

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MAY 22, 2007

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors convenes in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 22, 2007, at 9:04 a.m. Present: Supervisors Brian Dahle, Robert Pyle, and Lloyd Keefer; Deputy County Counsel Traci Witry, County Administrative Officer (CAO) John Ketelsen and Deputy Clerk of the Board Susan Osgood. Following the flag salute, the invocation is offered by Supervisor Dahle. Supervisor Hanson enters at 9:05 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Dahle announces that no closed session was held.

AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

It is moved by Supervisor Keefer, seconded by Supervisor Hanson and carried, with Supervisor Chapman absent, to approve the agenda as posted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Poet Laureate Violet Stout reads her Memorial Day poem titled "Are They Dying in Vain?".

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER ITEM - PETROLEUM AND WEIGHMASTER INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT

Approve FY 2007/2008 contract with California Department of Food and Agriculture for petroleum and weighmaster inspection and enforcement in the amount of \$2,250, and authorize Chairman to sign.

AUDITOR & TREASURER DEPARTMENTS ITEM - REPORT

Receive and file Treasurer's Fund Balance Report and Auditor's verification for the month of April, 2007.

PROBATION DEPARTMENT ITEM - TRAINING

Approve travel authorization request for Probation Officers Auriana Warner and Jennifer Branning to attend the mandatory Standards & Training for Corrections (STC) Core Training in Fresno, June 25, 2007 - July 25, 2007, at the estimated cost of \$3,074.

TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR ITEM - REPORT

Receive and file Treasurer's Investment Report for April, 2007.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ITEM - PERSONNEL

Receive and file Personnel Movement report for April, 2007.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

Receive and file the following correspondence:

- a. Lassen County Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board meeting agenda for May 17, 2007.
- b. The Lassen Transit Service Agency meeting agenda for May 14, 2007.
- c. Lassen County Transportation Commission meeting agenda for May 14, 2007, and special meeting for May 21, 2007.
- d. Susanville City Council Notice of Call of Special Meeting for May 16, 2007, and minutes of January 17, 2007 and January 23, 2007.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE - FAIR BILL 873

It is moved by Supervisor Keefer, seconded by Supervisor Pyle and carried to approve letter in support of SB 873 - Fair Funding Plan, and authorize the Chairman to sign.

RESOLUTION

It is moved by Supervisor Hanson, seconded by Supervisor Pyle and carried, with Supervisor Chapman absent, to adopt Resolution No. 07-024 requesting Caltrans to transfer remnant parcel of real estate in Susanville, California, to County of Lassen for public purpose use.

UNAGENDIZED BOARD REPORTS

1. Supervisor Keefer reports he attended a special Lassen County Transportation Commission meeting regarding allocation of State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) money. A big issue was the Town Hill and Johnstonville projects vs. the city and county rehab projects. Discussion was held on rehab of city streets and county roads. Supervisor Keefer feels the formula for allocating STIP rehab money needs to be looked at further.
2. Supervisor Keefer states that Len Spragg, formerly a Modoc National Forest Supervisor, is heading up a special team to look at and re-evaluate the consolidations that the Forest Service has made nationwide. Supervisor Keefer will be participating in a conference call asking how the consolidations have impacted local communities, particularly the Plumas National Forest and how it might affect people on this side of the escarpment. There are some issues and concern relating to wood permits, Christmas tree permits and information relating to fire. Supervisor Keefer asks for any ideas on the subject so he can present them during the conference call.
3. Supervisor Keefer reminds the Board that there is a 3:00 p.m. Solid Waste meeting today and one agenda item is the budget. Mr. Valentino has been advised the Supervisors may be late getting back from Herlong.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES - FAMILY AND CHILDREN PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Family and Children Protective Services Director Terri O'Bryan presents information on the request to have the Susanville City Fire Department be designated as Safely Surrendered Baby Site in addition to Banner Lassen Medical Center, which is already a designated site. Legislation allows for infants that are 72 hours or younger to be surrendered with parents remaining anonymous.

Ms. O'Bryan states Susanville City Fire Chief Stu Ratner contacted her a few months earlier stating they would like to become a "Safe Surrender" site. The designation must be approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Fire Department is operational 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; it is centrally located and easily accessible. Staff is medically trained and personnel will be specifically trained in this procedure. Brochures and information will be made available to the public.

It is moved by Supervisor Pyle, seconded by Supervisor Keefer and carried, with Supervisor Chapman absent, to designate the Susanville City Fire Department as a Safely Surrendered Baby site.

UNAGENDIZED BOARD REPORTS - Continued

2. Supervisor Dahle states he was unaware of the special Transportation Commission meeting May 21st and thanks Supervisor Keefer for attending.

3. Supervisor Dahle states that RCRC reviewed AB885 regarding septic tank regulations previously mentioned by Environmental Health Director Doug Ames. It will take about 8 or 9 months before regulations are available for review; arguments continue on what should be included in the regulations.

4. Supervisor Dahle reports on the Fair's successful fundraiser May 18th after the Pavilion Fire.

3. Supervisor Pyle states he attended the Spalding Community Services District meeting last week. The fire department is having money problems and a meeting has been set up with CAO Ketelsen and the CSD the second Thursday in June to review options. Chairman Dahle requests CAO Ketelsen schedule a meeting with the Board, county fire department personnel and the public. Further discussion was held with CAO Ketelsen suggesting the matter be discussed with the Budget Committee.

Supervisor Chapman enters at 9:28 a.m.

The meeting is recessed at 9:29 a.m. to Skedaddle Inn, Susanville Road, Herlong, Lassen County, California. The meeting is called back to order at 11:02 a.m.

Present from Lassen County: Supervisors Bob Pyle, Jim Chapman, Lloyd Keefer, Brian Dahle and Jack Hanson; County Administrative Officer (CAO) John Ketelsen, Deputy County Counsel Traci Witry, County Clerk Julie Bustamante, Assistant to the CAO Julie Morgan, County Personnel Director/Risk Manager Ron Vossler, Community Development Director Conrad Montgomery, Assistant Community Development Director Joe Bertotti, Chief of Economic Development Monica Cochran and Deputy Clerk of the Board Susan Osgood.

Also present: Lt. Colonel Brian Butler, Commander of Sierra Army Depot (SIAD), Depot Counsel Violet Kristoff, Resource Manager/Acting Garrison Manager Bruce Bray, Deputy Garrison Manager George Ray, Quality Engineering Office Chief William Deming, Logistics Director Jon France, Union President Jim Swistowicz, Jeremy Goulart of Towne Development, Barbara Hatch of Leader Construction; and Pat Shillito of the Lassen County Times.

Lt. Colonel Butler suggests postponing the discussion of leasing of the dining facility and modular barracks until another time.

Lt. Colonel Butler presents information on how the mission at Sierra Army Depot (SIAD) has changed in the past few years. The Depot lost the ammunition operation in 2005. The primary mission currently is receiving, storing and redistribution of stocks that come back from Afghanistan and Iraq by way of a supply point in Kuwait. Equipment is stripped of what is usable and overstock is put in containers and sent to SIAD. A tour of the base is conducted to view long term storage, warehouses, and maintenance shops. Items are refurbished and restored before being redistributed; this process saves millions of dollars each month for the Army. Containers are inventoried for what may be serviceable, light maintenance (reset) is performed on equipment, flatbed trailers, some generators and containers. SIAD is one of three installations that rebuilds trailers; now producing 40 trailers per month for the Army. SIAD has the largest concentration of combat vehicles. A container rotator was designed and fabricated at the Depot and these are now sold to other companies and installations. SIAD is the largest Army customer of FedEx. Hospital containers may go to the Red Cross or FEMA. During Hurricane Katrina 150 disaster relief containers were "on the ground and out the door" within 24 hours. The mission is picking up and hiring continues; there were 80 new employees in the past six months. Warehouses have automated data base for tracking inventories. Runway completion is scheduled for mid-November.

They are breaking their own shipping records (over 960 pieces in one day) and will continue to grow and become self supportive. Open air storage is a big attraction. The depot's box and crate shop is world class. Lt. Colonel Butler reports the operation does not depend on the war. Supervisor Hanson states there is more commerce that goes in and out of the base than in all the rest of Lassen County combined.

The tour ends at 2:07 p.m. at Skedaddle Inn.

WEST PATTON VILLAGE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

CAO Ketelsen states the Supervisors must convene as the Local Reuse Authority for this agenda item.

The Board of Supervisors recess and convene as the Local Reuse Authority

CAO Ketelsen presents information on the West Patton Village Community Services District (WPVCSD) request for a loan for up to \$20,000 to assist with conducting the all mail ballot election to approve fire protection Capital Facility Impact Fees for the fire district. Staff recommends a loan from the RDA (Fund 590) limited to up to \$20,000 to fund the election effort.

The second request was to amend a note previously executed between WPVCSD and the Lassen County RDA to advance costs for workers compensation insurance costs for workers compensation insurance costs to cover volunteer fire fighters who may undergo training before the district becomes operational. CAO Ketelsen states that Staff

recommends against this expenditure as advance training is not sufficiently urgent to justify the risk.

It is moved by Supervisor Hanson, seconded by Supervisor Keefer to loan the WPVCSD up to \$20,000 to conduct their all mail ballot election.

WPCSD Member Arnold Young clarifies information regarding the requests. Supervisor Hanson recognizes Arnold Young for his hard work on this issue. Supervisor Chapman states he understands the district has their own funds and does not think the County investing additional resources is a good use. Further discussion is held. Supervisor Hanson states this is for the benefit of the community and would like to see the fire department get going expeditiously.

The motion carries, with Supervisor Chapman voting NO.

The Local Reuse Authority adjourns and the Board of Supervisors reconvenes.

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

JULIE BUSTAMANTE, CLERK OF THE BOARD