



MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Terry Swofford, 1st District
Robert A. Meacher, Vice Chair 2nd District
Sharon Thrall, Chair 3rd District
Lori Simpson, 4th District
Ole Olsen, 5th District

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF PLUMAS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA HELD IN QUINCY ON MARCH 17, 2009

STANDING ORDERS

ROLL CALL

The meeting is called to order at 9:00 a.m. with Supervisors Terry Swofford, Lori Simpson, Robert Meacher, Ole Olsen and Chair Sharon Thrall present.

INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE

Kelly Stane offers the invocation and Supervisor Meacher leads the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

None.

ACTION AGENDA

1. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Departmental Matters

FACILITY SERVICES

Motion by Supervisor Olsen, second by Supervisor Simpson and carried authorizing the Director of Facility Services to hire and utilize temporary extra-help employees as Memorial Hall attendant beyond 60-day time period listed in the budgetary controls.

2. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Judicial Council of California regarding new Quincy Courthouse project and request for Economic Opportunity.

Letter from Plumas County Museum regarding Fairgrounds Railroad project.

INFORMATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Report by Supervisor Thrall regarding issues related to County Government and include upcoming meeting with Feather Publishing.

Report by Supervisor Simpson regarding issues related to County Government and include Quincy Library Group meeting, NACo Legislative Conference.

Report by Supervisor Swofford regarding issues related to County Government and include meeting with Intermountain Disposal.

Report by Supervisor Olsen regarding issues related to County Government and include Fire Safe Council meeting.

Report by Supervisor Meacher regarding issues related to County Government and include Transportation Commission meeting; Commission on Aging; upcoming Biodiversity Council meeting.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Supervisor Olsen, second by Supervisor Swofford and carried to make the following appointments.

LAKE DAVIS STEERING COMMITTEE

Appoint Bill Powers to the Lake Davis Steering Committee as County representative.

EMERGENCY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Appoint Ed Ward to the Emergency Services Advisory Committee.

CRESCENT MILLS CEMETERY DISTRICT

Appoint Kerry Wright to the Crescent Mills Cemetery District.

3. PLUMAS COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION

REPORT AND UPDATE ON PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Presentation on current status of the Plumas County Arts Commission and review of programs and services.

RESOLUTION 09-7542 RE: CA ARTS COUNCIL STATE-LOCAL PROGRAM

Motion by Supervisor Olsen and second by Supervisor Simpson to adopt Resolution No. 09-7542, designating the Plumas County Arts Commission as the Local Cultural Planning Agency for Plumas County and authorizing an application to the California Arts Council State-Local Partnership Program. AYES: Supervisors Swofford, Simpson, Meacher, Olsen and Thrall. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. Carried and so ordered.

4. FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Sitting as the Flood Control & water Conservation District Governing Board

Motion by Supervisor Meacher, second by Supervisor Olsen and carried to approve a supplemental budget for \$28,000 for donated funds and approve a professional services agreement for 2009 Lake Almanor water quality testing, and authorize the General Manager to sign.

5. UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE

PROPOSED FIRE STATION – BECKWOURTH-NERVINO AIRPORT

Presentation by George Garcia, representing the US Forest Service regarding a proposal to construct a fire station at the Beckwourth-Nervino Airport. The proposed project would co-locate local and federal fire fighting operations in eastern Plumas County. A combined facility could include a fire station, federal barracks and storage buildings. Project partners need conceptual support from the Board before further action can be taken.

Mr. Garcia informs the Board that, today, the US Forest Service received word that the proposed project was not funded. The Forest Service will re-submit the proposal for possible funding under the stimulus bill. Upon receipt of funding for the project, Mr. Garcia will return to the Board.

Jack Ingstad, CAO requests Mr. Garcia work with Joe Wilson, Facility Services to include the proposed project in the update of the Airport Master Plan and to contact the FAA accordingly.

6. NORTHERN SIERRA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PROPOSED MOTOR VEHICLE FEE INCREASE

This matter is before the Board for consideration of a proposed increase of \$4 to the motor vehicle registration fees in Plumas County. AB2766 authorizes Air Districts up to \$4 in motor vehicle registration fees and AB923 authorizes local air districts to increase the motor vehicle fees by up to \$2 for programs to reduce air pollution from vehicles. Sierra and Plumas County currently collect a \$2 AB2766 fee; Nevada County collects a \$4 fee.

Following discussion, consensus of the Board to support the request by formal action following the required public hearing process.

This matter will be brought back to the Board at a later date following the public hearing process.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Supervisor Swofford and second by Supervisor Simpson to approve the following consent agenda matters. AYES: Supervisors Swofford, Simpson, Meacher, Olsen and Thrall. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. Carried and so ordered.

A. MUSEUM

Budget transfer for \$2,000 from Regular Wages to cover unanticipated costs for propane.

B. MENTAL HEALTH

Supplemental budget for \$22,667 for TANF alcohol and drug services pursuant to MOU between Department of Social Services and Mental Health approved by the Board on March 10, 2009.

C. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Approve expenditures from Community Services Funds

Department 20710 – Supervisor Swofford

Donation – PUSD 6th Grade Feather River Watercourse \$500.00

NOON RECESS

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Board reconvenes at 1:30 p.m. with all Board members present as in the morning session.

8. PLANNING DEPARTMENT

GENERAL PLAN UPDATE – SELECT CONSULTANT

Motion by Supervisor Olsen and second by Supervisor Swofford to select Design Workshop as consultant to assist in the update of the Plumas County General Plan; and direct staff to work with ***Design Workshop*** on a final scope of work, budget, and contract for services, and to include the Chair of the Board, Chair of the Planning Commission and County Counsel and return to the Board for approval. AYES: Supervisors Swofford, Simpson, Meacher, Olsen and Thrall. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. Carried and so ordered.

RESOLUTION 09-7543 RE: APPLICATION TO GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF PLANNING & RESEARCH

Motion by Supervisor Meacher and second by Supervisor Simpson to adopt Resolution No. 09-7543, authorizing application to the Governor's Office of Planning & Research requesting approval of a General Plan Extension in accordance with Government Code Section 65361. AYES: Supervisors Swofford, Simpson, Meacher, Olsen and Thrall. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. Carried and so ordered.

PUBLIC HEARING – APPEAL OF HIGH SIERRA RURAL ALLIANCE (FEATHER RIVER INN MASTER PLAN PROJECT)

Project overview by Rebecca Herrin, Senior Planner. The project consists of restoration of the Feather River Inn, an existing recreational facility, within a master planned recreation-oriented residential development of up to 114 condominium/town home residences, along with open space, events center, outdoor ceremony facilities, golf course, wastewater treatment facility, maintenance and parking.

Environmental Impact Report (EIR) No. 83

Public Hearing on the appeal of the Zoning Administrator's certification of Final Environmental Impact Report No. 83. Recommendation of staff is to deny the appeal and certify EIR No. 83.

The public hearing is opened.

The Chair takes comments from the public in opposition. Stevee Duber, appellant, representing High Sierra Rural Alliance addresses the Board in opposition to certification of the EIR and submits additional written information into the public record.

Attorney Steve Gross, representing Don Williams, addresses the Board in opposition to certification of the EIR and requests the Board uphold the appeal of High Sierra Rural Alliance.

There being no further comments in opposition, the Chair takes comments from the public in favor of certification of EIR No. 83. Various members of the public address the Board and include Mike Schoff, applicant representing The Schomac Group; Jeannie Hollingsworth; David Beveridge, agent for Feather River Inn; John McMorrow.

There being no further comment, the public hearing is closed and before the Board for decision.

Based on new written information received from High Sierra Rural Alliance, the Board takes this matter under submission for further consideration at a later date.

Planned Development Permit/General Plan Amendment and Zone Change

Project overview by Rebecca Herrin, Senior Planner regarding the Planned Development Permit and General Plan Amendment and Zone Change. Recommendation of staff is amend the General Plan Designation and zoning applied to the Feather River Inn properties from Moderate Opportunity Area, Prime Expansion (Rec-10, R-10), Prime Recreation (Rec-10, Rec-OS), Historic Building (SP-HB), Scenic Road (SP-ScR) and Flood Plain (FP) to Moderate Opportunity Area, Suburban, Prime Recreation (Rec-1), Historic Building (SP-HB), Scenic Road (SP-ScR) and Flood Plain (FP).

The public hearing is opened.

The Chair takes comments from the public in opposition. Attorney Steve Gross, representing Don Williams, addresses the Board opposed to the Planned Development Permit as recommended by staff. Mr. Gross addresses the proposed General Plan Amendment and reminds the Board of their earlier action adopting a Resolution in regard to application to the Governor's Office of Planning & Research for a two-year extension on the General Plan update. Mr. Gross requests the Board uphold the appeal of High Sierra Rural Alliance. Stevee Duber, appellant, representing High Sierra Rural Alliance addresses the Board in opposition and requests the Board uphold the appeal.

There being no further comments in opposition, the Chair takes comments from the public in favor of the proposed Planned Development Permit and General Plan Amendment and Zone Change. Various members of the public address the Board and include Jeannie Hollingsworth, Jack Bridge, Jim McCall, Debra McCall, John McMorrow, David Beveridge, Laura Bemis, Diana Cudworth.

There being no further comment, the public hearing is closed and before the Board for decision.

Based on new written information received from High Sierra Rural Alliance, the Board takes this matter under submission for further consideration at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned meeting to Tuesday, March 24, 2009, Board of Supervisors Room 308, Courthouse, Quincy, California.

I, NANCY L. DAFORNO, CLERK OF THE BOARD DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING MINUTES OF SAID MEETING OF THE PLUMAS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON MARCH 17, 2009 ARE CORRECT AS RECORDED.

Nancy L. DaForno, Clerk of the Board