

Mark Medina District No. 1 Chair

Anthony Botelho Peter Hernandez District No. 3 District No. 2

Jim Gillio District No. 4 Jaime De La Cruz District No. 5 Vice-Chair

County Administration Building - Board of Supervisors Chambers, 481 Fourth Street, Hollister, California

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES April 16, 2019 9:00 AM

Mission Statement

The County Board of Supervisors will recognize the public trust it holds, will on all occasions conduct business with honesty, integrity, and respect for the individual, and will hold the organization of County government to that same standard.

The San Benito County Board of Supervisors welcomes you to this meeting and encourages your participation.

 If you wish to speak on an item contained in the agenda please complete a Speaker Card identifying the item(s) and provide it to the Clerk of the Board prior to consideration of the item.

Each individual speaker will be limited to a presentation total of (3) minutes unless otherwise permitted by the Board Chair.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Mark Medina. Those present were Supervisors Anthony Botelho, Jim Gillio, Peter Hernandez and Jaime De La Cruz, as well as County Counsel Barbara Thompson, County Administrative Officer Ray Espinosa and Clerk of the Board Janet Slibsager.

Pledge of Allegiance a.

Pledge of Allegiance to be led by Supervisor Peter Hernandez, District #3.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Peter Hernandez.

Acknowledge Certificate of Posting

Certificate of Posting.

MOTION:

Motion To Acknowledge the
Certificate of Posting:

Made by Vice
by Supervisor

Made by <u>Vice-Chair Jaime De La Cruz</u> and seconded by <u>Supervisor Jim Gillio</u>

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For (5): Against (0):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

c. Presentations and Recognitions

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Approve Proclamation declaring the month of April 2019 as Arts, Culture and Creativity Month in San Benito.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 430

Supervisor Jim Gillio presented the Proclamation to Jennifer Laine and Sal Duran from the San Benito County Arts Council.

Jennifer Laine thanked the Board for the Proclamation and their support for Arts Activity Month in San Benito County.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Approve Proclamation declaring the week of April 23rd - 29th, 2019, as San Benito Dance Week.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 430

Supervisor Peter Hernandez presented Proclamation to Sammy's Dance Studio for San Benito County Dance Week.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - (10:00 a.m.)

Receive presentation from Assemblyman Robert Rivas.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 156

Assemblyman Robert Rivas said that he would like to begin with recognizing one of our own. He presented a Resolution to former Treasurer/Tax Collector Mary Lou Andrade on behalf of the State of California Assembly, as Treasurer/Tax Collector for San Benito County for 28 years.

Mary Lou said that it was a privilege and an honor to serve and thanked Mr. Rivas for the nice gift.

Assemblyman Rivas thanked Supervisor Botelho for his service and said that his retirement is going to be a huge loss, not just for the County but the Community.

Assemblyman Rivas said that it was good to be home and was thankful for his time serving as a Supervisor. Said that he feels that is has helped him be a better legislator in Sacramento at the State Capital. He said that he was proud to represent Assembly District 30 and being a life long citizen of San Benito County.

He provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following: Governor's Budget: Proposes to build up budget reserves and pay down debt-while increasing funding for housing, education and

health and human services; Budget Details: Maintaining Reserves & Managing Debt; CA's Housing Crisis; Education Investments; Health and Human Services; Transportation and Infrastructure; Governor's Priorities: Housing, Clean Drinking Water (Rural CA), Early Childhood Education, Healthcare; Assemblyman Robert Rivas' Priority Bills: AB 1783 - Farm Worker Housing Act; AB 417 - Rural Prosperity Act; AB 1255 - Local Housing Opportunities; AB 1267 - Teen Driving Safety Act -GDL; AB 1623 - Golden State Teacher Grants; Constituent Services - District Office staff can assist local residents in the following ways: Department of Motor Vehicles, Consumer Complaints, State Taxes, Unemployment/Disability Insurance, Veteran's Benefits, Foreclosure prevention programs, Professional conduct or Licensing Complaints, Medi-Cal/Covered California; Constituent Services - District Office staff can also held direct you to other community resources: Housing/Utilities, Family/Community Support, Food/Meals, Legal/Consumer/Public Safety, Health Care, Income Support/Assistance, Clothing/Personal/Household, Mental Health/Addictions, Employment; Constituent Services - How can Capitol Office staff help you? He introduced Amy Macinroy from their District Office. He asked the Board if they had any questions.

Supervisor Jim Gillio thanked Mr. Rivas and his team for their support. He also thanked him for his dedication to our Community and County.

d. Public Comment

Opportunity to address the Board on items of interest not appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken unless provided by Govt. Code Section 54954.2.

Robin Pollard, R.E.A.C.H. Parks Foundation, spoke about taking a walk with the Parks & Recreation Commissioners around the Parks in San Benito County, she said that they had a wonderful time. She spoke about there being no drinkable water at Vet's Park and the Historical Park.

Ruth Erickson, Friends of the Library, asked for the Board to send a letter of support for Assembly Bill ACA1, amended to read: a committee or either house may hear or act on a bill if the house dispenses with this requirement by roll call vote, 3/4 membership concurring and allowing a committee to hear or act on a bill if it has been in print and published for at least 15 days, so that they can work on getting a new library.

Tami Aviles, Coalition for a New Community Library and Resource Center, spoke of their vision to build a state of the art facility which will house the Library, etc. She also spoke about ACA1 hoping that the Board could do a letter of support. She asked the Board and public to check them out on their website at: sbcnewlibrary.org.

e. Department Head Announcements: Information Only

CAO Ray Espinosa announced that there will be a special board meeting on April 23rd at 9:00 a.m. for our budget. He also announced that we are pulling consent agenda Item #14 and #15 from the agenda and they will be coming to the Board at a later date.

f. Board Announcements: Information Only

Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz reported that the ad hoc committee for the sports complex met, invited coaches and members of the public, it was very positive and hope to report back to the Board in a month or two. He reported on Friday he attended the 100th Anniversary of the San

Benito County Free Library, great event. He reported that he attended the Walk a Mile in her shoes on Saturday with Supervisor Hernandez, City Council Member Roland and Major Velazquez, it was a well attended event.

Supervisor Peter Hernandez reported that he met with Agricultural Commissioner Karen Overstreet to get an understanding of Hemp. Spoke on the meeting the ad hoc committee had with the coaches and public on the sports complex project. Reported that he attended the 100th Anniversary for the Library and Walk a Mile in Her Shoes on Saturday.

Supervisor Jim Gillio reported that he attended the Emergency Medical Committee meeting for ambulance service in our county; attended San Benito County Fire Council Fire Preparedness meeting at Hollister Hills; ACI letter of interest and support available on a portal; attended Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event; spoke about the 100th Anniversary of the Library and Assemblyman Robert Rivas speech on lobbying your State Government; thanked our City partners for their support of Economic Development Program for the City and County and support of the Chamber of Commerce; spoke of Congressman Panetta's town hall meeting on Saturday in the Board Chambers and that they discussed San Justo Reservoir and reopening of clear creek; mentioned that Assemblyman Robert Rivas had an open house in Salinas; attended the studio art tour.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho provided a progress report on the Hwy 101 commercial nodes. He said it was a very good meeting and was satisfied where we are today. He thanked the Road Department for their response to a problem in the Aromas area. Thanked the coalition for a new library spent quite a bit of time with them sharing thoughts. He announced that he would not be running for re-election in 2020.

Chairman Mark Medina commended Supervisor De La Cruz and City of Hollister Major Velazquez for talking about San Justo Reservoir with Congressman Panetta. He said that we are going to put together a game plan to see what we can do and hope to have an update on the May 21st agenda. He spoke about a letter that he received from a Kern County Supervisor in regards to a letter they put together to send to the State of California about abandoning the High Speed Rail. He said that he would like to explore what they did and agendize for the May 7th or May 21st meeting about putting a letter together also.

Supervisor Peter Hernandez reported that he attended the Intergovernmental meeting. Spoke about Educational Growth Management Plan and a visit to the CSUB Tell Center the Technology Library at the CSUB campus to see what it looks like for our new Library and Resource Center.

Chairman Medina announced that at 12:00 noon they would be going into closed session for approximately an hour, hour and a half and would resume back to the remaining regular agenda items. He mentioned that we have our local Assemblyman Robert Rivas who will be giving an update when he arrives.

CONSENT AGENDA

These matters shall be considered as a whole and without discussion unless a particular item is removed from the Consent Agenda. Approval of a consent item means approval of the recommended action as specified on the Agenda Item Transmittal.

If any member of the public wishes to comment on a Consent Agenda Item, please fill out a speaker card, present it to the Clerk prior to consideration of the Consent Agenda and request the item be removed and considered separately.

MOTION:

Motion To approve Consent Agenda #1-#22, with the exception of Item #17 which was pulled by Supervisor Hernandez, Item #20 pulled by Supervisor Gillio, Item #21 pulled by Supervisor Hernandez and Supervisor Gillio recused himself from, Item #22 pulled by Supervisor Gillio:

Made by ViceChair Jaime De La
Cruz and seconded
by Supervisor Jim
Gillio

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For (5): Against (0):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

1. ASSESSOR'S OFFICE - T. SLAVICH

Approve the maintenance agreement with Megabyte Systems Inc. for the Megabyte Property Tax System at a cost not to exceed \$147,300.00 with a term from July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 7

2. ASSESSOR'S OFFICE - T. SLAVICH

Adopt Resolutions establishing Agricultural Preserves and approve the Land Conservation Act contracts for Peter D. Schroder, dba Brookhollow Ranch, L.P., and Karen K. Schroder (Karen K. Schroder Revocable Trust), and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Resolutions and LCA Contracts.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 7 RESOLUTION NO: 2019-34, RESOLUTION NO: 2019-34-1, RESOLUTION NO: 2019-34-2, RESOLUTION NO: 2019-35,

RESOLUTION NO: 2019-36

3. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH - A. YAMAMOTO

Authorize the leasing of six vehicles through the County's Enterprise Fleet Management Master Equity Lease Agreement.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 810

4. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Approve the appointment of Dora A. Sanchez to the Parks & Recreation Commission as a District #3 Representative for the period of April 16, 2019 through January 2023.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 156

5. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Approve Certificate of Recognition's for 2019 Certified and Classified Employees of the Year Recipients to be presented at a later date. SBC FILE NUMBER: 156

6. CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - J. SLIBSAGER

Approve the action minutes of the special meeting of March 12, 2019. SBC FILE NUMBER: 119

7. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE - R. ESPINOSA

Approve contract with KNN Public Finance, LLC for continuing disclosure

services obligations for certificates of participation for an amount not to exceed \$50,000, finding it to be in the public interest to sole source contract with KNN pursuant to section 5.09.010(A) of the San Benito County Code.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 119

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE - R. ESPINOSA

Adopt Resolution approving the San Benito County Arts Council to serve San Benito County as a state and local partner of the California Arts Council for 2018/2019 and 2019/2020.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 119 RESOLUTION NO: 2019-37

COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE - B. THOMPSON

Approve legal services agreement with Renne Public Law Group in the amount not to exceed \$100,000, plus costs, to provide legal representation in the matter of Rose et al. vs. County of San Benito.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 160

10. COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE - B. THOMPSON

Approve Amendment No. 1 to the legal services contract with Hooper, Lundy & Bookman, LLP for legal services in the litigation matters of San Benito County v. Disability Rights California, Superior Court of California, County of San Benito, Case No. ČU-19-00080 and Disability Rights California v. County of San Benito et.al., U.S. District Court, Northern District of California San Jose Division, Case No. 5:19-cv-01833 to modify the scope of services to include legal representation in State and Federal Court and to increase the total contract sum by an additional amount of \$175,000 for a new total amount of \$200,000. The costs of this contract will be paid for by the Behavioral Health Department and will not be a general fund expense. SBC FILE NUMBER: 160

11. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE - C. HOOPER

Approve acceptance of grant funds from CalOES in the amount of \$319,389.00 for the CalOES Victim Witness Assistance Program for FY18/19, with funds to be used for providing victims of crime with mandatory and optional services; approve the budget adjustment in the amount of \$28,940.00 (4/5 vote); and add a 1.0 FTE Victim Witness Advocate I/II (with a notation of Mass Casualty assignment) to schedule of authorized positions. SBC FILE NUMBER: 165

12. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY - T. BELTON, INTERIM

Approve the 2018-19 Children's Medical Services (CMS) Plan with the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and authorize the Board Chair and Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA) Interim Director to sign the Certification Statements and any subsequent amendments or other related documents.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 130

13. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY - T. BELTON, INTERIM

Approve and Authorize the Chair to Sign a Contract with California State

University, Fresno, Foundation - Central California Training Academy - Bay Area Academy for direct training, field based training and coaching to Social Workers Assigned to Child Welfare Services in the amount of \$71,530.56 for fiscal year 2019-2020.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 130

14. HUMAN RESOURCES - E. NOLASCO

Approve the re-appointment of Karen Overstreet as Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures, effective March 30, 2019 with the terms and conditions as described.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 630

This item was pulled from the agenda by the CAO Ray Espinosa.

15. HUMAN RESOURCES - E. NOLASCO

Adopt Resolution for Differential Policy for Special Assignments, delegate authority to the CAO to authorize differential pay not to exceed 10%, and amend the personnel rules.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 630 RESOLUTION NO: 2019-38

This item was pulled from the agenda by the CAO Ray Espinosa.

16. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES - K. O'NEILL

Approve procurement of equipment for two projects utilizing Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds not to exceed \$44,260.00.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 1068

17. PROBATION DEPARTMENT - J. FRONTELLA

Approve the hiring of 1 Full Time Employee (FTE) (with a split cost of .5 FTE through General Funds and .5 through Innovation Project dollars) as a part of the five (5) year Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Innovative Project Grant. SBC FILE NUMBER: 510

This item was pulled by Supervisor Peter Hernandez for more information as to what it is for.

Chief Probation Officer Joe Frontella provided information on the item.

Mental Health Director Alan Yamamoto provided additional information.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff.

MOTION:

Made by Supervisor Jim Gillio and seconded by recommendation:

Made by Supervisor Jim Gillio and seconded by Supervisor Anthony Botelho

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For (5): Against (0):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

18. **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

Approve a contract with EMC Planning Group for environmental review services for the preparation of the Initial Study for the Assisted Living Facility Project located at 3586 Airline Highway for the term of April 16, 2019 through June 30, 2020 in the amount not to exceed \$49,746.50. SBC FILE NUMBER: 790

19. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Approve an agreement for reimbursement by project applicants of County costs related to the proposed Assisted Living Facility Project located at 3586 Airline Highway (County Planning file PLN180004).

SBC FILE NUMBER: 790

20. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Approve Amendment to Contract No. 1 with Lewis Engineering for Survey and Analysis services to monitor disposal capacity at the John Smith Landfill to exceed amount an compensation in additional services and extend the term for additional scope of \$46,435.00 expiration from December 31, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 75.4

Supervisor Jim Gillio pulled this item to highlight the capacity of the landfill and how much space is available. He said that the ad hoc committee suggested increasing the amount of monitoring to quarterly per the contract and state regulations.

CAO Ray Espinosa said that we want to keep a close eye on how much landfill use has been escalating. He said that there has been some concern about the height increasing and we want to make sure that is monitored per regulations.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff in regards to current contract and monitoring.

Kathleen Gallagher of Recology provided additional information to the contract and out of county tons.

Board had questions for Ms. Gallagher in regards to contract and out of county tons.

Made by Supervisor Jim Gillio and seconded by MOTION: Motion To approve per staff Supervisor Anthony Botelho recommendation:

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Against (0): For (5):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

21. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Approve a contract with EMC Planning Group for the preparation of environmental impact review documents for the Ridgemark Golf Course Master Plan and Tentative Subdivision Map for the term of April 16, 2019 through June 30, 2020 in the amount not to exceed \$292,435.00. SBC FILE NUMBER: 790

This item was pulled by Supervisor Peter Hernandez.

Supervisor Jim Gillio recused himself.

Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz had a question if this was a new project.

Taven Kinison Brown from RMA provided information.

Made by Supervisor Anthony Botelho and seconded by MOTION: Motion To approve per staff Chairman Mark Medina recommendation:

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Against (0): For (4):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Hernandez, Medina

22. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Approve Contract Amendment No. 6 with Bengal Engineering for the Hospital Road Bridge Replacement Project ((Federal Project No. BRLKS-NBIL(501)) to add additional services, increase compensation in an amount not to exceed \$158,837.00 and to extend the term from June 30, 2019 to June 30, 2021.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 105

Supervisor Jim Gillio pulled this item with a question on an estimated time when work should start on Hospital Road Bridge project.

Scott Lines from RMA replied within the next year and provided the process they need to go through.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff.

MOTION:

Made by Supervisor Jim Gillio and seconded by Motion To approve per staff Supervisor Anthony Botelho recommendation:

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Against (0): For (5):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

PUBLIC HEARING

23. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Hold a Public Hearing; Adopt Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the annexation of Meadow at Gardenia Lane (Klauer) Subdivision into existing CSA No. 24 (Santa Ana Acres).

SBC FILE NUMBER: CSA #24 RESOLUTION NO: 2019-39

Chairman Mark Medina mentioned for the record that we are not creating a new CSA, this is an existing CSA.

Taven Kinison Brown with the RMA Planning Department provided information to the project.

No public comment.

MOTION:

Motion To approve per staff recommendation:

Made by Supervisor Anthony Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Peter Hernandez

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For (5):

Against (0):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

24. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Hold a Public Hearing; Adopt an Ordinance to approve the First Amendment to the San Juan Oaks Development Agreement. County File Number PLN190013. OWNER / APPLICANT: San Juan Oaks LLC/Scott Fuller.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 790 ORDINANCE NO: 981

Taven Kinison Brown from RMA provided information on the San Juan Oaks Development Agreement and project. Provided the following information: Background history; present proposal by applicant; environmental evaluation; recommendation; Planning Commission approved an ordinance; Board of Supervisor recommendation; Questions.

Applicant Scott Fuller, San Juan Oaks, provided additional information to the project. In March of 2029 regardless of the development agreement being in force the impact fees would be over, then we would pay whatever the fee is. He said that part of the agreement will include a 2 acre site for a public safety facility along with a Hotel and other project benefits. He said there are a list of people who are interested in the project and a lot of support from residents in San Benito County. He recommends approval of this project.

Supervisor Jim Gillio said that he loves the project, we need active senior housing. He thanked County staff and Mr. Fuller for this project. Spoke about impact fees and public safety site.

Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz had a question about the market rate homes for Mr. Fuller. He said that he supports this project.

Mr. Fuller provided information.

Jerry Thome, Hollister resident, spoke as to how we need this project and that this is what we want for our retirement home. He said that this is a win win project for all of us. He urged the Board to let this go through because it is needed.

Karon Klauer, Hollister resident of District 1, said that he likes this project. Spoke about locked impact fees, financial analysis, benefit fee, community facilities district amount and nexus study.

Pat Loe, Hollister resident, spoke about the development agreement and how she has concerns about how this item does not explain to the public as to what they are agreeing to on impact fees. She said that this item is not transparent. Spoke about Measure G and adopting an Ordinance how impact fees will be replaced if you waive them and how you will replace these fees with this agreement.

Chairman Mark Medina said that this is a great senior project.

Chairman Peter Hernandez said this is an exciting project and has a lot of value. Was concerned about waving impact fees.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho said that we need this in our Community. Spoke about impact fees and on going revenue.

Supervisor Jim Gillio spoke of CFD associated with the project. Said that we need to look at the fee for the future; impact fee for senior housing and a resolution to allocate these funds.

MOTION:

Motion To Adopt Ordinance No. 981, to approve the First Amendment to the San Juan Oaks Development Agreement and authorize the CAO to execute the first amendment to the development agreement per section 2.6A6 and lock period should not be modified by the first amendment development agreement,:

Made by Supervisor Jim Gillio and seconded by Supervisor **Anthony Botelho**

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Against (0): For (5):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

REGULAR AGENDA

For each regular agenda item, the following schedule shall occur:

- b) Public opportunity to address the Board on a particular agenda item. Please a) Staff report. fill out a speaker card and present it to the Clerk prior to consideration of the
- c) Consideration by the Board.

25. AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER - K. OVERSTREET

Provide an update on the current status of the industrial hemp registration regulations. Review proposed amendments to the California Food and Agriculture Code as it pertains to industrial hemp, Senate Bill 153. Review the requirements for an approved state plan as defined in the 2018 Farm Bill. SBC FILE NUMBER: 1.1

Agricultural Commissioner Karen Overstreet provided an update on regulatory status of Industrial Hemp; Federal Standards and SB 153, as amended, Wilk. Industrial hemp; Registration Reporting; Testing; Added Sections; Additional Farm Bill Requirements; Submittal of a State Plan; April 22nd hearing; Questions.

Lengthy discussion ensued by Board and staff.

The consensus of the Board was to work on an Ordinance.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho mentioned that he was going to step down from the ad hoc committee.

Chairman Mark Medina appointed Supervisor De La Cruz to the ad hoc committee for Hemp along with Supervisor Mark Medina to work on bringing back an ordinance.

Public Comment:

Victor Gomez, Central Coast Hemp Company, said that he was thankful for Karen's presentation and looks like we may miss 2019 season which is no ones fault. He said he appreciated Supervisor Hernandez visiting their cultivation. He said that this will give the Board more time to work on the Ordinance.

Elia Salinas said lets not forget that the Right to Farm is very important. She said I don't think we need an Ordinance if we have state regulations that you must follow. She said that you need to make sure you don't confuse hemp with cannabis because they are different.

Supervisor Jim Gillio said that timing is important that we don't drag this on.

26. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Receive presentation from the San Benito County Arts Council about Arts, Culture & Creativity Month. SBC FILE NUMBER: 156

Jennifer Laine, Executive Director, for the San Benito County Arts Council provided a PowerPoint Presentation about Arts, Culture & Creativity Month which included: San Benito County Arts Council Programs; Initiatives; 1st Nonprofit to earn Green Business Certification; Arts Express; Grant Program; Arts in Education Program; Activate Dunne Park project; New: San Benito Dance Week; New: Arts, Culture & Creativity Month; Data: Creative Economy; Direct Services; Creative Industries; In Direct; Graff on Arts & Culture; Americans Value the Arts; Additional Benefits; Taking our local message to Sacramento and meeting with Assemblyman Rivas and Senator Anna Cabellero to advocate for public funding for arts.

This was a report only.

Chairman Mark Medina stated that we are going to hear two more items: the Grand Jury and the Supervisors Item and then we will be taking our lunch, because he doesn't want anyone that has been sitting here for so long to leave.

Supervisor Peter Hernandez mentioned that you want to go through these items but I don't think they are going to only take 10 minutes.

Chairman Medina replied they are not, but we have had people sitting out there patiently for three hours.

Supervisor Hernandez said I appreciate that but we have staff that should be taking a lunch within a certain amount of time.

Chairman Medina said we will bring up the Grand Jury.

Supervisor Hernandez stated that he was taking his lunch and Supervisor De La Cruz stated that he was also.

Supervisor Hernandez and De La Cruz left the room at 12:00 noon.

27. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE - R. ESPINOSA

Discuss the Grand Jury Ordinance and provide direction to staff regarding Grand Juror compensation. SBC FILE NUMBER: 605

CAO Ray Espinosa provided information as to why this item had been brought to the Board for review. He highlighted where we stand with the Grand Jury and some history and some comparisons with other Counties for Grand Jury compensation. Highlighted what their budget was for the following years: 2015 - \$19,500, 2016 - \$20,500, 2017 - \$21,000, 2018 - \$22,200, 2019 - \$22,000. He also spoke of the budget process.

County Counsel Barbara Thompson provided information on the legality perspective. She gave a brief overview at the time the Ordinance was adopted. She said if the Board wishes to increase the compensation it needs to be done by an Ordinance, which at that time they can put a cap on meetings, etc.

Supervisor Jim Gillio said that he would like to ask the audience if they would like to have the full Board present to hear this since they have been sitting here for a long time. Also clarity of any labor laws.

The audience agreed to continue and County Counsel stated that there is not any violation of any labor laws.

Public Comment:

Bob Marden, Hollister resident and a foreperson of the Grand Jury in 2014-2015, Commented on the CAO's presentation not being accurate. Spoke of Penal Code Section 890 and other laws and ordinance for compensation of Grand Jurors.

Supervisor Jim Gillio had a question for Mr. Marden. Said that he appreciates the history and the Grand Jury's frustration and that he supports the Grand Jury. He asked how we can move forward. He spoke about reviewing the budget, accountability, quarterly reports from the Grand Jury, etc.

Mr. Marden replied with what the Grand Juror's process currently is. He said that he suggested that he talk to Judge Sanders about the Ordinance and how it costs the Superior Court to subpoena.

Ann Ross, previous Grand Jury member, spoke in regards to the benitolink article that came out which gives an overview. She spoke about the Board educating themselves and about the Grand Jury report in 2015 and how she did not get a response to it, and she was the foreperson. She said another point of education to the Board is hands off, all you are supposed to do is give us the money and that is it. You don't get to say anything else as to how we meet, when we meet, you think you do. You act like you have authority over this but you don't, you have limited authority. It is a State Funded mandate that we get it done. We need to have 19 members and they get paid money to meet. She said that this budget it a joke and the Board has no idea how the Grand Jury works. She said that she asks that the Board educate themselves on this civil Grand Jury matter, mandates of the State and that you really don't have any say in what we are doing.

Bill Healy, former Grand Jury member, spoke of how the Board does not have an understanding of what we do. Spoke about what they get for meetings and mileage. He said we are the check in

balance in this County.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho provided a comment that the Board has never tried to control the topics or control their meetings. He said that the point is the budget. He said ever department has to go through the budget process. We approve a budget and you have to stay within those means. He said in 2014 we had a Grand Jury running a muck, spending more money than what was budgeted, and coming back at the end with here is our bill. He said I am with Supervisor Gillio, it is time that we look forward. He spoke about trying to make it better.

Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz returned at 12:08 p.m.

Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz stated that no way do we hinder your process or continue to. Our job is to manage all of the departments the same. He said we are not trying to do your job.

Supervisor Peter Hernandez returned at 12:31 p.m.

Supervisor Peter Hernandez said that he appreciates the Grand Jury's function for the County. He spoke of check and balances and how it is hard to fund a budget when they do not know what they do.

Chairman Mark Medina said that he would like to put an ad hoc committee together for the Grand Jury consisting of himself and Supervisor Gillio and will bring back at the next meeting.

Chairman Medina said that we are going to break for lunch and will be back in an hour.

County Counsel Barbara Thompson read the closed session items into the record.

The Board adjourned to Lunch/Closed session at 12:40 p.m.

28. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Discussion regarding Board of Supervisors working part time to full time. SBC FILE NUMBER: 156

Supervisor Jim Gillio spoke about this position becoming more of a professional position 9:00 to 5:00 so that you can get a hold of the Supervisors. He said some of us are lucky and are flexible and there are other's that work elsewhere so it is hard. He said I have spoke with the CAO about maybe having Supervisors stationed at different departments where they have open calendars. He said that I would like to have this conversation with fellow Board members and the public. He said I want to make it a priority to represent us in Sacramento and Washington D.C., we need that support. He mentioned how he was very sorry for what happened today that is not a reflection as to how I want to work with my peers. We need to be as professional as we can here in the group.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho said I have some regret as what took place earlier. He said that we need to maintain professionalism. He said that this job is not for everyone, he does not believe it is for someone who is gainfully employed or for someone who owns a business. He said it takes a tremendous amount of time. He said to give100% effort it takes time. He said since he has been on the Board the County has changed tremendously, the demands are increasing. He said that he hopes there is a high volume of expertise that comes on to this Board.

Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz said that he has served 15 years and is very fortunate that he has a boss that allows him to do what he needs to as a Board of Supervisor.

Supervisor Peter Hernandez said that he is a little confused even with Supervisor Gillio's comments. He said that he feels it is about setting expectations. We are talking about professionalism and how we need to set proper expectations and that we do not rescind on after the fact. He said I believe in being professional I run a business. He said I didn't run thinking that this was a part time job. He said is it about a job or public service, I was born and raised here and do no take this job lightly. He said if we are talking about being full time, I'm confused because I thought that this was a service to the public.

Chairman Mark Medina said that he has been here a little over two years and puts a lot of time and effort in what he is doing. He said that it is a full time job and does take a lot out of you. That the main focus is the County and I want to give 110% all of the time. He said we are looking at this as being able to be around during the day time, having office hours where people can actually call you and you can respond in a timely matter. He said when we look at this I do not want this to be a career. I would like to look at possible term limits, 3 terms, and we find someone else to fill that position. He said is it best for the County to go from part time to full time.

Public Comment:

Courtney Evans, Kamal Yoga Studio, commended the efforts of each Board member. She said there is no process for us to hold our elected officials accountable. I request that the Board establish a standard of conduct for goals and responsibilities. I expect that there should be a process to hold our elected officials accountable and should be held at the highest standard of conduct. She said that the Board has an obligation to the citizens and you need to educate yourself on history, struggles, etc. She said that she recently requested the public calendar from County Supervisor Hernandez and a City Council Official and the response was unexceptionable. I request you keep records and documentation, minutes, etc. of what you are doing at the time you are in the community. She said that there needs to be a paper trail for we the people who hold you accountable.

Kathy Postigo, San Benito County Employee, spoke about the Board going full time and if you go full time you need to get rid of the job you currently have. She said that any change in salary should not be done until after County Employees do their negotiations. She spoke about how we have CSAC that we pay to represent our County in Sacramento, etc.

Scott Fuller, San Juan Oaks, spoke of being being staff of Santa Clara County Supervisor in the past and the issues are similar. He said that he was in favor of the position converting to full time there are things to work out. I don't think it should exclude someone who has their own business because a business owner has a lot of flexibility. I think it is time that San Benito County has full time Supervisors and be compensated as full time professionals.

Victor Gomez, thanked the Board for their dedication and service. He said that there is two issues; going full time and salary issues. He suggested maybe using the model of the City of San Jose as they selected a salary setting commission who was responsible for making recommendations to the city council on salaries. He said that he is 100% going to full time and think it is good for our community. He also spoke of term limits not being a bad thing.

Elia Salinas, thanked the Board for their time and service. Said that you all should be compensated for your time and how you do not get enough respect for what you do. She said that this position should be a full time position.

Suzy Caston, SEIU representative and County Employee, said that she does not disagree that the Board should be a full time position, but does not want this to be a compensation issue. She said

that we truly appreciate what you do and the support you give us. Hopes that you do decide to set up an independent committee to oversee this process as it is a big step and you want it done right. She hopes that they will include someone from the labor committee to participate.

Christina Chavez, SEIU member and County Employee, said that she is not against the Board going full time. Shared her concern about county employees being under paid. Urges the Board to go through the same process they had to go through to determine their salary.

Richard Bettencourt said that he does not understand how you can do the job you do. He said it is a full time job and appreciates all that they do.

Supervisor Jim Gillio said that he does not think he would be comfortable with moving forward with term limits, should go to the vote of the people.

Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz said that the members of the public had some good points which we should include.

Chairman Mark Medina said that he agrees with coming up with a standard of conduct. If this goes to a full time job then no one else can carry a full time job. Spoke of a public calendar and setting up a detailed policy and procedures for the Board and add to our compensation study and to select a commission to review.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho said that he thinks it needs to start with a compensation study which would cover all positions in the County and a commission to look in to our salaries.

Supervisor Peter Hernandez said that his recommendation would be to balance a budget and have a reserve; work on roads, etc. He said we need results, it is not about the money it is about making changes to to he community. He said that I would be o.k. with not getting paid if we don't deliver. I want some solid results for the public.

Chairman Medina asked what the direction of the Board.

CAO Ray Espinosa had a question about timing. He wanted to understand what the Board's expectations are.

Chairman Medina said it sound like we want the following: 1) a salary compensation study; 2) Stakeholders; 3) Standards of Conduct; 4) Term Limits.

Chairman Medina thanked everyone for sticking around.

29. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Receive Integrated Waste Management /Regional Agency Update. SBC FILE NUMBER: 142

Integrated Waste and Regional Manager Kathleen Gallagher provided an update and a brief overview and accomplishments of contract for Integrated Waste Management. PowerPoint presentation covered: County is lead agency for Integrated Waste Management Regional Agency; Mandates; County IWM Requirements; New mandates: Increasing responsibility; Additional: Manage Landfill/County IWM; IWM Top Priorities; Recent accomplishments; Benefits of Green Business; Certified San Benito Businesses; Earth Day Celebration - April 20, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at Vet's Memorial Park Free Compost Giveaway; free paper shredding and free e-waste collection.

She spoke about the poster contest which they had over 110 entries and how Supervisor Medina will be judging them on Saturday. The winners will have their poster on one of the Waste Connection trucks.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho said it was a very good report and had a question on diversion rates.

Ms. Gallagher provided information.

This was a report only.

30. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Adopt Resolution setting a public hearing for June 11, 2019 and approving issuance of a Proposition 218 Notice for adopting the proposed maximum allowable solid waste collection rates with Recology San Benito County, effective July 1, 2019.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 142 RESOLUTION NO: 2019-40

Kevin McCarthy, contract staff with Integrated Waste Management Regional Agency, provided information on consideration of Prop 218 Notice for rates with Recology San Benito County. The Resolution is for setting a public hearing for adopting the proposed maximum allowable solid waste collection rates with Recology that go in to effect on July 1, 2019. He said the protests received have to be 50% plus 1 of all the property owners which would be 2,581 protests.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff.

MOTION:

Motion To Adopt Resolution No. 2019-40 setting a public hearing for June 11, 2019 and approving issuance of a Proposition 218 Notice per staff recommendation:

Made by <u>Supervisor Anthony</u>
<u>Botelho</u> and seconded by
<u>Chairman Mark Medina</u>

5 - 0

For (5):

Against (0):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

31. COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE - B. THOMPSON

Receive update on Regional Conservation Investment Strategy program. Provide direction to staff as desired. Potentially approve a letter recommending a boundary and/or text change, and/or requesting exclusion from the RCIS program.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 160

Supervisor Anthony Botelho provided information on how last years Board had a response letter expressing concerns about a conservation program being extended in to our County by a Santa Clara County authority that we have no representation on and lack of not knowing what the financial impact would be for our County. He said we have not gotten any answers from the Open Space Authority or the Fish and Wildlife about being included in the area. He said that he is still behind the letter that they had last year to be excluded entirely from the RCIS program.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff about being excluded entirely or a portion of the map.

MOTION:

Motion To send letter to Santa Clara Space Authority thanking them for consideration, but would like to stay out of mapping area:

Made by Supervisor Anthony Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Peter Hernandez

5 - 0

For (5):

Against (0):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

32. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Discuss the Veteran's Park Restroom and provide direction to staff. SBC FILE NUMBER: 127

Deputy CAO Edgar Nolasco provided information on the visit to Vet's Memorial Park to look at the restrooms. He said that they were clean and sanitary. He provided a map of all of the nonprofits in the City that help operate our Vet's Park. He responded to the comment that the public had about no potable water out at the Park. He said that he reached out to RMA and their is one drinking fountain located near the skate park, which is connected to city water. He said that the County RMA Department provides cleanup for all of the bathrooms 4 days a week. He said that we are here today to get direction from the Board to move forward with Vet's Park.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff.

Maria Spandri, Parks & Recreation Commissioner and Vet's Park Commissioner, said that they had a retreat for the Parks and the City to see what needs to happen at the parks. She said at the time the restrooms were clean, but she has been there when they have not been. She said that they are not ADA compliant. Spoke about septic backing up into the snack bar at one time at the Babe Ruth field. She said that we are in dyer need of upgrades and mentioned that the groups using the Park needs to be involved.

Elia Salinas said that she has been complaining about the bathrooms out there for 20 years and nothing has been. Asked if we can get funds from the different organizations to help. She said it is in our best interest to get this resolved.

Chairman Mark Medina asked for direction from the Board.

CAO Ray Espinosa said that we have a need to evaluate the contracts.

Supervisor Peter Hernandez said that he would like a stronger frame work to help the groups that are using the park in order to be successful.

Supervisor Jaime De La Cruz said that we need to address the ADA compliance issue. This should go to the Vet's Park Commission then have them bring back a recommendation to the Board.

Chairman Medina said that the direction is to go to Vet's Park Commission first for discussion.

33. COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE - B. THOMPSON

STUDY SESSION - Discuss whether to expressly permit laboratory testing of commercial cannabis and/or cannabis products in agricultural districts with a conditional use permit. If desired, discuss whether to allow manufacturing/processing to occur within agricultural districts. Provide direction to staff.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 160

County Counsel Barbara Thompson provided information on laboratory testing of commercial cannabis or cannabis products in agricultural districts and the process that would need to take place. She asked the Board for their direction.

Taven Kinison Brown from RMA provided additional information of what other counties are doing and how it could work in San Benito County.

Mackenzie Padell, Calyx Capital, a medical cannabis firm that assists in obtaining licenses and operating medical marijuana companies. Spoke about cultivating and producing products and allowing manufacturing on the same property. Spoke of some other counties that are allowing manufacturing withing their agricultural district zoned areas. Spoke of the diversion of medical cannabis to different sites and environmental impacts.

Elia Salinas said that we are an agricultural community. I am totally for being able manufacture and process. She said testing must be done by a third party and they come to you. The ordinance needs some clean up.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff.

Chairman Mark Medina asked the wish of the Board.

County Counsel Barbara Thompson said that we should have the Planning Commission look at this and bring it back to the Board.

34. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Approve an initial list of county roads to receive light maintenance (potholing), and direct staff to continue with procurement of contractor services to complete these road improvement projects in an amount of approximately \$980,000.00. This list of roads can be modified or enlarged depending on funding availability.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 105

CAO Ray Espinosa provided information on list of county roads to receive potholing maintenance and continuing to move forward with contractor services to complete these road improvement projects.

He thanked Scott Lines from RMA and the Engineering staff along with Edgar Nolasco from Administration for all of their help on this. He said that this list can change but this is what they have for the Board to approve or make changes to. He had Budget Officer Stewart Patri speak on the financing portion.

Stewart Patri spoke about Measure G Funds; options for bonding; interim projects started now; general fund balance is very healthy; to start some of the potholing projects.

CAO Ray Espinosa said that they will be going next week to the State Controllers Office to address some of these problems. He said in the mean time, they have a contractor to come in to speer head the projects and get the roads fixed. He said that this would help free up our road crew to take care of some of the rural roads.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho asked if we could add another road on the list; Salinas grade road.

CAO Espinosa said that yes we can put it on.

Supervisor Jim Gillio said we need to get the potholing done. Said that Fairview Road may need some heavy rehab, should we spend the money on patching the potholes if we are going to do heavy rehab with Measure G Funds.

Scott Lines provided information on Fairview Road.

Kathleen Krapf spoke of a road that needs to go to the top of the priority list. She said that her husband was bicycling on Anzar Road by the quarry and that there is a rise in the road and no demarcation of any kind and she lost her husband because of it. She said if the road does not get fix she will sue the County. She wants a commitment that the Anzar Road near the quarry gets put on the list. She said that she would like to be informed when it is fixed.

Supervisor Anthony Botelho replied that yes we all want to fix it as soon as possible. Said that we are heartbroken for your loss and it should not have happened.

Supervisor Jim Gillio also said he was sorry for her loss.

Tami Aviles spoke about Southside Road and how it needs to be done but is not on the list.

Elia Salinas asked how do we determine which roads have priority and which roads are the busiest. Some roads need to be completely done instead of trying to fill the potholes. She said it is going to take awhile to get the Measure G Funds.

Richard Bettencourt spoke about the road between Union Road and Southside Road and how there is a lot of construction going on and how they are creating chuck holes. He said that they should be responsible for fixing them.

Supervisor Botelho said that the list is a pretty good list to begin with and he appreciates staff for their work on putting it together.

MOTION:

Motion To move forward with directing staff to contact and issue bids for the work specified:

Made by Supervisor Jim Gillio and seconded by Vice-Chair Jaime De La Cruz

5 - 0

For (5):

Against (0):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

CLOSED SESSION

County Counsel Barbara Thompson mentioned that there were still 3 closed session items that need to be heard from earlier, but if the Board wishes, they could put them on the next meeting.

Supervisor Jim Gillio recused himself from closed session Item #35.

County Counsel Barbara Thompson reported out on the closed session items that had been heard earlier in the day as follows:

Closed session Item #36, the Board authorized the County to intervene as necessary in that litigation to protect the Counties interest. (5/0 vote)

Made by Supervisor Anthony Botelho and seconded MOTION: Motion To move the 3 closed session by Chairman Mark Medina items to the next meeting:

5 - 0

Against (0): For (5):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

Matters discussed during Closed Session include existing and pending litigation, personnel matters and real property negotiations. Reportable actions taken by the Board during Closed Session will be announced during open session. (Gov. Code Section 54957.1(a) and (b), Ralph M. Brown Act.)

35. CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2), (e)(2) of Government Code Section 54956.9

Number of cases: 4

Facts and Circumstances Justifying Closed Session:

Potential of litigation relating to County's actions and/or policies under the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act.

Potential of litigation relating to letter dated March 5, 2019 relating to park fees at Sunnyside Estates.

Potential of litigation relating to letter received on January 22, 2019 requesting County to enforce zoning contract between the County and Ridgemark

Potential of additional litigation related to the County's current master tax agreement.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 235.6

No reportable action.

36. CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-**EXISTING LITIGATION**

Subdivisions (a) and (d)(1) of Section 54956.9

Name of Case: In re PG&E Corporation, United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 19-30088-DM

Name of Case: County of Santa Cruz vs. Bureau of Cannabis Control,

Superior Court of California, County of Fresno, Case No. 19CECG01224. SBC FILE NUMBER: 235.6

The Board authorized the County to intervene as necessary in that litigation to protect the Counties interest. (5/0 vote)

37. CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY **NEGOTIATORS**

Government Code Section 54956.8

Property street address: 2733 John Smith Road, Hollister, CA 95023

Agency Negotiators: Ray Espinosa, County Administrative Officer; County Counsel Barbara Thompson

Negotiating parties: County of San Benito and Waste Connections, Inc.

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

Property Address: 2151 Buena Vista Road, San Benito County

Agency Negotiator(s): Ray Espinosa, CAO; Barbara Thompson, County Counsel, Mike Ziman, Deputy County Counsel

Negotiating Parties: Graniterock, Kevin Jeffery, Vice President

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

SBC FILE NUMBER: 235.6

This item will come back at the next regular Board meeting.

38. CLOSED SESSION - PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EVALUATION

Title: Agricultural Commissioner Sealer of Weights and Measures Authority: California Government Code 54957

SBC FILE NUMBER: 235.6

This item will come back at the next regular Board meeting.

39. CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL:

Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(4) of Government Code Section 54956.9

Number of Cases: 2

SBC FILE NUMBER: 235.6

This item will come back at the next regular Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the next special meeting of April 23, 2019.

MOTION:

Motion To adjourn the meeting at 4:26 p.m.:

Made by Chairman Mark Medina and seconded by Supervisor Peter Hernandez

For (5):

Against (0):

Ayes: Botelho, De La Cruz, Gillio, Hernandez, Medina

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