

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APRIL 12, 2005

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors convene in Regular Session at 9:07 a.m. Vice-Chairman Pyle 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 9:08 a.m. for: Conference with real property negotiator: a) Location - APN #105-310-12; b) Negotiator - Interra-Vision Development LLC; c) Subject - Authorize the CAO to enter into negotiations for the sale of county owned property, to include terms and conditions, advisability of sale and alternatives to sale; and Conference with real property negotiator: a) Location - Address, 560 Hospital Lane, Susanville; APN #107-260-23; b) Negotiator - Lassen College Foundation, Inc.; c) Subject - Discussion of potential eminent domain proceedings.

Present in the Closed Session are Supervisors Robert Pyle, Brian Dahle, and Jack Hanson; County Counsel John Ketelsen, County Administrative Officer Bill Bixby, Fair Manager Jim Wolcott and County Clerk Theresa Nagel. Supervisor Keefer is absent. Supervisor Chapman enters at 9:10 a.m. Jim Wolcott departs at 9:17 a.m. Supervisor Dahle absent 9:26 - 9:30 a.m. Closed Session is recessed at 9:37 a.m.

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors reconvenes in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at 9:40 a.m. Present: Supervisors Robert Pyle, Jim Chapman, Brian Dahle, and Jack Hanson; County Counsel John Ketelsen, County Administrative Officer (CAO) Bill Bixby and County Clerk Theresa Nagel. Supervisor Keefer is absent. Following the flag salute, the invocation is offered by Supervisor Chapman.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

The County Clerk announces the Closed Session dealt with: Conference with real property negotiator: a) Location - APN #105-310-12; b) Negotiator - Interra-Vision Development LLC; c) Subject - Authorize the CAO to enter into negotiations for the sale of county owned property, to include terms and conditions, advisability of sale and alternatives to sale - no reportable action.

Conference with real property negotiator: a) Location - Address, 560 Hospital Lane, Susanville; APN #107-260-23; b) Negotiator - Lassen College Foundation, Inc.; c) Subject - Discussion of potential eminent domain proceedings - authorized CAO and

County Counsel to explore acquisition of the property.

AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

Supervisor Chapman asks that two more names be added to the adjournment in memory - Violet Lanigar and Wade Stout.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Nick Ceaglio announces the Draft EIR for Dyer Mt. is out and available for review. He thanks the County and staff for the work that has gone into this over the past four years.
2. Jim Brown presents a petition to the Board containing over 900 signatures of Lassen County residents who wish to have REMSA Ambulance Service be the provider for Lassen County.
3. Violet Stout presents to board members and staff - "Poems of 2004, The Best Is Yet to Come ..." by Violet Stout, 2004 Lassen County Poet Laureate.
4. At the request of Violet Stout, Chairman Pyle reads a letter from University of California Davis, School of Medicine, extending sympathy and expressing appreciation for the unselfish gift of Wade Stout's body to the Donated Body Program. A Memorial to serve as a perpetual remembrance of those who have gifted their bodies has been installed on the Medical School's Campus and family and friends are welcome to visit at any time.

UNAGENDIZED BOARD REPORTS

1. Supervisor Dahle reports the Big Valley Mill was going to begin processing wood chips for energy production this week, but suffered a setback last week when the mill caught fire; announces he has been requested to travel to Washington, D.C. to lobby for PILT funding. Announces a Bieber Clean-up on April 23rd and 24th - a community group will provide free clean-up of certain properties. They have sent letters to property owners requesting permission to perform the work and requesting donations for trash dumping costs. He wants to send certified letters to those who did not respond, and apparently do not want even free help, and then move forward with aggressive code enforcement.
2. Supervisor Hanson likes the Bieber clean-up idea and thinks it could work in other areas of the county; agrees that aggressive code enforcement must happen; announces that he and Richard Egan attended an introduction to redevelopment workshop and the loud and clear message received is the public has to be involved from

the beginning; announces a community meeting in Doyle on April 27th and a NE California Sage Grouse working group meeting on April 14th.

3. Supervisor Chapman reminds everyone of the Junior Fishing Derby on April 23rd; reports on the Town Hill Safety Task Force meeting - proposal to setup a truck inspection station on Highway 36 above Susanville; he will be asking the Board for authorization to work with CalTrans to install "Share the Road" signs to identify routes for cyclists.

4. Supervisor Pyle reports the radar speed signs project is moving forward very well; reports that he and several department heads attended a meeting relating to the California Land Conservation Act (Williamson Act) - he feels the act is being abused and this must stop; reports a meeting will be held in Westwood tonight relating to the ambulance issue.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Supervisor Dahle requests minutes of April 5, 2005 be removed from the consent calendar for separate consideration.

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

COUNTY CLERK ITEM

Approve Minutes of March 22, 2005.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ITEMS

Receive and file Personnel Movement report for February, 2005.

ADMINISTRATION

Approve Lassen County's Official Entry to the State Fair Exhibits Coordinator and authorize Chairman to sign, specifying costs not to exceed \$5,000.

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER ITEM

Approve and authorize Chairman to sign contract with California Department of Food and Agriculture for Fiscal Years 2004/2005, 2005/2006 and 2006/2007 Weed Eradication in the amount of \$32,191.17.

COUNTY COUNSEL ITEMS

Reject claim of Harold H. Carlson, Beverly Foos, Shirley M. Butts, Richard L. Carlson, in its entirety, and direct County Clerk to send Notice of Rejection.

Renew the Board's declaration of a local emergency with respect to the availability of

medical response units for ambulance service within the County of Lassen, justifying an exemption from the operation of Lassen County Code Chapter 11.15 for an additional thirty (30) days pursuant to Lassen County Code Section 11.15.070.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ITEMS

Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works to sign agreement with West Patton Village Community Service District for maintenance and custodial services for the Southern Lassen Community Building.

Award bid to replace auditorium windows at the Susanville Veterans Memorial Building to Reyman Brothers Construction, Sparks, Nevada, in the amount of \$72,825; and authorize the Public Works Director to sign the agreement.

SHERIFF ITEM

Approve travel authorization request for Correctional Officers Joanna Costa and Melissa Hubbard to attend the mandatory Basic Correctional Officer Core Course Training in Marysville April 25 - May 25, 2005, at the estimated cost of \$4,919.24.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

Receive and file the following correspondence:

- a. Lassen County In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Board meeting agenda for April 6, 2005; and unapproved minutes of March 16, 2005.
- b. Lassen County Planning Commission meeting agenda for April 6, 2005.
- c. Application for Alcoholic Beverage License - Walker Mansion Inn & Cafe, 463-475 Birch Street, Westwood.
- d. Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) meeting agenda for April 11, 2005.
- e. Lassen County Technical Advisory Committee meeting revised agenda for April 13, 2005.
- f. Lassen Transit Service Agency meeting agenda for April 11, 2005.
- g. Lassen County Transportation Commission meeting agenda for April 11, 2005.

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MINUTES

It is moved by Supervisor Hanson, seconded by Supervisor Chapman and carried, with Supervisor Dahle abstaining, to approve Minutes of April 5, 2005.

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 Dahle and carried to appoint Henry Bietz to fill a vacancy on the Fair Advisory Board from District 1.

The Board of Supervisors reconvene.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADVISORY BOARD

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to accept letters of resignation from Patrick Markovics and Michael E. Phelps from the Alcohol & Drug Advisory Board, and direct Clerk to post the vacancy.

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to appoint Thomas Robinson to fill a vacancy on the Alcohol & Drug Advisory Board.

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

Agriculture Commissioner Ken Smith presents a report on Air Pollution District (Air Board) discussions regarding prescribed burning. Representatives from Lassen National Park appeared at the Air Board meeting and presented information on last years burn and plans for future prescribed burns.

Mr. Smith is working with the Air Resources Board on how to improve protocol to lessen smoke affects during large prescribed burns. He distributes and reviews a list of potential mitigation measures for managing smoke and emissions from wildland fires. Supervisor Dahle states that fuel loading is the problem and he would rather put money into managing fire by reducing fuel loads which will also produce chips for biomass. He states mechanical thinning is better for air and water quality and is better for the environment overall.

Mr. Smith reports the next meeting of the Air Board will include consideration of purchasing a portable air monitor for approximately \$12,000.

Mr. Smith provides an update on the Mormon Crickets which are already out in the Doyle/Herlong area. He reports that Nevada will be doing aerial applications to control the crickets and he is working through environmental documents for aerial application in Lassen County. Supervisor Chapman suggests contacting CalTrans for signage to alert drivers when crickets start crossing the highways.

TITLE III ALLOCATION REQUEST

It is moved by Supervisor Dahle, seconded by Supervisor Hanson and carried, with Supervisor Chapman abstaining, to allocate Title III to Lassen Land and Trails Trust for two Children's Nature Camps in the amount of \$8,970.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HOUSING

It is moved by Supervisor Hanson, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to adopt Resolution No. 05-007, consenting to a Joint Public Hearing between the Board of Supervisors and the Community Development Commission on the Redevelopment Plan for the Westwood Redevelopment Project (June 21, 2005)

Recess 10:29 - 10:35 a.m.

INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD

Community Development Director Robert Sorvaag announces the Draft Dyer Mt EIR review period begins today and continues for 45 days - through May 27, 2005. Copies are available for review at the following locations: Community Development Department, Westwood Community Service District, Westwood Visitor's Center, Susanville Library, Westwood Library, Clear Creek Community Service District. Printed copies can be purchased for approximately \$200, but CDs are free and will be mailed at an approximate cost of \$5. Mr. Sorvaag provides information on the process for EIR review and announces a public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission in Westwood on May 4, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Radar Speed Signs:

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Dahle and carried to authorize a loan of \$20,000 from the Prison Mitigation Fund for the purchase of Radar Speed Display signs to be placed at school locations within Lassen County; loan to be paid back over the next two years at \$10,000 per year from the Transportation Commission funds.

It is moved by Supervisor Dahle, seconded by Supervisor Hanson and carried to authorize the Director of Public Works to request bids for the purchase of Radar Speed Display signs to be placed at school locations in the community of Westwood.

2005 Regional Transportation Plan:

It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Hanson and carried to:

- 1) Award agreement for the preparation of the 2005 Regional Transportation Plan to Fehr and Peers (\$23,720);
- 2) authorize the Director of Public Works to sign the agreement after it has been approved by County Counsel; and
- 3) authorize the Director of Public Works to authorize (make) changes to the scope of work (Amendments to the Agreement) up to an amount not-to-exceed \$5,000.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

It is moved by Supervisor Hanson, seconded by Supervisor Chapman and carried to adopt Resolution No. 05-008, declaring certain county property located on Fairgrounds Road in Susanville; APN #105-310-12, consisting of approximately .45 acres, as surplus property and authorizing its public sale.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A letter from Diane Grose resigning from the PSA 2 Advisory Council, is received. It is moved by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Hanson and carried to accept the letter of resignation.
2. A letter from Deputy County Administrative Officer Kevin Mannel reporting the State's approval of the Lassen County System Improvement Plan for Children's Services requiring quarterly updates to the State, is received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT IN MEMORY

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 10:58 a.m. in memory of Mildred Collett, Elwood Ridenoure, Helen Fulenwider, Linton Stebbins, Violet Lanigar and Wade Stout.

SUPERVISORS

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF

ATTEST:

THERESA NAGEL, CLERK OF THE BOARD