

SAN BENITO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Anthony Botelho District No. 2 Chair Robert Rivas District No. 3 Jerry Muenzer District No. 4 Vice-Chair Jaime De La Cruz District No. 5

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

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 2, 2013 ACTION MINUTES

The Board of Supervisors of San Benito County met in the Board Chambers on the above date in *regular session*. Supervisors Botelho, De La Cruz, Rivas, Muenzer and Barrios were present. Also present were Ray Espinosa, Interim CAO, County Counsel Matt Granger and Asst. Clerk of the Board Janet Slibsager. Chair Botelho presided.

9:00 a.m. CALL TO ORDER:

a) Pledge of Allegiance to be led by Supervisor Rivas.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of former Board of Supervisor Rita Bowling who passed away.

b) Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, acknowledged Certificate of Posting.

c) **PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Approve Proclamation declaring April 2013 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in San Benito County.

Supervisor Rivas presented Proclamation to Erica Elliott, Sexual Assault Prevention Manager declaring April 2013 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in San Benito County. Ms. Elliott provided information in regards to Sexual Assault and announced their events for the month of April. Ms. Elliott thanked the Board for recognizing Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Supervisor Barrios announced that she would like to challenge her four Supervisors to join her in the walk a mile in my shoes on April 6^{th,} which is one of the events for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

d) **Public Comment:** Speaking under public comment was: Ed Tobin, Salinas Ramblers Motorcycle Club, thanked the Public Works Department for fixing and maintaining the Coalinga Road prior to their National off Road Race. He spoke about the BLM releasing the Final Environmental Impact Statement and how they are still planning on locking out the public in the Clear Creek Area. He also spoke in regards to the road maintenance and county roads in the Clear Creek area and encouraged the Board to file a protest in regards to the Environmental Impact Statement.

Ernie Caballero, Hollister resident, spoke on behalf of the Home Care Providers in San Benito County.

Esperanza Torres, Hollister resident, spoke in regards to Home Care Providers in San Benito County.

Felicitas Corona, Hollister resident, spoke in regards to Home Care Providers in San Benito County.

Dee Murphy, San Jose resident, spoke in regards to Clear Creek County Roads and the maintenance of the roads. She thanked the Board for their continued support.

Dr. Lawrence Cappel, San Benito Medical Association, spoke in support of the efforts by the Central California Alliance for Health, Hazel Hawkins Hospital, and the San Benito Health Foundation to come together to provide more access and higher quality of care for the Medi-cal residents of San Benito County. He spoke about how the Alliance for Health would be a good partner.

Marty Richman, Hollister resident, spoke in regards to the annual report of Santa Cruz 911 and how they have gone above and beyond to support us. He thanked the dispatchers in Santa Cruz County for being diligent.

Paul Wattis, Paicines resident, spoke in regards to the Tax Collectors Office hours and how the office should be open during property tax time from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., not closed during 12:00 to 1:00 and closed on Fridays.

e) **Department Head Announcements:**

Interim CAO Ray Espinosa asked that agenda Item #20 be removed from the agenda and would be brought back to the Board on April 16th.

Interim Director of Health & Human Services Agency Maria Corona mentioned that the managed care item was not put on the agenda for this meeting and that she was not aware of it until Friday afternoon and then it was too late. She apologized for the oversight, and asked if the Board could hold a special meeting for April 9th.

Supervisor De La Cruz and Rivas both said that they would not be able to attend a meeting on April 9th because of other commitments.

Chairman Botelho asked Ms. Corona if the meeting of April 16th would work for other parties. It was confirmed by Ms. Corona that April 16th would work in the afternoon at 1:30 p.m.

Chairman Botelho asked that this item be put on the agenda for the meeting of April 16th at 1:30 p.m.

f) Board Announcements, Introductions and Presentations: Supervisor De La Cruz said that we need to move forward and a decision needs to be made on April 16th in regards to Health Care Services in San Benito County.

Supervisor Barrios reported that she attended a Agricultural Tour that was put together by Tri-Cal and Assemblyman Alejo and that they had visited and toured three of our Ag companies in San Benito County. She thanked them for putting this together and encouraged them to do it again.

Supervisor Barrios reported that she also attended a CSAC teleconference meeting in regards to Medi-cal optional expansion principals which they are asking the counties to support.

Supervisor Muenzer expressed his condolences to the family of the former Supervisor Rita Bowling.

Supervisor Muenzer reported that he attended on behalf of the Board a Welcome Home Reception for Secretary Leon Panetta hosted by the California State University at Monterey Bay. He said it was a great event and that he presented the Board's resolution welcoming him home.

Chairman Botelho thanked Supervisor Muenzer for attending Leon Panetta's welcome home event on behalf of the Board.

Chairman Botelho announced that he and Supervisor Muenzer had been busy with the oil ordinance revision and that it should be ready to go at the meeting of April 16th.

Chairman Botelho thanked staff for putting on a great ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Technology Parkway building which houses the Sheriff's Office, Planning Department and Public Works Department. He also thanked the Native Daughters for donating the American Flag and the California State Flag and the San Benito County Chamber of Commerce for their presence.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor De La Cruz and seconded by Supervisor Rivas, **approved** Consent Agenda Items 1 through 11. (Unanimous)

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE – R. Ross:

1) **Approved** contract with the Dept. of Food and Agriculture to provide European Grapevine Moth Trapping Services for the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013, for a total amount of \$11,089.00. *File #1.1*

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2) **Adopted** revised <u>**Resolution No. 2013-21**</u>, recognizing the Healthy San Benito Initiative with the revision of the name change. *File* #156

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3) **Approved** Certificate of Recognition for the 2013 Teacher of the Year Award recipients for presentation at a later date. *File #156*

CLERK OF THE BOARD – D. Thome:

4) **Approved** the action minutes from the regular meetings of January 22, 2013 and March 5, 2013 and special meeting of March 18, 2013.

COUNTY COUNSEL – M. Granger:

5) **Approved** contract for legal services with the law firm of Renne Sloan Holtzman Sakai LLP and **authorized** County Counsel to execute the contract. *File #160*

EMERGENCY SERVICES – J. Clark:

6) **Adopted** <u>Ordinance No. 914</u> of the County of San Benito amending Chapter 11.01 ("Civil Emergencies") of Title 11 of the San Benito County Code, to add a section regarding the offices of Director and Assistant Director of Emergency Services. *File* #1068

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7) Adopted <u>Resolution No. 2013-22</u>, <u>Resolution No. 2013-23</u>, <u>Resolution No. 2013-24</u> and <u>Resolution No. 2013-25</u>, recognizing the Youth Alliance, the Food Bank of San Benito County and Jovenes de Antano as integral and needed parts of the community's efforts in providing youth prevention and intervention services, food services, food distribution and senior services to our most needy population. *File #130*

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY – M. Corona:

8) **Appointed** Ms. Shari A. Stevenson as the Board of Supervisors Representative for District #5 to the Community Action Board for a three-year term effective April 2, 2013 through April 2, 2016. *File* #130

HUMAN RESOURCES – J. Credico:

9) **Approved** Side Letter of agreement between San Benito County and the San Benito County Deputy Sheriff's Association regarding the rotation term for the Investigator Assignment, effective upon approval of the Board of Supervisors. *File* #630

INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT – M. Rose:

10) Adopted <u>Resolution No. 2013-26</u>, authorizing application for the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery Sharps Grant Program. *File* #142

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – S. Wittry:

11) Approved contract with Big Red Yard Service for the Landscape Maintenance services for County Service Areas #46 (Quail Hollow), #47 (Oak Creek, and #53 (Riverside Estates) for the period of April 2, 2013 through April 30, 2016, for an annual amount not to exceed \$16,800 and a total amount not to exceed \$50,400 and approved contract for irrigation repair services for a total amount not to exceed \$4,000. File #105.3

REGULAR AGENDA:

PLANNING DEPARTMENT – G. Armstrong:

12) Receive presentation from the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) on draft population projections.

A PowerPoint presentation was given by Anais Schenk, Planner of AMBAG. Items covered were: Outline-background and purpose of forecast, development of the Regional Growth Forecast, process for involvement in disaggregation, methodology for disaggregation; MTP process and schedule; 2014 MTP/SCS process and timeline; What is the forecast; Regional forecast development & major findings; Disaggregation process; Methodology for disaggregation; Population disaggregation: Additional adjustments; Housing units disaggregation: Methodology; Next steps.

Supervisor Muenzer thanked AMBAG for their presentation.

Chairman Botelho said that the only thing that concerned him was the frequency of review of the model, which is used to measure performance of scenarios.

Ms Schenk provided additional information in regards to the model.

Those speaking from the public were: Marty Richman, Hollister resident and Marvin Jones, Hollister resident.

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Chairman Botelho thanked AMBAG for taking the time to present this report. *File #1111*

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE – R. Espinosa:

13) Receive and consider proposals from Cal Fire and City of Hollister Fire Department for fire protection services and direct staff.

Chairman Botelho mentioned that at the March 19th Board meeting staff was directed to generate request for proposals for Fire Protective Services and bring back proposals to the Board for review. He said the San Benito County Fire Protection committee met on March 28, 2013 to review both proposals and unanimously will recommend to the Board to select the Hollister proposal.

Chairman Botelho said that public safety is the most important thing that we want to provide and as effectively as they can. He said that he would not endorse any plan that he felt would not work in all 5 districts. He read a letter that he wrote to the Mayor of San Juan Bautista on his thoughts in regards to fire protection and services.

Chairman Botelho said that we are at a point today we can move forward and work together as a combined agency and have more staffing on duty each day or continue as is.

Supervisor Muenzer thanked the standing committee for their participation and efforts to coming to a consensus in how we need to move forward. He said that we are between a contract with Cal Fire or the City of Hollister. He said that we need to make a decision today as the contract with Cal Fire ends June 30, 2013.

Supervisor Rivas said that he believes our goal is a consolidated fire service in this community with the City or Cal Fire. He said that he doesn't see a proposal from Cal Fire providing a complete county consolidated approach. Did the City not come to the table and request an RFP from Cal Fire.

Supervisor Barrios said that she agreed with Supervisor Rivas that she too was expecting a broader approach to the proposals.

Supervisor Barrios asked if Cal Fire could provide accurate numbers as their figures did not add up on page 162 of proposal. Supervisor Barrios questioned who all was at the table for the meetings.

Supervisor Muenzer added that the committee was made up of elected officials, City Managers, Interim CAO, the three fire chiefs as well as additional staff support.

Chief Hutchinson from Cal Fire provided the figures for Supervisor Barrios.

Chief Hutchinson said that they are very happy that they are finally at this point because we cannot continue to kick this broken can down the road anymore. He said that was why in 2011 we had to press the issue that the single two person company that is currently housed off Fairview is completely inadequate and we needed to start moving forward. He said it hasn't moved as quickly as we would have liked it to, but we are happy that it is at this point.

Chief Hutchinson said that they did not receive any request from the City of Hollister until the day prior to the last fire committee meeting, that is why they do not have a combined or consolidated proposal for the Board at this time.

Chief Hutchinson provided additional information in regards to the proposal that was presented to the Board. He said that we are coming up against a deadline and that they were good with whatever decision the county

makes because this is something that needs to be done. But we want to make sure that you look at everything and are getting what you need.

Supervisor Barrios asked Chief Hutchinson if a Battalion Chief was added to his proposal would it cost an additional \$45,000, as it did not look like it was included in the numbers.

Chief Hutchinson replied that the Battalion Chief was not included, would be a single one time cost.

Supervisor Barrios had several questions for Chief Hutchinson which he provided information.

City of Hollister Major Ignacio Velasquez spoke in regards to what the City of Hollister would be offering in their fire proposal. He said that response time is critical. He said that he would like to work together as a community instead of passing it on to the State. He said that this is a great plan that they have put together and it works. He said the City of Hollister proposal is about response time, providing better service to our community and saving money.

Supervisors had questions for Mayor Velasquez, which he provided information.

Chairman Botelho opened public comment.

Those speaking from the public were: Richard Paulus, Earthbound Farms, San Juan Bautista; Lissette Knight, Earthbound Farms, San Juan Bautista; Paul Wattis, Paicines resident; Georgana Gularte, San Juan Bautista resident; Marty Richman, Hollister resident; Richard Bianchi, San Benito County Farm Bureau; Kate Woods, Paicines resident; Andy Moore, San Juan Bautista City Council; Jack Clark, Paicines resident; Brian Mode, San Juan Bautista resident; Richard Bettencourt, Hollister resident; Alex Schmidt, Paicines resident.

Chairman Botelho closed the public comment.

Discussion ensued by Board, City of Hollister, City of San Juan Bautista staff and County staff.

Supervisor Barrios said that she can support the consolidation and partnership with the City of Hollister with some conditions that she would like to see addressed. Those four conditions would be (1) that there is extensive geographical training to all fire employees including volunteers as well, as we are a truly a unique county with some very remote areas and we cannot afford to have people not know where they need to go, particularly in our South County areas that are so remote; (2) we don't do a long term contract, a shorter contract with maybe two year extensions, after we discuss it at length to make sure that we are getting what we are paying for; (3) that North County's in the contract and is an absolute, definite site and an plan for North County and discussion if this fire committee continues to have a permanent facility with the possibility being Pacheco Hall; (4) that the committee discuss at length that within a year get a plan for South County, that may mean spending more dollars from our budget but we have to be fair, we need to make sure that the entire county is covered.

Mr. Velasquez said that one of the reasons that they looked at the Airport as an ideal location was the roads at that point could lead them to quite a few different places quickly and cover response times.

Supervisor Rivas said that he agreed with Supervisor Barrios and was willing to look at the contract objectively. He said he felt that the Hollister proposal comes with an enormous risk to the County, because when you look at the current structure in Hollister and the proposed structure there is an enormous risk involved because there are not substantial changes to full time personnel

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and that is a concern. He said what is going to prevent the city from using our money to keep their current structure going. He said that he would like to see some flexibility in the length of the contract, shorter contract. He said that also in moving forward we need to take the steps in creating a special district or a JPA immediately, needs to be taken out of the hands of the elected officials and given to the professionals that it affects their lives and safety. We need to do more to bring down costs to reduce liabilities because in the end if that doesn't happen this is not going to be sustainable.

Supervisor Rivas said if we go in the direction of a contract with the City it comes a time that we are going to have to say goodbye to Cal Fire. They have been professional they have been a great organization to work with; they are not going to go away completely we will see them a little less often. They definitely deserve the recognition that they have earned over the 60 plus years. He said that he thinks the world of Cal Fire.

Supervisor De La Cruz asked Supervisor Barrios what length of contract she was looking at.

Supervisor Barrios replied she would like to start out with a one year contract with two year extensions, which could be flexible. She said that she doesn't want to be put in a position that they are in a contract for two, three or four years and we want to get out because it is not working. We need to make sure our contract is short enough, but we give the option for extension if it is working well.

Supervisor De La Cruz asked the City if they were comfortable with a one year contract.

Mr. Velasquez responded it's not that they are not comfortable with a one year, but it is going to take time to make these changes happen. He said that they would actually like to have a two year contract to give them time to make these things work and work well. He said that it is going to take at least a year to try to put things together in order to make it a good plan.

Supervisor Barrios said that she would be willing to go with a two year contract to start off with the possible extensions.

Supervisor Muenzer said if we go with the City contract he would like to see the following in the contract: a three year contract, a not to exceed dollar amount over that three year period with some COLA built in to it, and some kind of level of service that we would expect to have established for the county areas and an out clause because of budgetary concerns or concerns that the levels of services are not being met.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff regards to wording for an out clause or extension of the contract.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas, asked the City of Hollister to come back with a two year contract to provide fire services for the County of San Benito with the idea that within a year they will come back with a plan for a permanent site for North County and that they will also commit to training (GIS) for everyone involved in the Fire Department and will come back within that year for South County which could include Cal Fire. (Seconded by Supervisor Rivas for discussion: He would also include in the motion a provision for a quarterly update to the Board on services and fire operation). Supervisor Barrios amended her motion to reflect Supervisor Rivas's request along with a not to exceed a 3% annual increase. (Unanimous) File #60

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ADMINISTRATION OFFICE – R. Espinosa:

14) Receive information on Tax Sharing Agreement Annexation Fee for lots on Santa Ana Road and provide direction to staff.

John Brigantino spoke on behalf of the Brigantino Family. He provided information as to what has taken place since the subdivision was started back in 1988 and why they are asking for the City County Tax Sharing Agreement Annexation Fees to be waived. He said the first 42 lots were constructed on a portion of the property that was within the City limits, and the remainder of the parcels were in the County. In 1989 they were required by San Benito County to initiate the process of annexing the remainder of the parcels in the City of Hollister. We initiated the process and had the property pre-zoned, signed a preannexation agreement and obtained a certified EIR. The pre-annexation agreement we signed with the City in 1996 did not include an annexation fee. He said that after all the time effort and money that we spent to complete all the work we were denied the final step of having LAFCO approve the annexation due to the fact that the City County Tax sharing agreement had expired. Because of further delays that were out of our control the annexation that we started in 1989 took 17 years to be completed. When the property was finally annexed in 2006 our original pre-annexation agreement from 1996 was modified to include the per lot annexation fee. The initial reason for annexing the property into the city was to receive the sewer and water services. Today sewer and water services are available to us in the county without an annexation fee. Currently there are approved subdivisions in the County that were not required to annex into the city and are not subject to this fee. We were not given a choice of staying in the County we were required to annex into the city. The current annexation fee for each subdivided lot is over \$9,000.

Mr. Brigantino stated that this is a unique situation and we feel that under the circumstances and timing of the annexation it is unfair to charge us the per lot annexation fee. Our annexation process began years before the expiration of the City County Tax Sharing Agreement expired and we had a pre-annexation agreement that did not contain this fee. Therefore, we are asking that the per lot annexation fee be waived for this subdivision.

Lengthy discussion ensued by Board, staff and Mr. Brigantino.

After discussion the consensus of the Board directed Planning Department staff to look at fee structures and time line and return to Board at a later date for further discussion and direction. (Unanimous) *File #119*

CLERK/AUDITOR/RECORDER – J. P. Gonzalez:

15) Modify schedule of authorized positions for the Auditor's Office; reduce Accountant I/II/III by .20 FTE on the Auditor's Schedule of authorized positions; and increase Property Tax and Special Accounting Analyst by .20 FTE on the Auditor's Schedule of Authorized Positions.

Clerk/Auditor/Recorder Joe Paul Gonzalez provided information in regards to request to modify schedule of authorized positions in the Auditor's Office.

Discussion ensued by Board and staff.

Those speaking from the public were: Marty Richman, Hollister resident.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Muenzer, reduced Accountant I/II/III by .20 FTE on the Auditor's Schedule of Authorized Positions, and increased Property Tax and Special Accounting Analyst by .20 FTE on the Auditor's Schedule of Authorized Positions. (Unanimous) File #608

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS – L. Rheinheimer:

Receive a report on the Highway 25 bypass route Transfer and approve 16) letter of support for Senate Bill 314 and send to Senator Cannella.

Executive Director Lisa Rheinheimer provided information in regards to the Highway 25 by pass route transfer and a letter of support for Senate Bill 314 that she is asking the Board of Supervisors to sign and support and be sent to Senator Cannella.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion made by Supervisor Muenzer and seconded by Supervisor De La Cruz, **approved** letter of support for Senate Bill 314 and any additional letters that need to go forth. (Unanimous) File #1035

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY – M. Corona:

Approve proclamation designating the week of April 1, 2013 to April 7, 2013 17) as Public Health Week in San Benito County and presentation by Dr. Garza.

Dr. Garza provided information in regards to Public Health Week and activities taking place in San Benito County. He provided a handout regards to Community Health and Wellness and spoke as to how public health is a community affair.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion made by Supervisor Barrios and seconded by Supervisor Rivas, approved proclamation for presentation.

Supervisor Barrios presented Proclamation to Dr. Garza for Public Health Week in San Benito County. (Unanimous) File #130

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY – M. Corona:

18) Approve the California Multi-Sector Workforce Partnership MOU between San Benito County and partnering WIBs, and authorize the HHSA Interim Director or the Deputy Director to sign MOU and any amendments pertaining to said MOU.

Interim Health & Human Services Director Maria Corona provided information in regards to Multi-Sector Workforce Partnership MOU between San Benito County and 14 other counties.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion made by Supervisor Rivas and seconded by Supervisor De La Cruz, approved MOU as presented; authorized the HHSA Interim Director or the Deputy Director to sign said MOU and any amendments pertaining to said MOU. (Unanimous) File #130

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY – M. Corona:

Approve the 25% CA Multi-Sector Workforce Partnership agreement 19) between San Benito County CSWD and South Bay Workforce Investment Board Inc. in the amount of \$397,790; and authorize the HHSA Interim Director and or Deputy Director to sign agreement and any amendments to

such grant agreement and approve FY 2012/13 budget augmentation in the amount of \$90,454 for the 25% Workforce Investment Act (WIA). (4/5 vote)

Interim Health & Human Services Director Maria Corona provided information in regards to the 25% CA Multi-Sector Workforce Partnership Agreement which goes hand in hand with item #18 that was previously presented.

BOARD ACTION: Upon motion made by Supervisor De La Cruz and seconded by Supervisor Rivas, **approved** 25% CA Multi-Sector Workforce partnership agreement as presented; **authorized** the HHSA Interim Director and or Deputy Director to enter into and sign the agreement and any amendments to agreement; **approved** FY 2012/13 budget augmentation in the amount of \$90,454 for the 25% Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Dislocated Worker Additional Assistance Funding. (Unanimous) File #939

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – D. Thompson:

20) Approve request to solicit proposals for Jail and Juvenile Hall medical services; and direct staff as appropriate. (*This item was pulled from the agenda*).

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.)

- 21) Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: Number of Cases: (1) Closed session is authorized by Section 54956.9(d) (2) & (e) (3) – receipt of claim on March 5, 2013. *No reportable action.*
- 22) Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation.
 Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9:
 Number of Cases: (1)
 Closed session is authorized by Section 549.56.9(d) (2), (e) (1).
 No reportable action.

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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:	Botelho, Rivas, Muenzer, Barrios, De La Cruz
NOES:	SUPERVISORS:	None
ABSENT:	SUPERVISORS:	None

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 4:05 p.m. to April 16, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

ANTHONY BOTELHO, CHAIRMAN

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ATTEST:

Janet Slibsager, Asst. Clerk of the Board