



**STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SIERRA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

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The Sierra County Board of Supervisors met in regular session commencing at 9:00 a.m. on January 16, 2018 in the Loyalton Social Hall, Loyalton City Park, Loyalton, CA. This meeting was recorded for posting on the Board of Supervisors' website at www.sierracounty.ca.gov.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Supervisor Huebner

ROLL CALL

Present: Lee Adams, Supervisor, District #1
Peter W. Huebner, Supervisor, District #2
Paul Roen, Supervisor, Vice-Chair, District #3
Jim Beard, Supervisor, District #4
Scott A. Schlefstein, Supervisor, Chair, District #5

Staff: Heather Foster, County Clerk-Recorder
David Prentice, County Counsel
Van Maddox, Auditor/Treasurer Tax-Collector
Tim Beals, Director of Planning and Transportation
Lea Salas, Director of Behavioral Health
Vickie Clark, Director of Health and Social Services

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

At the request of Supervisor Beard, Consent Item 10.B. was moved to the Regular Agenda as Item 7.B.

- 10.B. Amendment to Professional Services Agreement 97-068 with Bastian Engineering to increase compensation for Fiscal Year 2018. (PUBLIC WORKS)

The Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

APPROVED as amended. Motion: Adams/Huebner/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

10. CONSENT AGENDA

- 10.A. Resolution changing the name of the Mental Health Advisory Board to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board and approval of the amended by-laws. (BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

ADOPTED, Resolution 2018-005

- 10.C. Minutes from the regular meeting held on December 19, 2017. (CLERK-RECORDER)
- 10.D. Minutes from the regular meeting held on January 2, 2018. (CLERK-RECORDER)

APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR AGENDA

The Board moved to approve the Regular Agenda as amended.

APPROVED as amended. Motion: Huebner/Roen/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

REGULAR AGENDA

2. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

At 9:02 a.m. Chair Schlefstein opened and closed the public comment opportunity with no persons addressing the Board.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supervisor Adams reported that RCRC will meet tomorrow and will have their annual installation of officers and CSAC will meet on Thursday.

4. DEPARTMENT MANAGERS' REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The Director of Health and Social Services reported on recruitments in the department including the Environmental Health Trainee and two new Social Workers.

The Sheriff reported on the department hiring a reserve deputy and they are in the final stages of completing the background for a full-time employee.

5. FOREST SERVICE UPDATE

Sierraville District Ranger Quentin Youngblood provided an update on a number of projects going on in the district.

6. AUDITOR/TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR - Van Maddox

- 6.A. Resolution amending the duties of the Risk Management Committee and the Risk Manager.

The Clerk briefly explained that the Risk Management Committee is recommending authorizing the Committee to approve claims up to \$25,000 and authorizing Department Managers in concurrence with the Risk Manager to approve claims up to \$2,500.

The Board moved to adopt the resolution amending the duties of the Risk Management Committee and the Risk Manager.

ADOPTED, Resolution 2018-006. Motion: Adams/Roen/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

- 6.B. Request to continue employment of retired annuitant as extra help under Resolution 2017-093.

The Board moved to authorize the continued employment of a retired annuitant as extra help under Resolution 2017-093.

APPROVED. Motion: Adams/Huebner/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

7. PUBLIC WORKS/TRANSPORTATION - Tim Beals

- 7.A. Professional Services Agreement with MGE Engineering, Inc. for engineering services for the reconstruction of the existing paved tie down area of the Sierraville Dearwater Airport.

The Director of Public Works provided a brief overview of the item which is a one-time expense of \$45,000 for the full services of the consulting firm MGE Engineering, Inc. who was the only firm that responded to the County's RFP.

Board questioning ensued.

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The Board moved to approve the professional services agreement with MGE Engineering, Inc. for engineering services for the reconstruction of the existing paved

APPROVED, Agreement 2018-001. Motion: Roen/Beard/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

- 7.B. Amendment to Professional Services Agreement 97-068 with Bastian Engineering to increase compensation for Fiscal Year 2018. (PUBLIC WORKS) **(Consent Item 10.B.)**

Supervisor Beard explained the reason he pulled the item from the Consent Agenda was due to the lack of background information provided with the item.

In response to Supervisor Beard's inquiry, the Director explained that Mr. Bastian's workload has increased dramatically and those items are reimbursement items including the work on the transfer of property from the City to the County with respect to the Health and Human Services building and work on by-passes for a number of county roads. There is no net increase rather this is just the budgeting process.

Board discussion ensued.

The Board moved to approve the amendment to Professional Services Agreement 97-068 with Bastian Engineering to increase compensation for Fiscal Year 2018 with the caveat that staff will provide the Board with the additional documentation on the funding and projects.

APPROVED, Agreement 2018-002. Motion: Roen/Huebner/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

8. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 8.A. Discussion/action regarding the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service's work to increase efficiency of National Environmental Policy Act compliance. (CHAIR SCHLEFSTEIN)

Chair Schlefstein briefly explained that he received an email from Shane Starr (Representative for Congressman Doug LaMalfa) requesting comments on the NEPA process.

Supervisor Roen recommended reviewing and possibly redrafting the letter the Board recently submitted to US Forest Service Chief Tony Tooke which included a recommendation to streamline the NEPA process.

Brief discussion ensued.

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The Board moved to authorize Supervisor Roen to meet with Mr. Starr on drafting a letter commenting on the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service's National Environmental Policy Act process and authorize the Chair to sign said letter.

APPROVED. Motion: Adams/Huebner/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

8.B. Resolution ordering an election for the submission to the voters of Sierra County Ordinance No. 1081 at the next regularly scheduled county election to be held on June 5, 2018 - Statewide Direct Primary Election. (CLERK OF THE BOARD)

The Clerk provided an overview of the item and requested the Board review the proposed ballot question within the resolution and make any necessary changes.

Considerable discussion ensued with the Board and staff regarding the proposed ballot question.

Comments were received by Ms. Sarah Grew, Pike.

Discussion continued in regards to the proposed measure and changes to the ballot question.

The Board moved to adopt the resolution ordering an election for the submission to the voters of Sierra County Ordinance No. 1081 at the next regularly scheduled county election to be held on June 5, 2018 - Statewide Direct Primary Election as amended to revise the ballot question as follows:

"Shall a measure imposing prohibition on commercial marijuana cultivation, commercial marijuana processing, and marijuana dispensaries within Sierra County be adopted?"

ADOPTED as amended, Resolution 2018-. Motion: Huebner/Roen/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

8.C. Appointment to the Pliocene Ridge Community Services District. (CLERK OF THE BOARD)

The Board moved to appoint Christopher Mills to the Pliocene Ridge Community Services District.

APPROVED. Motion: Adams/Huebner/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

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9. CLOSED SESSION

- 9.A. Closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(a) - conference with legal counsel regarding the following litigation: Sierra County v. Loyalton Mobile Home Park, Sierra County Superior Court Case No. 7677.
- 9.B. Closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(a) - conference with legal counsel regarding the following litigation: Sierra County v. Michael Miller, Sierra County Superior Court Case No. 7637.

CLOSED SESSION STATEMENT

The Board met in closed session from 9:59 to 10:22 a.m. County Counsel reported with respect to Item 9.A. direction was given and in regards to Item 9.B. information was given to the Board.

In response to Mr. Don Russell's inquiry, County Counsel clarified with respect to Item 9.A. that the Board wants to meet with the receiver about environmental health issues.

CLERK NOTE: Supervisor Roen stepped down from the Board of Supervisors at 9:59 a.m. during the discussion under Item 9.A. and returned to the Board of Supervisors at 10:22 a.m. for the discussion under Item 9.B.

11. CORRESPONDENCE LOG

- 11.A. Letter from Joe Arata to Ms. Laura Marshall, Sierra County Solid Waste Fee Administrator regarding his October 2017 adjustment request.

No action taken.

ADJOURN

At 10:29 a.m., with no further business, Chair Schlefstein adjourned the meeting.

SCOTT A. SCHLEFSTEIN, CHAIR
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

HEATHER FOSTER
CLERK OF THE BOARD