
PLUMAS COUNTY
AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION
Minutes - April 23, 2009

The Plumas County Airport Land Use Commission convenes in their regular meeting on April 23, 2009, at 2:02 p.m. in the Planning & Building Services Conference Room; Chair Carl Felts presiding. Members appointed are as follows:

1. Carl Felts, Chair;
2. George Terhune, Vice Chair;
3. Herb Bishop, Commissioner;
4. William Weaver, Commissioner;
5. B.J. Pearson, Commissioner;
6. Alan Holloway Commissioner,
7. Cal Westra, Commissioner.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present: Carl Felts, George Terhune, B.J. Pearson, William Weaver, and Alan Holloway.

Absent: Cal Westra, Herb Bishop.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Suggestion is made by Chair Felts to move *Item X-B-2* up on the agenda. Chair Felts calls for a motion to make that change. Motion is made by Commissioner Pearson. Commissioner Weaver seconds the motion and a unanimous affirmative voice vote is recorded.

Felts calls for a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion is made by Commissioner Pearson. Commissioner Weaver seconds the motion and a unanimous affirmative voice vote is recorded.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Suggestion is made by Commissioner Weaver to change the wording in *Item VI* to say "No Supervisors present." Chair Felts calls for a motion to approve the minutes of March 18, 2009 with the suggested amended language. Motion is made by Commissioner Weaver. Vice Chair Terhune seconds the motion and a unanimous affirmative voice vote is recorded.

IV. INTRODUCTIONS

The following individuals introduce themselves to the Commission: Tonu Plakk, representative from Chester Public Utility District; Greg McCaffry, Chief Beckwourth Fire District; Bill Turner, Chief, Chester PUD / Chester Fire; Toodie and Bob Marshall, residents of Beckwourth; and 4th District Supervisor, Lori Simpson.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chair Felts opens the Public Comment Period. No comments are made.

VI. BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S CORNER - Opportunity for County Supervisors to address issues related to the ALUC.

Attending Supervisor, Lori Simpson, has no comment.

VII. REPORT BY JOE WILSON – FACILITY SERVICES

Joe Wilson, Director of Facility Services, informs the Commission that an application for a fire station at Beckwourth has been submitted to the Forest Service. General discussion takes place particularly focused on plans for a water system.

VIII. STAFF REPORT

A. **Status of Projects** – Status sheet provided.

IX. COMMISSION COMMENT PERIOD

A. **Chair Report** – No report is given.

B. **Commissioners' Comment** - No Comments are made.

C. **Subcommittee Reports** - No report is given.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. **Old Business.**

1. **High Sierra Propane / Muckraker, LLC** (Herrin, Senior Planner)
Chair Felts reports that the 90-day period has expired for this project to come into compliance per the action taken at the January 21, 2009, ALUC meeting. Felts adds that he has contacted the CalTrans Aeronautic Division and that the matter has been turned over to their legal department which will be contacting the Plumas County Planning Department, Plumas County Board of Supervisors, and Beckwourth Fire District. Senior Planner, Jim Graham, states that the matter is with

County Counsel and that he has no other information to report at this time. Chief McCaffry of Beckwourth Fire District provides the history of this matter and his perspective relating to fire safety. Commissioner Pearson expresses his concern that the owner has paid a considerable amount of money for the project, so are the taxpayers now liable to the owner? Discussion takes place followed by a motion presented by Vice Chair Terhune to rescind the January 21, 2009, action by the ALUC to uphold the findings by the Plumas County Building Department because the condition that the applicant completes all the necessary requirements of the Beckwourth Fire Department and the State of California was not met resulting in the project not being consistent with the ALUCP for Beckwourth/Nervino Airport. Commissioner Weaver seconds the motion, Commissioner Pearson abstains from voting, and a unanimous voice vote of the remaining Commissioners is recorded.

2. Establishing Proxies.

Felts asks the Commissioners if they have had any progress concerning the matter of proxies. Discussion takes place whether Commissioners are required to name their own proxies or whether a public service notice could run in the newspaper to solicit proxies. Pearson suggests waiting another month. Felts asks Recording Secretary Fluke to pursue finding out if a free public service notice can run in the newspaper. Felts suggests an update on the matter of proxies at the next meeting.

3 & 4. Fees & Budget.

Chair Felts opens general discussion about fees and a budget for ALUC that would primarily focus on mileage, per diem, education, and materials. No action is taken and the matter is continued to the next meeting whereby Felts will present a preliminary budget.

B. New Business.

1. Update of the General Plan and Consistency with the ALUCPs

General discussion takes place with the Commissioners reiterating that until the General Plan is consistent with the ALUCPs, ALUC has the ability to take decisive action.

2. Proposed Chester Fire District / PUD Facility at the Chester Airport

Chief Bill Turner presents the proposal to renovate an existing building located next to the Chester Airport for use by Chester Fire District as their primary facility. General discussion takes place regarding such topics as hazardous waste cleanup, occupancy, Special Use Permit, gas tanks, building height, and aircraft crash vehicle. Turner provides satisfactory answers to all questions and Commissioner Pearson makes the motion that ALUC gives preliminary approval to the project. Commissioner Weaver seconds the motion and a unanimous voice vote is recorded.

3. Status of Senate Bill 737

General discussion takes place with Commissioners acknowledging the need for more research on the matter.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Unfinished business.

XII. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Felts calls for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Weaver makes a motion to adjourn the meeting of April 23, 2009. Vice Chair Terhune seconds the motion and a unanimous affirmative voice vote is recorded. The meeting adjourns at 3:13 p.m.

The next ALUC meeting will be a *special* meeting scheduled for May 20, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. in the Planning & Building Services Conference Room.



Carl Felts, Chairman
Plumas County
Airport Land Use Commission



Nancy Fluke, Recording Secretary