



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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MINUTES
March 2, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER / CLOSED SESSION

Chair Donald M. Jardine called the closed session to order at 8:30 a.m. with Supervisors Henry C. Veatch, Phillip D. Bennett, Terry Woodrow and Tom Sweeney present.

Chair Jardine announced that the Board would adjourn to closed session to discuss the following items. Upon reconvening from closed session, Chair Jardine announced the Board had been in closed session and gave the following report.

1.1 Conference with Legal Counsel - EXISTING LITIGATION (GC § 54956.9 (a) Case: 6-14220-42

Direction given.

1.2 Conference with Labor Negotiator - (GC§ § 54954.5 And 54957.6)

Agency Negotiator: William May and/or CAO, Pamela Knorr

Employee Organizations: OE Local 3, Alpine County Deputy Sheriff's Assn., OE Local 3, Alpine County Miscellaneous Employees Assn.; and Alpine County Law Enforcement Management Assn.

Direction given.

2. CALL TO ORDER, ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES FOR WHICH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SITS AS OFFICERS: LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION / BOARD OF EQUALIZATION / WATER AGENCY.

The Board adjourned to the **Local Transportation Commission** and the **Board of Equalization** and after all matters had been heard, reconvened as the Board of Supervisors.

3. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

Supervisors Donald M. Jardine, Henry C. Veatch, Phillip D. Bennett, Terry Woodrow, and Tom Sweeney were present. Chair Jardine called the regular meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATION – GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

This portion of the meeting is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board of Supervisors on subjects relating to County business. No action can be taken on matters not listed on the agenda.

Fire Safe Council Update: Alpine Fire Safe Council Member Kris Hartnett reported they would be holding community wildfire preparedness meetings this spring on 4/17, 5/1 and 5/15. Letters would be mailed to residents with more details.

5. DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS None.

6. BOARD MEMBERS ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

Supervisor District 1 Donald M. Jardine would attend a Snowshoe Thompson event on 3/6; California Water Quality Control Board Lahonton Region meeting on 3/10; District 1 meeting on 3/6; U.S. Forest Service meeting regarding fuels reduction project on 3/10.

Supervisor District 2 Henry C. Veatch would attend a Board of Equalization meeting on 3/2; Road Budget Workshop on 3/2; STPUD Contract Commission meeting on 3/4; Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District meeting on 3/15.

Supervisor District 3 Phillip D. Bennett attended a CBCAP and CAPIT fund bidder's conference on 2/23; will attend a Family Support Council meeting on 3/3; Community Council meeting on 3/4.

Supervisor District 4 Terry Woodrow attended a CSA #1 meeting on 2/17; CSAC training on 2/19; Bear Valley Business Association Crab Feed fundraiser on 2/20; Ebbetts Pass Scenic Byway meeting on 2/22; CBCAP and CAPIT fund bidder's conference on 2/24; Fire Safe Council meeting on 2/24; Bear Valley Residents Inc. Board of Directors meeting on 2/24; would attend a NACO conference in Washington D.C. on 3/5 through 3/9; Central Sierra Child Support Agency Board of Directors meeting on 3/12; Bear Valley Monte Carlo night on 3/13.

Supervisor District 5 Tom Sweeney attended a Carson Water Subconservancy District meeting on 2/17; Historical Society Event on 2/18; CSAC training on 2/19; Carson Water Subconservancy District Finance Committee meeting on 3/1.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Matters that are routine and non-controversial and are usually approved by a single majority vote without discussion. Items can be removed from the consent agenda to be discussed and considered separately.

Chair Jardine asked if there were any public comments on any consent agenda items and there were none.

MOTION Woodrow SECOND Sweeney approving the consent agenda as follows:

- 7.1 Regular meeting minutes of 2/16/2010.
- 7.2 County claims.
- 7.3 **Resolution No. R2010-06** approving use of \$248,442 of Proposition 1B Local Streets and Roads Improvement, Congestion Relief and Traffic Safety Account funds for local road maintenance and repair; and authorize auditor to make necessary budget adjustments upon receipt of funds.
- 7.4 Acceptance of Fiscal Year 2009 Assistance to Firefighters Grant funds in the amount of \$63,780.00, authorizing Auditor to appropriate \$63,780.00 grant funds to Grants Clearing 271-271-56400-004 and transfer \$3356 from 388-388-52400-249 to 271-271-33101-004 grants clearing in for required 5% matching funds.
- 7.5 Appointment of Dolores G. Clark to the Children and Families First, First 5 Alpine Commission for the unexpired term ending 12/31/2012.
- 7.6 Appointment of John Cassidy and Tammy Veatch to the Alpine County Mental Health Board as Consumer Members.
- 7.7 Appointment of Richard Harvey to the Markleeville Design Review/Historic Committee for the unexpired term ending 1/1/2014.

ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

8. BID OPENINGS / PUBLIC HEARINGS. None.

9. REGULAR AGENDA – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1 Continued discussion of status and progress of County communications/system construction update. (Ref 08-18-2009 and continuing each meeting) A)Hawkins Peak B)Leviathan Peak

Undersheriff Rob Levy reported the grant for Hawkins Peak had a longer performance period than originally anticipated; the completion date was extended to September 2011; given the current fiscal situation the project would move forward at a slower pace. Levy reported the Leviathan project would be suspended because of contract and fiscal issues.

9.2 Continued request for appointments to the Fish and Game Commission for the unexpired terms ending 12/31/13. - Supervisor Jardine and Supervisor Veatch

Supervisor Veatch reported he had reviewed all the applications with Supervisor Jardine and recommended reappointing the current members.

MOTION Veatch/SECOND Woodrow to re-appoint Dave Zellmer, Earl O’Neal, and Bruce Huff to the Alpine County Fish and Game Commission.

ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

9.3 Continued update and possible action regarding Auditor Staff report - Year to date budget update. (Ref. 01-06-2007 and continuing the second meeting of every month.)

Auditor- Controller Randi Makley gave the following report:

- Had received the 08/09 Audit report and there was no findings; the previous years findings were all corrected; Gallina L.L.P would review the audit at a future board meeting.
- All departments were within their budget for expenditures;
- Was reviewing the revenues for the 2010-2011 Budget; could be a 25% reduction to the General Fund due to property tax reassessments and reduced rollover money.

9.4 Continued update and presentation by U.S. Forest Service representatives regarding issues affecting Alpine County (Ref. 08-04-2009 and continuing quarterly the first meeting of the month in March, June, September and December.)

Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Carson Ranger District acting District Ranger Renee Mabe gave the following report:

- Reported Jeanne Higgins was the newly appointed Forest Supervisor.
- RAC committee was confirmed and a meeting was scheduled for the third week of April.
- Winter Safety event in Hope Valley was a success.
- Blue Lakes camping area received a grant for \$400,000 for new parking area, double vaulted toilet and kiosk; construction would start this spring.
- Hope Valley campground would be under construction this summer; sites would be expanded for larger vehicles.
- Lake Tahoe Snowmobile’s request to renew a 10 year permit was currently in the NEPA process.
- Paiute Cutthroat trout EIS was conducted by Fish and Wildlife Service; findings would be released in May.
- Death Ride was reissued a 5 year permit.
- Continued moving to the new Guard Station.
- A contract for the demolition of the Markleeville Guard Station buildings would be submitted this week; some asphalt and retaining walls would be left.

10. REGULAR AGENDA – NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Request for \$10,000 contingency appropriation to Budget 119 (Buildings and Grounds) for collection and disposal of organic yard debris (biomass) at Turtle Rock Park (“Burn Pile”), Spring 2010 - Community Development Department

Community Development Director Brian Peters reported it was anticipated that the Fire Safe Council would obtain RAC dollars to fund the spring biomass program; however, due to delays in the RAC appointment process, the dollars had not been awarded.

After discussion the Board of Supervisors reported the County was not in the position to fund the spring biomass program and to consider extending the fall project once RAC dollars had been awarded.

10.2 Discussion and update from the Department of Fish and Game regarding the Paiute Cutthroat Trout Restoration Project. – CAO

CONTINUED TO 3/16/10.

10.3 Request direction to staff to prepare comment letter regarding proposed waste discharge requirements and national pollutant discharge eliminations systems permit (order) for California Department of Fish and Game Paiute Cutthroat Trout Restoration Project, Alpine County. - Supervisor Jardine

Supervisor Jardine reported that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board Lahontan Region was requesting comments by March 22 regarding a proposed Waste Discharge Requirements and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit for California Department of Fish and Game Paiute Cutthroat Trout Restoration Project.

After discussion the Board directed staff to write a letter expressing concerns regarding the cost of the project, the long term effects on the macroinvertebrates, the economic impacts to the County, the conflict between the United State Forest Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife reports regarding the endangered status of the Paiute Cutthroat Trout and to encourage utilization of alternatives to rotenone use.

10.4 Presentation by Doug Rublaitus, Chief Probation Officer, of Probation Department's "Year 2009 Activity Report." - Chief Probation Officer

Chief Probation Officer Doug Rublaitus reviewed the probation activity report.

10.5 Board of Supervisors Workshop 1:30 p.m. - Road and Internal Service Fund (ISF) Budgets - Community Development Department

The Board attended a workshop to discuss the Road and Internal Service Fund (ISF) budgets.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

11.1 County Administrative Officer update and oral communication.

County Administrative Officer Pamela Knorr gave the following report:

- Continued to work with the Undersheriff on communications projects.

11.2 County Counsel update and oral communication.

County Counsel Martin Fine had nothing further to report.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned to the Board of Equalization at 1:00, Road and Internal Service fund Budget Workshop at 1:30 p.m. and then to the regular meeting of March 16, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Administrative Office Building, Markleeville, California.

Donald M. Jardine Chair, Board of Supervisors
County of Alpine, State of California

ATTEST:

Barbara Howard, County Clerk & ex officio

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By: Sarah Simis, Assistant County Clerk