

9:08 a.m.

Meeting called to order pursuant to law by Chairman Williams. Supervisors Terry Williams, Mike Dunn, Willy Hagge, Patricia Cantrall, and Nancy J. Huffman are present. Auditor Judi Stevens, County Administrative Officer Michael Maxwell, County Counsel Vickie Cochran and Deputy County Clerk Sharen Yeager are also present.

Following the flag salute the invocation is offered by Supervisor Huffman. Chairman notes that the agenda was posted on May 9, 2001.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

CAO Maxwell requests to add an item to the agenda as it arose after the agenda was posted. He requests to add as agenda item 9(d) Consideration/Action: Approval of MOU between Klamath, Modoc, and Siskiyou Counties for the implementation of the Klamath Basin Rural Behavioral Health Initiative.

Motion by Supervisor Huffman, seconded by Supervisor Cantrall and unanimously carried, to add the item to the agenda as presented.

MATTERS INITIATED BY THE PUBLIC:

Lake City Geothermal LLC Representative, Donna Potter and Attorney Steve King inform the Board that they are here to meet with Planning Director Kessler and are developing a geothermal plant in Lake City. They have secured 5 leases in the area and expect to be up on-line a year from December, barring any unforeseen delays. This plant will be very similar to the Empire geothermal plant.

1. MODIFICATION OF COURT WARD BUDGET- REQUESTING LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF \$5,000 FROM PROBATION 2220 LINE ITEM 7002 (EXTRA HELP) TO COURT WARDS 4110- LINE ITEM 7270 (SUPPORT & CARE). IN ADDITION, REQUEST LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF \$6,000 FROM PROBATION 2220- LINE ITEM 7180 (PROF & SPEC) TO COURT WARDS 4110- LINE ITEM 7271 (YOUTH AUTHORITY). (Probation Dept.)

Motion by Supervisor Hagge, seconded by Supervisor Cantrall and unanimously carried, to approve modification of Court Ward budget – line item transfer of \$5,000 from Probation 2220 line item 7002 (Extra Help) to Court Wards 4110-line item 7270 (Support & Care), approve transfer of \$6,000 from Probation 2220 line item 7180 (Prof & Spec) to Court Wards 4110-line item 7271 (Youth Authority).

2. PERSONNEL MATTER: REQUEST PERMISSION TO HIRE TWO REPLACEMENT POSITIONS OF OFFICE SPECIALIST, ONE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES THAT BECAME VACANT ON APRIL 16, 2001, AND THE OTHER FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC GUARDIAN. THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN POSITION WILL BECOME VACANT ON JUNE 30 DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE PERSON IN THAT POSITION WILL BE RETIRING AND SOMEONE WILL NEED TO BE TRAINED PRIOR TO THE DATE OF RETIREMENT. BOTH POSITIONS WILL BE AT RANGE 69, STEP A, \$1,377. (Social Services)

Motion by Supervisor Dunn, seconded by Supervisor Huffman to approve request to hire two replacement positions of Office Specialist, one within the Department of Social Services that became vacant on April 16, 2001, and the other for the Office of Public Guardian. Both positions will be at Range 69, Step A, \$1,377.

Supervisor Cantrall asks about the job description for the Public Guardian position. She questions whether the position to be filled performs assistant duties for the Veterans Service Officer. Social Services Director Cravens states that the position that is becoming vacant on June 30th is an Office Specialist position in the Public Guardian's office.

Chairman Williams removes the Public Guardian portion of the request for further discussion this afternoon.

Supervisor Dunn amends his motion and Supervisor Huffman amends her second, to approve request to hire a replacement Office Specialist within the Department of Social Services at Range 69, Step A, \$1,377.

The Public Guardian portion of the request is tabled until later this afternoon to be combined with Administrative Services item 9(b).

Vote on the Motion. Motion unanimously carried.

4. TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR: (Tax Collector Knoch)

a. BUDGET ADJUSTMENT-INCREASE TAX COLLECTION-FIXED ASSETS BUDGET (1160-7870) BY \$642.00 TO PURCHASE AUTO FEEDER FOR POSTAGE METER. WE HAVE BEEN "TRYING THE EQUIPMENT OUT" FOR A FEW MONTHS, AND IT SEEMS TO WORK WELL, AND SPEEDS UP OUR POSTAGE METERING ON LARGE MAILINGS. FUNDS WILL BE REIMBURSED BY TAX COLLECTOR COST TRUST, WHICH HAS A CURRENT BALANCE OF \$58,512.80.

Tax Collector-Treasurer Knoch removes items 4 (b) and (c) from the agenda.

Motion by Supervisor Huffman, seconded by Supervisor Dunn and unanimously carried, to approve budget adjustment - increase Tax Collection -Fixed Assets budget (1160-7870) by \$642.00 to purchase auto feeder for postage meter. Funds will be reimbursed by Tax Collector Cost Trust, which has a current balance of \$58,512.80.

4b. BUDGET ADJUSTMENT-TRANSFER \$2,000 FROM TAX COLLECTOR-PUBLICATION BUDGET (1160-7190) TO TAX COLLECTOR-OFFICE EXPENSE BUDGET (1160-7160).

c. BUDGET ADJUSTMENT - TRANSFER \$1,120 FROM TREASURER OFFICE EXPENSE BUDGET (1140-7160) TO TREASURER-PROFESSIONAL & SPECIALIZED BUDGET (1140-7180)

These items removed by Tax Collector-Treasurer Knoch.

5. WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES FOR EMERGENCY WELL DRILLING WATER PROJECT IN NEWELL/TULELAKE AREA. (Supervisor Huffman)

Motion by Supervisor Dunn, seconded by Supervisor Hagge, to approve waiver of permit fees for emergency well drilling water project in Newell/Tulelake area.

Supervisor Huffman amends the request to place a cap on the total for the permit fees at \$500 rather than a total waiver of all permit fees.

Supervisor Dunn amends his motion and Supervisor Hagge amends his second to state that a flat fee totaling \$500 would be charged for all of the TID proposed wells that are being drilled in response to the governor's emergency declaration.

Vote on the Motion. Motion unanimously carried.

6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH THE FAA FOR THE CONTINUED MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE VISUAL APPROACH SLOPE INDICATORS AT THE ALTURAS AIRPORT. (Public Works Director Tracy)

Public Works Director Tracy states that this is an agreement renewal and there is no money involved.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Hagge and unanimously carried, to adopt Resolution # 01-33 authorizing the Public Works Director to execute an agreement with the FAA for the continued maintenance and operation of the visual approach slope indicators at the Alturas airport.

7. ROAD DEPARTMENT ITEMS: (Road Commissioner Tracy)

a. CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION THAT COUNTY ROADS 111, 114 AND 120 IN THE NEWELL AREA ARE THE NEXT ROADS TO HAVE PAVEMENT REHABILITATION WORK FUNDED BY THE STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP) FUNDS, AUTHORIZE ROAD COMMISSIONER TO PRESENT THE RECOMMENDATION TO THE MODOC COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, AND ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ROAD COMMISSIONER TO SIGN DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE PROJECT.

Road Commissioner Tracy informs the Board of the funds available and the constraints on the use of the funds.

Motion by Supervisor Hagge, seconded by Supervisor Cantrall and unanimously carried, to concur with the recommendation that County Roads 111, 114 and 120 in the Newell area are the next roads to have pavement rehabilitation work funded by the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Funds, to authorize the Road Commissioner to present the recommendation to the Modoc County Transportation Commission, and adopt Resolution #01-34 authorizing the Road Commissioner to sign documents pertaining to the project.

7b. APPROVE TWO BRIDGING LOANS OF UP TO \$68,000 AND \$54,000 FROM THE ROAD FUND FOR STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP) PROJECT DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTY ROAD REHABILITATION PROJECTS, TO BE REPAID IN FUNDS ALREADY PROGRAMMED TO THE MODOC COUNTY REGION BY THE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR THIS PURPOSE, BUT DELAYED BY CALTRANS, ADOPT TWO RESOLUTIONS.

Motion by Supervisor Huffman, seconded by Supervisor Hagge and unanimously carried, to approve two bridging loans of up to \$68,000 and \$54,000 from the Road Fund for State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project development of county road rehabilitation projects, to be repaid in funds already programmed to the Modoc County region by the California Transportation Commission for this purpose, but delayed by CalTrans. Adopt Resolution #01-35 authorizing a bridging loan not to exceed the amount of \$68,000 and Resolution #01-36 authorizing a bridging loan not to exceed the amount of \$54,000.

7c. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION: NEWELL SHOP

Road Commissioner Tracy informs the Board that it appears that Modoc County has lost its lease on the Newell shop and acreage. He states that there must be a shop in the Newell area. The county needs to purchase property and a metal building for the Road Department in that area. The 2001-2002 budget (Structures & Improvements) has sufficient funds for this purpose. He expects to receive a 90-day notice to move soon. He requests ideas and suggestions from the Board.

7d. REQUEST APPROVAL TO HIRE LUKE ROBISON AS ROAD MAINTENANCE WORKER I, RANGE 106, STEP A, \$1,655 PER MONTH.

Road Commissioner Tracy states that this request is to fill a vacancy that occurred several months ago. He would like to change the request to read "to hire a person" rather than "to hire Luke Robison" as he may have gone to work elsewhere. This position is for the Lookout area.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Huffman and unanimously carried, to approve request to hire a person as Road Maintenance Worker I, Range 106, Step A, \$1,655 per month.

7e. REQUEST APPROVAL TO HIRE SEVERAL SEASONAL FLAGGERS AS EXTRA HELP, AT A RATE OF \$6.00 PER HOUR TO \$7.00 PER HOUR, DEPENDING ON EXPERIENCE, WITH NO BENEFITS.

Road Commissioner Tracy states that the rate of pay needs to start at \$6.25 rather than \$6.00 to comply with the new minimum wage. He is asking to hire 8 people. Those that are working for the second year will be paid 50 cents an hour more with \$7.00 being the maximum per hour rate.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Hagge and unanimously carried, to approve request to hire eight seasonal flaggers as extra help at a rate of \$6.25 per hour to \$7.00 per hour, depending on experience, with no benefits.

Supervisor Cantrall thanks Road Commissioner Tracy and the Road Department for putting up the radar signs around the county.

Chairman Williams commends Road Commissioner Tracy for all the good things he has heard about him from the various agencies Mr. Tracy deals with. Supervisor Cantrall also commends Road Commissioner Tracy for his dedication to the county.

10:30 a.m. Board in Recess. 10:45 a.m. Board reconvenes with all members and staff present as heretofore.

3. HEALTH SERVICES ITEMS: (Director Smith)

a. REQUEST THE BOARD TO AUTHORIZE SACPA (Prop 36) STEERING COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE MODOC COUNTY SACPA PLAN.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Huffman, to authorize SACPA (Prop 36) Steering Committee to approve the Modoc County SACPA plan.

Director Smith states that this is the Substance Abuse Crime Prevention Act of 2001, which is Prop 36. He requests that the Board designate the Steering Committee to approve the county SACPA plan.

Vote on the Motion. Motion unanimously carries.

3b. REQUEST PERMISSION TO INCREASE CALIFORNIA CHILDREN SERVICES PROGRAM COUNTY SHARE OF COST ON THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT COSTS FOR FY 00-01. THIS REQUIRES A REVISION ON CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY APPROPRIATION, TO BE INCREASED BY \$5,000 FOR A TOTAL OF \$10,182.

Health Services Director Smith informs the Board that this is so that the treatment for leukemia for two local children can be continued without interruption. CAO Maxwell requests that the Board approve the request and allow Auditor Stevens and himself to determine a source for matching funds rather than the general fund, and that if another source is not workable, the funds will come from the general fund.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Dunn and unanimously carried, to approve request to increase California Children Services Program County Share of Cost on the diagnosis and treatment costs for FY 00-01. This requires a revision on certificate of county appropriation, to be increased by \$5,000 for a total of \$10,182 with the source of those funds to be worked out by Auditor Stevens and CAO Maxwell. The Board will be notified later this afternoon before the meeting adjourns of the funding source.

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. REQUEST APPROVAL OF CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,145.00 WITH THE DEPT. OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE FOR THE INSECT PEST DETECTION TRAPPING PROGRAM. (Ag Dept.)

b. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF 4/17/01.

Chairman Williams removes item 8 (b) for discussion.

Agriculture Commissioner Moreo corrects the item to read \$4,145.00 rather than \$1,145.00. He states the agenda request correctly read \$4,145.00.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Hagge and unanimously carried, to approve Consent Agenda item 8(a).

Motion by Supervisor Hagge, seconded by Supervisor Dunn and unanimously carried, to approve Consent Agenda 8(b).

9. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES: (CAO Maxwell)

a. AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE TEMPORARY HELP FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM. INTENT IS TRAINING PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT THAT HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED AND HAS COMPUTER SKILLS. COST: 13 WEEKS @ \$6.75/HR. = \$3,600 (SS & UNEMPL. INCL).

CAO Maxwell requests approval for funding to come from Contingency to Data Processing.

Motion by Supervisor Dunn, seconded by Supervisor Cantrall and unanimously carried, to authorize hiring temporary help for Information Technology Program with costs being 13 weeks @ \$6.75/hr. = \$3,600 (SS & Unempl. Incl)

9b. STAFF DIRECTION ON PUBLIC GUARDIAN/VETERANS SERVICES FUTURE CONFIGURATION AND LOCATION.

CAO Maxwell explains the current set up of the Public Guardian/Conservator/Veteran's Service Office. Social Services Director Cravens and Assistant Veterans Service Officer Schoenheide are present.

Director Cravens distributes Class Specifications for the Office Specialist and Public Guardian/Assist.VSO positions and an Allocation List to answer previous questions. The Board discusses various aspects of the function of Public Guardian/Veterans Services and the location of the office and proposed location on Main Street in front of Social Services. They discuss feedback received regarding relocation of the office.

11:20 a.m. County Counsel Cochran absent. 11:30 a.m. County Counsel Cochran returns.

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The Board addresses the request to hire an Office Specialist in the Public Guardian office.

Motion by Supervisor Dunn, seconded by Supervisor Hagge, to approve the hiring of an Office Specialist for the Office of Public Guardian at Range 69, Step A, \$1,377.

County Counsel Cochran recommends restating the request to be certain it is clear to the public what is being requested and putting it on the next Board agenda.

Supervisor Dunn withdraws his motion and Supervisor Hagge withdraws his second.

11:54 a.m. Noon recess.

13. BOARD WORKSHOP FROM 1:00 P.M. – 2:00P.M. TO INSPECT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AT SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

2:30 p.m. Board meeting reconvenes with members and staff present as heretofore.

9c. LETTER OF APPRECIATION TO MODOC FOREST SUPERVISOR AND EMPLOYEES FOR THEIR COOPERATIVE WORKING EFFORT WITH MODOC COUNTY ON THE SIERRA NEVADA FRAMEWORK.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Huffman and unanimously carried, to send letter of appreciation to Modoc Forest Supervisor and employees for their cooperative working effort with Modoc County on the Sierra Nevada Framework.

9d. APPROVAL OF MOU BETWEEN KLAMATH, MODOC, AND SISKIYOU COUNTIES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE KLAMATH BASIN RURAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE.

The Board received a fax from the Klamath County Commissioners stating "Klamath County is applying for a federal grant in order to extend mental health outreach to children and families in rural areas that will suffer as a result of the water crisis". It is hoped that Modoc County residents will benefit also. This is a collaborative effort for the reason that the parties "recognize that a positive, pro-active and coordinated approach must be taken to meet the tremendous needs of our children and families as a result of the economic ramifications of the water shortage" in the Northwest.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Huffman and unanimously carried, to approve MOU between Klamath, Modoc, and Siskiyou counties for the implementation of the Klamath Basin Rural Behavioral Health Initiative.

2:30 P.M. 10. CLOSED SESSION AS PER GOVERNMENT CODE 54956.8 REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS EXCEPTION. (CAO Maxwell)

2:45 p.m. Board reconvenes in open session with all members and staff present as heretofore.

Chairman Williams announces that no action was taken in closed session. Board gave direction to CAO Maxwell.

12. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Auditor Stevens informs the Board of problems the Auditor's office has been experiencing with insurance changeovers. The insurance company has been losing the enrollment cards and making a variety of errors in the enrollment of employees, getting their insurance cards to them, and including their entire families on the policy.

She also states that the retirement issue that passed with the union vote is not tax deferred. She will be attending an out of town meeting during the next Board meeting and will not be able to attend.

CAO Maxwell states that budget hearings will probably be held the end of July, first of August. They have until mid September to approve the budget. He received a report from CSAC regarding the 2001-2002 May revision to the Governor's budget. The effect will be a reduction to the county of \$80,000 to \$120,000 in discretionary funds.

Supervisor Huffman requests to add an item to the agenda as an emergency due to time constraints and it arose after the agenda was posted. She requests to add as agenda item 14) Consideration/Action: Board authorization to send a Supervisor to Washington D.C. to meet with Senator Feinstein regarding drought relief.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Huffman and unanimously carried, to find the item is an emergency and add the item to the agenda as presented.

14. BOARD AUTHORIZATION TO SEND A SUPERVISOR TO WASHINGTON D.C. TO MEET WITH SENATOR FEINSTEIN REGARDING DROUGHT RELIEF.

Supervisor Huffman states that she received a call yesterday stating the Senator Feinstein is on the finance committee, working on determining if there is any relief for the drought areas. Siskiyou county has asked to have an opportunity to speak with her on the issue and they request that Modoc County send a representative to speak with her also. Supervisor Huffman recommends sending Supervisor Hagge. The meeting is on May 23rd. She will get more information to be certain that there will be a benefit to the county in sending a representative.

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Huffman and unanimously carried, to send Supervisor Hagge to Washington D.C. to meet with Senator Feinstein regarding drought relief, provided that further information deems it worthwhile and beneficial to the county.

3:15 p.m. Board in recess. 3:25 p.m. Board reconvenes with all members and staff present as heretofore.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORTS:

Supervisor Hagge attended a meeting where they heard from the Chairman of the Burney Pit River Tribe. He also attended the Tulelake Bucket Brigade.

Supervisor Dunn attended a LAFCO meeting and an Information Technology meeting.

Supervisor Cantrall reports that she attended the Tulelake Bucket Brigade, and a Prop 10 meeting. She informs the Board that the Director of Aging of the State of California will be in Burney at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow and she will be attending that meeting. She also attended the Fire Safe Council meeting at the MRE where OES Officer Ballard gave a presentation. She also attended the LUC meeting.

Supervisor Huffman attended the Tulelake Bucket Brigade where she gave a speech. She has also attended several TID and DWR meetings.

Supervisor Williams presents a written report stating that he attended the Modoc/Washoe Experimental Stewardship Executive Board, Modoc County Interagency Policy Council, and SV RCD meetings. On May 7th he attended the PSA 2 and LAFCO meetings. He also attended the Pit River Watershed Alliance meeting and the Northern California County Supervisors Association meeting.

CAO Maxwell states that in regard to today's agenda item 3(b) it has been determined that the county is eligible for 100% funding. A certification for funding is required. He requests to add this to the agenda as an emergency as item 15) Consideration/Action: Authorization for Certification of Funding for California Children Services Program.

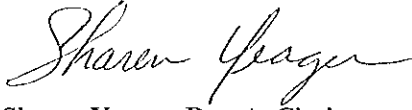
Motion by Supervisor Huffman, seconded by Supervisor Cantrall and unanimously carried, to find the item is an emergency and to add it to the agenda as presented.

15. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: AUTHORIZATION FOR CERIFICATION OF FUNDING FOR CALIFORNIA CHILDREN SERVICES PROGRAM.

CAO Maxwell reads the Certification for Funding Under Health and Safety Code Section 266. Auditor Stevens will sign it and amend signature line to read "Auditor" rather than "Board of Supervisors".

Motion by Supervisor Cantrall, seconded by Supervisor Hagge and unanimously carried, to authorize Certification of Funding for California Children Services Program.

4:38 p.m. There being no further business to come before the Board at this time the meeting is adjourned to meet in regular session on Tuesday, May 22, 2001 at 9:00 a.m.



Sharen Yeager, Deputy Clerk



Terry Williams, Chairman