



### **Board of Supervisors**

Dwight Ceresola, Vice Chair 1st District  
Kevin Goss, Chair 2nd District  
Tom McGowan, 3rd District  
Greg Hagwood, 4th District  
Jeff Engel, 5th District

### **MEETING MINUTES**

## **ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF PLUMAS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA HELD IN QUINCY ON JANUARY 17, 2023**

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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.

The Plumas County Health Officer Recommendation Regarding Teleconferencing, issued on September 30, 2021, recommends local legislative bodies, such as commissions, committees, boards, and councils, 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 state or federal social distancing or masking requirements, if applicable. It is strongly recommended that individuals attending meetings wear masks. 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=SGlSeGpLVG9wQWtRSnNUM25mczlvZz09> 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)

## **CALL TO ORDER**

### **Roll Call.**

**Present:** Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2 Goss, Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Travis Goings led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

There were no items noted

## **PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Matters under the jurisdiction of the Board, and not on the posted agenda, may be addressed by the general public at the beginning of the regular agenda and any off-agenda matters before the Board for consideration. However, California law prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter which is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an urgency item by the Board of Supervisors. Any member of the public wishing to address the Board during the "Public Comment" period will be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes.

Ava Hagwood, Plumas County Child Welfare Social Worker, spoke regarding the County's staffing vacancies. She also spoke in advocacy of wage increases for County Employees.

Joe Hoffman of the Plumas National Forest Service, Mount Hough Ranger District updated the Board on pile burning that is scheduled for the Mount Hough District, Beckwourth District, and the Feather River Ranger District. He also reported that there would be more under burn projects scheduled for later in the year. Chris Carlton updated the Board regarding the Community Protection projects.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS**

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

Sheriff Todd Johns, gave a brief report regarding critical staffing issues impacting the correctional staff and the patrol staff schedules.

Tracey Ferguson, updated the board regarding the Public Hearing at the Fairgrounds, to be conducted by CalFire regarding the Calfire fire, fire hazard severity zone state responsibility area revised maps. The meeting is scheduled for 01/17/2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Director of Facilities, JD Moore updated the Board on the leak in the Courthouse that affected the County Counsel office in December, causing damage.

## **ACTION AGENDA**

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

#### **A. DIXIE FIRE COLLABORATIVE**

Report, update, and discussion on Dixie Fire Collaborative efforts

Kest Porter reported on the Dixie Fire Collaboratives ongoing efforts on the recovery from the Dixie Fire. (Report Attached)

## **B. MUNIS HR/PAYROLL MODULE UPDATE**

Report, and update, on Pentimation, Tyler/ Munis software migration and efforts.

The County Administrator, Debra Lucero, provided an update on the timeline of scheduled events for the Payroll transition into Munis. She also touched on the on-going activities and progress made by the departments involved, and the modifications made to the timeline to meet the Munis Payroll module implementation goals.

## **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 - District 5 Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood.

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

**Yes:** Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2 Goss, Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan.

## **A. PUBLIC WORKS**

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to ratify and sign an Agreement between Plumas County Public Works Department and Cascade Software Systems for Maintenance and Services of Cost Accounting System; effective July 1, 2022, not to exceed \$30,000.00; approved as to form by County Counsel.

## **B. COUNTY COUNSEL**

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to sign an agreement between Plumas County and Attorney Alison Bermant; for Public Defender services, effective February 1, 2023; approved as to form by County Counsel.

## **3. SPECIAL DISTRICTS GOVERNED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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

## **A. CONVENE AS THE COUNTY SERVICE AREA #12 GOVERNING BOARD.**

- 1) Selection of a representative from CSA #12 to serve on the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council; discussion and possible action.

**Motion:** Selection of Supervisor Jeff Engel as the Board representative from CSA #12 to serve on the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council.

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2 Goss.

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

**Yes:** Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2 Goss, Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan.

## **B. ADJOURN AS THE COUNTY SERVICE AREA #12 GOVERNING BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

#### 4. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS

##### A. FACILITY SERVICES & AIRPORTS - JD Moore

- 1) Approve and authorize the Director of Facility Services & Airports to advertise for bids for the runway pavement joint reseal project at Nervino Airport, and Rogers Field; discussion and possible action.

**Motion:** Approve and authorize the Director of Facility Services & Airports to advertise for bids for the runway pavement joint reseal project at Nervino Airport, and Rogers Field.

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 5 Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2 Goss.

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

**Yes:** Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2 Goss, Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan.

##### B. SHERIFF'S OFFICE - Todd Johns

- 1) Approve and authorize fixed asset purchase of a new 2022 Polaris snowmobile for the Sheriff's OHV/OSV program; not to exceed \$17,500.00; and authorize supplemental budget transfer of \$292.00 from Out of County Travel Department Acct. # 527500 - in to Patrol Equipment Department Acct. # 545700 to cover the over budget costs of snowmobile purchase; discussion and possible action.

**Four/fifths required roll call vote**

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**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 5 Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood.

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

**Yes:** Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2 Goss, Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan.

##### C. AUDITOR CONTROLLER - Martee Nieman (Graham)

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to ratify and sign an Agreement between Plumas County and Rodney Craig Goodman Jr., for consulting and training services of the Auditor-Controller's Office; effective January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023; not to exceed \$130,000.00; approved as to form by County Counsel; discussion and possible action.

**Motion:** Approve and authorize the Chair to ratify and sign an Agreement between Plumas County and Rodney Craig Goodman Jr., for consulting and training services of the Auditor-Controller's Office; effective January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023; not to exceed \$130,000.00.

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2 Goss.

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

**Yes:** Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2 Goss, Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan.

##### D. HUMAN RESOURCES - Nancy Selvage

- 1) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** to approve employee offers of affordable Health Insurance required under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA); discussion and possible action.

**Roll call vote**

**Motion:** Adopt **RESOLUTION No. 23-8759** to approve employee offers of affordable Health Insurance required under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA).

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2 Goss.

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

**Yes:** Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2 Goss, Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan.

## **5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE - DEBRA LUCERO**

- A. Brief announcement and report from the County Administrative Officer.

Debra Lucero, gave a brief report regarding the County Budget, and the Counties financial picture, and the plan moving forward.

## **6. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

- A. Review, pursuant to Health and Safety code section 101080, RESOLUTION No. 21-8609 ratifying the Declaration of Local Health Emergency due to the Beckwourth Complex, Dixie, and Fly Fires; discussion and possible action and recommendation to continue the emergency and bring it back within 30 days, on February 14, 2023.
- B. Review, pursuant to Government Code section 8630, RESOLUTION No. 21-8601 and RESOLUTION No. 21-8605 ratifying the Proclamations of County-Wide Local Emergency due to the Beckwourth Complex, Dixie and Fly Fires; discussion and possible action and recommendation to continue the emergency and bring back within 60 days, on March 14, 2023.

**Motion:** Approve and recommend to continue emergencies of both Items 6.A. Review, pursuant to Health and Safety code section 101080, RESOLUTION No. 21-8609 ratifying the Declaration of Local Health Emergency due to the Beckwourth Complex, Dixie, and Fly Fires; discussion and possible action and recommendation to continue the emergency and bring it back within 30 days, on February 14, 2023, and Item 6.B. - Review, pursuant to Government Code section 8630, RESOLUTION No. 21-8601 and RESOLUTION No. 21-8605 ratifying the Proclamations of County-Wide Local Emergency due to the Beckwourth Complex, Dixie and Fly Fires; and recommendation to continue the emergency and bring back within 60 days, on March 14, 2023.,

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 5 Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2 Goss.

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

**Yes:** Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2 Goss, Supervisor - District 4 Hagwood, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan.

- C. Correspondence

Supervisor Goss received correspondence regarding an incident in the Canyon pertaining to a train derailment; correspondence in regards to the weather; and conversations with individuals regarding FERC - Lake Almanor.

Supervisor Hagwood received correspondence regarding CalFire's fire hazard severity zone revised maps, and home owner fire insurance; correspondence regarding the Lowry House, and the proposed Theater project that has been proposed for Dame Shirley Plaza; and correspondence regarding the new Courthouse being built in Dame Shirley Plaza.

Supervisor Engel received correspondence mostly regarding CalFire's fire hazard severity zone revised maps.

Supervisor McGowan received correspondence regarding CalFire's fire hazard severity zone revised maps; and correspondence regarding a bridge repair needed at Hamilton Branch.

Supervisor Ceresola received correspondence regarding Fire District Consolidation meetings; and correspondence regarding the roads that are in need of repair.

**D. INFORMATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Reported by District 4 Supervisor Greg Hagwood regarding matters related to County Government and include attending the Community Development Commission meeting; participated in a Zoom meeting with the Lassen, Plumas Sierra Action Committee; and continued to have attend meetings with the Sheriff's office to address staffing issues.

Reported by District 3 Supervisor Tom McGowan regarding matters related to County Government and reported that the meetings that he was scheduled to attend were interrupted due to weather and poor internet connections.

Reported by District 2 Supervisor Kevin Goss regarding matters related to County Government and include participating in the Fire Consolidation meetings over the weekend; attended the NorCal EMS Board of Directors meeting, and various meetings with constituents.

Reported by District 5 Supervisor Jeff Engel regarding matters related to County Government and include attending the Eastern Fire Districts Consolidation meeting; participated in a meeting at the Planning and Building Department with Chuck White, Tracey Ferguson and some local architects regarding concerns over Article 25; and he is planning to attend the CalFire Public Hearing regarding the fire hazard severity zone revised maps.

Reported by District 1 Supervisor Dwight Ceresola regarding matters related to County Government and include attending the Fire Districts Consolidation meetings; and met with the Sierra Valley Groundwater District

**7. CLOSED SESSION**

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

- A. Public Employee Employment, Appointment, Recruitment, Performance Evaluations, Including Goals, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957:
1. Agricultural Commissioner
  2. Behavioral Health Director
  3. Building Services Director
  4. Chief Probation Officer
  5. Child Support Services Director
  6. County Administrative Officer
  7. County Counsel
  8. Environmental Health Director
  9. Facility Services Director
  10. Fair Manager
  11. Human Resources Director
  12. Information Technology Director
  13. Library Director
  14. Museum Director
  15. Planning Director
  16. Public Health Director
  17. Public Works Director
  18. Risk & Safety Manager
  19. Social Services Director
- B. 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
- C. Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing litigation – Pederson, et al., v. County of Plumas, et al., United States District Court for the Eastern District of California Case No. CIV S-89-1659 JFM P, pursuant to subdivision (a) of Government Code §54956.9

- D. Conference with Legal Counsel: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code Section 54956.9
- E. Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing litigation pursuant to Subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code §54956.9 – Plumas County v. Pacific Gas and Electric Company, et al, Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Francisco, Original Case No. CGC-21-596070

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

Supervisor Ceresola reported no reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourn meeting to Tuesday, February 7, 2023, Board of Supervisors Room 308, Courthouse, Quincy, California

Dixie Fire Collaborative, Report to the Plumas County Board of Supervisors  
January 17, 2023

The snow and rain have put most of our focus over the last month and a half on digging out and dealing with water and mud. However, Greenville Rotary has been working in that mud to assemble a greenhouse to use as a gathering place at the Spot. Plans are also moving forward to install carports to cover the food trailers and to finally move the portable classroom to house the thrift store.

Around the entire community of Greenville, the FireWise group has been working to find zone captains so that we will be better prepared in case of future disasters. Each captain will be responsible for communicating with between twenty-five to fifty households.

This coming Saturday we will hold our monthly Community Meeting at 11:00 in the Elementary School Cafeteria. As always, we will share the latest recovery information we have available. In addition, we will conduct two interactive items. One will be to finish conducting the survey we began last month to help us determine what residents want to see as we rebuild downtown Greenville. The other will be hold an election for two open positions on the DFC Steering Committee.

After that meeting, at 2:00, the Indian Valley Innovation Hub will hold an Entrepreneur Rally at the new Grizzly Bite in Taylorsville. These rallies are open to anyone interested in discussing potential businesses and have led to productive conversations about developing the economy of Indian Valley.

One of the most important projects from a potential money standpoint is to complete The RSF long-term recovery plan. The five committees, of which you are each a part, have continued their work to that end. The aim is to have the preliminary projects completed this month so they can go out to the public for their responses, then completing the plan by June.

Finally, I have enrolled in an FRC class this semester and, after a year of attending your meetings, I won't be able to attend again until June. I'll miss hearing what you are doing to run the County and being a conduit of information between you and the Dixie Fire Collaborative. I look forward to resuming that role in June.

Before I go, I want share my frustration with this format. Clint and I report to you twice a month regarding what the collaborative is doing, but I have no idea what you are thinking. I propose that you hold a special meeting in Greenville with the single topic being to see and learn about the current status of our recovery. Walk the town with us, in an open meeting, see what we are trying to do, and talk with us about your thoughts regarding our future. If we put that together within the next two months, would you be willing to hold that kind of meeting?

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