



# Solano County

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## Minutes - Final Board of Supervisors

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Tuesday, January 6, 2015

9:00 AM

Board of Supervisors Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER - 9:00 a.m.

*The Solano County Board of Supervisors met on the 6th day of January 2015 in regular session in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers at the Solano County Government Center, 675 Texas Street, Fairfield, California at 9:00 a.m. Present were Supervisors Hannigan, Spering, Thomson, Vasquez and Chair Seifert. Chair Seifert presided. Also present were County Administrator Birgitta E. Corsello and County Counsel Dennis Bunting.*

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 5 - John M. Vasquez, Erin Hannigan, Linda J. Seifert, James P. Spering and Skip Thomson

### SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

*This meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors continued with the Salute to the Flag and a Moment of Silence.*

### OATH OF OFFICE

- 1 [14-0856](#) Administering the Oath of Office for new term of office of Solano County Supervisor and introductions: Solano County Superior Court of California, Solano County Judge Wendy G. Getty:

Jim Spering, District 3  
John Vasquez, District 4

Administering the Oath of Office for new term of office of elected officials and introductions: Superior Court of California, Solano County Presiding Judge E. Bradley Nelson:

Marc Tonnesen, Assessor/Recorder  
Simona Padilla-Scholtens, Auditor/Controller  
Krishna Abrams, District Attorney

Tom Ferrara, Sheriff/Coroner  
Charles Lomeli, Treasurer/Tax Collector/County Clerk

Attachments:      [Minute Order](#)

*Solano County Superior Court of California Judge Wendy G. Getty administered the Oath of Office to James P. Spering, Board of Supervisors, District 3; and John M. Vasquez, Board of Supervisors, District 4.*

*Solano County Superior Court of California Presiding Judge E. Bradley Nelson administered the Oath of Office to Marc Tonnesen, Assessor/Recorder; Simona Padilla-Scholtens, Auditor/Controller; Krishna Abrams, District Attorney; Tom Ferrara, Sheriff/Coroner; and Charles Lomeli, Treasurer/Tax Collector/County Clerk.*

*Chair Seifert invited remarks from the newly sworn in elected officials.*

*Marc Tonnesen, Assessor/Recorder thanked his family, staff and the public for their support. He then commented on his election and challenges the County had gone through since his last election.*

*Tom Ferrara, Sheriff/Coroner, thanked his staff and commented on serving the county.*

*Simona Padilla-Scholtens, Auditor/Controller, thanked her family, staff and public for their support. She then commented on her job and serving the county.*

*Charles Lomeli, Treasurer/Tax Collector/County Clerk, thanked his family, staff and the public for their support. He then commented on his job and serving the county.*

*Krishna Abrams, District Attorney, commented on her election and transition of the District Attorney's Office. She then thanked her family, staff and the public for their support.*

*Supervisor Jim Spering, District 3, thanked his family and the public for their support. He then commented on the election and serving the county. He noted that his priorities going forward were in the areas of balancing the budget, transportation, helping senior citizens in poverty, continuing programs at the Family Justice Center, looking to develop a position for a volunteer coordinator, working with cities to create jobs and provide a variety of housing, working to retain and attract businesses and public safety. He commented on services provided by the County and thanked staff for their hard work. Lastly, he commented again on the election and thanked all of his supporters.*

*Supervisor John Vasquez, District 4, commented on public service and serving the community. He then thanked his family, staff and the public for their support.*

## RECESS

*This meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors recessed at 9:37 a.m. to an informal reception at the County Administration Center Foyer, 675 Texas Street, for newly elected officials and official Board photo. This meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors reconvened at 10:12 a.m. All members were present. Chair Seifert presided.*

## PRESENTATIONS

- 2      [14-0864](#)      Receive a presentation of the 2014 Annual Report

*Attachments:*      [A - 2014 Annual Report](#)  
[2014 Annual Report Board Presentation](#)  
[Minute Order](#)

*Chair Seifert introduced the item and commented on the accomplishments of the last year. She noted that the accomplishments were in the areas of improving the quality of life, overcoming challenges, investing for the future and continued fiscal responsibility. She then thanked all of the departments for their contributions to the accomplishments.*

*County Administrator Birgitta Corsello provided the Board with information on the improvements to quality of life including expanding access to healthcare, putting smiles back in the community through the CDA (California Dental Association) Cares event, helping children prepare for school, providing earthquake assistance, promoting healthy habits for families, helping those in poverty and noted that the county is ranked No. 1 in serving veterans.*

*Ms. Corsello provided information on overcoming challenges including testing the County's ability to respond to emergencies, disasters, and public health preparedness.*

*Ms. Corsello also provided information on investing in the future including an award recognition for the William J. Carroll Government Center, the ribbon cutting for the Stanton Correctional Facility, the updating of equipment in the Agriculture Commissioner's Office to ensure that fuel delivered to and sold at gas stations is measured and dispensed more accurately, the reopening of the "Old Solano Courthouse", and the victory of a landmark court case involving Lead Based Paint. She noted that Solano County Counsel Dennis Bunting and Solano County Health Officer Dr. Bela Matyas were at the forefront of the victory and that Mr. Bunting was awarded "2014 Trial Lawyer of the Year" by the Public Justice Foundation for his work on the case.*

*Ms. Corsello further provided information on innovative services offered by the County including a streamlined process for completing forms online through the Treasurer-Tax Collector-County Clerk Office, services provided by the Solano County Library, which celebrated its 100th Anniversary, services provided by the Challenge Academy, which opened in April 2014, an increase in the number of days that many of the County's parks were open to the public.*

*Lastly, Ms. Corsello provided the Board with information on fiscal responsibility including the adoption of a balanced budget for FY2014/15, a rise in the amount of property tax assessments and the award of a 12th consecutive Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association to the Auditor-Controller's Office. She then thanked the Board and staff for their work and efforts and noted that the Annual Report would be available online at the County's website and available in print form at the libraries.*

*Supervisor Thomson commented on the need for an initiative to bring education and businesses together to work on helping kids regarding education. He then commented on the accomplishments of the County noting a theme of education. He also commented on housing, education, the library, the Challenge Academy, and helping individuals get into government work. He then commented on the need for more investment in the Veteran's Office to add to that department's services.*

*Chair Seifert thanked all of the departments and staff for their work throughout the last year.*

**Received**

## **REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**3**      [14-0857](#)      Consider the following:

- A. Nomination and election of Chair
- B. Nomination and election of Vice-Chair
- C. Nomination and election of Chair Pro Tem
- D. Seating selection at the dais
- E. Presentation to outgoing Chair
- F. Remarks by Supervisors

Attachments:      [Minute Order](#)

*A. Nomination and election of Chair*

***On motion of Supervisor Spering, seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board approved the nomination of Supervisor Hannigan as Chair of the Solano County Board of Supervisors for 2015. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

*B. Nomination and election of Vice-Chair*

***On motion of Supervisor Thomson, seconded by Supervisor Spering, the Board approved the nomination of Supervisor Vasquez as Vice-Chair of the Solano County Board of Supervisors for 2015. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

*C. Nomination and election of Chair Pro Tem*

***On motion of Supervisor Thomson, seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board approved the nomination of Supervisor Spering as Chair Pro Tem of the Solano County Board of Supervisors for 2015. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

*D. Seating selection at the dais*

*Supervisors Seifert and Hannigan switched seats.*

*E. Presentation to outgoing Chair*

*Chairwoman Hannigan commented on Supervisor Seifert's accomplishments as Chair over the years and presented her with a plaque.*

*F. Remarks by Supervisors*

*Supervisor Seifert thanked Chairwoman Hannigan for her remarks and commented on her own experience as the Chair of the Board. She then commented on serving on the Board and thanked the other Board members for their efforts and support. She then thanked the staff for their efforts and support to the Board. She also commented on economic viability through recreational resources and noted the need for funding of an initiative to create a park district.*

*Supervisor Seifert then commented on potential ballot measures for 2016, noting a need for a collaboration on mega initiatives on issues to serve constituents better. She also commented on taking the initiative with Solano360, Moving Solano Forward, engaging the business community, on Public-Public and Public-Private (P4) partnership with Travis AFB, legislation and on water issues.*

*Supervisor Spering recognized the other Board members and thanked them for their support of efforts to improve the quality of life for residents. He then thanked County Administrator Birgitta Corsello, County Counsel Dennis Bunting and county staff for their work. Lastly he commended Supervisor Seifert for her leadership and willingness to work with everyone.*

*Supervisor Vasquez congratulated Chairwoman Hannigan and thanked Supervisor Seifert for her efforts as Chair, her friendship and care for people. He then commented on the work of the county and employees.*

*Supervisor Thomson congratulated Supervisors Spering, Vasquez and Chairwoman Hannigan and commented on the respect between the Board members, despite differences in opinion. He thanked county staff for their work, Supervisor Seifert for her leadership, and Ms. Corsello and Mr. Bunting for their counsel.*

*Chairwoman Hannigan thanked staff for their work. She noted that there was more work to be done on poverty, public safety and quality of life issues and challenged supervisors to reduce the number of residents needing to access safety net services from 1 in 4 to 1 in 6 residents, without duplicating services. Lastly, she commented on serving the community and as the Chairwoman of the Board.*

- 4      [15-0030](#)      Adopt and present a resolution recognizing January 11, 2015 as Human Trafficking Awareness Day in Solano County (Supervisor Vasquez)

*Attachments:*      [A - Resolution](#)  
                                 [Minute Order](#)

**On motion of Supervisor Vasquez, seconded by Supervisor Spering, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2015-01 recognizing January 11, 2015 as Human Trafficking Awareness Day in Solano County. So ordered by 5-0 vote. (see Resolution Book)**

**Enactment No: Resolution 2015-01**

## **ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**

*Chairwoman Hannigan invited members of the public to address the Board on matters not listed on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. The following comments were received:*

*A) Richard Giddens, Suisun City, commented on the Board meeting, illegal citizens, human trafficking, conditions in neighborhoods, his experience with veterans services and opposition to government activities.*

*B) George Guynn, Jr., Suisun City, commented on balancing the budget, illegal citizens' rights, parks, creating more efficiency, and increases to Board members' salaries and staffing.*

## **ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA**

*There were no additions to or deletions from the Solano County Board of Supervisors' agenda for January 6, 2015.*

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**On motion of Supervisor Vasquez, seconded by Supervisor Seifert, the Board approved the agenda of the Solano County Board of Supervisors for January 6, 2015 as submitted. So ordered by 5-0 vote.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

*Chairwoman Hannigan invited members of the public to address the Board on items listed on the Consent Calendar. The following comments were received:*

*A) George Guynn, Jr., Suisun City, commented on Item 6 regarding the necessity of the contract and expense.*

*B) Donald Tipton, unincorporated Vallejo, commented on Item 6 regarding the budget and affected departments and on Item 9 regarding how unincorporated Vallejo would be affected by the agreement.*

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

**On motion of Supervisor Seifert, seconded by Supervisor Sperring, the Board approved the following Consent Calendar items by 5-0 vote.**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 5**      [14-0860](#)      Authorize the County’s contribution of \$1,300 from the General Fund contribution allocated to District 5 to benefit American Legion Post 178

*Attachments:*      [A - American Legion Post 178 Developments](#)  
   [B - Veterans Hall Priority Repairs](#)  
   [Minute Order](#)

**Approved**
  
- 6**      [15-0027](#)      Authorize the Chief Information Officer (CIO) to negotiate and execute a contract with Gartner, Inc. to perform a market price assessment of infrastructure services currently provided by Xerox Inc. for the term of January 2015 through June 2015 for an amount not to exceed \$69,000; and Authorize the CIO to approve change orders to the scope of work not to exceed 10% of the contract amount

*Attachments:*      [A - Gartner Solano Market Price Assessment Proposal](#)  
   [Minute Order](#)

**Approved**
  
- 7**      [14-0862](#)      Adopt a resolution amending the Position Allocation List to delete 1.0 FTE Office Coordinator and add 1.0 FTE Clerical Operations Supervisor position in the Department of Health and Social Services Special Investigations Bureau

*Attachments:*      [A - Resolution](#)  
   [Minute Order](#)

**Adopted**

**Enactment No: Resolution 2015-03**

- 8        [15-0021](#)        Adopt a resolution and plaque of appreciation to Danette Skyles for 21 years of service to Solano County upon her retirement from the Department of Child Support Services

*Attachments:*        [A - Resolution](#)  
                                 [Minute Order](#)

**Adopted**

**Enactment No: Resolution 15-0002**

- 9        [14-0833](#)        Authorize the Sheriff to execute the Consultant and Professional Services Agreement with the City of Vallejo and the Humane Society of the North Bay for animal control services for the period of February 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017; Authorize the Sheriff, pending County Counsel and County Administrator concurrence, to execute amendments to the Agreement within budget; Adopt a resolution amending the List of Numbers and Classifications of Positions to add 2.0 FTE Animal Control Officers, 1.0 FTE Senior Animal Control Officer (TBD) and 1.0 FTE Sergeant Sheriff; Approve a \$50,000 purchase of fixed asset animal control vehicle and the purchase of three animal control vehicles for \$1 each from the City of Vallejo per the Agreement; and Approve an Appropriation Transfer Request of \$338,672 to recognize unanticipated revenue and related appropriations for providing animal control services (4/5 vote required)

*Attachments:*        [A - Contract](#)  
                                 [B - Resolution](#)  
                                 [Executed Contract](#)  
                                 [Minute Order](#)

**Adopted**

**Enactment No: Resolution 2015-04**

## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- 10       [14-0840](#)        Approve the reappointment of Scott de Bie to the Silveyville Cemetery District, representing District 5 for a term to expire January 7, 2019

*Attachments:*        [Minute Order](#)

**Approved**

- 11       [14-0849](#)        Approve the reappointment of Janice Rogala to the Montezuma Fire Protection District, representing District 5 for a term to expire March 1, 2018

*Attachments:*        [Minute Order](#)

**Approved**

- 12      [14-0859](#)      Approve the reappointment of Kay Cayler to the Planning Commission, representing District 4 for a term to expire January 31, 2019

*Attachments:*      [Minute Order](#)

**Approved**

## REGULAR CALENDAR

- 13      [14-0845](#)      Consider Board of Supervisors' appointments to various boards and commissions for 2015; and disbanding five Board committees as recommended

*Attachments:*      [A - 2015 Board of Supervisors Requested Appointments](#)  
                              [B - 2014 Board of Supervisors Appointments](#)  
                              [C - Summary of Board Committees & 2014 Appointments](#)  
                              [Minute Order](#)

*In response to questions by Chairwoman Hannigan, Director of Health and Social Services Gerald Huber provided the Board with information regarding the request to disband the Health and Social Services Committee and noted that the department was looking at bringing forward regular reports to the Board.*

*Supervisor Seifert noted that the Board does not have much of an opportunity outside the regular meetings to comment on or discuss issues. She then commented on the need to have an issue addressed during a regular meeting as opposed to being put on a Significant Issues memorandum.*

*Supervisor Vasquez noted that all Board committees fall under the Brown Act and suggested leaving them on the list as suspended and meeting as needed, instead of disbanded.*

*County Administrator Birgitta Corsello noted that leaving the committees on the list to meet as needed would still mean that they would be subject to the Brown Act, which would require that staff create, post and notice an agenda and meeting minutes. She then commented on the increase in the number of committees and special projects over the last five years while staff levels had decreased. She noted that Health and Social Services staffed several boards and commissions and commented on the need to manage expectations for support of initiatives coming from each of the committees.*

*Supervisor Vasquez commented on the Public Art Committee.*

*County Counsel Dennis Bunting noted that taking no action would mean that the committees would remain on the list and that taking action to suspend or disband a committee would mean that there would be a future action required to enact them.*

*Supervisor Seifert commented that the committees should be left on the list and that the Ad Hoc committees that were finished with their work should be eliminated.*

***Supervisor Seifert made a motion to eliminate the Ad Hoc committees for the Non-Smoking Committee and Historical Records Commission. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Vasquez. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

*Chairwoman Hannigan noted that the Board would then discuss and take action on Board appointments where there was a request for a change in a representative. The Board took action and made the following changes to the Board of Supervisors appointments to various boards and commissions for 2015:*

***On motion of Supervisor Seifert, seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board reappointed Supervisor Spering as the primary representative and Supervisor Vasquez as the alternate representative to the Bay Conservation and Development Commission. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

***On motion of Supervisor Thomson, seconded by Supervisor Seifert, the Board appointed Supervisor Vasquez as the alternate representative to the Delta Protection Commission. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

***On motion of Supervisor Thomson, seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board appointed Supervisor Hannigan as the primary representative and Supervisor Vasquez as the alternate representative to the Solano Economic Development Corp. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

*Chairwoman Hannigan noted that the City of Vallejo Interagency Committee required two Board members. Supervisor Seifert noted that she would continue as a primary representative.*

*Supervisor Vasquez commented on past efforts of the Economic Development & Tourism Committee and noted that the Solano EDC (Economic Development Corporation) had taken on much of those efforts moving forward.*

***On motion of Supervisor Seifert, seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board eliminated the Economic Development & Tourism Committee. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

***On motion of Supervisor Spering, seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board appointed Supervisor Hannigan as the primary representative and Supervisor Vasquez as the alternate representative to the Public Art Committee. So ordered by 5-0 vote.***

*Ms. Corsello commented on the Public Art Committee.*

*Chairwoman Hannigan invited members of the public to address the Board on this matter and the following comments were received:*

*A) Donald Tipton, unincorporated Vallejo, commented on representation for the Homeacres Improvement Association, the Vallejo Sanitation and Flood Control District, the Greater Vallejo Recreation District, and the East Vallejo Fire Protection District.*

On motion of Supervisor Spering, seconded by Supervisor Spering, the Board approved the remaining appointments on the appointment list. So ordered by 5-0 vote.

## **SPECIAL DISTRICTS GOVERNED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

### Solano Facilities Corporation:

- 14      [15-0024](#)      Hold annual meeting of the Board of Directors for the Solano County Facilities Corporation; and Elect new officers for calendar year 2015

*Attachments:*      [A - COPS Schedule](#)  
[Minute Order](#)

*The minutes of the annual meeting of the Board of Directors for the Solano County Facilities Corporation and election of new officers are contained in the Minute Book of the Solano County Facilities Corporation.*

### East Vallejo Fire Protection District:

- 15      [14-0844](#)      Confirm selection of President and Vice-President of the East Vallejo Fire Protection District's Board of Directors

*Attachments:*      [Minute Order](#)

**On motion of Supervisor Seifert, seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board confirmed the selection of Chairwoman Hannigan as President and Supervisor Vasquez as Vice-President of the East Vallejo Fire Protection District's Board of Directors. So ordered by 5-0 vote.**

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND REPORTS ON MEETINGS**

*Chairwoman Hannigan invited members of the Board to make comments or reports on meetings. The following comments were received:*

*A. Supervisor Seifert requested that this meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors be adjourned in memory of Lee A. Syracuse, an active member of the Benicia community.*

*B. Supervisor Vasquez requested that this meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors be adjourned in memory of Alex Aloysius Nordhues, an active member of the Vacaville community.*

*C. Supervisor Spering requested that this meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors be adjourned in memory of Ernest Dominic Moretti, an active member of the Suisun City community.*

*D. Supervisor Spering requested that this meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors be adjourned in memory of Annita Marie Stacy, an active member of the Fairfield community.*

*E. Supervisor Sperring requested that this meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors be adjourned in memory of Barbara Jean Bidstrup Braker, an active member of the Fairfield community.*

*F. Chairwoman Hannigan requested that this meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors be adjourned in memory of June Helen Boyle, an active member of the Vallejo community.*

*G. Chairwoman Hannigan requested that this meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors be adjourned in memory of Gordon A. "Gordy" Shaffer, an active member of the Vallejo community.*

*H. Chairwoman Hannigan requested that this meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors be adjourned in memory of Luis Fernando Doctolero-Perez, an active member of the Vallejo community.*

**ADJOURN:**

*This meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors adjourned at 11:58 a.m. in memory of Lee A. Syracuse, Alex Aloysius Nordhues, Ernest Dominic Moretti, Annita Marie Stacy, Barbara Jean Bidstrup Braker, June Helen Boyle, Gordon A. "Gordy" Shaffer and Luis Fernando Doctolero-Perez . Next meeting of the Solano County Board of Supervisors will be January 13, 2015 at 8:30 a.m., Board Chambers, 675 Texas Street, Fairfield, California.*

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**ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman**  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

**BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk**  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By \_\_\_\_\_  
**Jeanette Bellinder, Chief Deputy Clerk**