



**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 November 3, 2020. This meeting was recorded for posting on the Board of Supervisors' website at www.sierracounty.ca.gov.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Chair Beard

ROLL CALL

Present: Lee Adams, Supervisor, Vice-Chair, District #1
Paul Roen, Supervisor, District #3
Jim Beard, Supervisor, Chair, District #4
Sharon Dryden, Supervisor, District #5

Absent: Peter W. Huebner, Supervisor, District #2

Staff: Heather Foster, County Clerk-Recorder
Amanda Uhrhammer, Deputy 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
Laura A. Marshall, Assessor/Solid Waste Fee Administrator
Mike Fisher, Sheriff/Coroner
Chuck Henson, Acting Chief Probation Officer

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

The Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

APPROVED. Motion: Roen/Adams/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 4/0/1 (Supervisor Huebner ABSENT)

9. CONSENT AGENDA

- 9.A. Resolution of appreciation for former Downieville Fire Chief Mike Lozano. (SUPERVISOR ADAMS)
- 9.B. Approval of vote for Richard Foster, Amador County for County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Governing Board, Supervisor Representative for Group 1 Counties for a new term beginning 1/1/2020 through 12/31/2021. (CLERK OF THE BOARD)
- 9.C. Amendment to Professional Services Agreement 2020-038 between North American Mental Health Services (NAMHS) and County of Sierra for telemedicine services. (BEHAVIORAL HEALTH)

APPROVED, Agreement 2020-127

- 9.D. Resolution rescinding Agreement 2020-033, a general license agreement with Sierra Pacific Industries for temporary debris storage on SPI property near Our House Dam Road and Oregon Creek Road. (PUBLIC WORKS)

ADOPTED, Resolution 2020-117

- 9.E. Resolution rescinding Resolution 2020-116 and Agreement 2020-126 and approving revised Utility Agreement 1, Caltrans Local Assistance Procedure Manual Exhibit 14 F, with AT&T for relocation of an aerial guy wire and communication wire as necessary to the Federal Aid Bridge Replacement Project identified as Salmon Creek Bridge at Packer Lake Road. (PUBLIC WORKS)

APPROVED, Agreement 2020-128

ADOPTED, Resolution 2020-118

- 9.F. Authorize letter to State of California Department of Fish and Wildlife encouraging the filling of a vacant County Game Warden position. (PUBLIC WORKS)
- 9.G. Resolution authorizing application to Community Power Resiliency Allocation to Special Districts Program on behalf of Sierra Brooks Water System for electrical generation system for Sierra Brooks Water System. (PUBLIC WORKS)

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ADOPTED, Resolution 2020-119

- 9.H. Resolution authorizing previously approved Agreement (2020-110) with the State of California, a Standard Agreement with the State Department of Parks and Recreation for funding for the Over Snow Vehicle Program grooming, plowing and maintenance services through September 30, 2024. (PUBLIC WORKS)

ADOPTED, Resolution 2020-120

- 9.I. Minutes from the regular meeting held on September 15, 2020. (CLERK)
- 9.J. Minutes from the regular meeting held on October 20, 2020. (CLERK)

REGULAR AGENDA

The Board moved to approve the Regular Agenda.

APPROVED. Motion: Adams/Dryden/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 4/0/1 (Supervisor Huebner ABSENT)

2. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

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

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

No reports given.

4. DEPARTMENT MANAGERS' REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Acting Chief Probation Officer reported on an upcoming tour of perspective juvenile halls in Placer County and Butte County and bringing a revised CCP plan before the Board to satisfy the new state requirements.

Personnel Analyst Judi Behlke provided a staffing update to the Board.

The Solid Waste Fee Administrator reported that the Tahoe Nation Forest has paid their invoice in the amount of \$36,301.41 for the campgrounds and the Plumas National Forest still has an outstanding invoice in the amount of \$3,863.47.

The Sheriff reported on the recent mountain bike crash near Downieville on Sunday and looking to develop a K9 program for the department.

The Director of Health and Social Services reported on the status of the County MediCal Inmate Program; recruitment of the Public Guardian position; and the renewal of the County's MediCal Managed Care Program contract.

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The Director of Behavioral Health reported on the Behavioral Health Advisory Board meeting this Thursday in the new Wellness Center and the completion of the Substance Abuse Grant audit.

The Director of Planning reported on the filing of the PSPS grant on behalf of County Service Area 5 for the replacement generator that was removed from the Sierra Brooks Water System project; the remodeling of the Wells Fargo Bank building for the Auditor's office; and the request from the Sierra Plumas Joint Unified School District Ad Hoc Committee to meet with the Board of Supervisors Proposition 68/Recreation Bond Act Ad Hoc Committee to discuss the Sierraville School.

The Director also reported on items that need to be addressed by the Finance Committee including road fund position salaries; PSPS funding; Solid Waste extra help employees and whether to convert them to permanent part-time; work load issues on the accounting side of the Road Department; the status of the current Plant Manager; and the \$40,000 for the purchase of a loader through the Carl Moyer Program and whether to do a direct cash purchase or CAT finance repurchase.

The Director continued to report on having sent a letter to the City of Loyalton declining a joint Proposition 68 project; FEMA project completions; working on the conclusion of the costs incurred from damages from the Loyalton Fire for reimbursement; and the completion of the County Disaster Plan.

5. FOREST SERVICE UPDATE

Yuba River District Rang Lon Henderson provided an update on staffing, campgrounds, and various other projects going on in the District.

Beckworth Acting District Ranger Stephanie Cappetto reported on the outstanding invoice for solid waste at the campgrounds in the Plumas National Forest; the North Complex Fire; selling Christmas tree permits online due to COVID; office operations due to COVID; continued campground closures/fire restrictions through November 6, 2020; dispersed camping; and staffing.

6. COUNTY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At 9:53 a.m., Chair Beard recessed the Regular Board meeting and reconvened as the County Service Area Board of Directors.

At 9:56 a.m., Chair Beard adjourned as the County Service Area Board of Directors and reconvened as the Board of Supervisors.

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7. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 7.A. CONTINUED COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY UPDATE: Report from Sierra County Public Health, County Office of Emergency Services, County Department Managers, Forest Service Representatives, and other local agencies on recent developments relating developments to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and possible action/direction to staff. (CLERK OF THE BOARD)

The Director of Health reported on the increased COVID cases throughout the state; the recruitment of a new Sr. Public Health Nurse and Infectious Disease Nurse; the collaborative effort for an Epidemiologist four hours per week; the County's vaccine plan which is due December 1, 2020; and having administered 585 flu shots so far.

The County Health Officer reviewed the Yellow Tier which means almost everything is open and emphasized the need for every business to have safety measures in place.

The Director of OES reported on anticipating placing an order for additional PPE supplies.

- 7.B. Review/possible action regarding Urgency Ordinance 1095 prohibiting open fires on public and private property within the unincorporated areas of Sierra County due to extreme fire danger. (SUPERVISOR ADAMS)

Supervisor Adams recommended taking no action as the Forest Service is keeping fire restrictions in place for a while longer.

No action taken.

- 7.C. Appointment to the Planning Commission. (CLERK OF THE BOARD)

The Board moved to appoint James Kelley to the Planning Commission.

APPROVED. Motion: Adams/Roen/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 4/0/1 (Supervisor Huebner Absent)

- 7.D. Continued discussion/action on the request from the California Forestry Association to join coalition with respect to court case involving the US Fish & Wildlife Service and the decision not to list the California Spotted Owl as endangered. (SUPERVISOR ROEN)

The Clerk informed the Board that the Sierra County Fish and Wildlife Commission thanked them for notifying them of this matter however, they do not have a recommendation at this time.

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The Board moved to join the coalition with respect to the court case involving the US Fish & Wildlife Service and the decision not to list the California Spotted Owl as endangered.

Board discussion ensued.

APPROVED. Motion: Roen/Adams/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 4/0/1 (Supervisor Huebner ABSENT)

8. CLOSED SESSION

8.A. Closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, conference with labor negotiators, Margaret Long Negotiator, all bargaining units.

8.B. Closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 - performance review regarding Chief Technology Officer.

The Board met in closed session from 10:35 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

10. CORRESPONDENCE LOG

10.A. Notice of intent to harvest timber submitted by The Nature Conservancy. Project is located nine miles north - northwest of Truckee, California, at Independence Lake.

ADJOURN

At 12:00 p.m., with no further business, Chair Beard adjourned the meeting.

JIM BEARD, CHAIR
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

HEATHER FOSTER
CLERK OF THE BOARD