



Lassen County

Meeting Minutes

Board of Supervisors

LASSEN COUNTY SUPERVISORS:

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

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

9:00 AM

Board Chambers
707 Nevada Street
Susanville, CA 96130

9:01 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

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

Excuse: 0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kevin Stafford: Fair Advisory Board Member. Discussed the fairgrounds and Fair Manager Jim Wolcott.

Jose Pena: Fair Advisory Board Member. Discussed the fairgrounds and Fair Manager Jim Wolcott.

Becky Albaugh: Fair Advisory Board Member. Encouraged the Board of Supervisors to speak with the Fair Advisory Board regarding the work involved in taking care of the fairgrounds and events that are held at the fair.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

CAO Egan announced the following closed session items:

- 1) Conference with Legal Counsel: Significant exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code Section 54956.9.
- 2) Employee performance evaluation: Fair Manager.

CLOSED SESSION

Present: Supervisors Gallagher, Teeter, Hemphill, Albaugh and Hammond. Also Present: CAO Egan, County Counsel Burns and Deputy Clerk of the Board Yderraga.

Closed session was held from 9:11 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Deputy CAO Tony Shaw was present from 9:11 a.m. - 9:37 a.m.

Fair Manager Jim Wolcott was present from 9:37 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

RECESS: 10:30 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.

10:35 A.M. OPENING CEREMONIES

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

After the flag salute invocation was offered by Supervisor Hemphill.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

CAO Egan announced the following closed session items:

Conference with Legal Counsel: Significant exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code Section 54956.9.

No reportable action.

Employee performance evaluation: Fair Manager.

The employee evaluation would be continued to the next regular Board of Supervisors meeting.

AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

County Counsel Burns stated the Public Defender Rhea Giannotti would not be present to receive her Proclamation. Supervisor Hemphill requested to remove Item# D1 - Proclamation, and schedule for another date.

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gary Felt: Informed the Board that the Susanville Salvation Army is having a Backpack Drive and a Back To School Clothing Drive for Lassen County student body. Mr. Felt stated that each child would receive \$100 for clothes and currently there are 83 children. Both drives are funded through donations. Mr. Felt also informed the Board that the Chamber of Commerce is planning an Economic Development Conference.

Carol Clarke: Briefly discussed the the time and venue of the Board of Supervisors meeting held on August 13, 2019. Ms. Clarke also discussed cannabis and dispensaries in Lassen County.

Gary Bridges: Thanked the Board of Supervisors. Informed the Board the Lassen BBQ Cookoff was well attended. Thanked Fair Manager Jim Wolcott and stated the fairgrounds were prestine.

Nicole Lamica: Patients Rights Advocate of Health and Social Services. Invited the Board to attend the Out of Darkness Walk for suicide awareness. Ms. Lamica gave a detailed overview of the event.

MATTERS SET FOR TIME CERTAIN

- 1 PROCLAMATION
SUBJECT: Proclamation recognizing Rhea Giannotti (Public Defender) on her retirement from Lassen County.
FISCAL IMPACT: None.
ACTION: Adopt.

Attachments: [Proclamation 2019 -- Rhea Giannotti](#)

THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.

INFORMATION/CONSENT CALENDAR

Supervisor Gallagher pulled Item# G4 - Minutes; Supervisor Teeter pulled Item# G5 - Public Health, and Item# G6 - Tobacco Enforcement Grant for further discussion.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

SUPERVISOR HEMPHILL
SUBJECT: Request to designate: \$500 to Susanville Future Farmers of America (FFA).
FISCAL IMPACT: Appropriation is included in the General Fund, Board of Supervisors Fund/Budget Unit No. 100-0011.
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve expenditure.

This Action Item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

SUPERVISOR TEETER
SUBJECT: Request to designate \$350 to Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).
FISCAL IMPACT: Appropriation is included in the General Fund, Board of Supervisors Fund/Budget Unit No. 100-0011.
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve expenditure.

This Action Item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE

FUND CASH BALANCES

SUBJECT: Treasurer’s Fund Balance Report and Auditor’s verification for the month of July 31, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION: Receive and file.

Attachments: [LASSEN COUNTY FUND BALANCES 7-31-2019](#)

This Report was received and filed on the Consent Agenda.

TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR

PORTFOLIO

SUBJECT: Treasurer’s Investment Report for July 31, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION: Receive and file.

Attachments: [LASSEN COUNTY PORTFOLIO 7-31-2019](#)

This Report was received and filed on the Consent Agenda.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

ACTION REQUESTED: Receive and file the following correspondence:

- a) Lassen County Planning Commission Regular Meeting Agenda for August 6, 2019.

Attachments: [Misc Corr](#)

This Report was received and filed on the Consent Agenda.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER

MINUTES

SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve.

Attachments: [DRAFT MINS](#)

Supervisor Gallagher stated the Adjournment in Memory name was incorrect. The name on the draft minutes read as "Tom Messini". The name should read as Ed Tomasini.

A motion was made by Supervisor Teeter, seconded by Supervisor Hammond, that these Minutes be approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

PUBLIC HEALTH

SUBJECT: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education (SNAP-Ed) Grant Agreement Number 19-10357.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no impact to County General Fund. This is a revenue Agreement.

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

Attachments: [BOS PH SNAPED 082019](#)

Director of Health and Social Services Barbara Longo gave an overview of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education (SNAP-Ed). Director Longo stated that this program is to educate the youth on healthy foods, informed decisions, Rethink Your Drink and to promote physical activity. Director Longo also informed the Board that this is a federally funded program. Brief discussion was held.

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

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

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

TOBACCO ENFORCEMENT GRANT

SUBJECT: Resolution approving acceptance of funds from the California Department of Justice Prop 56 Tobacco Enforcement Grant.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$972,986 for Tobacco Enforcement; Fund/Budget Unit No. 129-0538.

ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt Resolution.

Attachments: [SO Attach](#)

Supervisor Teeter asked about the Proposition 56 Enforcement Grant and the requirements of the grant. Brief discussion was held.

A motion was made by Supervisor Teeter, seconded by Supervisor Gallagher, that this Resolution No. 19-039 be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

UNAGENDIZED REPORTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Supervisor Albaugh: 1) Big Valley Community Swimming Pool closed for the season; 2) attended a Regional Council Representatives of California (RCRC) meeting; 3) announced the new Lassen National Forest Supervisor, Deb

Bompas; 4) requested to donate \$200 to the Susanville Salvation Army for the Back to School Clothing Drive; 5) thanked everyone who came to the August 13, 2019, Board of Supervisors meeting and apologized to all those who couldn't hear or had to stand. Recommended to adjourn and reconvene to a bigger venue if need be and reminded everyone that the Board of Supervisors serve the public.

Supervisor Teeter: Nothing to report.

Supervisor Gallagher: 1) Requested to donate \$1300 to Integrated Regional Water Management Group (IRWM) so Westwood can apply for various grants; 2) requested to donate \$200 to the Susanville Salvation Army; 3) Friday, August 23, 2019, the Susanville Symphony will be bringing musicians from England to perform. The concert will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church. Donations will be accepted.

Supervisor Hammond: 1) Attended the California Defense Communities Alliance meeting and announced that he will be on the Defense Communities Alliance Board; 2) met with the Office of Economic Adjustments (OEA), Economic Development Association and spoke with the VA Advocate at the state level; 3) funding for OEA was released and will start working on the applications. 4) met with Office of Planning and Resources (OPR); 5) will be absent by pre-arrangement on August 27, 2019; 6) having a town clean-up in Leavitt Lake on August 23rd and 24th, 2019.

Supervisor Hemphill: 1) Hosted the Farm to Table event at his ranch; 2) reminded everyone the county employee luncheon will be held at the Old Historic Courthouse after the Board of Supervisors meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS - CONTINUED

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

JUVENILE HALL

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing closure of the Lassen County Juvenile Hall and related authorizations.

FISCAL IMPACT: Positive. If closure on or before October 1, 2019, then an estimated FY 2019/20 savings of \$246,979.00. Potential unknown future cost, if any, to the county to repay a portion of the \$2 million dollar federal grant that paid for the construction of the expansion of the Juvenile Hall.

ACTION REQUESTED: Adopt Resolution.

Attachments: [190820 Juvenile Hall Closure](#)

CAO Egan gave a brief overview of the current status of the Lassen County Juvenile Hall and proposed the hall to be closed by October 1, 2019. Supervisor Albaugh asked about re-purposing the building. Supervisor Hammond asked about the amount used from the current grant, how the closure of the hall would effect the grant and the dollar amount if the county had to pay back. CAO Egan stated there wasn't a clear answer and the book value would be approximately \$600,000 but doesn't see any inclination for recoveries. Director of Health and Social Services Barbara Longo met with Chief Probation Officer Jennifer

Branning regarding the future of the juvenile hall building and discussed the possibility to re-purpose the building as a transition center for those who need to be assessed to determine if the client should be placed in mental health, jail or the hospital. Supervisor Hammond asked about the current employees who work in the Juvenile Hall. CAO Egan stated the staff was placed into other positions within the county. Chief Probation Officer Branning stated the current juveniles would be housed in Butte County and transportation for parents had been budgeted. Officer Branning also stated video visitation would also be available. Additional discussion was held.

Supervisor Hemphill was absent from 11:31 a.m. - 11:32 a.m.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hammond, seconded by Supervisor Albaugh, that this Resolution No. 19-040 be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

SUBJECT: INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CAO Egan reminded everyone of the Employee Appreciation BBQ at the Historic Courthouse lawn after the Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 11:37 a.m. in memory of Walter Dandois.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Michele Yderraga, Deputy Clerk of the Board