

UNAPPROVED MINUTES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

OCTOBER 26, 2004

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors convene in Regular Session at 9:05 a.m. Chairman Hanson asks for public comment and no comments are received. County Clerk Nagel announces the Closed Session items and the Board recesses to Closed Session at 9:06 a.m. for an Employee performance evaluation: County Administrative Officer Bill Bixby.

Present in the Closed Session are Supervisors Robert Pyle, Jim Chapman, Lloyd Keefer, Brian Dahle, and Jack Hanson; County Counsel John Ketelsen, County Administrative Officer Bill Bixby and County Clerk Theresa Nagel. CAO Bixby departs at 9:49 a.m. Closed Session is recessed at 10:01 a.m.

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors reconvenes in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 26, 2004, at 10:03 a.m. Present: Supervisors Robert Pyle, Jim Chapman, Lloyd Keefer, Brian Dahle, and Jack Hanson; County Counsel John Ketelsen, County Administrative Officer (CAO) Bill Bixby and County Clerk Theresa Nagel. Following the flag salute, the invocation is offered by Supervisor Dahle.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

The County Clerk announces the Closed Session dealt with an Employee performance evaluation: County Administrative Officer Bill Bixby - no reportable action was taken and the closed session is continued to November 9, 2004.

#### AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

CAO Bixby requests a late item be placed on the agenda relating to the heating system at the Veterans Memorial Building.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2 (2) that the need to take action arose subsequent to the agenda being posted, and cannot wait for the next meeting, it is moved by Supervisor Dahle, seconded by Supervisor Pyle and carried unanimously, on a roll call vote, to place the requested item on the agenda.

Supervisor Hanson requests that Item G-3, proclamation, be removed from the consent calendar and considered immediately following public comment.

It is moved by Supervisor Dahle, seconded by Supervisor Keefer and carried to approve the agenda with the noted changes.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Rodney Orr speaking on behalf of Marlene Sager Long discusses a deed restriction on the use of the subject property prior to power being installed and asks that the restriction be removed. He notes that all other property in this area is served by alternate power sources. Ms. Long was told several years ago the cost of bringing power to the area would cost \$150,000 and he is guessing that is now more like \$250,000. County Counsel John Ketelsen states the proper approach is through the Community Development Department probably via a variance application. He offers to talk with them about the formal application process.
2. Poet Laureate Violet Stout pays condolences to Alcohol and Drug Program Deputy Director Michael Beard for the loss of his mother. She also reads a poem entitled "Halloween Fantasy".

## NATIONAL NURSE PRACTITIONERS WEEK

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Pyle and carried to adopt Proclamation honoring the goals and ideals of National Nurse Practitioners Week; and offering sincere support to nurse practitioners around the county as they continue to provide high-quality health care to our residents.

Chairman Hanson notes how vital Nurse Practitioners are to our community and reads the names of those serving our county: Judy Oliver, Naomi Rea, Noreen Frieling, Barbara Mauk, Connie Herman, Lee Brooks and Melody French.

## STATE FAIR EXHIBIT

Chairman Hanson recognizes the California Correctional Center and individuals for their contributions to the 2004 State Fair Exhibit with presentation of certificates and plaques to: California Correctional Center (CCC) Warden Kathy Prosper, CCC Administrative Assistant John Appel, CCC/HDSP Correctional Education Supervisor Richard Tice, CCC Vocational Instruction Supervisor Larry Banks, CCC Vocational Instructors Dan Frohrib (not present), Gary Hansen, and Jeff Oliver, Renelle English (Lassen County Fair) and Susan Harwell, (Standish 4-H Council).

## LASSEN COUNTY FAIR BOARD

The Board of Supervisors recess and convene as the Lassen County Fair Board.

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Pyle and carried to

appoint Tim Bruce to fill a vacancy on the Lassen County Fair Board, created by the resignation of Jim Jeskey.

The Board of Supervisors reconvene.

#### MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

It is moved by Supervisor Keefer, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to appoint Roger Cox to fill a vacancy on the Lassen County Mental Health Advisory Board.

#### SPALDING COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Rebecca Walker expresses her support for the appointment of Ed Taber to fill a vacancy on the Spalding CSD Board and presents a petition signed by persons in the community who also support Mr. Taber. She states we have enough clerks on the board and feels that problems that occurred during the marina construction would have been handled if Mr. Taber had been on the board. Notes there is another big project ahead for the district.

Supervisor Pyle asks Mr. Taber to tell the board members about himself and his ability to attend meetings when he has a residence in Pollock Pines. Mr. Taber provides information on his background and states he will be able to attend all meetings. Supervisor Pyle asks if he will work independently of Rebecca Walker, noting he works for her. Mr. Taber responds that he has his own mind and does not always agree with Rebecca Walker.

It is moved by Supervisor Pyle, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to appoint Ed Taber to fill a vacancy on the Spalding Community Services District due to the resignation of Joe Martin.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

It is moved by Supervisor Dahle, seconded by Supervisor Keefer and carried to take the noted action on the following Consent Calendar items:

#### COUNTY CLERK ITEM

Approve Minutes of October 19, 2004.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - PERSONNEL ITEM

Receive and file Personnel Movement report for September, 2004.

#### MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

Receive and file the following correspondence:

- a. Lassen County In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Board meeting agenda for October 20, 2004, and unapproved minutes of September 22, 2004.
- b. Lassen County Air Pollution Control District Governing Board meeting agenda for October 19, 2004, and minutes of August 17, 2004.

Recess 10:33 - 10:38 a.m.

## UNAGENDIZED BOARD REPORTS

1. Supervisor Pyle announces he will be attending the CSAC Convention in San Diego; reports on the Emergency Medical Care Committee meeting he and CAO Bixby attended yesterday - two zones established and hope to have something in place by Mid-June, 2005.
2. Supervisor Keefer reports on Economic Development Coordinating Council meeting - notes City has formed their own economic development team.
3. Supervisor Dahle provides update on Big Valley Lumber Company - two items they still need to be in place before bringing in wood chips - wastewater permit, and power turned on for start-up by PG&E (all other users have to come off-line during the start-up because it is a big load).
4. Supervisor Hanson reports on North Cal-Neva Resource Management Council meeting - received report from Nick Ceaglio on Dyer Mountain and report from Bob Sorvaag and Maurice Anderson on the South County water exportation and groundwater monitoring; announces a meeting will be held at Sierra Army Depot on October 28th with representatives from the offices of Feinstein, Herger, Boxer, Osse and Governor.

**HONEY LAKE VALLEY PEST ABATEMENT DISTRICT FORMATION COMMITTEE**  
Agriculture Commissioner Ken Smith presents a report on the Honey Lake Valley Pest Abatement District Formation Committee and the difficulty in getting a quorum.

It is moved by Supervisor Dahle, seconded by Supervisor Keefer and carried to dissolve the committee.

Discussion is held on the concept of holding public workshops to explore the option of establishing a Pest Abatement District in Honey Lake Valley.

## **HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES - ALCOHOL AND DRUG DIVISION**

Alcohol and Drug Program Deputy Director Michael Beard provides information on the request for State Medi-Cal Provider Status to better serve the clients.

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Keefer and carried to

approve the State Medi-Cal Provider Application for the Alcohol and Drug Division locations (Promises, Prop 36, and Alcohol and Drug main office).

#### PROBATION DEPARTMENT - JUVENILE HALL

Juvenile Hall Superintendent Roy Thiels presents a staffing request to approve filling of the vacant Senior Juvenile Hall Counselor Position (#9224) effective November 28, 2004; and approve the half-time On-call Assistant Juvenile Hall Counselor III position (UPEC, Range 12, Step A), and explains the need for the positions.

Responding to a question from Supervisor Chapman, CAO Bixby feels there is going to be a need for significant cuts to the adopted County Budget. Supervisor Chapman would like this reviewed by the CAO prior to taking any action and continue this item to the meeting of November 9, 2004.

#### PUBLIC DEFENDER - INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES CONTRACT

It is moved by Supervisor Pyle, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to approve, and authorize the CAO to sign, a contract with Robert P. Grant for an additional year, Public Defender investigative services and investigative services for other county departments.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - COUNTY COUNSEL

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to adopt Resolution No. 04-065, replacing Resolution #04-063 establishing the pay formula for County Counsel.

#### VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING HEATING

CAO Bixby reports the City of Susanville has informed the County they will no longer provide geothermal heat to the Veterans Memorial Building. He notes that Public Works Director Larry Millar has requested formal bids for a heating system and intends to award the bid as soon as possible. He asks for authorization to move forward.

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman and seconded by Supervisor Dahle to authorize the CAO, or acting CAO, to approve the lowest responsible bid and report the bid award to the Board at the earliest possible meeting.

Discussion is held on the City's action in cutting off the heat and what should have been done. It is felt that based on this action it has been shown the City cannot be trusted as a provider of services.

The motion carries unanimously.

INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD

CAO Bixby notes that State Fair Exhibit Appreciation Plaques were presented to everyone except the person who coordinated the work - Dan Douglas. Supervisor Chapman requests a presentation to Dan Douglas be placed on a future agenda along with an appreciation to Jim Jeskey for his service on the Fair Advisory Board.

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF

SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

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THERESA NAGEL, CLERK OF THE BOARD