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

REGULAR MEETING ACTION MINUTES JUNE 13, 2006

The Board of Supervisors of San Benito County met in the Board Chambers on the above date in regular session. Supervisors Monaco, De La Cruz; Botelho, Marcus and Loe were all present. Also present was County Administrative Officer Susan Thompson, County Counsel Dennis LeClere and Assistant Clerk Sally Navarez. Chair Pat Loe presiding when the following was had to wit:

9:30 a.m. CALL TO ORDER:

- a) Pledge of Allegiance to be led by Supervisor Marcus.
- b) *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Monaco and seconded by Supervisor De La Cruz acknowledged the Certificate of Posting.*

PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS:

1) **Introduction of Alethea Prewett, Miss San Benito Rodeo 2006 and Calli Beebe, outgoing Miss San Benito Rodeo 2005 who are representing the San Benito County Saddle Horse Association in the 2006 Saddle Horse Show and Rodeo Downtown Parade and the Saddle Horse Show and Rodeo to be held June 23-25 at Bolado Park. (Supervisors Marcus & Monaco)**

Supervisor Marcus noted that the San Benito County Saddle Horse Shoe and Rodeo have been a tradition of San Benito County for seventy plus years. Supervisor Marcus noted it his pleasure to serve on the Saddle Horse Association Board for over twenty years and noted Supervisor Monaco has served on the Board of Directors as well.

Supervisor Monaco noted he was pleased to be a part of this item and agreed that these events have been a tradition in the County for many years and the local rodeo was still one of the only places that figure 8 roping competition was still held.

Supervisor Marcus asked the ladies to please come to the podium. Supervisor Marcus presented Miss Prewett and Miss Beebe with county pins.

Miss Beebe thanked the Board and the public for the opportunity to serve and represent the community and appreciated all of the support.

Miss Prewett thanked Supervisors Marcus and Monaco for their support. Miss Prewett invited the public to come to the Horse Show Parade in the downtown area on Thursday, June 22nd. Miss Prewett stated she was honored to be a part of the rodeo tradition and heritage of the county in this matter and concluded by again inviting the public to the Horse Show Parade and Rodeo.

Chair Loe thanked both young ladies for representing San Benito County in this capacity.
(file #55)

2) **Public recognition by City of Hollister Police Chief Jeff Miller to Juvenile Impact Program Award recipient as follows:**

- ❖ **Acknowledge Probation Officers Claudia Huerta, Nick Rabago, Kiely Sheppard and Adam Sanders for their contributions to making the Juvenile impact program a success; and**
- ❖ **Acknowledge the Probation Department through these officers for efficiency in government by meeting a community need at no additional cost to the taxpayers.**

Chief Probation Officer Deborah Botts introduced Hollister Police Chief Jeff Miller.

Chief Miller asked Probation Officers Claudia Huerta and Nick Rabago to come forward and acknowledged these individuals within the Probation Department with their contributions to relationships with other agencies and the youth of our community. Chief Miller indicated that the Juvenile Impact Program Award was awarded to the San Benito High School by the California Association of School Administrators.

c) **Public Comment:** Joe Thompson, Rail Advisory Committee, asked the Board to consider placing on a future agenda discussion regarding rail service to San Benito County. Mr. Thompson explained that Union Pacific owns the branch line but DMC, LLC owns the option to purchase the line and that company could decide not to continue service to San Benito County which would impact the economic viability of the community.

d) **Department Head Announcements:** H&HSA Director Kathryn Flores asked that an *Urgency Item* be added to this agenda based on the fact that information had just been received this morning from CSAC asking for action on proposed legislation relative to the CalWorks compromise budget package urging support. Ms. Flores noted this matter arose after the posting of the agenda and required immediate action justifying the request to place this matter on as an urgency item.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Monaco and seconded by Supervisor Marcus, **added Urgency Item 29.b** to the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.*

e) **Board Announcements, Introductions and Presentations:** Supervisor Marcus reported the CAO Thompson, Sheriff Curtis Hill Supervisor Monaco, Judge Sanders and Court Administrative Officer Gil Solorio met to discuss the Courthouse expansion project. Supervisor Marcus noted as matters progress, he and Supervisor Monaco will keep the Board updated.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Chair Loe noted there was a request to pull Items #14, #18, #23, #24 and #25 for further discussions.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Marcus, **approved** the Consent Agenda Items #1 through #28 minus the matters referenced by the Chair. Motion passed unanimously.*

ASSESSOR – T. Slavich:

3) ***Approved*** appointment of Computer Mapping Specialist III at Step F of Range 19.4 in the Assessor's office. *(file #630)*

AUDITOR :

4) ***Authorized*** the appointment of Accounting Manager to Step F of Range 25.4 effective June 19, 2006. *(file #630)*

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT – A. Yamamoto:

5) Regarding amendment to Negotiated Net Amount (NNA) agreement, consider the following:

- a) **Authorized** the Behavioral Health Director to sign said amendment to the NNA Agreement with the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) for FY2005/2006; and
- b) **Approved Resolution No. 2006-38 Accepting the Alcohol and Drug Program amendment to the Negotiated net Amount contract.** (file #1053)

6) **Approved** agreement renewal with Gary Ernst for administrative/fiscal consultant services for a maximum annual total of \$67,000 with a contract term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and **authorized** Chair to sign said contract. (file #810)

7) **Approved** agreement renewal with Natividad Medical Center for the provision acute psychiatric emergency services for a maximum annual total in the amount of \$100,000 with a contract term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and **authorized** Chair to sign said contract. (file #810)

8) **Ratified** and **approved** agreement renewal with Natividad Medical Center for the provision of acute psychiatric inpatient services for a maximum annual total of \$100,000 and **authorized** Chair to sign said contract. (file #810)

9) **Approved** agreement renewal with Hallis, LLC for the provision of completion of annual Cost Report for an annual maximum total of \$5,000 and **authorized** Chair to sign said contract. (file #810)

10) **Approved** out of state travel request for a Behavioral Health employee quarterly client visit on June 21-22, 2006 to St. George, Utah. (file #810)

11) **Approved** agreement renewal with Idea Consulting for the provision of Quality Management, Quality Improvement and Special Projects assistance for outpatient and inpatient services for a maximum annual total of \$92,000 and **authorized** Chair to sign said contract. (file #810)

12) **Approved** amendment to agreement with Value Options, Administrative Services Organization (ASO) for the provision of Specialty Mental Health Services for Medi-Cal beneficiaries for a three (3) year term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2009 for a contract maximum of \$10,000 annually and **authorized** Chair to sign said amendment. (file #810)

CLERK OF THE BOARD:

13) **Approved** the minutes of the meetings of May 9, 2006 and May 23, 2006.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – S. Thompson:

14) **Approve inter-object budget transfer for Budget Unit #1001130 from salary savings to professional services and public/legal notices in the amount of \$30,000.**

Supervisor Botelho asked why a transfer was being requested.

Management Analyst Margie Riopel indicated that the Human Resources budget line items referenced was due to professional services contracts, Man-Power temporary services and publication of advertisements for various county positions. Ms. Riopel noted this was a request for an inter-object transfer from one line item to another.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Marcus, **approved** inter-object budget transfer for Budget Unit #1001130 from salary

savings to professional services and public/legal notices in the amount of \$30,000. Motion passed unanimously. (file #630)

COUNTY COUNSEL – D. LeClere:

15) **Approved** codification agreement with American Legal Publishing Corp. regarding recodifying the San Benito County Code for FY2005/2006 in the amount of \$6,796 and FY2006/2007 in the amount of \$10,194 and **authorized** the Chair to sign said agreement. *(file #160)*

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES:

16) **Approved** agreement with the California Department of Health Services for the provision of the Immunization Assistance Program in the amount of \$20,000 with a contract term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and **authorized** the H&HSA Director to sign on behalf of the County. *(file #420)*

17) **Approved** agreement with Dr. Elizabeth Lee for the provision of psychological services in the amount of \$72,180 with a contract term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and **authorized** the H&HSA Director to sign on behalf of the County. *(file #420)*

18) **Approve agreement with Transitions: A Rehabilitation Group, Inc. for the provision of physical and occupational therapy services in the amount of \$166,400 with a contract term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and authorize Chair to sign said contract.**

H&HSA Director Kathryn Flores noted services for occupational therapist were mandated. Ms. Flores indicated this organization has been able to fill the gap due to the County not being able to fill the vacancies in the Health Department for quite some time resulting in the County having to contract with outside organizations for these services.

CAO Thompson added there is a shortage of Occupational Therapists in the State of California and using this organization was actually a savings to the County.

Discussion ensued.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by am and seconded by Supervisor Monaco, approved agreement with Transitions: A Rehabilitation Group, Inc. for the provision of physical and occupational therapy services in the amount of \$166,400 with a contract term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and authorized Chair to sign said contract. Motion passed unanimously. (file #420)*

19) **Approved** agreement with Sacred Heart School for the provision of school nursing services in the amount of \$1,612 with a contract term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and **authorized** Chair to sign said contract. *(file #420)*

20) **Approved** agreement with the San Benito County Office of Education for the provision of school nursing services in the amount of \$10,479 with a contract term of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and **authorized** Chair to sign said contract. *(file #420)*

21) Regarding an application to support the Family Resource Center, consider the following:
a) **Authorized** the submission of an application to the Strategies Sustainability Project; and
b) **Authorized** the Chair to sign letter of support for said application; and
c) If said application is funded, **authorized** the H&HSA Director to execute and sign subsequent agreement. *(file #130)*

22) **Approved** Workforce Investment Act (WIA) FY2006/2007 subgrant and **adopted Resolution No. 2006-39** granting signatory authority for the H&HSA Executive Director to sign WIA documentation and/or amendments on behalf of the County. *(file #939)*

PUBLIC WORKS – J. Lo:

23) Consider proposed resolutions identifying services to be provided in FY2006/2007 for each County Service Area. (Res. No. 2006-40 through Res. No. 2006-68)

Supervisor Botelho questioned the request received from Hollister Ranch Estates to inactivate the CSA.

Public Works Director Jerry Lo explained this matter has been reviewed by Counsel and should Hollister Ranch Estates wish to inactivate the CSA, there was a very specific process to undertake and make request to the Board of Supervisors.

Discussion ensued regarding the process referenced by Mr. Lo.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Monaco, approved Resolution No. 2006-40 through Resolution No. 2006-68 identifying services to be provided in Fiscal Year 2006/2007 for each County Service Area (CSA). Motion passed unanimously. (file #105)*

24) Regarding bids for a 5,500 pound capacity pneumatic forklift, consider the following:

- a) **Accept responsive bid; and**
- b) **Waive informalities and irregularities in the bid process; and**
- c) **Award and approve contract to Alta Lift as the lowest responsive /responsible bidder for the 5,500 lb. capacity pneumatic Tire Forklift in the amount of \$26,583; and**
- d) **Authorize the Chair to sign said contract.**

CAO Thompson first indicated that *Item b* under the Recommended Actions, "Waive informalities...." was incorrect language and asked the Board to remove that clause when making a motion on this matter.

Supervisor Botelho noted in reviewing the information, bids were sent out, but only one bid was received and questioned why wasn't a refurbished piece of equipment considered in order to save money for items #24 as well as #25.

Supervisor Monaco stated he had seen the existing equipment and it needed to be replaced. Supervisor Monaco indicated the life expectancy of this piece of equipment if purchased new as 25-30 years. Supervisor Monaco noted that the Ag Department uses this equipment and didn't feel it was appropriate to have unsafe equipment for employees to use.

Supervisor Marcus agreed with Supervisor Monaco and stated it was best to have new equipment with a much longer life expectancy than used or refurbished equipment.

Supervisor De La Cruz concurred with Supervisor Monaco and Supervisor Marcus.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Marcus,*

- a) **Accepted responsive bid; and**
- b) **Awarded and approved agreement to Alta Lift as the lowest responsive /responsible bidder for a 5,500 lb. capacity forklift with pneumatic tires in the amount of \$26,583; and**
- c) **Authorized the Chair to sign, subject to contract being accepted in its current content by Alta Lift; if Alta Lift has any changes with said contract, contract will be resubmitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval.**

Motion passed unanimously. (file #105)

25) Regarding bids for a 4-wheel drive utility tractor with cab, consider the following:

- a) **Accept all responsive bids; and**
- b) **Waive informalities and irregularities in the bid process; and**
- c) **Award and approve contract to Coastal Tractor as lowest responsive/responsible bidder for a 4-wheel drive utility tractor with cab; and**
- d) **Authorize Chair to sign said contract.**

CAO Thompson indicated as with the previous item, that *Item b* under the Recommended Actions, "Waive informalities...." was incorrect language and asked the Board to remove that clause when making a motion on this matter.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Monaco and seconded by Supervisor De La Cruz,*

- a) **Accepted** all responsive bids; and*
 - b) **Awarded** and **approved** agreement to Coastal Tractor as the lowest responsive/responsible bidder for a 4-wheel drive utility tractor with cab; and*
 - c) **Authorized** the Chair to sign said contract.*
- Motion passed unanimously. (file #105)*

SHERIFF – C. Hill:

26) **Approved** renewal of Memorandum of Understanding with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) providing procedures for increased protection of persons and property on public lands, waters, roads and trails administered by the BLM and adjacent property with a term of June 6, 2006 through July 1, 2010. (file #110)

27) **Approved Resolution No. 2006-69** for signature authority and designation for specific individuals to execute for, on behalf of the County of San Benito for the purpose of application, documentation and requests for State and Federal financial assistance. (file #110)

28) **Authorized** Sheriff to apply for renewal of Call Mountain; authorize submittal of said application and **authorized** submittal of one-time application fee of \$3,500. (file #110)

REGULAR AGENDA:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY – K. Flores:

29) **Consider request to accept pandemic influenza funds under Public Health Emergency Preparedness contract amendment in the amount of \$190,065 and authorize the H&HSA Director to sign said amendment.**

Director Kathryn Flores noted the amendment will be utilized to acquire additional staff to accomplish activities associated with provisions of the contract.

Supervisor Monaco stated if this proposal was going to result in new employees, he wanted it made clear to those hired under these funds that when the monies are exhausted, the position(s) go. Supervisor Monaco stated former Supervisor Rita Bowling wanted it made very clear to potential employees that positions funded with grant/contract monies understood that when the money is gone, so is the position and stated he agreed with this past practice.

Director Flores indicated Supervisor Monaco was correct and the same is so for positions hired under this contract. Ms. Flores noted additional information relative to the requested FTE's would be further expounded upon at the FY2006/2007 Budget Hearings.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Monaco and seconded by Supervisor Marcus, **approved** and **accepted** the Public health Emergency Preparedness funding amendment in the amount of \$190,065 and **authorized** the H&HSA Director to sign said amendment. Motion passed unanimously. (file #420)*

29.b **Urgency Item re: request by CSAC asking for action on proposed legislation relative to the CalWorks Compromise Budget Package urging support.**

Director Kathryn Flores noted this matter came up after the posting of the agenda and immediate action was required to respond with a letter, therefore, making this matter an urgency item.

Ms. Flores explained this was a request of CSAC to immediately contact the Governor Assembly member Simon Salinas and Congressman Jeff Denham to support the compromise

package offering assistance and flexibility toward meeting the federal work participation requirements.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Monaco and seconded by Supervisor Marcus, **approved** letter of support regarding the CalWorks Budget Package urging support, **made** the findings that this matter came up after the posting of the agenda and immediate action was necessary thereby adding the matter to the agenda. Motion passed unanimously. (file #939)*

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

30) Approve agreement with Palace Art & Office Supply and a cost containment-purchasing program with a contract term of June 1, 2006 to June 1, 2007. (Mgmt. Analyst)

Management Analyst Margie Riopel provided background information relative to this matter indicating that the County was able to "piggyback" on an existing agreement with the Pajaro Valley Unified School District and obtain substantial savings for the County.

Discussion ensued regarding ordering process for and by each department; benefits and cost savings to the County by "piggybacking" with the Pajaro Valley Unified School District; and concluded by noting even though Palace Art & Office Supply was located in Santa Cruz, the sales taxes from all County purchases will remain in San Benito County.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Marcus and seconded by Supervisor Monaco:*

- a) **Made finding** that it would not be in the public interest to engage in a competitive bidding process for office supplies because the Pajaro Valley Unified School District has already secured a contract with Palace Art & Office Supply following a competitive process (RFP-002-04-05) which allows other local governments to "piggyback" on their contract, thereby saving the County the time and expense of conducting its own competitive bidding process; and
- b) **Approved** agreement with Palace Art & Office Supply for the term of June 1, 2006 through June 1, 2007.

Motion passed 4-1 with Supervisor Botelho voting no on the matter. (file #118)

PLANNING & BUILDING – A. Henriques:

31) Receive review on well permits based on staff research and provide direction to staff.

Planning Director Art Henriques began by indicating there were handouts available to the public of the PowerPoint presentation he will be making on the back table.

Bob Shingai of the Environmental Health Department indicated there have been no direct complaints and stated there was good communication with the San Benito County Water District on the permitting process.

At this point in the meeting, Mr. Henriques made a PowerPoint presentation.

Following the PowerPoint presentation, John Gregg of the Water District provided background information on how the District proceeded with the permitting process and the Districts' roles and responsibilities.

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the Water District activities; concerns in the San Juan Bautista area; density issues; conformance to the General Plan and concluded with concerns about wells in the Tres Pinos area.

Bob Frusetta, Tres Pinos Water District Board member, indicated he was confused regarding wells specifically with the Tres Pinos Water District. Mr. Frusetta indicated approval of one or two wells within the Tres Pinos Water District area have a significant impact and become a hardship on the District. Mr. Frusetta indicated the San Benito County Water District needs to communicate and work with the Tres Pinos Water District prior to the issuance of well permits in the Tres Pinos Area.

Supervisor Monaco indicated that the Districts need to work together.

Mitch Schmidt, Tres Pinos resident, indicated there needed to be more coordination between the Planning Department and the San Benito County Water District regarding wells and intended uses for said wells to ensure compliance.

Bob Zaucha, Tres Pinos Water District Board member, questioned at what point did the San Benito County Water District require the provision of sewer services. Mr. Zaucha indicated there was no room at the Tres Pinos Water District ponds for wastewater and said the Department of Health Services has a big part of the responsibility as well.

Discussion ensued on what direction to provide to staff.

BOARD DIRECTION:

- a) *Directed this matter be brought back before the Board of Supervisors in three (3) months for additional review and to provide direction to staff regarding the potential formation of a Board Subcommittee; and*
- b) *Directed this matter be brought back before the Board of Supervisors in six (6) months for final review and provide direction to staff as appropriate. (file #790)*

CLOSED SESSION:

32) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Authority: California Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

- a) **John Sarsfield, San Benito County District Attorney vs. San Benito County Board of Supervisors.**

Counsel LeClere reported that the Board of Supervisors instructed litigation Counsel Mr. Stephan Barber to prepare a response to the District Attorneys' request for independent counsel. (file #235.6)

1:30 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING (or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard):

ASSESSOR – T. Slavich:

33) Hold public hearings to consider Land Conservation Act (LCA) Requests and take action as appropriate re:

- a) **Hain, Thomas / Joan**

Compatible Use

Assessor Tom Slavich noted this was a request to add and caretaker's residence which is a permissible use for this contract. Mr. Slavich concluded that the LCA Advisory Board recommended approval of this request.

This being the duly noted time and place, Chair Loe opened the public hearing. However, hearing no one wishing to address the Board, Chair Loe closed the public hearing.

BOARD DIRECTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Marcus and seconded by Supervisor Monaco, **approved** the compatible use request of Thomas / Joan Hain as recommended. Motion passed unanimously. (file #7)*

- b) **Felhman, Richard C. Bypass Tr. Etal**

Division

Assessor Slavich noted this was a request to divide 318 acres into two contracts of 160 and 158 acres each. Mr. Slavich concluded that the LCA Advisory Board recommended approval of this request.

This being the duly noted time and place, Chair Loe opened the public hearing. However, hearing no one wishing to address the Board, Chair Loe closed the public hearing.

BOARD ACTION: *Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Marcus and seconded by Supervisor Botelho, **approved** the division request as recommended. Motion passed unanimously. (file #7)*

- c) **Hall, Suzanne W. Separate Property Tr.**

Division

Assessor Slavich noted this was a request to divide 765 acres into two contracts of 380 and 385 acres each. Mr. Slavich concluded that the LCA Advisory Board recommended approval of this request.

This being the duly noted time and place, Chair Loe opened the public hearing. However, hearing no one wishing to address the Board, Chair Loe closed the public hearing.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Monaco and seconded by Supervisor Marcus, **approved** the division request as recommended. Motion passed unanimously. (file #7)

d) **Brigantino, Danita A**

Lot Line Adjustment

e) **Rever/Ginsburg Living Tr.**

Lot Line Adjustment

Assessor Slavich noted this was a request to realign 80 acres. The Brigantino Preserve would change from 595 acres to 515 acres while the Rever/Ginsburg Preserve would change from 432 acres to 512 acres. Mr. Slavich concluded that the LCA Advisory Board recommended approval of these requests.

This being the duly noted time and place, Chair Loe opened the public hearing. However, hearing no one wishing to address the Board, Chair Loe closed the public hearing.

BOARD ACTIONS: Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Marcus and seconded by Supervisor Botelho, **approved** the Lot Line Adjustment requests of Danita Brigantino and the Rever/Ginsburg Living Tr. as recommended. Motion passed unanimously. (file #7)

f) **Friis Thomas Ranch LP**

Lot Line Adjustment

Assessor Slavich noted this was a request to adjust 10 acres. Mr. Slavich explained the Friis Contract #86-006 would change from 184 acres to 174 acres while the other Contract #86-005 would change from 57 acres to 67 acres. Mr. Slavich concluded that the LCA Advisory Board recommended approval of this request.

This being the duly noted time and place, Chair Loe opened the public hearing. However, hearing no one wishing to address the Board, Chair Loe closed the public hearing.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Monaco **approved** the Lot Line Adjustment request of Friis Ranch LP. Motion passed unanimously. (file #7)

PLANNING DEPARTMENT – A. Henriques

34) General Plan Update Workshop. (rescheduled from 5/23/06 mtg.)

Planning Director Art Henriques informed the Board of Supervisors that he attended a conference in Monterey County and met with several consultants specializing in this type of process. Mr. Henriques noted there was a demand for such consultants in the State and most consultants are not responding with detailed Requests For Proposals (RFP) but rather with Requests For Qualifications (RFQ) was proving to be a better route to pursue on a contractual basis. Mr. Henriques also explained that students studying the Planning field San Jose State were being used to assist with gathering background information while receiving credit for their research services.

Mr. Henriques further explained the RFQ process and fielded questions from the Board.

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding what needs to be included in the specific elements of the General Plan, whether to update or start from scratch as certain elements are more challenging than others; land use issues, hazard mitigations, etc.

BOARD ACTIONS: Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Monaco,

- a) **Authorized** staff to go out for a Request For Qualifications (RFQ) to a short list of General Plan firms; and
- b) **Noted** San Benito County's interest in updating the General Plan but recognizing the need to have a consultant to help the County first refine the work scope for the boarder General Plan/EIR work including overall costs and looking at where Planning students might help contain some of the associated costs; and

- c) *After the RFQ response, **return** to the Board of Supervisors as soon as possible with a recommended consultant to help San Benito County develop the overall General Plan Update work scope.*

Motion passed unanimously. (file #790)

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; De La Cruz; Botelho; Marcus & Loe
NOES:	SUPERVISORS: None
ABSENT:	SUPERVISORS: None

There being no further business the Board adjourned to its next regularly scheduled meeting on June 27, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.

PAT LOE, CHAIR

San Benito County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Linda Churchill
Clerk of the Board

BY:
Sally Navarez
Assistant Board Clerk