

SAN BENITO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

BUDGET HEARINGS – FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 JULY 23 - 27, 2012 ACTION MINUTES

The Board of Supervisors of San Benito County met in the Board Chambers beginning July 23, 2012 for budget hearings. Supervisors De La Cruz, Botelho, Rivas, Muenzer and Barrios were present. Also present was County Administrative Officer Rich Inman, County Counsel Matthew Granger, and Clerk of the Board Denise Thome. Chairman De La Cruz presided.

9:30 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.

BUDGET HEARING SCHEDULE

9:30 A.M., MONDAY, JULY 23, 2012 - BUDGET HEARINGS BEGIN

Budget Hearings began on Monday, July 23, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. and were continuous (with the exception of the regular Board meeting for the morning session on July 24, 2012) through Friday, July 27, 2012 at 4:12 p.m. and completed. All budget hearing items were approved temporary due pass (TDP).

INTRODUCTION, OPENING REMARKS & BUDGET OVERVIEW – County Administrative Officer

County Administrative Officer Rich Inman read aloud a letter that was handed out that addressed the misinformation and distortion of facts that had been provided to Service Employees International Union (SEIU) members and the public.

SEIU Chief of Staff Luisa Blue stated that their union was the largest bargaining unit in San Benito County. She stated that she appreciated the CAO's letter but he had the wrong set of proposals. She spoke in regards to the budget and asked if the County was serious about saving money.

The following spoke under public comment:

SEIU Vice President Denise Quintana stated that she was worried about the state of the County and noted that SEIU had offered \$1.3 million which she was shocked that it was rejected.

SEIU Internal Organizer Henry Soria spoke of the notice of reduction of work hours to persons that they represent and that, to date, the meet and confer process was not completed. He stated that the CAO's letter references the proposal dated July 3, 2012 but

the proposal dated July 11, 2012 was the one voted on by their members. He felt the CAO's letter was disingenuous to them and the County.

County employee Karen Rogers read a letter from Muriel Frederick as she could not be there that day. The letter from Ms. Frederick stated that she felt the hearings should be held in the evening. She further stated that she was a Santa Clara County employee and a member of SEIU and advised the Board to look closely at the proposal from the employees.

Hollister resident Marty Richman spoke of the fliers distributed at the Street Festival that attacked the Board. He felt the author should put their name on it. He noted that it was not legally required but they should stand up and be a man. He stated that he would like to evaluate the \$1.3 million noting that they never publicly put out details, ever.

CAO Inman stated that no one wanted to protect county employees more than he did. He indicated that the problem was OPEB and they needed lower expenditures to match revenue in order to attain sustainability. He added that revenues controlled their decision making.

Supervisor Botelho stated that he was hoping to have concessions prior to the hearing.

Chairman De La Cruz noted that if they accepted Scenario 1 that was provided by administration, they would balance the budget.

CAO Inman replied affirmatively and further discussion ensued between staff and Board members regarding scenarios 1, 2, and 3.

Chairman De La Cruz stated that there was direction for department heads to use Scenario 3.

FY 2011/2012 RECOMMENDED BUDGET

All budget hearing items are approved "temporary do pass"

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

BINDER PAGE

1. Contribution to Community Based Organizations

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Advocacy, Inc. Executive Director Kathleen Johnson explained their program and the matching funds.

Jovenes de Antano Executive Director Pauline Valdivia expressed hope that the Board would continue to support services for the elderly. She explained how their funding worked.

Seniors Council Executive Director Clay Kempf spoke of what they do and how their funding works.

Senior Citizens Legal Services Directing Attorney Terry Hancock thanked the Board for their past support and spoke of their matching schedule.

Hollister resident Marty Richman spoke in support of the groups because it was cost-effective.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP with a change to increase Advocacy, Inc. to \$5,000 and subtract the difference of \$515 among the three remaining groups equally. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Botelho and De La Cruz voting no).

2. Contribution to Economic Development Corporation

CAO Inman provided an overview.

Discussion was had.

Hollister resident Marty Richman concurred with Supervisor Rivas in the fact that the reason there was no money is because there was no economic activity. He felt it was vital to use the money as a carrot on a stick.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP with a change to allocate \$20,000 to the Economic Development Corporation on the contingency that they make a full report and justify amount to Board of Supervisors with no access to funds until there is substantiation of need and direction to look seriously as regional partnership. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Muenzer and De La Cruz voting no).

Further discussion was had on July 27, 2012 and the Board's *consensus was to remove* \$10,000 from the Economic Development Corporation

PUBLIC PROTECTION:

BINDER PAGE

Sheriff

3. Operations (Patrol)

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Sheriff Darren Thompson provided an overview.

Discussion was had between Board and staff.

Chairman De La Cruz opened public comment.

Chief Probation Officer Brent Cardall offered a solution to help the Sheriff and Mr. Cardall's department. He stated the unions were not stepping up and the problem was their negotiator who was costing \$30,000. He noted that in other counties a lot of department heads sit on the negotiation team with Human Resources. He felt they needed to get rid of the negotiator. He added that if the Board cut mandates they were in trouble, noting that there were must haves and should haves in the county.

Probation Officer Jason Scimeca stated that he was a Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA) member and it was difficult to have a negotiation when you don't know what you're faced with. He indicated that they did not have that with negotiations.

SEIU Internal Organizer Henry Soria stated that he almost completely agreed with management, Mr. Cardall. He referenced the letter yesterday from CAO Inman that referred to the wrong proposal. He felt the biggest crime was cutting people and services based on the wrong information. He stated that they offered the county almost two million dollars. He stated that they were either serious about the budget or not. He encouraged the CAO to clarify why he referenced the wrong documents, adding that it was criminal.

Deputy District Attorney Patrick Palacios stated that he was part of MEG and they had made concessions. He commented that it was no good to sit up there and blame people and that they needed to deal with what they have and move forward. He spoke of the DSA's concessions and lack of negotiations.

There being no further public comment, the Chair closed the public comment section.

Further discussion ensued between the Board and staff.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Botelho moved to reduce the Sheriff's reduction amount from \$230,000 to \$100,000. The motion failed 2 to 3 with Supervisors Rivas, Barrios and De La Cruz voting no.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP with a reduction of \$30,000. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Muenzer and Botelho voting no.)

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer, accepted the plan using prudent reserves in the amount of \$225,000 and splitting the remaining budget deficit of \$101,914 equally between the District Attorney, Sheriff and Probation (\$33,971each) with the understanding that bargaining groups

were to meet within the period of two months to make concessions in the amount of \$200,000 and the concessions would be placed back into reserves. It was further moved that if they were not successful in obtaining the concessions, another \$200,000 would be cut from the Sheriff in the amount of \$100,000 and Probation in the amount of \$100,000 with the deadline of September 28, 2012 for concessions to be made. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Rivas and Barrios voting no.)

4. Communications (911)

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Management Analyst Margie Riopel provided an overview.

Those speaking under public comment were:

SEIU Internal Organizer Henry Soria stated that a proposal was sent to the CAO and that he received an email response from Jacki Credico acknowledging receipt of the proposal with a carbon copy to the negotiator. He read the email aloud.

Hollister resident Marty Richman stated that we were all responsible for what was going on here and no one was innocent. He indicated that there was only so much revenue in the budget and they were going to have to make it fit.

There being no further public comment Chairman De La Cruz closed the public comment section.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

5. Corrections Division (Jail)

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Administrative Services Manager Kellie Kennedy provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP with recommendation to give the CAO authority to rescind the corrections layoff and layoff the Secretary II in the Corrections Office and give the CAO the authority to extend the layoff notices if necessary. (Unanimous)

6. Office of Emergency Services

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Management Analyst Margie Riopel provided an overview and noted that an additional voluntary furlough had been offered up by the manager giving an additional \$9,260.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

7. Coroner (Page 99)

Administrative Services Manager Kellie Kennedy provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

8. <u>UNET</u> (Page 102)

Sheriff Darren Thompson provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO with a layoff of the Secretary position. (Unanimous)

9. Drug Abuse & Rural Crime Grants

(Page 105)

Administrative Services Manager Kellie Kennedy provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

10. District Attorney (Page 74)

District Attorney Candace Hooper provided an overview and PowerPoint presentation.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO with direction to rescind the layoff of the Deputy District Attorney I and to refill it when it becomes vacant with the recommendation of \$58,000. (Unanimous)

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer, accepted the plan using prudent reserves in the amount of \$225,000 and splitting the remaining budget deficit of \$101,914 equally between the District Attorney, Sheriff and Probation (\$33,971each) with the understanding that bargaining groups were to meet within the period of two months to make concessions in the amount of \$200,000 and the concessions would be placed back into reserves. It was further moved that if they were not successful in obtaining the concessions, another \$200,000 would be cut from the Sheriff in the amount of \$100,000 and Probation in the amount of \$100,000 with the deadline of September 28, 2012 for concessions to be made. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Rivas and Barrios voting no.)

11. Victim Witness Assistance Program

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Victim Witness Coordinator Julie Roybal provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor De La Cruz approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

12. Probation (Page 110)

Chief Probation Officer Brent Cardall provided an overview. He added that he would be able to bring in an additional \$70,000.

Those speaking under public comment were:

Executive Director of Youth Alliance Diane Ortiz spoke in support of the Probation Department and the work they do.

Hollister resident Richard Vasquez stated that he had been in law enforcement for thirty plus years and had volunteered with the Probation Department the past two years. He indicated that he would appreciate any consideration to keep the Probation Department going as is.

There was no further public comment.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP of \$790,163. (Unanimous)

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer, accepted the plan using prudent reserves in the amount of \$225,000 and splitting the remaining budget deficit of \$101,914 equally between the District Attorney, Sheriff and Probation (\$33,971each) with the understanding that bargaining groups were to meet within the period of two months to make concessions in the amount of \$200,000 and the concessions would be placed back into reserves. It was further moved that if they were not successful in obtaining the concessions, another \$200,000 would be cut from the Sheriff in the amount of \$100,000 and Probation in the amount of \$100,000 with the deadline of September 28, 2012 for concessions to be made. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Rivas and Barrios voting no.)

13. Juvenile Detention Facility

CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

14. Gang Prevention

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Chief Probation Officer Brent Cardall provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

EDUCATION:

15. County Library

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Librarian Nora Conte provided an overview.

Discussion ensued between the Board and staff.

Those speaking under public comment were:

Harriet Brin read a statement from Susan Logue who could not be at the meeting.

Lanty Mason read his letter that was handed out to the Board in support of the library.

Marty Richman stated that if the community wants a library, they needed to pay for it and need to put it on the ballot. He noted that most of the users were in the city along with animal control. He felt the community should decide on the library as well as the trapper.

There was no further public comment.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor De La Cruz moved for TDP of Scenario 3 accepting \$80,000 reduction offered by the library, noting the \$18,956 shortfall they would have to come up with. Supervisor De La Cruz withdrew his second on the motion. Supervisor Rivas seconded the motion. (The motion failed 2 to 3 with Supervisors Muenzer, Botelho and De La Cruz voting no.)

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Botelho moved to continue to the end of the budget and directed staff to get the information they discussed. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Barrios and Rivas voting no).

Discussion continued on July 27, 2012.

Those speaking under public comment were Lanty Mason and Bill Tiffany.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as presented in scenario 3. (Unanimous.)

Librarian Nora Conte expressed appreciation for the support of the library.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

16. Child Support Services

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Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

17. Mental Health

(Page 206)

Behavioral Health Director Alan Yamamoto provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

18. Substance Abuse

(Page 211)

Behavioral Health Director Alan Yamamoto provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

HEALTH AND SANITATION

19. Public Health Summary Fund

(Page 216)

Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

20. Public Health Services

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

21. Tobacco Education

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

22. Child Health & Disability Prevention Program

(Page 224)

Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

23. Environmental Health

(Page 227)

Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

24. Adolescent Family Life Program

(Page 230)

Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

25. Maternal & Child Health

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

26. Emergency Preparedness

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

27. California Children's Service Administration

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

28. CCS Diagnostic Treatment and Therapy

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

29. Emergency Medical Services

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

EMS Coordinator Marcie Morrow provided further information.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

30. County Medical Services Program Participation Fee

(Page 248)

Management Analyst Catherine Shaw provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

31. Integrated Waste Management Landfill

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Integrated Waste Management Director Mandy Rose provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

32. Regional Agency

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Integrated Waste Management Director Mandy Rose provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

33. <u>Human Services Agency Administration</u>

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

34. AFDC FG/U Cal Works Assistance

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

35. Foster Care Assistance

(Page 263)

Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

36. Title IV-B Child Welfare Services

(Page 267)

Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

37. Cal Works Support Services

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

38. <u>Cal Learn</u> (*Page 273*)

Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

39. Cal Works – State Only

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Administrative Services Manager Nadine DaRoza provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

40. In Home Supportive Services

(Page 279)

CSWD Deputy Director Enrique Arreola provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

41. General Relief - Aid to Indigents

(Page 282)

Management Analyst Catherine Shaw provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO for the amount of \$5,000. (Unanimous)

42. Community Services & Workforce Development

(Page 285)

CSWD Deputy Director Enrique Arreola provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

43. Migrant Labor Housing Center

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

44. First Five (Page 292)

Management Analyst Catherine Shaw provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Rivas and De La Cruz absent).

45. <u>Veterans Services</u>

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Military and Veterans Affairs Officer Thomas Griffin provided an overview.

Supervisor Botelho advised that they take the safety issue of the office to the Intergovernmental Committee and to also look into the comfort of the waiting room for the veterans.

Those speaking under public comment:

Hollister resident Marty Richman felt the office should be open full time and perhaps they should consolidate it with another department that serves the public that is always open, such as One Stop.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

PUBLIC PROTECTION

46. Planning and Building

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Planning Director Gary Armstrong provided an overview.

Discussion ensued between Board members and staff.

Speaking under public comment was:

Marty Richman stated that they were not talking about the elephant in the room which was the cost of unit of work. He added that management had given up a lot and it may be good for the public to know that.

There was no further public comment.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO with Scenario 2. (Unanimous)

47. Abandoned Vehicle Abatement

(Page 148)

Planning Director Gary Armstrong provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

48. General Plan (Page 151)

Planning Director Gary Armstrong provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

49. Land Development Projects

(Page 154)

Planning Director Gary Armstrong provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

50. Housing & Economic Development

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Housing Program Coordinator C.J. Valenzuela provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

51. <u>LAFCO</u> (Page 160)

Planning Director Gary Armstrong provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

52. Board of Supervisors

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Marty Richman spoke under public comment.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO and incorporated paying the balance of the PERS contribution. (Unanimous)

53. Clerk of the Board

(Page 15)

CAO Inman provided an overview on the Clerk of the Board, Administrative Office, Internal Services, Risk Management/Insurance, Information Technology and GIS and asked to address them all collectively as one department. He explained that he was addressing the \$219,000 shortage collectively.

Supervisor Botelho indicated that he was fine with that and they should let the CAO determine how to split it out.

Supervisor Rivas deferred to the CAO adding that he was bringing them an amount and by the end of the hearing they would hear what the cuts were.

Supervisors Barrios and Muenzer concurred with Supervisor Rivas.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approve TDP as recommended by CAO to reduce by \$219,774 within the IT, CAO, Clerk of the Board, GIS and Internal Services (Unanimous)

Supervisor Rivas stated that he would like to see a discussion regarding Human Resources as there had been a number of problems with negotiating.

Chair De La Cruz directed that the discussion be agendized for August 14, 2012.

CAO Inman asked if they wanted to discuss Human Resources or labor relations.

Supervisor Rivas replied both.

Supervisor Botelho agreed that they needed to explore doing things differently.

Supervisors Barrios and Muenzer concurred.

54. County Administrative Office

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approve TDP as recommended by CAO to reduce by \$219,774 within the IT, CAO, Clerk of the Board, GIS and Internal Services (Unanimous)

55. County Counsel (Page 22)

County Counsel Granger provided an overview.

Casa of San Benito County Program Manager Esther Curtice spoke in support of saving the deputy County Counsel position under public comment.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO following the 3rd scenario with a reduction of \$64,343. (the motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor De La Cruz voting no.)

56. Auditor (Page 26)

Auditor Joe Paul Gonzalez provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios allowed the Clerk-Auditor-Recorder to visit all of his departments under Scenario 3 and report back to the Board on Friday. (Unanimous)

Auditor Gonzalez stated that he still did not have enough under scenario 3 and would still lose $\frac{1}{2}$ an accountant and be short \$20,000. He stated if the Board was willing to do a TDP for scenario 3, he could make it work.

Assistant Clerk-Recorder Angela Curro explained the duties of the Clerk, Recorder and Elections.

Supervisor Barrios noted on page 138 that the summary had 3.9 and the schedule had 2.94 and assumed that it was an error.

CAO Inman stated that it was 2.9.

Auditor Gonzalez concurred that 2.9 was correct and it was just a misprint in the budget.

57. Elections (Page 30)

Auditor Joe Paul Gonzalez provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios allowed the Clerk-Auditor-Recorder to visit all of his departments under Scenario 3 and report back to the Board on Friday. (Unanimous)

58. <u>Treasurer</u> (Page 33)

Treasurer-Tax Collector Mary Lou Andrade provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios, approved TDP as recommended by the CAO. (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Botelho absent)

59. <u>Tax Collector</u> (Page 36)

Treasurer-Tax Collector Mary Lou Andrade provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios, approved TDP as recommended by the CAO. (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Botelho absent)

60. Assessor (Page 39)

Assessor Tom Slavich provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios, approved TDP as recommended by the CAO with original budget with savings of \$67,400. (Unanimous)

61. Internal Services (Page 43)

CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approve TDP as recommended by CAO to reduce by \$219,774 within the IT, CAO, Clerk of the Board, GIS and Internal Services (Unanimous)

62. Risk Management /Insurance

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor De La Cruz and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

63. <u>Information Technology</u>

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approve TDP as recommended by CAO to reduce by \$219,774 within the IT, CAO, Clerk of the Board, GIS and Internal Services (Unanimous)

64. <u>GIS</u> (Page 54)

CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approve TDP as recommended by CAO to reduce by \$219,774 within the IT, CAO, Clerk of the Board, GIS and Internal Services (Unanimous)

65. General Purpose / Non-Departmental Revenues

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Rivas, approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

66. General Fund Contributions / Non-Departmental Expenditures

CAO Inman provided an overview.

Supervisor Botelho asked to receive a report on what the financial advisor does, at a future meeting.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approve TDP as recommended by CAO (Unanimous)

67. Buildings and Grounds Maintenance

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Public Works Administrator Steve Wittry provided an overview and handed out a proposed revision.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP with proposed revision supplied by Public Works Administrator. (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Barrios voting no.)

68. Capital Outlay Fund

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Public Works Administrator Steve Wittry and Capital Project Manager Adam Goldstone provided an overview.

Discussion was had between the Board and staff.

Chairman De La Cruz opened the public hearing.

Hollister resident Marty Richman stated that the hospital was a huge liability and was an urgency item. He suggested selling it and taking the remediation cost off the sales price. He noted that the other alternative was to go to the feds to see if there were any funds available to tear it down.

Supervisor Barrios asked if she and Supervisor Botelho were still on the Facilities Committee.

Chairman De La Cruz stated that yes they were.

Supervisor Barrios directed CAO Inman to schedule a meeting.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

PUBLIC PROTECTION

69. Grand Jury

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Management Analyst Catherine Shaw provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

70. Public Defender

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Management Analyst Catherine Shaw provided an overview.

County Counsel Matt Granger explained the public defender process.

Robbie Scattini spoke under public comment about the problems with the process.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

71. Agricultural Commissioner / Sealer of Weights & Measures

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Agricultural Commissioner Ron Ross provided an overview.

Discussion ensued between Board and staff.

Those speaking under public comment were:

U.S.D.A. representative and District Supervisor Eric Kevington spoke of the wildlife service provided.

President of the San Benito County Cattlemen's Association Allan Renz spoke in support of the wildlife position.

Supervisor Botelho asked if the Cattlemen's Association could cover some of the cost. He suggested a fee structure.

Mr. Renz indicated that he would ask at the meeting next month.

President of the San Benito County Farm Bureau Ron Vaccarezza hoped the Board could provide for the program and indicated that they would be polling their members to see if they could put in anything.

City of Hollister Animal Control Dave Westrick spoke of rabid animals in the county and asked the Board to look at it as law enforcement and public safety.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Rivas moved TDP to support Scenario 3 and fund for 6 months and to reduce by \$25,899. (The motion failed 2 to 3 with Supervisors Botelho, De La Cruz and Barrios voting no).

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP of Scenario 2 with a reduction of \$42,639. (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Muenzer voting no.)

There was further discussion on July 27, 2012 and the Board's *consensus was to cut an additional \$25,000.*

72. Mosquito Abatement Program

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Agricultural Commissioner Ron Ross provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

73. Fish and Game Commission

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Management Analyst Shaw provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor De La Cruz approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

74. Animal Control / Veterinarian Services Contract

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO and authorized ad hoc committee to work on renegotiating contract to bring back to the Board with additional options. (the motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Botelho and Barrios voting no).

Further discussion was had on July 27, 2012 and the Board's *consensus was to reduce Animal Control by \$50,000.*

75. County Fire (Page 132)

Management Analyst Margie Riopel provided an overview. She indicated that they would be doing things differently this year with Cal Fire handling all the purchasing with the exception of the stipend pay to our volunteers and San Juan Bautista. Ms. Riopel stated that the actual contract with Cal Fire for Schedule A was 1,066,011.

Discussion was had regarding a discrepancy in numbers.

The Board convened into a break at 10:21 to allow time to gather and distribute accurate numbers and reconvened into special session at 10:40 a.m.

Ms. Riopel apologized for apparently grabbing the wrong numbers for the budget unit. She explained that the line item #6235 for professional services should read \$1,218,286. She gave the detail stating that Schedule A was \$1,171,286 and the stipend was \$37,000

plus \$10,000 for San Juan Bautista which totaled \$1,218,286. She stated that it was a \$100,000 discrepancy and that it was her error.

Supervisor Barrios commented that she was sorry that had happened as she had come in with the idea to reduce County Fire by \$50,000.

Chairman De La Cruz stated that he was of the opinion that they would be bringing in a contract under a million dollars. He recalled the conversation with the City of Hollister and Cal Fire and that a Cal Fire representative had come to the podium and stated that they could do it for under a million dollars. He indicated that they could have staff look up the video.

Cal Fire Chief Phil Matteson stated that they could look it up and what they would find was Mr. Gregg Swett speaking to the fact they could do Hollister City for a million less than they did that day.

Chairman De La Cruz stated that was not his understanding.

Chief Matteson stated that he knew exactly what numbers were given.

Chairman De La Cruz indicated that he could not support it.

Supervisor Botelho commended Cal Fire on the job they did on a fire in San Juan the day before. He asked what they could peel off to make it lower.

Chief Matteson indicated that there were many options out there but they were asked to bring forth the existing contract from last year by Supervisor Barrios.

Further discussion ensued.

Ms. Riopel suggested that they could lower Schedule A by \$100,000 in the budget and budget money at a lesser amount based on actuals, because actuals are usually lower.

Chairman De La Cruz felt they should give them a chunk of money and have Cal Fire provide services that can be provided to the community.

Chief Matteson felt it was extremely important that the Board determine what that level of service is going to be and what is their expectation and articulate that to them.

Supervisor Muenzer felt he would like to go along with Ms. Riopel's suggestion and lower it a little bit. He proposed earmarking a straight one million dollars under professional services for the time being.

Ms. Riopel recommending lowering it by \$100,000 and that would be 1,118,286 because that would include San Juan's stipends as a separate contract.

Supervisor Muenzer felt they needed Cal Fire to get them through this year and that they could explore other options for the next year.

Supervisor Rivas agreed with Chief Matteson that they needed to expedite the issue and have the committee get together to expedite the issue as it was very important to the welfare and safety of their residents. He asked for clarification that the proposed total was \$1.218 million.

Supervisor Muenzer explained that if they reduced professional services to one million dollars it lowered the total revenues to \$1,047,000 and subtracting the revenues out lowered the net county cost to \$179,334 and suggested that it would be more a placeholder until they see the contract.

Chairman De La Cruz opened public comment.

Marty Richman indicated that city prevention was expensive because of density. He commented that they pay more and that was fair and if you live in the canyon, be prepared to pay. He stated that the key to making it work was to assign the responsibility to the person that can best handle it.

There was no further public comment and the Chairman closed public comment.

Chairman De La Cruz read from prior minutes, direct comments from Chief Rick Hutchinson stating that they would continue the contract as is for about one million dollars.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved a TDP reducing professional services to one million dollars which lowered

the total revenues to \$1,047,000 and subtracting the revenues out lowered the net county cost to \$179,334 (the motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Rivas voting no.)

Supervisor Rivas stated for the record that he could not support this and could not because he believed the County received a huge return from Cal Fire. He understood the problems with the budget and he could only hope and encourage the committee and staff to work with Cal Fire to reduce their budget, but till that time he could not vote for any reduction to Cal Fire.

Supervisor Barrios expressed appreciation for Cal Fire and asked if the Chief could go back to the table to reduce by the \$171,500 to help out.

Supervisor Botelho stated that he supported the motion and was looking forward to sitting down with Cal Fire. He felt the 2012/13 budget was going to be the hardest budget that this county has ever dealt with.

Supervisor Muenzer expressed appreciation for Cal Fire and that the motion was based on the need to balance the budget and knowing they would work with Cal Fire to get there.

76. County Clerk (Page 135)

Auditor Joe Paul Gonzalez provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios allowed the Clerk-Auditor-Recorder to visit all of his departments under Scenario 3 and report back to the Board on Friday. (Unanimous)

77. County Recorder (Page 138)

Auditor Joe Paul Gonzalez provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios allowed the Clerk-Auditor-Recorder to visit all of his departments under Scenario 3 and report back to the Board on Friday. (Unanimous)

78. Public Administrator

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Treasurer-Tax Collector Andrade provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

PUBLIC WAYS AND FACILITIES

79. Public Works Administration and Engineering

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Public Works Administrator Steve Wittry provided an overview and handed out a proposed revision.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP with proposed revision supplied by Public Works Administrator. (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Barrios voting no.)

80. Public Works Road Maintenance

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Public Works Administrator Steve Wittry provided an overview.

Public comment:

Marty Richman asked what the possible budget impact would be if the Highway 25 bypass did not go to Cal Trans. He also offered the suggestion of an automatic traffic light instead of flagmen.

There was no further public comment.

Discussion ensued between the Board and staff.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

81. Road & Bridges Capital Improvement Projects

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

82. CSA Internal Service Fund

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Public Works Administrator Steve Wittry provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

83. Council of Governments

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COG Executive Director Lisa Rheinheimer and Administrative Services Specialist Kathy Postigo provided an overview.

Discussion ensued between the Board and staff.

Those speaking under public comment were:

Marty Richman asked about the possible budget impaction to COG if 25 bypass is not passed.

Ms. Rheinheimer explained that COG does not technically maintain the Highway 25 Bypass and that it is done through a joint maintenance agreement, which will continue to occur if Cal Trans doesn't take over ownership of the bypass.

There was no further comment.

Discussion ensued about figures received from Human Resources.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Botelho approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous)

EDUCATION

84. <u>University of California Cooperative Extension 4-H / Farm Advisor</u>

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Those speaking under public comment:

Hollister resident Marty Richman stated that he was always up for education, but if they had money they should give it to the vets because they've earned it.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas approved TDP as recommended by CAO in the amount of \$17,900. (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Botelho voting no.)

Further discussion was had on July 27, 2012 and the Board made the following motion.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Barrios, approved TDP and reduced the 4-H program by 50% (\$8,950) (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor De La Cruz voting no.)

RECREATION

85. Veterans Memorial Park

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Public Works Administrator Steve Wittry provided an overview and handed out a proposed revision.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP with proposed revision supplied by Public Works Administrator. (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Barrios voting no.)

86. Recreation and Parks

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Public Works Administrator Steve Wittry provided an overview and handed out a proposed revision.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer approved TDP with proposed revision supplied by Public Works Administrator. (The motion passed 4 to 1 with Supervisor Barrios voting no.)

DEBT SERVICES

87. <u>Long-term Debt Repayment – Sheriff Admin. / County Permit Ctr. Bldg.</u> (*Page 314*) Management Analyst Catherine Shaw provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor De La Cruz approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

APPROPRIATION FOR CONTINGENCIES

88. Appropriation for Contingencies

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CAO Inman provided an overview.

Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor Barrios approved TDP as recommended by CAO. (Unanimous).

89. Final Budget Deliberations:

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Botelho and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer, accepted the plan using prudent reserves in the amount of \$225,000 and splitting the remaining budget deficit of \$101,914 equally between the District Attorney, Sheriff and Probation (\$33,971 each) with the understanding that bargaining groups were to meet within the period of two months to make concessions in the amount of \$200,000 and the concessions would be placed back into reserves. It was further moved that if they were not successful in obtaining the concessions, another \$200,000 would be cut from the Sheriff in the amount of \$100,000 and Probation in the amount of \$100,000 with the deadline of September 28, 2012 for concessions to be made. (The motion passed 3 to 2 with Supervisors Rivas and Barrios voting no.)

Chairman De La Cruz suggested a temporary do pass of the balanced budget.

County Counsel Granger stated that they did not need to make a motion for the temporary do pass of the balanced budget.

Management Analyst Jacki Credico asked for clarification that the Board wanted whatever concessions finalized and approved by September 28, 2012.

Supervisor Botelho replied yes and they also wanted potential layoff notices before.

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas moved to adjourn budget hearings at 4:12 p.m. (Unanimous)

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: De La Cruz, Botelho, Rivas, Muenzer, Barrios

NOES: SUPERVISORS: None ABSENT: SUPERVISORS: None

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 4:12 p.m. on Friday, July 27, 2012 to August 14, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

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

ATTEST:

Denise R. Thome, Clerk of the Board