

Minutes For May 6, 2003

The Solano County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on this day at 8:31 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kromm. Present were Supervisors Kondylis, Vasquez and Chairman Kromm; Supervisor Silva was excused.

CLOSED SESSION: The Board moved into Closed Session at 8:32 a.m. to discuss Meet and Confer: All Bargaining Units with Josie Jenkins, Agency Negotiator; Meet and Confer: Deputy Sheriff's Association, Units 3 & 4, and Correctional Officers, Unit 13 with Craig Jory, Chief Negotiator; Potential Litigation: one (1) case. The Board moved out of Closed Session at 9:21 a.m.

The Solano County Board of Supervisors reconvened on this day at 9:25 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

PRESENTATIONS

(Item 7A) PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE NINTH DAY OF MAY, TWO-THOUSAND THREE AS CHILD CARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY, APPROVED

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the proclamation recognizing May 9, 2003 as Child Care Provider Appreciation Day. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Kondylis presented Yvonne Apilado, Local Child Care Planning Council, with the proclamation.

Ms. Apilado discussed the importance of quality childcare.

(Item 7B) RESOLUTION NO. 2003-099 RECOGNIZING ANN HARTFIELD UPON HER RETIREMENT FOR HER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO SOLANO COUNTY, AND PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION, APPROVED

On motion of Supervisor Vasquez and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2003-099. The Board further acted to authorize a Plaque of Appreciation for Anne Hartfield. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused. (see Resolution Book)

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Kromm presented Ms. Hartfield with Resolution No. 2003-099 and a Plaque of Appreciation honoring her upon her retirement after 31 years of service to Solano County as an employee in Health and Social Services, and commending her service to the children, adults and elderly of the County.

(Item 7C) RESOLUTION NO. 2003-100 PROCLAIMING MAY, 2003 AS ELDER AND DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY, ADOPTED

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2003-100. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused. (see Resolution Book)

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Kondylis presented the resolution to Linda Watts, Department of Health and Social Services.

Ms. Watts noted the seriousness of the issue, and the importance of awareness and reporting of any problems.

(Item 7D) RESOLUTION NO. 2003-101 PROCLAIMING MAY, 2003 AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY, ADOPTED

On motion of Supervisor Vasquez and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2003-101. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused. (see Resolution Book)

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Vasquez presented the resolution to Lovella Christopher-Smith, Mental Health Advisory Board, and Debbie Terry-Butler, Department of Health and Social Services.

Ms. Christopher-Smith discussed availability of services, a recent awareness rally, and the upcoming Consumer Art Show that will be held in Vacaville.

Ms. Terry-Butler discussed the need for awareness to eliminate the stigma of mental illness.

(Item 7E) PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MAY, 2003 AS ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH, APPROVED

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to adopt the proclamation recognizing May, 2003 as Asthma Awareness Month. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Kromm presented the proclamation to Robin Cox, Health Education Director, Health and Social Services, a representative from the Asthma Coalition, and County Health Officer Dr. Thomas Charron.

There was a brief discussion regarding education and strides made by the Asthma Coalition.

(Item 7F) PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY, 2003 AS MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH, APPROVED

On motion of Supervisor Vasquez and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, the Board acted to approve the Proclamation Declaring May, 2003 as Motorcycle Awareness Month. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Vasquez presented Jean Hughes, American Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education of California Local 17.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

APPEARANCE BY DONALD TIPTON, RE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Donald Tipton, Vallejo, voiced his concerns regarding the Department of Environmental Management regarding dissatisfied customers, responding to calls, and with re-verification for loans through the Mercy Housing Rehabilitation Program.

APPEARANCES BY VALERIE AND RANNY MCCOWN RE FUNDING FOR MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

Valerie McCown, Vacaville, discussed their personal experience with their son being mentally ill, with the benefits of programs such as New Horizons and FACT, and voiced concern with potential funding cuts that could be life threatening for some people. Mrs. McCown discussed efforts by law enforcement and the courts to keep mentally ill people out of the jail, and requested the Board deeply consider continuing the funding programs for the mentally ill.

Ranny McCown, Vacaville, requested funding be continued for the FACT and New Horizons programs, which gives great opportunities to people with mental illness, and the need to look at the laws pertaining to the mentally ill.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR

(Item 16A) Adoption of a resolution requesting the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to allocate Transportation Development Act Article 3 funds in the amount of \$125,000 for the construction of improvements to Runge Road, Tremont Road and Old Davis Road.

Donald Tipton, Vallejo, posed questions regarding the Road Fund monies contribution, and if the relative small grant amount is worth all the work and costs involved in applying.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the submitted Agenda, incorporated herein by reference. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the following Consent Calendar items by a vote of 3-0;

Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 13) MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OF APRIL 22, 2003, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from the Clerk of the Board dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, approved.

(Item 14) LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RE USE OF SANDY BEACH PARK BOAT RAMP, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from General Services/Parks Division dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, approved and General Services Director authorized to sign said contract on behalf of Solano County.

(Item 15) RESOLUTION NO. 2003-103 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF SOLANO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ELECTION OF 2002, SERIES 2003A, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000,000, adopted. (see Resolution Book)

(Item 16A) RESOLUTION NO. 2003-104 REQUEST TO THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2003-04 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE PROJECT FUNDING, adopted. (see Resolution Book)

(Item 16B) FINAL MAP OF POOLE SUBDIVISION (S-00-01), as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from the Department of Transportation dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, approved and Clerk of the Board authorized to sign said map on behalf of Solano County.

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-105 ACCEPTING THE AGREEMENT IN REFERENCE TO IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE POOLE SUBDIVISION S-00-01, adopted. (see Resolution Book)

(Item 17) SUPERSEARCH MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH BAY COOPERATIVE LIBRARY SYSTEM, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from the Library dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, approved and Director of Library Services authorized to sign said contract on behalf of Solano County.

SPECIAL DISTRICTS GOVERNED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Rural North Vacaville Water District

(Item 18) Minutes regarding this matter are contained in the Rural North Vacaville Water District Minutes Book.

ORDERS

(Item 20A) FY 2002/2003 THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT, ACCEPTED

FINAL BUDGET HEARINGS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN JUNE 30, 2003

PURCHASE OF IBM DISK STORAGE UNIT, APPROVED

APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS FOR RECORDER (56,837), SHERIFF (\$102,391), GENERAL SERVICES/PARKS (\$144,795), APPROVED

AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH EXIGENT RE DOCUMENT IMAGING PROJECT FOR ASSESSOR/RECORDER, APPROVED

APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS REQUIRING 4/5'S VOTE CONTINUED TO MAY 13, 2003

County Administrator Michael Johnson reviewed the information contained in the Agenda Submittal from his department dated May 7, 2002, incorporated herein by reference, regarding the financial status of the County for the third quarter of this fiscal year, and requested that recommendations requiring a 4/5's vote be continued to May 13, 2003. Mr. Johnson discussed the good financial status of the County, noted that the departments have managed items under their control very well, direct impacts on building the budget for FY 2003/04, operations are generally on a positive basis, a fund balance of \$23.3 million which is the largest in County history, some adjustments will be made in Sheriff's Department and Health and Social Services budgets where there are some cost overruns, and distributed an updated Attachment B.

Donald Tipton, Vallejo, objected to positions being left vacant in the Department of Environmental Management, and with the increase in contracted services in that department.

Chairman Kromm noted the number of vacant positions throughout the County, which has been done to try to deal with anticipated severe funding cutbacks from the State. Leaving positions vacant will help current employees, and the County will try to reallocate people in the departments to reduce personnel disruptions.

Supervisor Kondylis posed questions regarding contingency transfers of funds for the airport, with disbursement of the additional revenue from Marriage License fees, and voiced concern with conducting budget hearings with no State budget in place, responding Mr. Johnson noted the transfer of funds for the airport would be coming from the Airport Contingency Fund not from the General Fund Contingency, part of the Marriage License fee will be distributed to the battered women shelters. Mr. Johnson further discussed that from a prudent budgeting stand point it is better to make your best judgments as to revenues and expenditures early in the year to be able to adopt a budget, as required by law, and if circumstances change budget adjustments can be made.

Responding to questions posed by Supervisor Kondylis regarding lay off notices in the Department of Child Support Services, John Taylor, County Administrator's Office, noted no layoff notices have gone out in any County

departments, department heads have begun discussing the budget situation with staff, and that any layoff notices would have to be approved by the Board. Mr. Johnson noted a request by the union that employees be given as much notice and information as possible.

Supervisor Kondylis voiced concern with potential staffing cuts in the Department of Child Support Services and the effects that will have.

Responding to questions posed by Chairman Kromm regarding General Reserves, the projected General Fund balance, and draw down limits for reserves, Mr. Johnson discussed the Board goal for the General Fund Reserve to be at 5% of the total net budget excluding the double count funds equaling about \$22 million. There was \$3 million set aside as a means of financing the FY 2002/03 budget, which will not be used. The Contingencies Budget was about \$12 million for FY 2002/03 with about \$4.461 million remaining, the General Fund Contingencies Budget for FY 2003-04 will be smaller at about \$9 million, and \$6 to \$7 million will be set aside for State uncertainties. The General Fund balance of about \$23.3 million includes the \$3 million that was drawn down from reserves, but not used.

There was a brief discussion for the FY 2003/04 budget regarding Board policy on the use of General Fund Reserves, building the budget, the Vehicle License Fee (VLF), increases in the Public Employee Retirement System (PERS) rate, an overview of the effects of the State budget problems on the Department of Health and Social Services resulting in cuts back to basic services only, and about Drug Court.

Supervisor Kondylis expressed concern with cutting cost effective programs that overall save money, and the need to put those savings back into the programs.

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to accept the FY 2002/03 Third Quarter Financial Report, to set the FY 2003/04 Proposed Budget Hearings to begin June 30, 2003; to approve the purchase of an IBM Disk Storage Unit for the Records Office; to approve appropriation transfers in the Records budget, the Sheriff's budget, and General Services/Parks Division (as listed in recommendation 4); to approve an amendment to the agreement with Exigent; and to authorize the Auditor-Controller to transfer appropriations within a fund to cover year-end close out. (Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, and 9). So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 20B) TRANSFER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATION SERVICE POSITIONS FROM THE ASSESSOR/RECORDER, AUDITOR/CONTROLLER, REGISTRAR OF VOTERS, DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES, ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, SHERIFF, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICES/COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION TO MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SERVICES (MIS), APPROVED

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-106 AMENDING THE LIST OF NUMBERS AND CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS (MIS-SENIOR SYSTEMS ANALYST), ADOPTED

SIDE AGREEMENT WITH SEIU LOCAL 1280 TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES FOR THE AFFECTED EMPLOYEES, APPROVED

The Board was provided with an Agenda Submittal from the County Administrator's Office dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, regarding consolidation of all information services (IS) staff.

County Administrator Michael Johnson discussed the importance of this action that has been in process for a number of years, and presented a brief background to re-centralized technology services in the MIS Department.

Responding to questions posed by Chairman Kromm regarding cross training, Chief Information Officer Ken Phillips elaborated on the importance of cross training to this program, and a primary reason for this consolidation. The functional aspects will remain the same with staff remaining imbedded in their respective departments, much of the coordination will be done by the centralized management, and there will be a certain amount of time that the IS staff will be at the central location for cross training, education, and sharing of ideas.

Chairman Kromm voiced concern with the potential for moving people from department to department, and the problems that could create.

Mr. Johnson discussed the Management Information Services Oversight Committee (MISOC) that is comprised of elected and appointed department heads, opportunities this action will offer, and the follow-up that will be done.

Responding to questions posed by Chairman Kromm regarding the new position in the Registrar of Voters Office and the deadlines with the Electronic Voting System, Mr. Johnson noted Human Resources would make this position a priority to get filled.

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the transfer of information technology and communication service positions from the Assessor/Recorder, the Auditor/Controller, Registrar of Voters, Department of Child Support Services, Environmental Management, Sheriff, Health and Social Services and General Services/Communications Division to Management Information Services (MIS); to adopt Resolution No. 2003-106 Amending the List of Numbers and Classification of Positions (MIS-Senior Systems Analyst); and to authorize the Director of Human Resources to enter into a side agreement with SEIU Local 1280 to implement changes for the affected employees and to make necessary technical changes. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 20C) **OLDER & DISABLED ADULT SERVICES DIVISION IN THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT CREATED**

ORDINANCE REGARDING CONSOLIDATING THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN/ADMINISTRATOR FUNCTION AS A PART OF THE HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT ADOPTED ON FIRST READING; SECOND READING SET FOR MAY 27, 2003

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-107 AMENDING THE LIST OF NUMBERS AND POSITIONS (ADDING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES-SOCIAL PROGRAMS, DELETING PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR/PUBLIC GUARDIAN/PUBLIC CONSERVATOR, AND ADDING LIMITED TERM PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR/PUBLIC GUARDIAN/PUBLIC CONSERVATOR), ADOPTED

Scheduled on the agenda for this day was consideration of a proposed ordinance, which would consolidate the Older & Disabled Service Bureau with the In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority Program and the Public Guardian/Conservator/Administrator Department into a division. On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board directed that the proposed ordinance be read by title only. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

County Administrator Michael Johnson gave a brief background regarding continuous evaluation of the organization structure of the County, opportunities, and consolidation of staffing and some functions.

Assistant County Administrator Darby Hayes reviewed the information contained in the Agenda Submittal from his department dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, regarding the opportunity to create an Older and Disabled Adult Services Division in Health and Social Services.

Director of Health and Social Services Patrick Duterte discussed growth in the senior population in the County, administration of the new division, improved services to the clients, and other benefits of this consolidation.

Supervisor Kondylis agrees with the benefits for wrap around services and case management for older and disabled adults, but voiced concern with services only being available in one place, and questioned how services would be provided. Mr. Duterte noted the need to go to the clients, staff that do home visits, and expects staff will go to the participants.

Public Guardian/Conservator/Administrator Gail Lamkins provided a list of issues, incorporated herein by reference, that need to be addressed for this consolidation to work, safeguards that will be put in place, the need for increased services for the older population, and that she will work with Health and Social Services on the consolidation until her retirement.

Chairman Kromm requested a going away report by Ms. Lamkins in late October on the status of the consolidation.

There was a brief discussion regarding other opportunities to improve services to seniors through this consolidation.

On motion of Supervisor Vasquez and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, the Board acted to create an Older and Disabled Adult Services Division in Health and Social Services, to adopt a proposed ordinance consolidating the Public Guardian/Conservator/Public Administrator into the Department of Health and Social Services, to adopt Resolution No. 2003-107 Amending the List of Numbers and Positions (adding Deputy Director of Health & Social Services-Social Programs, deleting Public Administrator/Public Guardian/Public Conservator, and adding Limited Term Public Administrator/Public Guardian/Public Conservator), and to approve all other related actions as recommended in the report. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused. (see

Resolution Book)

(Item 21) RESOLUTION NO. 2003-108 ADOPTING FINDINGS ON DECREASE IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION FEE (BOOKING FEE) FOR THE SOLANO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003/04, ADOPTED

Assistant Auditor-Controller Simona Padilla-Scholtens reviewed the information contained in the Agenda Submittal from her department dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, regarding the annual review of the Booking Fee, the proposed 2nd tier booking fee, and highlighting the reduction in the fees.

Chairman Kromm opened the public hearing. As there was no one who wished to speak on this matter, the public hearing was closed.

On motion of Supervisor Vasquez and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2003-108 Adopting Findings on Decrease in the Criminal Justice Administration Fee (Booking Fee) for the Solano County Sheriff's Department for Fiscal Year 2003/04. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused. (see Resolution Book)

(Item 22) SOLANO COUNTY ANNUAL INVESTMENT POLICY, APPROVED

Treasurer-Tax Collector-County Clerk Chuck Lomeli reviewed the information contained in the Agenda Submittal from his department dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, regarding the County Annual Investment Policy.

On motion of Chairman Kromm and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, the Board acted to approve the Solano County Annual Investment Policy. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 23) AMENDMENT TO REDUCE AND SHORTEN THE MENTALLY ILL OFFENDER CRIME REDUCTION (MIOCRG) GRANT, APPROVED

Mike Medvedoff, Sheriff's Department reviewed the information contained in the Agenda Submittal from his department dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, regarding reducing the MIOCRG Grant.

Supervisor Kondylis voiced concern regarding reducing the program to a point where it is not effective, the overall great savings of this program, and proposed formation of a taskforce to combine Drug Court and the Mentally Ill Offender Court.

There was a brief discussion regarding Board representation on the proposed taskforce, and Supervisor Silva and Supervisor Kondylis were appointed to the taskforce.

Mr. Medvedoff noted the evaluation component would remain for accumulation of data.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Drug Court, Proposition 36 Drug Court, possible ways to tie the MIOCRG program and Drug Court programs, and looking for positive outcomes for the people being served in the

County.

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the amendment to the MIOCRG Grant agreement, and for the formation of a taskforce to look at combining and funding the Drug Court and the Mentally Ill Offender Court. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 24A) HELEN ESTES APPOINTED TO THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING SERVING NAPA-SOLANO

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to appoint Helen Estes to the Area Agency on Aging Serving Napa-Solano for a term to expire July 1, 2004. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 24B) PAMELA K. THOMAS REAPPOINTED TO THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMITTEE

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to reappoint Pamela K. Thomas to the Equal Employment Opportunity Committee for a term to expire April 7, 2005. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 24C) ALTHEA LETT REAPPOINTED TO THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY ADVISORY BOARD

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to reappoint Althea Lett to the Community Action Agency Advisory Board for a term to expire May 6, 2006. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 24D) KEVIN CULLEN, JANE BOGNER AND CHAIRMAN KROMM APPOINTED TO THE SOLID WASTE INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to appoint Kevin Cullen, Jane Bogner and Chairman Kromm to the Solid Waste Independent Hearing Panel. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 25) STAFF TO WORK WITH SOLANO COUNTY WATER AGENCY RE DEVELOPMENT OF FLOOD HAZARD PUBLIC AWARENESS PROGRAM AND SUBMITTING FLOOD STUDIES TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FOR RECOGNITION OF ADDITIONAL FLOOD ZONES

The Board was provided with an Agenda Submittal from the Department of Environmental Management dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, regarding county ordinances and policies for storm water impacts from development and building in flood prone areas.

Matt Tuggle, Department of Environmental Management, reviewed a two-part visual presentation, incorporated herein by reference, beginning with Mitigating Storm Water Impacts from Development that included a History of Flooding in the County, Cumulative Storm Water Impacts, Solano County Agencies/Organizations involved in Storm Water Impact Mitigation, Planning Services Division, Chapter 26: Subdivision of Land, Storm Water Criteria for Subdivision Approval, Subdivision Dedications and Assessment Districts, Storm Water Mitigation Condition Examples, Building and Safety Services Division, Building and Grading Ordinances, Environmental Health Division, and the Department of Transportation.

A short discussion followed regarding road design and drainage, retention and/or detention ponds in subdivisions, subdivision requirements for drainage, and maintenance of privately owned ditches.

Mr. Tuggle continued his presentation with the Solano County Road Improvement Standards, the Solano County Water Agency (SCWA), SCWA Flood Control Improvement Projects, Where Solano County Mitigates Storm Water Impacts, and Where Solano County Does Not Mitigates Storm Water Impacts.

Supervisor Kondylis posed questions regarding restrictions on the amount of hardscape on a piece of property, and with cumulative impacts, Mr. Tuggle discussed the trigger point relative to hardscape, but noted that most people do not get a permit for that type of work. Director of Environmental Management Birgitta Corsello discussed the soil aeration necessary for leach fields that would limit the hardscape on a given piece of property.

Supervisor Vasquez presented questions regarding raising of roads and foundations in flood prone areas, Mr. Tuggle discussed the potential for creation of a dam by raising the road, and making the situation worse.

Mr. Tuggle presented Part 2: Building in Flood Prone Areas with Current Policies and Procedures.

There was a brief discussion regarding development above a flood zone and the additional runoff created by that development, and the trigger mechanisms for grading permits that would require mitigation of runoff.

Mr. Tuggle continued the presentation with maps of the Solano County FEMA Flood Zones, the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), NFIP Requirements for New Construction in FEMA Flood Zones, Problems Identified this Year, Optional Solutions, and Alternatives for Solano County.

There was a short discussion regarding accurate re-mapping of the 100-year flood plane, cumulative effects for areas that flood repeatedly that are not designated as in the flood plane, and updating of the FEMA flood plane maps.

Responding to questions posed by Chairman Kromm regarding homes that are added to the flood zone, and projects that can be done to relieve flooding pressures, Mr. Tuggle noted that homes added to a flood plane area would have to meet flood-zoning codes when doing any work requiring a permit, and over the long-term the parcels will be improved. Director of Environmental Management Birgitta Corsello noted the homes that are reclassified would have to get flood insurance, property values could be negatively impacted, and the requirement for independent scientific evidence

to do the Letter of Map Amendment to FEMA for reclassification of an area.

Supervisor Kondylis voiced concern regarding all citizens of the County paying for flood protection in the unincorporated area, and the obligation/responsibility to inform people if they are in a designed flood area or not, responding Ms. Corsello noted the County's responsibility to make sure FEMA updates and corrects the Flood Plane maps, and discussed the long-term process to update those maps.

Responding to questions posed by Supervisor Vasquez regarding public notification that the County is providing FEMA with a listing of flood parcels after each storm event, County Counsel Dennis Bunting noted the notification would be a public document and could be provided during the permit process, but cautioned about setting up a standard of care on flood properties that are not yet recognized by FEMA.

Ruth Fleeman, Suisun Valley, provided a letter and packet of information, incorporated herein by reference, voicing concerns with continual flooding problems in her area, with diverting water into the overflow, with right-of-way issues, with a Federally funded reliever project that have not been done, and suggested a flood control district be formed.

Responding Dave Okita, SCWA, noted the reliever project is through the SCWA Small Project Grant Program with local funding. Mr. Okita discussed some of the complications in getting the project done that are due to United States Bureau of Reclamation property through the middle of the area, some Solano Irrigation District (SID) ditches, and the need to ensure all the property owners approve of the project.

Chairman Kromm noted reluctance in the past for SCWA to go into eminent domain proceedings, but that now SCWA will do what must be done to get the project going.

Chuck Foster, Vacaville, provided a copy of a Flood Investigation report, incorporated herein by reference, outlining flooding problems on Mills Lane in Vacaville, feels that SCWA is focused on bringing water into the County and with little focus on flood control, flood control needs to be a priority in the County; feels the City of Vacaville, SID, the County, and PG&E need to take responsibility and make the necessary repairs to eliminate flooding. Mr. Foster feels the basic problem is that no one is maintaining the drainage ditches, as well as some design issues. Action needs to be taken to start getting projects completed.

Responding to questions posed by Supervisor Vasquez regarding projects being done in the Mills Lane area this year, Mr. Okita noted July 1 funding would be available to do a watershed study in that area. The City of Vacaville, SID, the County and PG&E need to participate in the study to find a solution.

Chairman Kromm discussed the individual projects contributing to the flooding problems in the Mills Lane area.

Joe Moore, Vacaville, voiced frustration over the last 5 years with no action being taken to correct flooding problems on Sweeney Creek, projects that have been done adding to flooding problems, maintenance that has not been done on publicly and privately owned easements. Mr. Moore noted the creeks need to be cleaned out, discussed the report done by the Grand Jury on flooding,

and feels a JPA needs to be formed to get the projects done and to ensure the maintenance on the creeks is done.

Barbara Ely, Vacaville – Sweeney Creek area, discussed recent flood waters in her home with damages totaling over \$100,000, voiced concern with the need for Sweeney Creek to be cleaned out this year. Ms. Ely noted Sweeney Creek provides water down stream and the entity providing water downstream is responsible to clean the creek, noted excuses regarding acquiring necessary easements, runoff comes down the foothills and stops at Putah South Canal, with drainage for all the area through Sweeney Creek, and the need to correct these problems. Ms. Ely feels the area would not flood if the creek was cleaned out and properly maintained.

Supervisor Vasquez agrees that the Putah South Canal acts as a dam, the drainage ditch along the canal is overgrown, and agrees work needs to be done. George Ambrose, Fairfield, voiced concern that SCWA has no obligation to correct any flooding problems, noted SCWA took over the water duties from the County, feels there are more difficulties since there are so many agencies involved, noted that SCWA reserves should be used to get many of the flooding projects completed, and noted the County also needs to maintain the road ditches.

Leslie Spitzer, Fairfield, voiced concern with overflowing of the ditches in front of her home, excess water from Rockville Hills, development of 14 acres adjacent to her property and drainage needs through that property, that SCWA has no authority, and with reclassification of her property into a flood zone. Donald Tipton, Vallejo, voiced concern with the number of flooding issues in the County, feels staff does not listen to the public, that there is no one to force the property owners to clean out their drainage ditches, and feels staff needs to educate the public.

Responding to questions posed by Chairman Kromm regarding responsibility for flood control matters, Mr. Bunting discussed a recent court case on how Counties will deal with flood control, the changing liability due to this recent case, and no statutory requirement for the County to maintain a creek or channel in the area.

Supervisor Kondylis feels public works projects that impact people should be remediated, and for areas like Sweeney Creek we may end up doing eminent domain to get the needed right-of-ways. Since SID does use Sweeney Creek to convey their water it has some responsibility. Supervisor Kondylis suggested all agencies dealing with water should convene to deal with this issue.

Responding to questions posed by Chairman Kromm regarding work timing on Sweeney Creek, and Mills Lane, Mr. Okita noted a watershed study has begun that will take about 12 to 16 months to complete, SQWA is in the process of acquiring easements to do the maintenance work there, and would like to complete some channel clearing and dredging before next winter. The SCWA Board approved a watershed study for Mills Lane that should begin shortly after July 1st, and Mr. Okita discussed some of the factors that will have to be considered in the overall flooding issue.

There was a brief discussion regarding future development in the Suisun Valley area and the added requirements for drainage, and cumulative effects of

upland development areas.

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to receive the report, to direct staff to assist the Solano County Water Agency (SCWA) to develop a flood hazard public awareness program, including information regarding building in flood prone areas, and to direct staff to assist SCWA to develop and submit to FEMA flood studies which would result in additional flood zones recognized by FEMA. So ordered by a vote of 3-0; Supervisor Silva excused.

(Item 26) PRESENTATION RE EMERGENCY FLOOD OPERATIONS WITHIN
SOLANO COUNTY, RECEIVED

Bob Powell, Office of Emergency Services Manager, reviewed the information contained in the Agenda Submittal from his department dated May 6, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, regarding Emergency Flood Operations in the County and specifics of flooding December 2002.

Mr. Powell noted most flooding problems in the County stem from rain along with development leaving no historical experience to forecast what may happen, noted most emergency responders are volunteers, challenges in getting resources out to the public, declaration of a County emergency December 2002, improvements to responses, availability of information, notification to the public, and the phone notification system.

Responding to questions posed by Chairman Kromm regarding information available on the County web site, Mr. Powell noted the emergency information is available on the County Internet home page. There was a brief discussion regarding confusion and availability of information during the December 2002 flooding situation and improvements that have been made.

Chuck Foster, Vacaville, requested information regarding the availability of small boats for rescue. Responding Mr. Powell noted the Vacaville Fire District is the only fire department that has small boats available for rescue, but that many volunteers do have private boats that have been enlisted for use in the past.

Joe Moore, Vacaville, posed questions regarding the safety of elderly and disabled people in the unincorporated area, and requested a plan be developed for boat access rescue of elderly and disabled people.

Mr. Powell discussed a part of the emergency plan that incorporates contingencies with use of multi-agency helicopters for rescues, the ability to commandeer the necessary resources for any type of rescue, the good mutual aid system in the County, the need to be able forecast where the greatest threats will be, and the full cooperation of the Sheriff's Office.

Director of Environmental Management Birgitta Corsello discussed the status of staff during a declared emergency, information provided to OES during an emergency by County staff, and tracking of tidewaters by OES.

Supervisor Vasquez discussed the importance and benefits of the Disaster Council.

ADJOURN - This meeting of the Board of Supervisors adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

Duane Kromm, Chairman

Maggie Jimenez
Clerk to the Board of Supervisors