



## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Dwight Ceresola, Vice Chair 1<sup>st</sup> District

Kevin Goss, Chair 2<sup>nd</sup> District

Sharon Thrall, 3<sup>rd</sup> District

Greg Hagwood, 4<sup>th</sup> District

Jeff Engel, 5<sup>th</sup> District

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF PLUMAS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA HELD IN QUINCY ON AUGUST 9, 2022**

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## **STANDING ORDERS**

Due to the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) Public Health Emergency, dated March 16, 2020, the County of Plumas is making several changes related to Board of Supervisors meetings to protect the public's health and prevent the disease from spreading locally.

Plumas County Health Officer Recommendation Regarding Teleconferencing, issued on September 30, 2021, recommends local legislative bodies, such as commission, committees, boards, and council, hold public meetings with teleconferencing as authorized by Government Code section 54953 (e).

Pursuant to Government Code section 54953 (e) and to maintain the orderly conduct of the meeting, the County of Plumas members of the Board of Supervisors may attend the meeting via teleconference or phone conference and participate in the meeting to the same extent as if they were physically present. Due to Government Code section 54953(e), the Boardroom will be open to the public but subject to social distancing requirements, which limit the number of people that may enter to 25% of room capacity. Those that wish to attend the Board meeting, will be required to wear a face covering, as required by the local Public Health Officer order. The public may participate as follows:

### **Live Stream of Meeting**

Members of the public who wish to watch the meeting, are encouraged to view it [LIVE ONLINE](#)

### **ZOOM Participation**

The Plumas County Board of Supervisors meeting is accessible for public comment via live streaming at: <https://zoom.us/j/94875867850?pwd=SGISeGpLVG9wQWtRSnNUM25mczlvZz09> or by phone at: Phone Number 1-669-900-9128; Meeting ID: 948 7586 7850. Passcode: 261352

## **Public Comment Opportunity/Written Comment**

Members of the public may submit written comments on any matter within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, regardless of whether the matter is on the agenda for Board consideration or action. Comments will be entered into the administrative record of the meeting.

Members of the public are strongly encouraged to submit their comments on agenda and non-agenda items using e-mail address [Public@countyofplumas.com](mailto:Public@countyofplumas.com)

### **10:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

#### **Roll Call.**

**Present:** Supervisor Ceresola, Supervisor Engel, Supervisor Hagwood, Supervisor Thrall, Supervisor Goss

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Jennifer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA**

None

## **PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Pastor George Tarleton offers a prayer.

Supervisor Goss reported that there were 32 emailed letters regarding the Tai Chi agreement decision. Ashlee called into Zoom and made public comment regarding the Grand Jury reports that are being sent to the P.O. Box are being returned to the sender.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS**

Brief announcements by, or brief reports on their activities by County Department Heads

Planning Director Tracey Ferguson reported the onboarding of the FEMA Planner Patricia Miller-Crowley.

Director of Human Resources, Nancy Selvage reported on the appointment of Travis Goings as the Director of Risk Management & Safety, and his first week in that position.

## **ACTION AGENDA**

### **1. UPDATES AND REPORTS**

#### **A. DISASTER RECOVERY OPERATIONS** - Pamela Courtright

Report and update Dixie Fire Recovery efforts; receive report and discussion

#### **B. DIXIE FIRE COLLABORATIVE**

Report, update, and discussion on Dixie Fire Collaborative efforts

#### **C. US FOREST SERVICE** – Mike Rahe

Mike Rahe emailed a Report and update - read by Supervisor Goss (update below):

Monthly Update –

- Stage 2 fire restrictions were put in place on August 5. Under Stage II Fire Restrictions, campfires are only allowed at specifically designated campgrounds with a host and in established fire rings, as listed on Exhibit A. Smoking is only allowed within an enclosed vehicle or building, in one of the designated recreation sites listed in Exhibit A, or an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is completely clear of all flammable material. Additionally, internal combustion engines, such as vehicles and generators, may only be used on designated roads and trails. Woodcutting is still permitted, but must be in alignment with current regulations and conditions. Exhibit A is below for reference.

## FOREST ORDER No. 05-11-22-02

 Plumas National Forest  
 Fire Use Restrictions  
 Stage II  
 Exhibit A

BECKWOURTH RANGER DISTRICT	MT. HOUGH RANGER DISTRICT	FEATHER RIVER RANGER DISTRICT
Big Cove Campground	Sandy Point Boat Ramp/Day Use	Sly Creek Campground
Frenchman Campground	Boulder Creek Campground	
Gold Lake Campground	Lone Rock Campground	
Grasshopper Flat Campground	Long Point Campground	
Grizzly Campground	North Fork Campground	
Lakes Basin Campground	Spanish Campground	
Lightning Tree Campground	Sundew Campground	
Spring Creek Campground		

- Firefighters have utilized extended staffing and 24 hour staffing intermittently during critical fire conditions over the last few weeks. I expect this to continue.
- Decision signed last week. Work is schedule to start later this summer. Mohawk Valley Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project – covers 2,089 acres by west-southwest of the community of Blairsden, and on either side of State Route 89 within and adjacent to the community of Whitehawk. This project is intended to allow Plumas County Fire Safe Council to meet the goals of hazardous fuel reduction in the communities of Graeagle, Clio, Valley Ranch Estates and Smith Creek Ranch. The project is dispersed among private land parcels. Treatments will include mechanical thinning, grapple piling, chipping, and mastication.
- Agreement with Feather River Resource Conservation District just signed on 8/1/2022. Work to start in the next couple of weeks. The Mohawk Valley Wildfire Resilience Project covers 4,016 acres north and west of Blairsden, CA and on both sides of highway 70. The project is intended to allow Feather River Resource Conservation District to meet the goals of hazardous fuels reduction and forest health on Plumas National Forest lands within the wildland urban interface around the communities of Mohawk Vista, Plumas Pines, and Camp Layman. These treatments will connect to other fuels reduction treatments. Treatments will include hand thinning, hand piling, and grapple piling.
- Road Hazard Tree Project coving roads and a selection of recreation sites impacted by Beckwourth, Dixie and North Complex Fires covering 1,523 acres and 31.4 miles of road on the Plumas National Forest. Most of the miles of road, 29.5 miles, is on the Beckwourth Ranger District. USFS is in the presoliciting phase of contracting for service work. Pre-implementation monitoring is occurring this week.
- Gold Lake Boat Dock is out and available to be use by the public as of 7/22/2022.

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

These items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. The Board of Supervisors will act upon them at one time without discussion. Any Board members, staff member or interested party may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda for discussion. Additional budget appropriations and/or allocations from reserves will require a four/fifths roll call vote.

**Motion:** Approve the following consent matters, as submitted, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor Hagwood, **Seconded by** Supervisor Engel.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Supervisor Ceresola, Supervisor Thrall, Supervisor Hagwood, Supervisor Engel, Supervisor Goss.

A. **AUDITOR/ CONTROLLER**

Approve and authorize the Chair to sign and ratify Agreement between Plumas County Auditor/Controller and Smith & Newell CPAs for audit of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; effective June 1, 2022; not to exceed \$65,671.00; approved as to form by County Counsel.

B. **COUNTY COUNSEL**

Approve and authorize the Chair to sign and ratify Agreement between the County of Plumas and Stacey Montgomery as the Public Defender permanent replacement of Jacob Zamora; effective August 1, 2022; approved as to form by County Counsel.

C. **PLANNING**

Approve and authorize staff to refund applicant, Michael and Michelle Pool a portion of the fees for application to add the F (Farm Animal Combining Zone) to property at 113 Round Valley Road, Greenville; APN 110-220-022; due to the withdrawal of application (ZC 9-21/22-01); refund amount \$315.00.

**SPECIAL DISTRICTS GOVERNED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

The Board of Supervisors sits as the Governing Board for various special districts in Plumas County including Beckwourth County Service Area, Dixie Valley Community Services District; Walker Ranch Community Services District; Plumas County Flood Control and Water Conservation District; Quincy Lighting District; Crescent Mills Lighting District

**Convene as the Beckwourth County Service Area Governing Board**

3. **BECKWOURTH COUNTY SERVICE AREA** – John Mannle

A. Authorize no contract payment of \$1,501.92 to Jet Plumbing and ratify all a BCSA sewer pump station repair work performed to date; discussion and possible action.

**Motion:** Authorize no contract payment of \$1,501.92 to Jet Plumbing and ratify all a BCSA sewer pump station repair work performed to date; **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor Hagwood.

Motion passed unanimously.

**Adjourn as the Beckwourth County Service Area Governing Board and reconvene as the Board of Supervisors**

4. **DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS**

A. **CODE ENFORCEMENT** – Jennifer Langston

Adopt **RESOLUTION** authorizing the extension of the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program until September 2032; approved as to form by County Counsel; discussion and possible action.

**Roll call vote**

**Motion:** Adopt **RESOLUTION No. 22-8721** authorizing the extension of the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement (AVA) Program until September 2032, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor Hagwood.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Supervisor Ceresola, Supervisor Thrall, Supervisor Hagwood, Supervisor Engel, Supervisor Goss.

B. **HUMAN RESOURCES** – Nancy Selvage

1) Adopt **RESOLUTION** updating Child Support Services Department Job Classifications and base wage; discussion and possible action. **Roll call vote**

**Motion:** Adopt **RESOLUTION No. 22-8722** updating Child Support Services Department Job Classifications and base wage, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor Hagwood.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Supervisor Ceresola, Supervisor Thrall, Supervisor Hagwood, Supervisor Engel, Supervisor Goss.

- 2) Recruiting Incentives; options for filling the position of Assistant District Attorney or Deputy District Attorney I/II/III; discussion and possible direction.
  - Direction to Human Resource staff to explore relocation reimbursement and other incentives as presented and bring the matter back to the Board for action.

C. **PLANNING** – Tracey Ferguson

Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Plumas County Scoping Comment Letter to Lassen National Forest, Almanor Ranger District Recreation – Dixie Fire Project; discussion and possible action.

**Motion:** Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Plumas County Scoping Comment Letter to Lassen National Forest, Almanor Ranger District Recreation; **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor Hagwood.

Motion passed unanimously

D. **PUBLIC HEALTH** – Dr. Dana Loomis

Authorize the Director of Public Health to recruit and fill, funded, and allocated; (one) 1.0 FTE Assistant Director of Public Health; vacancy due to resignation; discussion and possible action.

**Motion:** Authorize the Director of Public Health to recruit and fill, funded, and allocated; (one) 1.0 FTE Assistant Director of Public Health; **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor Hagwood.

Motion passed unanimously

E. **FACILITIES & AIRPORT SERVICES**

Presentation – Transfer of instrument Flight Procedures Agreement by Donald Bobo

5. **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

A. **TITLE III – SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING**

PUBLIC HEARING: conduct public hearing, and finalize approval of the following projects, tentatively approved by the Board on June 14, 2022; for 2021-2022 Secure Rural Schools Title III funding; discussion and possible action. **Roll call vote**

- 1) Plumas Co. Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Vehicle Replacement Project (\$116,686.24)
- 2) Plumas Co. Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Reimbursement/ Replacement Project (\$80,000.00)
- 3) Plumas Co. Sheriff's Office Microwave Radio Replacement Project (\$20,000)

**Motion:** Approve the following projects tentatively approved by the Board on June 14, 2022 for the 2021-2022 Secure Rural Schools Title III funding; project #1 - Plumas Co. Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Vehicle Replacement Project (\$116,686.24), project #2 - Plumas Co. Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Reimbursement/ Replacement Project (\$80,000.00), and project #3 - Plumas Co. Sheriff's Office Microwave Radio Replacement Project (\$20,000); **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor Hagwood.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes=5).

**Yes:** Supervisor Ceresola, Supervisor Thrall, Supervisor Hagwood, Supervisor Engel, Supervisor Goss.

**B. CORRESPONDENCE**

Supervisor Thrall received emailed correspondence regarding the opposition for the decision made by the Board of Supervisors regarding the Behavioral Health, Tai Chi agreement.

Supervisor Hagwood received correspondence regarding the lack of trash service for Greenville Customers; correspondence regarding road maintenance at Bucks Lake; emailed letters of opposition for the decision made by the Board of Supervisors regarding the Behavioral Health, Tai Chi agreement

Supervisor Engel received correspondence inviting him to Community Conversations Meeting; and regarding the emailed letters in opposition of the decision made by the Board of Supervisors regarding the Behavioral Health, Tai Chi agreement.

Supervisor Ceresola received correspondence regarding the Forest Service and fire concerns; regarding domestic wells being metered, and the emailed letters of opposition for the decision made by the Board of Supervisors regarding the Behavioral Health, Tai Chi agreement

Supervisor Goss received correspondence regarding the lack of trash service for Greenville Customers; correspondence regarding the scheduled of one-year commemorative events; emailed letters of opposition for the decision made by the Board of Supervisors regarding the Behavioral Health, Tai Chi agreement.

**C. INFORMATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Weekly report by Board members of meetings attended, key topics, project updates, standing committees and appointed Boards and Associations

Reported by Supervisor Thrall regarding matters related to County Government and include Local meetings with people regarding projects around the Almanor Basin, and the LAFCo meeting.

Reported by Supervisor Hagwood regarding matters related to County Government and include Participated in the Dixie Fire Memorial Caravan, Beldon and Keddie memorial events, and the LAFCo meeting.

Reported by Supervisor Engel regarding matters related to County Government and had no additional items to report.

Reported by Supervisor Ceresola regarding matters related to County Government and had no additional items to report.

Reported by Supervisor Goss regarding matters related to County Government and include a conversation with Planning Director Tracey Ferguson regarding LADA application; also attended the LAFCo meeting and had a conversation regarding Broadband with Clint Koble.

**6. CLOSED SESSION**

**ANNOUNCE ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

A. Public employee appointment or employment – County Administrative Officer

- B. Conference with real property negotiator, regarding facilities: Sierra House, 529 Bell Lane, Quincy, APN 117-021-000-000
- C. Conference with Labor Negotiator regarding employee negotiations: Sheriff's Administrative Unit; Sheriff's Department Employees Association; Operating Engineers Local #3; Confidential Employees Unit; Probation; Unrepresented Employees and Appointed Department Heads
- D. Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing litigation – Tiffany Wagner, Plaintiff, v. County of Plumas, et al., Defendants, United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:18-cv-03105-KMJ-DMC
- E. Conference with Legal Counsel: Pending litigation pursuant to Subdivision (d) (2) of Government Code §54956.9 (County of Butte and County of Plumas v. Department of Water Resources and State Water Contractors, Inc., Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District, Case No. C071785)
- F. Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing litigation pursuant to Subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code §54956.9 – Central Delta Water Agency, et al. v. Department of Water Resources, Third District Court of Appeals, Case Nos. C078249, C080572 and C086215
- G. Conference with Legal Counsel: Claim against the County filed by Cheyanna Haley on July 11, 2022.
- H. Conference with Legal Counsel: Initiating litigation pursuant to Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9
- I. Conference with Legal Counsel: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code Section 54956.9

**REPORT OF ACTION IN CLOSED SESSION (IF APPLICABLE)**

- J. Supervisor Goss reported that the Board denied closed session item 6.G. Claim against the County filed by Cheyanna Haley on July 11, 2022; and no other reportable action was taken in closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned meeting to Tuesday, August 16, 2022, Board of Supervisors Room 308, Courthouse, Quincy, California