



Lassen County

Meeting Minutes

Board of Supervisors Special Meeting

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LASSEN COUNTY SUPERVISORS:

*DISTRICT 1 - CHRIS GALLAGHER - CHAIRMAN; DISTRICT 2 - DAVID TEETER; DISTRICT 3 - JEFF HEMPHILL
- VICE CHAIRMAN; DISTRICT 4 - AARON ALBAUGH; DISTRICT 5 - TOM HAMMOND*

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

9:00 AM

Lassen County Fairgrounds
Jensen Hall
195 Russell Ave
Susanville, CA 96130

9:31 A.M. OPENING CEREMONIES

Present: Supervisors Gallagher, Teeter, Hemphill, Albaugh and Hammond. Also
Present: County Administrative Officer (CAO) Richard Egan, County Counsel
Robert Burns and Deputy Clerk of the Board Michele Yderraga.

Present: 5 - Aaron Albaugh, Chris Gallagher, David Teeter, Jeff Hemphill and Tom
Hammond

Excuse: 0

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

After the flag salute invocation was offered by Supervisor Teeter.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Closed session was not held.

. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

Supervisor Gallagher requested to table Item# H3 - Supervisor Teeter /
Commercial Cannabis Cultivation to a future meeting after COVID-19
restrictions have been lifted.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Gallagher, seconded by
Supervisor Hammond, that this Agenda be approved as amended.
The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Shane Spear: from Congressman Doug LaMalfa's office stated he was invited
to do a congressional briefing of the President and Governor's plan regarding
the COVID-19 pandemic. Gave an extensive report.

Kerri Cobb: Discussed cannabis.

Gary Bridges: Discussed cannabis.

Randy Darrow: Discussed cannabis.

Carol Clark: Discussed cannabis.

Mike Scanlan: Discussed cannabis

Grace Scanlan: Discussed cannabis.

Director of Health and Social Services Barbara Longo: Informed the Board how her staff went above and beyond expectations for the better of a client. Director Longo stated she is very proud of her staff for their dedication.

Director of Community Social Services Jenna Aguilera: Reminded the Board the month of April is Child Abuse Prevention month and discussed the relevance of the pinwheel. Director Aguilera also asked everyone to wear blue on Friday for children.

Marvin Clark: Discussed cannabis.

MATTERS SET FOR TIME CERTAIN

PROCLAMATION

SUBJECT: Proclamation recognizing Lacy Barron (Internal Services Department) and Lester Ruda (Probation) on their retirement from Lassen County.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION: Adopt.

Attachments: [Proclamation-Lacy Barron](#)

[Proclamation-Lester Ruda](#)

Lacy Barron and Lester Ruda were not present.

A motion was made by Supervisor Albaugh, seconded by Supervisor Hammond, that this Proclamation be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

RECOGNITION AWARDS

SUBJECT: Recognition Committee Award Presentation for April.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: 10 Years: Stacy Harlan (Behavioral Health) and Cheryl Strange (Public Works); 15 Years: Kevin Hoelzle (Road Department).

Supervisor Teeter recognized the following employees: 10 Years: Stacy Harlan (Behavioral Health) and Cheryl Strange (Public Works - not present); 15 Years: Kevin Hoelzle (Public Works).

SPEAKERS: Director of Behavioral Health Tiffany Armstrong, Director of Public Works Larry Millar and Public Works Road Field Supervisors Bob McGarva.

UNAGENDIZED REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Supervisor Gallagher: Requested to adjourn in memory of Marsha Solis and Carl Ceaglio.

Supervisor Hammond: Projects have come to a halt and is looking after the loss

of Pat Williams. He was a key figure in the Sierra Alliance and looking to re-establish that effort with Shane Spear. Thanked Shane Spear for his effort. Supervisor Albaugh: 1) Thanked Director of Health and Social Services (HSS) Barbara Longo for sharing the story of her staff and thanked Sheriff Dean Growdon for his assistance with HSS; 2) thanked the people who attended the Board meeting today and encouraged them to continue to stay active, involved and to stand up and let the Board of Supervisors know what they are feeling because it does make a huge difference; 3) attended a light parade at the Big Valley Junior/Senior High School.

Supervisor Hemphill: 1) Thanked the staff on doing a good job with the COVID-19 pandemic, thanked Director Longo for sharing the story and thanked Sheriff Growdon; 2) reiterated what he stated at last week's Board of Supervisors meeting regarding Lassen County doing its part to help local business and the need to make sure our locals are being taken care of.

Supervisor Teeter: 1) Briefly discussed regulations in Sweden and United States regarding COVID-19 shut downs; 2) attended a Susanville City Council meeting; 2) attended a Planning and Service Area - Area Agency on Aging (PSA 2 AAA) meeting; 3) attended a PSA 2 AAA Executive Committee meeting.

INFORMATION/CONSENT CALENDAR

Supervisor Albaugh requested to pull Item# G2 - Behavioral Health for further discussion.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER

MINUTES

SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve.

Attachments: [DRAFT MINS](#)

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Agenda.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

EQUIPMENT

SUBJECT: Authorization to exceed \$25,000 spending limit with single vendor (Motorola Solutions, Inc).

FISCAL IMPACT: The funds expended from the Sheriff's Equipment

Replacement Fund/Budget Unit No. 185-0540, will be reimbursed through the State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP).

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Authorize the Sheriff's Office to exceed the \$25,000 per vendor, per year, spending restriction with Motorola Solutions Inc, during the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year; and/or 2) provide direction to staff.

Attachments: [SO Equip Attach](#)

This Action Item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

BOATING AND WATERWAYS

SUBJECT: Resolution for 2020-2021 Fiscal Year (FY) application for Financial Aid and Financial Aid Program Agreement, State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways. FISCAL IMPACT: Potentially provide \$45,640 to the Lassen County Sheriff's Office for Boating Patrol Services for the 2020-2021 FY.

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Adopt resolution; and 2) approve Agreement; 3) authorize Sheriff Growdon to execute the Application for Financial Aid; and/or 4) provide direction to staff.

Attachments: [SO Boat & Water attach](#)

This Resolution No. 20-021 was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

ACTION REQUESTED: Receive and file the following correspondence:
a) Susanville City Council Special Meeting Agenda for April 15, 2020.

Attachments: [MISC CORR](#)

This Report was received and filed on the Consent Agenda.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

SUBJECT: Amendment to Agreement with GrandCare Systems, LCC for Fiscal Year 2019/2020.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no impact to the County General Fund. Funds from the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Fund/Budget Unit No.164-0752 will be used to pay for this agreement.

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Approve Amendment; and 2) authorize the County Administrative Officer to execute the agreement.

Attachments: [G2 Attach](#)

Director of Health and Social Services (HSS) Barbara Longo gave an overview of Tele-Health and the Grand Care Units. Director Longo stated the Grand Care Units are hand held devices for the mental health clients to get in contact with a

therapist or doctor in the event of distress. The touch screens have the capability for the doctor/therapist to see the patient. The device also has the capabilities to check the client's vitals such as their blood pressure through sensors that are attached to the client. This device will also help the client to get in contact with police or sheriff staff acting as a crisis intervention team allowing the staff to calm the client via touch screen. Director of Behavioral Health Tiffany Armstrong stated since COVID-19 began, they've had approximately 80 clients via telephone. Director Armstrong informed the board as a therapist it is crucial to see the client eye to eye especially those who have mental health issues. Director Armstrong also stated that the department has been using the touch screens for approximately 4 - 5 years. This service allows clients from Big Valley, Little Valley and Herlong to communicate with staff immediately. It also saves money for the community.

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

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

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

LASSEN COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT I

SUBJECT: Lassen County Waterworks District 1-Confirmation of Appointments of Board Members.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Confirm appointments of five board members; and/or 2) provide direction to staff.

Attachments: [LCWD1 Appointments Attach](#)

County Counsel Burns gave a brief overview of the Lassen County Waterworks District I and informed the Board they needed to confirm the members as directors of this water board district. Discussion was held.

CAO Egan was absent from 10:26 a.m. - 10:28 a.m.

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

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

LASSEN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Vacancy on the Planning Commission District #5 (term to expire March 31, 2023).

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: Consider making appointment (Taylor Hagata; Jason Ingram).

Attachments: [Taylor Hagata](#)
[Jason Ingram](#)

County Counsel Burns informed the Board there was a vacancy on the Planning Commission for District 5 with a March 31, 2023, term expiration. Two applicants applied. Supervisor Albaugh briefly discussed the importance of the Planning Commission to Lassen County and was happy to see there were more than one applicant. Supervisor Albaugh added that Taylor Hagata would make a wonderful representative for District 5. Supervisor Hammond thanked the applicants for applying and nominated Jason Ingram. Brief discussion was held.

SPEAKERS: Kerri Cobb, Gary Bridges, and Randy Darrow all spoke in favor of Taylor Hagata.

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

Aye: 4 - Gallagher, Teeter, Hemphill and Hammond

Nay: 1 - Albaugh

RECESS: 10:41 a.m. - 10:46 a.m.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS - CONTINUED

FAIR

REPORT

SUBJECT: Fair Manager monthly report.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: Receive report.

Attachments: [Fair Manager Report Attach](#)

Fair Manager Jim Wolcott stated there had been a lot of schedule changes and \$20,000 had been lost the last few months due to the COVID-19 crisis. Fair Manager Wolcott discussed the fair, AB1499 Bill, status of the elevator and the races. Brief discussion was held. Supervisor Teeter thanked Fair Manager Wolcott for his effort.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SUPERVISOR ALBAUGH

SUBJECT: Letter to the California Fish and Game Commission regarding Gray Wolves in California.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: 1) Approve letter; and 2) authorize the Chairman to sign.

Attachments: [H2 Attach](#)

CAO Egan stated a letter had been drafted to the Department of Fish and Wildlife per the direction of the Board. Supervisor Teeter and Supervisor Albaugh complimented Deputy CAO Tony Shaw for writing an exceptional letter. Supervisor Albaugh requested a word addition toward the end of the letter. Supervisor Gallagher stated a response was never sent from the Department of Fish and Wildlife from the first letter. Brief discussion was held regarding a wolf management plan. The Board requested a follow up in three to four months if a response has not been received.

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

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

SUPERVISOR TEETER

SUBJECT: Discussion on possible ordinance change regarding Commercial Cannabis Cultivation.

FISCAL IMPACT: Undetermined.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and provide direction to staff.

THIS ITEM WAS TABLED TO A FUTURE UNDETERMINED DATE.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

SUBJECT: INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CAO Egan reported: 1) Reiterated how well Director Longo and the Department of Health and Social Services is performing with COVID-19 and continuing their regular duties. Director Longo gave a lot of credit to her staff and her leadership is key. CAO Egan also stated Director Longo is spectacular and wanted to compliment her; 2) reminded everyone not to engage in nonsense and rumors but to redirect people to seek sources they trust for information. Brief discussion was held.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 11:10 a.m. in memory of Marsha Solis and Carl Ceaglio.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Michele Yderraga, Deputy Clerk of the Board