

SAN BENITO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

SPECIAL MEETING MAY 1, 2008 **ACTION MINUTES**

The Board of Supervisors of San Benito County met in the Board Chambers on the above date in special session. Supervisors Monaco, Loe, Botelho, Marcus, De La Cruz were all Also present was County Administrative Officer Susan Thompson, Deputy County Counsel Irma Valencia and Clerk of the Board Linda Churchill.

4:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:12 p.m. by Chairman De La Cruz.

- a) Assembly Member Anna Caballero led the Pledge of Allegiance
- b) Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, acknowledged Certificate of Posting.

REGULAR AGENDA:

1) Hold roundtable discussion with Anna Caballero, Assemblywoman, 28th District, to address issues of importance to San Benito County.

Assembly Member Anna Caballero addressed the Board and the public with regards to the state budget deficit stating that the economy is worse than anticipated and the possibility of cuts to certain programs is expected. Assembly Member Caballero stated that reform is needed and a coalition should be formed to discuss and agree upon what cuts should be made otherwise there is a 10% straight across cut that the Governor is proposing.

Assembly Member Caballero answered questions from the Board pertaining to parole realignment, the effect of the high cost of fuel, and keeping the county informed about issues of concern to San Benito County.

Marty Richman, local resident, referred to a chart that he handed out showing the direct federal spending per capita in San Benito and other counties stating that the state should provide a regular report. Mr. Richman said we can't determine if San Benito County gets a fair share and regular reports would provide more transparency.

Assembly Member Caballero handed out a list of 2007-08 legislation that she has authored and carrying and summarized each of the assembly bills as follows: Investing in California: AB 1261; AB 2278; AB 2173. Affordable Housing: AB 2182; AB 2187; AB 2494: AB 2513. Youth Violence Prevention: AB 1028: AB 1029: AB 1033. Water: AB 2222. Disaster Relief: AB 2327. Labor: AB 2263. Local Government Support: AB 2176; AB 1263; AB 2484; AB 2239; AB 2243: and AB 2411.

Assembly Member Caballero answered questions posed by Board members.

Joe Thompson, Hollister, resident, expressed his concerns about the small business owners stating that the Public Resources Code has gone from eight volumes to 16 volumes noting there are too many restrictions. Mr. Thompson also stated remarked that the State of Virginia just abolished all MPO's (Metropolitan Planning Organization) and private enterprise can provide transportation better and cheaper.

Beverly Ivy, President, of the Hazel Hawkins Hospital Board of Directors, handed out a document entitled "California's Fiscal Crisis ... A Serious Cause of Concern for Hazel Hawkins Memorial Hospital". Ms. Ivy asked that Assembly Member Caballero and Board members please read this document

There being no further business Chairman De La Cruz thanked Assembly Member Caballero for coming to San Benito County to discuss these important issues and concerns.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m. to May 6, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. for a regular meeting.

JAIME DE LA CRUZ, CHAIRMAN

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Attest:

Linda Churchill, Clerk of the Board