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

REGULAR MEETING MAY 13, 2008 ACTION MINUTES

The Board of Supervisors of San Benito County met in the Board Chambers on the above date *in regular session*. Supervisors Monaco, Loe, Botelho, Marcus and De La Cruz were all present. Also present was County Administrative Officer Susan Thompson, County Counsel Dennis Le Clere and Asst. Clerk of the Board Janet Slibsager. Chairman Jaime De La Cruz presided.

9:00 a.m. CALL TO ORDER:

- a) Supervisor Botelho led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- b) *Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, acknowledged Certificate of Posting.*
- c) **Public Comment:** Marty Richman, Hollister resident, spoke in regards to the 156-improvement project. Mr. Richman stated that he would like to see the board take action and possibly sending a letter to CalTrans and Council of Governments (COG) pertaining to the noise factor at San Juan, the safety factor at the light at San Juan and the possible county liability regarding flood plain.

Department Head Announcements: Planning Director Art Henriques introduced Chris Valenzuela the County's new Housing Coordinator. Mr. Valenzuela stated he is humbled to be here and looks forward to working with San Benito County.

Sheriff Curtis Hill provided an AB900 funding update. Sheriff Hill stated the preliminary rankings came out from Sacramento and we did not get the funding in the project need area because we fell lower in the ranking due to our jail not being over capacity. Sheriff Hill stated that we are still looking good in regards to the re-entry portion. Sheriff Hill announced there is a meeting on May 30th in Paso Robles, which he and the Undersheriff would be attending to continue this effort.

- e) **Board Announcements, Introductions and Presentations:**

Supervisor Marcus announced that he was happy to see that the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors denied the ordinance pertaining to the request to ban rodeos, team roping and animal related activities and is proud for what we did to support that ban and continue to fight to maintain our agricultural heritage.

PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS:

- 1) **Presentation of certificate of recognition to Joe Conconi for his dedicated service as a member of the Resource Conservation District Board of Directors for 47 years. (Supervisor Botelho)**

Supervisor Botelho presented certificate of recognition to Kellie Guerra and Paul Hain of the Resource Conservation District on behalf of Joe Conconi who was unable to attend. Supervisor Botelho stated Mr. Conconi served 47 years helping landowners and the agriculture community and mentioned that he had the privilege to serve with Mr. Conconi on that board and thanked him for his great service.

Paul Hain, Resource Conservation District, stated it was a pleasure to work with Mr. Conconi.

Kellie Guerra, Resource Conservation District, stated she had only been working for the Conservation District for about a year and that the best word to describe Joe Conconi was passionate. Ms. Guerra stated that Mr. Conconi was very pleased and thankful that they had bestowed this honor on him and he was very sorry that he was unable to attend. File #1059

- 2) **Proclaim May 2008 as Older Americans Month and present proclamation to Pauline Valdivia, Executive Director, Jovenes de Antano.**

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion made by Supervisor Monaco, and seconded by Supervisor Loe, moved to proclaim the month of May 2008 as Older Americans Month in San Benito County.*

Supervisor Monaco presented proclamation to Pauline Valdivia, Executive Director, Jovenes de Antano proclaiming May 2008 as Older Americans Month.

Pauline Valdivia thanked the Board for the Proclamation. File #430

- 3) **Proclaim May 18 - 24, 2008 as Emergency Medical Services Week; and present certificate of recognitions to the following individuals for outstanding EMS Service: AMR Paramedics Rob Aranda and Samantha Tennison, AMR Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) Jimmy Holguin and Kris Mangano and Hollister Fire Department Firefighter/EMT Vince Grewohl.**

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho, and seconded by Supervisor Monaco, moved to proclaim May 18-24, 2008 as Emergency Medical Services Week.*

Director of Health & Human Services Agency Kathy Flores stated that we were here to honor our emergency medical services staff for their work and to responding to the communities needs as far as emergency medical care.

Joseph Alvarado, Emergency Services Specialist, stated that the motto for 2008 Emergency Medical Services Week is "Your Life is our Mission."

Chairman De La Cruz stated he wanted to send a special thank you to all the medical personnel because they had saved his life several times. File #75.5

CONSENT AGENDA:

Upon motion made by Supervisor Monaco and seconded by Supervisor Marcus, approved Consent Agenda Items 4 through 14 with the exception of Items 4 and 12, which were pulled for discussion. (Unanimous)

ADMINISTRATION – S. Thompson:

- 4) **Approve renewal agreement with Claude Biddle for legal services overseeing the ordinance codification project for the period of February 13, 2008 to February 12, 2009.**

Supervisor Marcus stated he would like to recommend the approval of the renewal agreement with Claude Biddle, but would like to make sure that the agreement for the legal services on Page 2, item b, which states at the request of the County Counsel represent the County in litigation related to enforcement and/or defense of County land use issues are complied with by Mr. Biddle if needed.

Supervisor Botelho stated he was wondering if some of this work could be brought back in house if we get the Assistant County Counsel on board?

County Administrative Officer Susan Thompson stated that this project had been on going for the past year and Mr. Biddle had been principal in assisting with the review of all the codes to bring them up to date and to change that at this time when we are almost at the end would not be efficient.

County Counsel Dennis LeClere stated it would cause extra delay that would not be worth it since we are at the very end of the process.

Supervisor Monaco stated he concurs with Supervisor Marcus that the issue pertaining to land use representation to the County be complied with and supports the renewal of the agreement.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho, and seconded by Supervisor Monaco, moved to approve renewal agreement with Claude Biddle for the term February 13, 2008 through February 12, 2009. (Unanimous) File #160*

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER – P. Matulich:

- 5) **Accepted** Wildlife Services contract with the State Department of Agriculture for wildlife damage management for the FY 2008/2009; and **authorized** the Agricultural Commissioner to sign said contract. File #1.1

ASSESSOR – T. Slavich:

- 6) **Authorized** the County Assessor to hire temporary help, Appraiser III at Step F, Range 22.1 for FY 07/08 for a total cost of \$3,816. File #7

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH – A. Yamamoto:

- 7) **Authorized** the Behavioral Health Director to sign and submit Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Housing Funds Assignment Agreement to the State Department of Mental Health (DMH) in the amount of \$878,600. File #810
- 8) **Approved** the appointment of Margaret Sandoval as a public interest member to the Substance Abuse Advisory Board effective May 27, 2008 to May 27, 2011. File #1053

CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES – K. Johnson:

- 9) **Approved** contract with Informatix, Inc. for Statewide Document Imaging services effective May 19, 2008 to September 20, 2008, in amount of \$179,300. File #22

CLERK OF THE BOARD – L. Churchill:

- 10) **Approved** the action minutes of the April 22, 2008 regular meeting and the May 1, 2008 special meeting.

INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT – M. Rose:

- 11) **Approved** the request to participate in the two Department of Conservation grant applications being prepared by Ecology Action to increase beverage container recycling at multi-family complexes, bars and restaurants. File #142

INTERNAL SERVICES – R. Inman:

- 12) **Adopt Ordinance entitled “An Ordinance Setting the Compensation for the Board of Supervisors of San Benito County” and repealing Ordinance No. 752. (Continued from 5/6/08 meeting.) (Ord. No. 828)**

Supervisor Marcus stated that he had a question in regards to guidelines for Superior Court Judges compensation.

County Administrative Officer Susan Thompson stated it was an outside panel that is pulled together and is not anyone from within government and it is separate from legislature and the courts.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion made by Supervisor Monaco, and seconded by Supervisor Loe, moved to **adopt Ordinance No. 828** entitled “An Ordinance Setting the Compensation for the Board of Supervisors of San Benito County”, which also rescinds Ordinance No. 752 entitled “An Ordinance Setting the Compensation and Reimbursement for Expenses of the Board of Supervisors”, waive reading. (Unanimous) File #156

- 13) **Approved** contract with JoDan and Associates for Labor Negotiations Professional Services beginning on June 1, 2008. File #630

SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT – C. Hill:

- 14) **Adopted** 2008-2009 Grant Award **Resolution No. 2008-32** re Anti-Drug Abuse Enforcement Program & Justice Assistant Grant for UNET; and **authorized** the Sheriff to sign said grant and related documents. File #110

REGULAR AGENDA:

SAN BENITO RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT – K. Guerra:

- 15) **Informational overview/update and request for staff time to participate in the San Benito Resource Conservation District implementation of Permit Coordination Program.**

Kellie Guerra, San Benito Resource Conservation District, provided a handout and an overview regarding a new program that they are currently working on locally called the Partners in Restoration Upper Pajaro River Watershed Permit Coordination Program. Ms. Guerra stated they have been working on this program in collaboration with the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Ms. Guerra stated they were here today to make a request for limited amount of staff time to assist in working on this program.

Bob Rohde, District Conservationist, for the Natural Resources Conservation Service provided background information in regards to Pajaro River Watershed, Conservation Practices Proposed for coverage by Program Agreements, Erosion Control, Range Management, Water Conservation and Stream Habitat.

Supervisor Marcus stated he had no problem with the staff time but questioned what the two local ordinances proposed into the program would involve and the timeline as to when they would be presented to the Board?

Kellie Guerra stated the two ordinances would be in regards to encroachment and grading and they are hoping to have them come back to the board by the end of the year.

Art Henriques, Planning Director, stated he believes this is a good program and they will be having a series of meetings with them and their consultant in regards to the process.

Supervisor Monaco stated he had no problem with staff time but did have a question relevant to the permitting process.

Supervisor Botelho stated he was concerned in regards to the streamline process. Supervisor Botelho asked if this program was being used in other counties?

Kellie Guerra stated that in the handout she provided there was a map of the existing programs and those that are currently in development; there are seven programs currently existing and highly successful and several that are currently in development.

Rick Cooper, Bureau of Land Management, stated that the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County was recently nominated for riparian challenge award for this same program. Mr. Cooper stated that this program has been successfully implemented and it does work for the private landowners.

The consensus of the Board was to move forward with this program.

File #1059

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER – P. Matulich:

16) Accept the Engineers Report from SCI Consulting Group; schedule a public hearing; and adopt a resolution of intent to levy assessment for FY 2008/2009 re the Mosquito Abatement Program.

Agricultural Commissioner Paul Matulich provided a presentation in regards to the 2008/2009 Mosquito Disease Control Assessment Engineer's Report received from SCI Consulting Group. Mr. Matulich stated the report would be completed annually and would require a resolution of intent to levy assessment for fiscal year 2008/2009; approval of the preliminary engineers report and to schedule a public hearing.

Chairman opened public hearing.

Marty Richman, Hollister resident, commented in regards to an article in the Wall Street Journal pertaining to the abandoned homes with pools that are becoming a serious mosquito problem.

Paul Matulich stated that they are in the process of dealing with green pools if someone does not want to comply with cleaning their pool or empty them.

The Chairman closed public hearing.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion made by Supervisor Marcus, and seconded by Supervisor Monaco, moved to **adopt Resolution 2008-33** of intent to levy assessment for fiscal year 2008-2009. (Unanimous) File #1.1

ADMINISTRATION:

17) Receive review on the FY 2007/2008 third quarter budget status report.

Management Analyst Kellie Kennedy presented PowerPoint presentation titled "2008 Third Quarter Budget Status Report". The following items were discussed: Overview, countywide expenditures, countywide revenue, countywide expenditure vs. revenue, general fund expenditures, general fund revenue, general fund expenditure vs. revenue, revenue projects, more revenue, and conclusion.

Lengthy discussion ensued.

Chairman De La Cruz asked that possibly a different format be used to show dollar figures instead of percentages on the report.

Ms. Kennedy stated that as of March 31, 2008 the general fund balance estimate was \$4.6 million. File #865

18) Consider proposed Community Based Social Services Funding process and annual funding set-aside; and direct staff as necessary.

County Administrative Officer Susan Thompson provided an update in regards to establishing an annual target allocation set-aside for funding of non-mandated human service programs and establishing a process.

Ms. Thompson stated at this time they are recommending the Board consider establishing a set-aside target allocation in an amount not to exceed 6.5% of the total actual sales tax receipts for the prior calendar year. Ms. Thompson stated in order to accomplish a more formalization of this process they need to do the following: Develop formal application document, rating criteria and scoring rubric process, assemble a panel of impartial applicants to review this and give recommendations and notification and outreach strategy to potential program applicants. Ms. Thompson stated that she would like to get the Boards direction and feelings.

Chairman De La Cruz asked that the Supervisors follow this format:

1. Talk about what formula or method to use as far as allocation.
2. What organization, agency or group of individuals will be responsible to make recommendations to the Board?

(Item #1 Discussion)

Supervisor Monaco stated he supports the model funding process, it makes sense and it is consistent and can be maintained for a long period of time.

Supervisor Marcus stated he supports the idea of sales tax and the percentage that staff has allocated towards that.

Supervisor Botelho stated he agrees with fellow supervisors.

Supervisor Loe stated she believes the sales tax is a good way to go.

Chairman De La Cruz had a question in regards to why the 6.5%?

CAO Susan Thompson stated she got that figure from the current 2007/2008 expenditure level which was \$83,838 for those programs and the percentage can be adjusted to anything the Board feels appropriate.

Chairman De La Cruz stated the Board all agrees with a 6.5%.

(Item #2 Discussion)

Chairman De La Cruz stated if they do decide to move in this direction that they: 1) Create a fiscal policy to establish guidelines; 2) Establish the responsibility that it would go to the finance committee; and 3) Create a fund balance if there are any funds left over at the end of the year for the next fiscal year.

Supervisor Loe stated she would like to keep it a very simple process and maybe look at some board that is already in existence for the first year and see how it works.

Supervisor Botelho stated he also agrees with Supervisor Loe.

Supervisor Marcus stated the methodology as to how it is divvied out should stay in the hands of the Board. Supervisor Marcus stated he would be willing to take on the responsibility as opposed to an independent group or committee.

Supervisor Monaco stated the final decision on who receives the money should come from the Board, but also supports the idea of some kind of formal application document that they go through with a rating criteria and scoring rubric put in place. Supervisor Monaco also stated that they should empower some group to be an advisory capacity to the Board.

Lengthy discussion ensued.

Marty Richman, Hollister resident, stated there doesn't seem to be a lot of time this year, and mentioned proceeding the way they have been doing it in the past and then work on a plan for the next year.

Direction from the Board was to put together a more formalized process this year and to meet at a later time after budget hearings before July 1st and to set up a special meeting the end of June.

CAO Susan Thompson stated that she would do a press release in regards to accepting applications. File #119

19) Consider and take action to immediately temporarily close un-maintained county roads in the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Clear Creek Management area for urgent reasons of human health and safety concurrent and throughout the duration of the BLM temporary closure of the area.

CAO Susan Thompson spoke in regards to the temporary closure by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) of the Serpentine Area of Critical Environmental concern in the Clear Creek Management Area to public use. Ms. Thompson stated that based on the fact that it is a Environmental Protection Agency determination that it is a severe health hazard, she stated the recommendation is that the Board adopt a resolution temporarily closing county roads in that area to coincide with BLM's temporary closure giving us an opportunity to work through any and all issues and protecting the public health immediately.

Art Bliss, Public Works, provided a PowerPoint presentation pertaining to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) report dated May 1, 2008 in regards to the Health & Safety of the Clear Creek Management Area and the Bureau of Land Managements road closure in that area.

Supervisor Monaco stated that in regards to the liability exposure that we face he feels there is no other option than to temporarily close those roads. Supervisor Monaco voiced concern in regards to who would be responsible regarding law enforcement.

Rick Cooper, Bureau of Land Management, stated that during the term of the temporary closure there would have be a complete resource management plan along with an impact statement done, which is normally a two-year process. Mr. Cooper stated as far as the cooperation with the County there is currently a cooperative agreement with BLM and the County pertaining to the law enforcement.

Supervisor Marcus stated he is in disfavor of what has to be done, but we have to protect the people from themselves.

Supervisor Botelho stated that he is not sure how to get around not closing the road.

The following members of the public spoke against the road closure of the Clear Creek Area: Steve Chappell, San Benito County; Thurman Creel, Jr.; Clovis, CA; Ed Tobin, Marina, CA; David Schreiner, Coalinga, CA; John Ortiz, Hollister, CA; Marty Richman, Hollister, CA; Fred Togelli, Hollister, CA and Marty Greenwood, Hollister, CA.

The following members of the public spoke in favor of closing the Clear Creek Area: Ron Wilcher, Gilroy, CA and Ray Iddings, Santa Cruz, CA.

Lengthy discussion ensued.

BOARD ACTION: *Supervisor Loe made a motion to temporarily close the road and adopt Resolution No. 2008-34 and to move forward aggressively in getting the road reopened by sending a letter to the Environmental Protection Agency to do a EIR and provide an update of the report within eighteen months. Supervisor Monaco seconded the motion.*

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Monaco	----	Yes
Supervisor Loe	----	Yes
Supervisor Marcus	----	No
Supervisor Botelho	----	No
Chairman De La Cruz	----	Yes

The motion passed 3-2.

Supervisor Monaco stated he would like to direct County Administration to bring back an item for recommendation on gating the County Road at New Idria Mines. File #755

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m. and resumed at 1:30 p.m. The Closed Session item was moved to the afternoon session.

CLOSED SESSION:

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) & (b), Ralph M. Brown Act.)

The Board adjourned into Closed Session and reconvened into regular session re:

- 20) Public Employee performance evaluation – Title: County Counsel – (Government Code Section 54957)**
County Counsel Dennis LeClere reported that the Item is being continued to May 27, 2008.

AFTERNOON AGENDA

1:30 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA: (Continued)

Upon motion made by Supervisor Marcus and seconded by Supervisor Botelho, approved Consent Agenda Items 21 and 22. (Unanimous)

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT – A. Henriques:

- 21) **Appointed** the following individuals to the San Benito County Building and Housing Code Board of Appeals: Mike Chambless, Joe Torquato, Mike Nino and Greg Johnsen. File #790

PUBLIC WORKS – J. Lo:

- 22) **Declared** the equipment and vehicles surplus and **directed** staff to remove them from the inventory per attached list. File #105

REGULAR AGENDA: (Continued)

PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT – A. Henriques:

- 23) **Receive report from Planning, Building and Code Enforcement for proposed changes to the fee schedule for Planning and related applications; and provide direction to staff.**

Planning Director Art Henriques introduced the new Assistant Director of Planning and Building Byron Turner.

Art Henriques provided a PowerPoint presentation pertaining to Planning and Building and Code Enforcement proposed fee schedules.

Art Henriques stated that if we went from today's fees to 100% recovery of our costs based on our anticipated volumes, we could generate approximately \$140,000 in additional revenue.

Lengthy discussion ensued.

Former Superintendent of the Hollister School District Tom Andrade stated that the school impact fees are collected for each residential house and commercial properties and the impact fees are approximately \$1.36 per sq. ft. per housing and about .40¢ for commercial and the fee is collected by the San Benito County Office of Education. Mr. Andrade stated that 1/3 goes to the High School District and 2/3 to the Elementary District and the fees are set by the state. Every few years the school districts have to go through a justification document to verify that the fee is appropriate.

Everett Grabeel, County resident, stated he feels that the permits and fees that they are paying right now are astronomical.

CAO Susan Thompson stated for the record that it is important to remind folks that in California with Prop 13 the financing for local government is completely

different than any other state in this nation and we are not able to adjust our local revenues in any way, shape or form related to property tax.

Directed staff to come back at a later date after doing some comparisons. File #790

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PLANNING DEPARTMENT – A. Henriques:

24) Hold a public hearing to consider an appeal of the San Benito County Planning Commission's April 16, 2008 approval re: Minor Subdivision No. 1177-05. Request: Overturn Planning Commission's adoption of the following conditions of approval for Minor Subdivision 1177-05: 20(a) requiring roadway dedication, 21(a)&(b) requiring roadway improvements, 25(a)&(b) requiring fair share contributions toward roadway improvements and 26 requiring entry into a maintenance and reimbursement agreement for an existing roadway. Applicant/Appellant: Everett Grabeel. Location: 4661 Fairview Road, Hollister, CA. APN 17-15-49. Zoning: Agricultural Productive. CEQA Determination: Mitigated Negative Declaration. *(Request for continuance to May 27, 2008.)*

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion made by Supervisor Marcus and seconded by Supervisor Botelho, moved to continue the public hearing to May 27, 2008. (Unanimous)*

25) Hold a public hearing to consider an appeal of the San Benito County Planning Commission's April 2, 2008 denial re: Use Permit 976-07. Location: 766 Riverside Road, Hollister, CA (APN 021-050-016). Request: Overturn the Planning Commission's denial and approve Use Permit 976-07. Appellant/Applicant: Jose and Rocio Garcia. Zoning: Agricultural Productive. CEQA Determination: Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Assistant Director Byron Turner provided a PowerPoint presentation pertaining to the Planning Commission's denial of a use permit for a pallet repair and storage business by the applicant. Mr. Turner stated that the staff's recommendation is that the Board review the materials and supporting documents and direct staff accordingly regarding the Planning Commission's decision and return at a subsequent meeting with the necessary Resolution.

Applicant Neddie Garcia, property owner's daughter, spoke in regards to the operation on the property and stated that when they had the hearing there was significant amount of discussion in regards to noises, which did not pertain to their property, but that of the adjacent property to them.

Lengthy discussion ensued.

The following neighbors spoke in opposition of the appeal: Linda Nolan, A.J. Molly, Bill Morgan, Ava Morgan,

Supervisor Botelho stated he doesn't feel that they have all the information as far as what is happening with this business and can see where noise is a factor and therefore requests staff to uphold the Planning Commission's decision and deny the appeal.

It was the consensus of the Board to deny the appeal.

Chairman De La Cruz stated he would support the appeal because of what happened in the past with another subject's property and that it seems that everybody else is being penalized for that situation and he did not think it was fair and believed that they are taking away property rights.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho, and seconded by Supervisor Marcus, moved to direct staff to return to the Board with a Resolution of denial of the appeal.*

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Monaco	-----	Yes
Supervisor Loe	-----	Yes
Supervisor Marcus	-----	Yes
Supervisor Botelho	-----	Yes
Chairman De La Cruz	-----	No

The motion to deny the appeal passed 4-1.

Continued the public hearing to May 27, 2008 at 1:30

ADMINISTRATION – S. Thompson:

26) Hold public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget and the 2009-2013 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program including capital projects and equipment.

Public Works Director Jerry Lo introduced the new Facility and Grounds Maintenance Manager Ken Nattell.

Management Analyst Janelle Cox presented PowerPoint presentation pertaining to the Fiscal Year 2008/2009 Capital Budget and the 2009/2013 Five-Year Capital Improvement Program. Ms. Cox stated that with the recommendation of the Board at the closing of the hearing today the recommended Capital Budget would be adopted during the budget hearings in June. Ms. Cox handed out some revised documents explaining the changes that were included in the presentation.

Discussion ensued.

County Administrative Officer Susan Thompson provided backup information in regards to funding options and talked about Capital Outlay Units Unfunded.

Supervisor Marcus stated he was wondering if they should re look at the existing Convalesant Hospital as a remodel to an existing building for a one-stop.

Supervisor Botelho stated that he had that thought also. Supervisor Botelho stated either make a decision with the building or sell it and use that capital to build what they need.

Supervisor Loe stated one of her big concerns is the Measure T funding and she would like to keep that as long as possible for a rainy day.

Supervisor Monaco stated he appreciated the options that were provided and agreed with his fellow supervisors concerning the Southside Hospital facility. Supervisor Monaco stated they should decide to do something with it but disagrees with selling the property at this time. Mr. Monaco stated they need to look at demolishing the building and putting in some kind of prefab structure.

Superintendent of North County Joint Union School District Evelyn Muro stated she wanted to address the Spring Grove athletic field project. Ms. Muro thanked the County staff for recognizing that the rural schools are being used as

parks. Ms. Muro stated with the county support it would greatly increase their opportunity to enhance the fields.

Project Manager of North County Joint Union School District Tom Andrade stated that he appreciated the joint effort of the County and the School District working together and recognizing that schools become parks whether we like it or not and are being used by the community. Mr. Andrade thanked the county for their help.

CAO Susan Thompson stated that what the Board will see next is the actual budget proposal that will give options to move ahead with this plan. File #865

The vote of each member of the Board of Supervisors upon each matter at the foregoing meeting, unless otherwise stated, was as follows:

AYES: SUPERVISORS: Monaco, Loe, Botelho, De La Cruz

NOES: SUPERVISORS: None

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS: None

There being no further business the Board adjourned to Tuesday, May 27, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. for a regular meeting.

JAIME DE LA CRUZ, CHAIRMAN
San Benito County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Janet Slibsager

Asst. Clerk of the Board