

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

JANUARY 11, 2005

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors convenes in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 11, 2005, at 9:30 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 Hanson.

BOARD ORGANIZATION - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

County Clerk Theresa Nagel calls for nominations for 2005 Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. It is moved by Supervisor Chapman and seconded by Supervisor Pyle to nominate Supervisor Keefer. It is moved by Dahle and seconded by Chapman to close the nominations and call for a unanimous vote. County Clerk Nagel calls for the vote and it is carried unanimously to elect Supervisor Keefer as 2005 Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

County Clerk Theresa Nagel calls for nominations for 2005 Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. It is moved by Supervisor Chapman and seconded by Supervisor Hanson to nominate Supervisor Pyle. It is moved by Dahle and seconded by Chapman to close the nominations and call for a unanimous vote. County Clerk Nagel calls for the vote and it is carried unanimously to elect Supervisor Pyle as 2005 Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Hanson thanks everyone for their support over the last year - he has enjoyed serving as Chairman.

Chairman Keefer receives the gavel and assumes chairmanship of the meeting. He thanks Supervisor Hanson for doing an outstanding job this past year, and states we have a big job ahead in 2005 relating to the budget, and the challenge of projects in the south county and Dyer Mt. He announces the closed session will be held later in the meeting.

AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

It is moved by Supervisor Pyle, seconded by Supervisor Hanson and carried to approve the agenda as posted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Chip Jackson distributes pictures of a train derailment that occurred in Nubieber last Saturday morning. The accident was investigated by federal investigators and was determined to be caused by a railroad switching accident and was not a terrorist event. Local law enforcement responded with equipment and plans to handle a hazardous spill, but it was not needed. Arrangements were also made with neighboring counties for mutual aid if evacuation had been needed. The incident went very well and there were only minor injuries. In regard to the snowstorm, it is significantly different from the 1992 snowstorm because the power has stayed on - there have been a few incidents of rescuing stranded people. Road Division representative George Brewster reports on the good job the road crews have done and notes the only outstanding problem is plugged driveways.

Supervisor Pyle states that he received a call from Susan River Fire District member Jim McCarthy expressing concern about the problem caused by snow berms from street plows blocking the entrance to the fire station. He wants to know if something different can be done to address this issue. Mr. Brewster responds this is a matter of policy that needs to be made by the Road Commissioner or Board of Supervisors - it cannot be made by the grader operators. Supervisor Chapman feels after the initial clearing of roads there should be an effort to clear emergency driveways, such as fire stations. Mr. Brewster states a policy needs to set-forth where the crews start and end, because in every community there are those folks who feel their driveways should be a priority for emergency services, such as CHP officers.

Chairman Keefer states this matter needs to be placed on the next agenda for discussion and policy setting.

All board members state the Road Department crews need to be commended for the good job they have done.

2. Poet Laureate Violet Stout reads a poem entitled "2004 and 2005 The End and The Beginning".

UNAGENDIZED BOARD REPORTS

1. Supervisor Chapman thanks the public works crews in the county and city for the work they have done; expresses his appreciation of the support from the community in dealing with the storms and the great response to the uptown Susanville fire last week; discusses his appointment to the Lahontan Water Quality Control Board; designates the remaining \$3,000 of his discretionary funds be set aside for the purchase of additional

radar speed signs for placement in Uptown Susanville.

2. Supervisor Pyle thanks the public works crews and Chip Jackson for the work they have been doing; discusses the Transportation Commission meeting and the funding that is coming together for more radar speed signs for placement in school zones.

3. Supervisor Hanson echos the compliments to the public works crews, although there was an issue relating to the Herlong Access Road that needs to be addressed; notes he was unable to attend the BRAC meeting in Sacramento and Bob Sorvaag attended and addressed the panel; has nothing new to report in regard to watermaster service fees; notes he received a couple of calls relating to ambulance service; reports on the LAFCO meeting at which Susanville Consolidated Sanitary District sphere of influence was considered.

4. Supervisor Dahle relates an incident of a Bieber Family calling 911 for assistance in removing a stranger from their daughter's unoccupied house with the dispatcher allegedly stating there was no resident deputy available (and they could thank Supervisor Dahle for that) and stating the closest deputy was at Eagle Lake. The caller hung up and was called back by the dispatcher.

Supervisor Dahle relates several instances that had occurred in the area previous to this incident which included break-ins of businesses and a stranger with a ski mask in the home of an elderly single woman at night who left a buck knife behind when he fled.

The perpetrator was finally caught (in possession of a loaded pistol taken from the home he was found in), along with two juveniles, and confessed to the aforementioned break-ins plus more. Supervisor Dahle wants to see what the Sheriff's policy is on calling for back-ups and also wants to know what is needed to address the lack of tapes from dispatch calls. Chip Jackson responds that 911 calls are taped, but currently the return calls, made on administrative phone lines, are not able to be taped. The estimated cost to solve this problem is \$5,000. He notes at the time of this incident the resident deputy was on vacation. He discusses arrangements the Sheriff's Department has in place for back-ups from Modoc County and states they respond quickly.

Supervisor Dahle also comments on the train derailment and commends Rick Kyle for his response to this event.

5. Supervisor Keefer thanks public works for the outstanding job they have done in the Janesville area - he notes that Chip Jackson spends all of his spare time on the grader clearing Janesville streets; he reports on issues he has heard about relating to REMSA Ambulance - he has found that it is a myth that EMT's have to work in Reno for six months before being located here - from the job fair six or seven persons were hired by REMSA and REMSA also plans to hold a second job fair - they are also looking into the legality of membership programs; he reports on upcoming RAC meetings.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

COUNTY CLERK ITEM

Approve Minutes of December 14, 2004, December 17, 2004, December 20, 2004 and December 21, 2004.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ITEM

Receive and file Personnel Movement report for November, 2004.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER - EMERGENCY ITEM

Adopt Resolution No. 05-001, renewing proclamation of local emergency by Assistant Emergency Services Director and the County Health Officer's grant of exemption to Regional Emergency Medical Service Authority (REMSA) as an interim provider of ambulance services.

**COUNTY
ADMINISTRATIVE
OFFICER - CONTRACT
ITEM**

Approve and authorize the CAO to sign a contract with REMSA as interim provider of ambulance services.

AUDITOR & TREASURER DEPARTMENTS ITEM

Receive and file Treasurer's Fund Balance Report and Auditor's verification for the month of November, 2004.

COUNTY COUNSEL ITEMS

Reject claim of Amy McConnell, in its entirety, and direct County Clerk to send Notice of Rejection.

Reject claim of Deborah Henson, in its entirety, and direct County Clerk to send Notice of Rejection.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY ITEM

Approve and authorize District Attorney to execute Contract Renewal with District Attorney Technical Service Ltd., D.B.A. Computer Support Services for insufficient funds check restitution and diversion services for 36 months from date of signing.

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES - MENTAL HEALTH ITEM

Approve the State Department of Mental Health Agreement #04-74224-000 for FY 2004/2005 integrated community mental health services for persons in Lassen County; and authorize the County Administrative Officer to sign this and subsequent agreement documentation.

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES - PUBLIC HEALTH ITEM

Approve the FY 2004/2005 State Department of Health Services Standard Agreement #04-35810, for the Immunization Assistance Program services for persons in Lassen County and authorize the County Administrative Officer to sign this and subsequent agreement documentation.

PROBATION DEPARTMENT ITEM

Approve and authorize Chief Probation Officer, or appointed designee to sign, Contract #04-918 for Fiscal Year 2004/2005 Diagnostic Studies (Juvenile/Criminal), court ordered case referrals to the Youth Authority from the Juvenile or Criminal Courts.

TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR ITEM

Receive and file Treasurer's Investment Report for November, 2004.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

Receive and file the following correspondence:

- a. Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) of Lassen County meeting agenda for January 10, 2005.
- b. Lassen County Technical Advisory Committee meeting agenda for January 12, 2005.
- c. Lassen County Planning Commission meeting agenda for January 5, 2005.
- d. Mental Health Advisory Board meeting agenda for January 11, 2005.
- e. Lassen Transit Service Agency meeting agenda for January 10, 2005.
- f. Lassen County Transportation Commission meeting agenda for January 10, 2005.
- g. Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board meeting agenda for January 11, 2005, and minutes of November 9, 2004.
- h. Lassen County Planning Commission and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting schedule for 2005 and application deadlines.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Discussion is held on the committee appointments for 2005 with the following agreed upon:

- 1) LASSEN COUNTY POET LAUREATE - Violet Stout;
- 2) CAL NEVA RC&D - Supervisor Hanson with Supervisor Keefer as alternate;
- 3) CSAC - Supervisor Pyle with Supervisor Keefer as alternate;
- 4) CSAC EXCESS INSURANCE AUTHORITY - Auditor Karen Fouch with Cheryl Brewster as alternate;
- 5) LAFCO - Supervisor Hanson and Supervisor Keefer with Supervisor Chapman as alternate (Kurt Bonham - public member with Dave Reger as public alternate);
- 6) LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE - Assessor Ken Bunch, Extension Officer David Lile, Supervisor Bob Pyle, Agricultural Commissioner Ken Smith and Community Development Director Robert Sorvaag;
- 7) LASSEN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL - Supervisor Keefer;
- 8) NORTEC - Supervisor Chapman, with Supervisor Pyle as alternate;
- 9) NORTEC WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD - Ken Theobald, Sophie Wages, Connie Bergin;
- 10) NORTHEAST AIR PLATEAU BASIN Vacant;
- 11) PSA II EXECUTIVE BOARD - Supervisor Chapman and Kay White with Supervisor Hanson as alternate along with county representatives - Joleen Anderson, Jack Kessler, Diane Grose and Susanne Scofield Rossi.
- 12) RCRC BOARD OF DIRECTORS - Supervisor Dahle, with Supervisor Keefer as alternate;
- 13) RCRC RURAL HOME MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY (CRHMFA) - Supervisor Dahle, with Joe Bertotti as alternate;
- 14) RCRC ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY (ESJPA) - Supervisor Dahle, with Supervisor Keefer as alternate;
- 15) RCRC GOVERNMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY (LGFA) - Supervisor Dahle with Supervisor Keefer as alternate;
- 16) RCRC JUVENILE WARD AUTHORITY - Supervisor Dahle, with Supervisor Keefer as alternate;
- 17) SMALL COUNTIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SCAC)/SCAC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CMSP Director of Health and Human Services, and Supervisor Hanson;
- 18) TRINDEL INSURANCE FUND - Auditor Karen Fouch, with Cheryl Brewster as alternate;
- 19) EAST LASSEN DEER HERD TASK FORCE Supervisor Hanson;
- 20) EAGLE LAKE INTERAGENCY BOARD - Supervisor Pyle, with Supervisor Dahle as alternate;
- 21) ABANDONED VEHICLE ABATEMENT APPEALS BOARD - Inactive;
- 22) ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDING APPEALS BOARD - Inactive;
- 23) AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION Supervisor Hanson and Supervisor Pyle;

- 24) BIG VALLEY PEST ABATEMENT DISTRICT - Michael Babcock, Charles Kramer, Robert Nelson, Dr. Tom Vestal, Roger Cruikshank;
- 25) CONSERVATION ELEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Inactive;
- 26) DOYLE PARKS COMMITTEE - Loney Sharp, June Wood, Pauline Danner, Rick Giese, Veda Knight, Mary Dixon, Kathleen Giese, Lee Danner;
- 27) LASSEN-PLUMAS-SIERRA COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY - Public members - Jim Chapman and Joe Bertotti; Community Members: 2 vacancies; Low Income: Rose Mecham; vacancy.
- 28) LASSEN REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY - Supervisor Keefer and Supervisor Hanson, with Supervisor Pyle as alternate;
- 29) LAW LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES - Rhea Giannotti, Supervisor Jack Hanson, Michele Verderosa;
- 30) LONG VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT Supervisor Pyle and Supervisor Hanson; Resident of district - Paul Herman and Leonard Thigpin;
- 31) MENTAL HEALTH BOARD - Supervisor Hanson;
- 32) TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION Supervisor Chapman, Supervisor Dahle and Supervisor Keefer, Supervisor Pyle and Supervisor Hanson as alternates;
- 33) TREASURY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE - Supervisor Keefer; public finance representative - Irene Doyle; public - vacancy; Superintendent of Schools Robert Owens;
- 34) VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING TASK FORCE - Jim Chapman, Larry Rogers, Rob Hill, Hugh Green, Greg Crowe, Richard DeVose, Dennis Sutton, Tracy Totten, Julie Newton, Morris "Jim" Ward;
- 35) LASSEN COUNTY CHILDRENS AND FAMILIES COMMISSION - Supervisor Chapman; Supervisor Dahle as alternate;
- 36) LASSEN-MODOC FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD ZONE 2 & ZONE 2-A - Dale Albaugh, Roger Cruikshank, Peter Gerig, Jim Halpenny, Charles Kramer;
- 37) LASSEN COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL GOVERNING BOARD - Supervisor Hanson, Supervisor Chapman and Supervisor Keefer;
- 38) LASSEN TRANSIT SERVICE AGENCY - Supervisor Chapman, Supervisor Dahle and Supervisor Keefer, Supervisor Pyle and Supervisor Hanson as alternates;
- 39) BUILDING APPEALS BOARD - no members;
- 40) HISTORIC BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE - Janet Corey, Irene Doyle, Scott D. McMillan.

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to ratify the Chairman's appointments for 2005.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A letter from California Department of Fish and Game, Wildlife Programs Branch Chief John Carlson, Jr. informing of their intent to recommend proposals for the 2004-2005 deer hunts at a Fish and Game Commission meeting on February 4, 2005: (J19 Zone X-7a Junior Either Sex Deer Hunt), is received and filed.
2. A press release announcing Governor Schwarzenegger's appointment of Jim Chapman and four others to the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board, is received and filed.

Recess 10:32 - 10:43 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

County Clerk Nagel announces the Closed Session items and the Board recesses to Closed Session at 10:44 a.m. for:

The Board of Supervisors convene as Local Reuse Authority: conference with real property negotiator: a) Location - Portions of Parcels #139-160-70 and 139-160-73 totaling 47 acres in Herlong; b) Negotiators - Community Development Director Robert Sorvaag and Scenic Mountain Development, LLC; Subject: authorize County Administrative Officer to negotiate transfer of property consistent with Sierra Army Depot Redevelopment Project.

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, Community Development Director Robert Sorvaag, Assistant Community Development Director Bertotti, Assistant to the CAO Julie Morgan and County Clerk Theresa Nagel. Closed Session is recessed at 11:50 a.m.

The Board of Supervisors reconvene.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

The County Clerk announces the Closed Session dealt with:

Local Reuse Authority: Conference with real property negotiator: a) Location - Portions of Parcels #139-160-70 and 139-160-73 totaling 47 acres in Herlong; b) Negotiators - Community Development Director Robert Sorvaag and Scenic Mountain Development, LLC; Subject: authorize County Administrative Officer to negotiate transfer of property consistent with Sierra Army Depot Redevelopment Project - the Board directed County Counsel to retain outside counsel, with development experience, to assist in developing an agreement with Scenic Mountain Development, LLC.

FAIR MANAGER INTERVIEWS

Discussions are held on how to perform deliberations following today's interviews with a consensus to go into closed session next Tuesday for deliberations.

Recess 11:56 a.m. - 1:40 p.m. CAO Bixby and County Counsel John Ketelsen are not present.

FAIR MANAGER INTERVIEWS

Chairman Keefer announces the interviews will be held in open session today with deliberations held in closed session next Tuesday.

Shirley Leschinsky is interviewed. Recess 2:19 - 2:29 p.m.

D. Anthony Shaw is interviewed. Recess 3:11 - 3:30 p.m.

Scott Stoller is interviewed. Recess 3:51 - 4:30 p.m.

James Wolcott is interviewed.

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF

SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

THERESA NAGEL, CLERK OF THE BOARD