish pertaining to Relinquishment No. 89641.
- ◆ **Upcoming Events:** Kyria Martinez stated the Salvation Army will host its Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon at the Hanford Corps Community Center located at 380 E. Ivy Street in Hanford on Thursday, November 23, 2023 from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Friday, December 1, 2023 from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. West Hills College in Lemoore will have a ground breaking for the Visual Arts and Applied Sciences building. Attendees can park near Golden Eagle Arena in parking lot A. Registration for the event can be done online with West Hills College Lemoore. Adventist Health will be doing their Light Up a Life Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. wherein the purchase of memorial ornaments of loved ones that have passed can be purchased to support the Hospice Patience Assistance Fund which helps patients and their families during a difficult time. Memorial ornaments can be purchased by December 4, 2023. Kings County Child Support Services is organizing their Slipper Sock Drive and collecting slipper socks to donate to senior citizens in Kings County. Donations can be dropped off until December 14, 2023 at Child Support Services, Job Training Office, or Kings Community Action Organization.
- ◆ **Information on Future Agenda Items:** Kyria Martinez stated that the following items would be on a future agenda: Administration - Kings County Office of Education regarding the Annual Williams Report on Kings County Schools, Defense of the Accused Contract approval, Health Insurance Premium Holidays, Study Session Workforce Recruitment and Retention, and Purchase of Avenal Courthouse; Assessor/Clerk-Recorder -Memorandum of Understanding with Secure for an Electronic Recording and Delivery System; Behavioral Health Department - Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission Grant Agreement Amendment; Fire Department - Acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2023 Emergency Management Performance Grant, and Acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2023 Homeland and Security Grant Program; Public Health Department - World Aids Day Proclamation and Advanced Step Hire; Human Resources Department - Tripepi Smith Talent Solutions Countywide Recruitment Contract; Human Services Agency - Plexus Global Amendment; Public Works Department - Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Avenal for Avenal Cutoff Roadway Improvements Design and Surplus Vehicles Declaration.



VII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Multi Purpose Room, entrance is located across the hall from Board Chambers.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

November 28	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
December 5	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
December 12	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
December 12	2:00 PM	Board of Equalization Regular Meeting
December 19	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.