



Lassen County

Meeting Minutes

Board of Supervisors

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LASSEN COUNTY SUPERVISORS:

DISTRICT 1 - CHRIS GALLAGHER - CHAIRMAN; DISTRICT 2 - GARY BRIDGES; DISTRICT 3 - JEFF HEMPHILL - VICE CHAIRMAN; DISTRICT 4 - AARON ALBAUGH; DISTRICT 5 - TOM HAMMOND

Tuesday, July 12, 2022

9:00 AM

Board Chambers
707 Nevada Street
Susanville, CA 96130

9:03 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

Present: Supervisors Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill, and Hammond. Also present: County Administrative Officer (CAO) Richard Egan, County Counsel Amanda Uhrhammer, and Deputy Clerk of the Board Michele Yderraga.

Supervisor Albaugh arrived at 9:23 a.m.

Present: 5 - Chris Gallagher, Gary Bridges, Jeff Hemphill, Aaron Albaugh and Tom Hammond

Excuse: 0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Veterans Services Officer Chris Mancebo: Discussed the Air Commission report.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

CAO Egan announced the following closed session items:

- 1) Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing litigation pursuant to Subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code Section 54956.9: 1 case: Singh v. County of Lassen, Lassen County Case No. 2021-CV0013246.
- 2) Employee performance evaluation: Veterans Services Officer.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed session was held from 9:05 a.m. - 9:35 a.m.

Present: Supervisors Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill, and Hammond. Also present: CAO Egan, County Counsel Uhrhammer, and Deputy Clerk of the Board Yderraga.

Veterans Services Officer Chris Mancebo was present from 9:05 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Deputy CAO Tony Shaw was present from 9:05 a.m. - 9:35 a.m.

Supervisor Albaugh arrived at 9:23 a.m.

Deputy Clerk of the Board Yderraga was absent from 9:19 a.m. - 9:23 a.m.
Supervisor Hammond recused himself and was absent from 9:30 a.m. - 9:35 a.m.

RECESS: 9:35 a.m. - 9:42 a.m.

B. 9:30 A.M. OPENING CEREMONIES

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

After the flag salute, invocation was offered by Supervisor Gallagher.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

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No reportable action.

2) Employee performance evaluation: Veterans Services Officer.

No reportable action.

AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

Supervisor Hemphill requested to adjourn in memory of Alvin Blickenstaff, Gloria Farris, and Ginger Fitzgerald. Supervisor Gallagher requested to adjourn in memory of Carolyn Genasci, and Jack Glendon. Supervisor Bridges requested to adjourn in memory of Alyssa Gaynor.

A motion was made by Supervisor Bridges, seconded by Supervisor Hemphill, that this Agenda be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill, Albaugh and Hammond

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

UNAGENDIZED REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Supervisor Hemphill: 1) Will be attending a transportation meeting with Washoe County regarding the US Highway 395 Coalition; 2) looking forward to fair promotion auction next week.

Supervisor Bridges: 1) Attended a Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) legislative meeting; 2) attended the Paul Bunyan Days in Westwood. Complimented the logging show; 3) was invited by the American Legion Post to

attend a barbecue and baseball game; 4) attended the empanelment of the Grand Jury; 5) the Cultural Notebook, Data Notebook, and Behavioral Health Advisory Board meeting were cancelled.

Supervisor Hammond: 1) Will be attending the July 28th Bi-State US Highway 395 meeting; 2) will be attending the July 27th, 2022, Sierra Alliance meeting; 3) will have additional information regarding the runway next week.

Supervisor Albaugh: 1) Reminded everyone of the current road construction and to leave early when needing to be somewhere on time; 2) will be attending the RCRC Executive meeting; 3) hosted the Golden State Star Party; 4) reminded everyone of the Lassen County Fair coming up; 5) briefly discussed the Williamson Act and the Governor's budget; 6) briefly discussed the Fire Safe Council.

Supervisor Gallagher: 1) Attended the Paul Bunyan Days in Westwood; 2) attended the Clear Creek Arts and Craft Show; 3) Mental Health; 4) Notebook and Cultural Competency meeting; 5) disappointed about the budget legislature regarding the AB200; 6) will be attending the Fire Safe Council meeting at 4:00 p.m.; 7) Met with Plumas National Forest to discuss fire season preparation. Thanked Office of Emergency Services (OES) Chief Silas Rojas.

INFORMATION/CONSENT CALENDAR

Supervisor Albaugh requested to pull Item# G2 - Travel Authorization and Item# G4 - Agreement, for further discussion.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Supervisor Bridges, seconded by Supervisor Albaugh, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill, Albaugh and Hammond

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC RESILIENCE FUND PROGRAM
SUBJECT: Letter of Support for North State Planning and Development Collective at California State University, Chico, regarding the State of California Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) Program.
FISCAL IMPACT: None.
ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Approve; and 2) authorize Chair to sign.

Attachments: [220712 Letter of Support](#)

This Action item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER
SUBJECT: Approve the submission of the Request for Proposal of the Lassen County District Attorney's Child Advocacy Center Program to be

funded through the State of California and administered by the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES).

FISCAL IMPACT: No impact to the General Fund. \$200,000 for the Child Advocacy Center.

ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt Resolution.

Attachments: [DA 1](#)

[DA 2](#)

[DA 3](#)

This Resolution No. 22-040 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER

MINUTES

SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve.

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Agenda.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

SUBJECT: Travel authorization and report for Director Kelley Cote and Staff Services analyst Regina Richard to attend the 2022 National Child Support Enforcement Association (NCSEA) Leadership Symposium. Total estimated travel cost for the conference is \$6,134.90.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. There is no net increase to appropriations.

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Approve the travel request; and 2) authorize the County Administrative Officer to execute the request on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

Attachments: [DCSS Attach 1](#)

[DCSS Attach 2](#)

Supervisor Albaugh questioned why staff weren't sharing hotel rooms. Staff Services Analyst Regina Richardson stated lodging arrangements weren't discussed. Brief discussion was held.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hammond, seconded by Supervisor Hemphill, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill and Hammond

Nay: 1 - Albaugh

FAIR

AGREEMENT

SUBJECT: Addendum to Individual Project Agreement with California Construction Authority for the Fair Generator Project.

FISCAL IMPACT: No impact to the fair fund. The project expenditures will be reimbursed by California Department of Food and Agriculture on completion of project. Increase in cost to be budgeted in the fiscal year 2022/2023 budget.

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Approve addendum 01 to the Individual Project Agreement with California Construction Authority for the Fair Generator Project in the amount of \$38,943; and 2) authorize Fair Manager to execute agreement.

Attachments: [Fair Attach](#)

Supervisor Albaugh stated he would abstain from the vote. Fair Manager Kaitlyn Mudgley gave a brief overview of the addendum for the Fair Generator Project.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hemphill, seconded by Supervisor Bridges, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill and Hammond

Abstain: 1 - Albaugh

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

SUBJECT: Consider Certification of a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for a proposal to amend mining operations at the Ward Lake Pit (CA mine ID #91-18-0008). If approved, the amendment would allow for the expansion of approximately 78.6 acres, with an associated additional volume of 5,000,000 tons of material; extension of the life of the mine from 2030 to 2050; and an increase of the maximum volume per year from 100,000 tons to 200,000 tons per year. (File EIR #2021-001, UP #2021-003 and RP #2021-001).

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Receive packet from Planning Staff including findings, conditions, and recommendation from the Planning Commission; and 2) conduct a public hearing pursuant to Lassen County Code, Section 18.112.040 and California Government Code, Section 65905; and; 3) adopt a resolution certifying a Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (EIR #2021-001) and approving amendments to Use Permit and Reclamation Plan #96056 for CA Mine ID #91-18-0008, Ward Lake Pit (UP #2021-003 and RP #2021-001, respectively); or 4) alternatively, adopt a resolution certifying a Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report and disapproving amendments to Use Permit and Reclamation Plan #96056 for CA Mine ID #91-18-0008, Ward Lake

Pit (UP #2021-003 and RP #2021-001, respectively).

Attachments: [Board Packet Ward Lake Expansion 7.12.2022](#)

Natural Resources Technician Cortney Flather gave a power point presentation with a detailed report of the use permit being considered. Discussion was held pertaining to time frames, deer migration, Environmental Impact Reports (EIR), use permits and reclamation plans.

The Public Hearing was opened from 10:08 a.m. - 10:19 a.m.

SPEAKERS IN FAVOR: Perry Thompson, Tom Traphagan, and Chris Cole.

SPEAKERS IN OPPOSITION: None.

Additional discussion was held regarding to the Monarch Butterfly, birds, Milkwood, and the quality of work and research completed by staff of Planning and Building Services.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hemphill, seconded by Supervisor Bridges, that this Resolution No. 22-037 be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill, Albaugh and Hammond

RECESS: 10:40 a.m. - 10:51 a.m.

MATTERS SET FOR TIME CERTAIN

BALLOT ADVISORY MEASURE

SUBJECT: Resolution calling for and authorizing the submission to the voters an advisory question regarding indoor commercial cannabis sites in the unincorporated area of Lassen County and consolidating the election with the November 8, 2022, consolidated general election.

FISCAL IMPACT: Estimate of \$10,000 to \$12,000.

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Approve; and/or 2) provide direction to staff.

Attachments: [Ballot Advisor Measure Reso](#)

CAO Egan stated the board had previously directed staff to draft a ballot measure to be presented to the voters in the November 2022 General Election pertaining to an advisory measure for indoor commercial cannabis cultivation. County Counsel Uhrhammer reminded the board of the filing deadlines and impartial analysis. Discussion was held.

SPEAKERS: Leeann Vanderley, Amy Holley.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hemphill, seconded by Supervisor Hammond, that this Resolution No. 22-038 be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill and Hammond

Nay: 1 - Albaugh

DEPARTMENT REPORTS - CONTINUED

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CAPITAL OUTLAY

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Partial Road Budget adoption for Capital Outlay portion of Road Operating Fund/Budget Unit No. 122-1221 and Road Construction Fund/Budget Unit No. 122-1222.

FISCAL IMPACT: Road Operating Budget 122-1221 (Capital Outlay) (expenditures and revenues in the amount of \$1,305,000). Road Construction Fund/Budget Unit No. 122-1222 (expenditures in the amount of \$8,080,000 and revenues in the amount of \$8,080,000).

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Partial Road Budget for Capital Outlay.

Attachments: [PW Capital Outlay Attach](#)

Director of Public Works Pete Heimbigner informed the board this project is typically done every year. This was the outlay portion of the budget to continue the project and continue into new projects for the future. Discussion was held regarding completed projects and equipment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Albaugh, seconded by Supervisor Bridges, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Gallagher, Bridges, Hemphill, Albaugh and Hammond

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

SUBJECT: INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CAO Egan reported: 1) Reminded the board there would be a Quad County Special Board of Supervisors Meeting on July 26th, 2022, at Jensen Hall; 2) hasn't received a confirmation from Mr. Crowfoot from California Department of Fish and Wildlife if they would be present. Deputy CAO Shaw stated he has asked the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for future dates that would be convenient to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 11:19 a.m. in memory of Alvin Blickenstaff, Gloria Farris, Ginger Fitzgerald, Carolyn Genasci, Jack Glendon and Alyssa Gaynor.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Michele Yderraga, Deputy Clerk of the Board