



**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 February 21, 2017 in the Loyalton Social Hall, in the Loyalton City Park, Loyalton, CA. This meeting was recorded for posting on the Board of Supervisors' website at [www.sierracounty.ca.gov](http://www.sierracounty.ca.gov).

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Supervisor Adams

**ROLL CALL**

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

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## **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

The Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

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

### **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 8.A. Cash audit report for the quarter ended December 31, 2016. (AUDITOR)
- 8.B. Treasurer's investment report and statement of liquidity for the period October 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. (AUDITOR)
- 8.C. Amendment to Agreement No. 2015-099, between the County of Sierra and Dudek extending the Operative Provision 2 (Term), and increasing Operative Provision 3 (Payment), for environmental consulting services on the Sierra Hot Springs project. (PLANNING)

**APPROVED,** Agreement 2017-014

## **APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

The Board moved to approve the Regular Agenda.

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

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY**

At 9:03 a.m., Chair Huebner opened and closed the public comment opportunity with no persons addressing the Board.

#### **3. COMMITTEE REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Schlefstein reported that the Child Abuse Council will meet tomorrow at 10 a.m. at the Family Resource Center and the Mental Health Advisory Board will meet on Friday at 9:30 a.m. at the DeMartini House.

Supervisor Roen commended the Road Department and all of the communities for their help during the recent flood events. Supervisor Roen also reported that members of the community of Sierraville would like to speak to some issues at the next meeting.

#### **4. DEPARTMENT MANAGERS' REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Director of Behavioral Health reported that the department has made an offer to an individual for the Social Worker Supervisor position. The Director also reported on the Hospital Preparedness and Public Health Emergency Preparedness program upcoming audits.

The Auditor reported on the recruitment for the Health and Human Services Director position.

Supervisor Adams complimented the Director of Behavioral Health for the stability she has brought to the agency.

#### **5. FOREST SERVICE UPDATE**

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

In response to Supervisor Schlefstein's inquiry regarding slides on Bear Valley Road, Ranger Youngblood clarified that the slides are blocking the entire road approximately three miles up.

- 7.A. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance amending Section 2.04.070 and rescinding Section 2.04.100 of the Sierra County Code pertaining to compensation for County Supervisors. (FINANCE COMMITTEE)

Supervisor Adams recommended increasing the stipend for the Chair to \$200 and provided background on the proposed ordinance. Supervisor Adams further clarified that the purpose of the ordinance is to solve the elected longevity issue; the cost of the proposed ordinance in its entirety is \$3,500 annually; and if approved the Board would have to negotiate for raises in the future and the longevity system would come to an end.

The Board moved to introduce and waive the first reading of the ordinance amending Section 2.04.070 and rescinding Section 2.04.100 of the Sierra County Code pertaining to compensation for County Supervisors as amended to increase the stipend for the Chair to \$200.

**APPROVED as amended.** Motion: Adams/Huebner/Majority Roll Call Vote: 3/2 (Supervisors Beard and Schlefstein NO)

#### **6. PUBLIC WORKS/TRANSPORTATION - TIM BEALS**

- 6.C. Services agreement with Al Pombo, Inc. for emergency streamwork in the Sierraville area.

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The Board moved to approve the services agreement with Al Pombo, Inc. for emergency streamwork in the Sierraville area.

Supervisor Adams expressed his appreciation to the Director of Transportation for getting this done. Supervisor Adams also clarified that with respect to some previous concerns regarding the county potentially being on the hook for these costs if California did not receive federal disaster funding, the County has received word that the President did give California federal disaster status.

**APPROVED**, Agreement 2017-015. Motion: Schlefstein/Adams/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

6.D. Services agreement with Folchi Logging & Construction, Inc. for emergency streamwork on Smithneck Creek.

The Board moved to approve the services agreement with Folchi Logging & Construction, Inc. for emergency streamwork on Smithneck Creek.

**APPROVED**, Agreement 2017-016. Motion: Adams/Roen/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

6.A. Discussion and adoption of resolution authorizing Director of Planning to execute applications for federal assistance for various projects under Title II RAC on behalf of Sierra County including continuation of a County AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species) program which includes public outreach, monitoring, and inspection for Lakes Basin and for the Little Truckee Drainage as may be required as well as development and implementation of a Tree Mortality Task Force.

The Director of Planning introduced the item explaining this resolution is authorizing the submittal of two separate applications to the Resource Advisory Committee to 1) pick up where the county left off on the AIS inspection program and commence work under a new grant; and 2) with respect to the development and implementation of tree mortality task force, to retain a registered professional forester who is well versed in this particular subject and has some familiarity with the county. The Director added that this person would be responsible for completing the organization of the committee, interfacing with the Board under the supervision of the county Director of Planning and would be on point to get the committee up and running and a work program in place.

In response to Supervisor Adams' inquiry with respect to voting on this item as both he and Supervisor Roen also sit on the RAC board, County Counsel clarified that neither of them have a conflict of interest as he doesn't believe there is an incompatibility between the offices.

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The Board moved to adopt the resolution authorizing Director of Planning to execute applications for federal assistance for various projects under Title II RAC on behalf of Sierra County including continuation of a County AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species) program which includes public outreach, monitoring, and inspection for Lakes Basin and for the Little Truckee Drainage as may be required as well as development and implementation of a Tree Mortality Task Force.

**ADOPTED**, Resolution 2017-029. Motion: Adams/Roen/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

- 6.B. Resolution approving grant agreement between the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the County of Sierra for California Aid to Airports Program for the Slurry Seal and Re-Stripe Runway at Sierraville Dearwater Airport.

The Director of Planning explained this is the completion of the administrative process to break lose funding to allow the slurry seal project at the Sierraville Airport to proceed. This is the final step in allowing funds to flow from the state program to the county. The Director added that the county will also have a significant reduction in the required match due to the bids coming in much lower.

The Board move to adopt the resolution approving grant agreement between the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the County of Sierra for California Aid to Airports Program for the Slurry Seal and Re-Stripe Runway at Sierraville Dearwater Airport.

**ADOPTED**, Resolution 2017-030 and **APPROVED**, Agreement 2017-017. Motion: Roen/Adams/Unanimous Roll Call Vote: 5/0

## **7. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

- 7.B. Discussion/direction to set public hearing on an appeal of the Sierra County Planning Commission's denial of extension of the special use permit for the Sierra Valley Lodge filed January 30, 2017 by Michael O'Connor. (CLERK OF THE BOARD)

Following a brief introduction by the County Clerk and by consensus, the Board set the appeal hearing for March 21, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the Calpine Community Center in Calpine.

## **Department Manager Reports & Announcements Continued**

The Director of Transportation briefly reported on an email he recently sent to the Board regarding the continuing issues when I-80 is closed or backed up and people using their GPS for an alternate route are creating gridlock from Sunrise Road out to Highway 40.

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Supervisor Adams suggested communicating with Washoe County to put a sign up stating “road closed ahead, local traffic only” to try and stop people from heading that direction.

The Director explained that his anticipated result is to have an ordinance that allows the Director of Transportation to seasonally close roads similar to an emergency declaration wherein the closure can only last 30 days without Board ratification or approval.

Board discussion ensued.

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE LOG**

9.A. Notice of Intent to Harvest Timber submitted by Greenland Company on behalf of Greenland Company located in Sierra County, 2600 feet east of Delahunty Lake and 2 miles east of Gibsonville in portions of sections 16, 20 & 21T, 22N, R10E MDBM.

No action taken.

9.B. Letter from Lori Simpson, Chair, Plumas County Board of Supervisors regarding the re-appointment of Tim Gibson to the Plumas-Sierra County Ag Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures.

No action taken.

## **ADJOURN**

At 9:54 a.m., with no further business, Chair Huebner adjourned the meeting.

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PETER W. HUEBNER, CHAIR  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

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HEATHER FOSTER  
CLERK OF THE BOARD