

SHASTA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, August 23, 2005

REGULAR MEETING

9:00 a.m.: Chairman Kehoe called the Regular Session of the Board of Supervisors to order on the above date with the following present:

District No. 1 - Supervisor Kehoe
District No. 2 - Supervisor Cibula
District No. 3 - Supervisor Hawes
District No. 4 - Supervisor Hartman
District No. 5 - Supervisor Clarke

County Administrative Officer - Doug Latimer
County Counsel - Karen Jahr
Deputy Clerk of the Board - Elaine Grossman
Deputy Clerk of the Board - Tazina Otis

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Associate Pastor Don Smith, Palo Cedro Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Supervisor Hawes.

INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions of the Members of the Board, County staff, elected officials, and County department heads were made.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - OPEN TIME

Dan Belknapp described a successful program in Alameda County where citizens that are required to provide community service experienced cleaning up the community, sorting recyclables, and stacking firewood as a general mental health benefit.

Gracious Palmer spoke in support of a "State of the County" event, providing openness in government.

CONSENT CALENDAR

By motion made, seconded (Clarke/Hawes), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions, which were listed on the Consent Calendar:

Authorized the issuance of warrants requiring special board action, as submitted. (No claims required approval.) (Auditor-Controller)

Reappointed Larry Lewis to the Assessment Appeals Board for a three-year term to September 2008. (Clerk of the Board)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign a renewal agreement with Brown's River Bindery, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 annually to provide continued restoration, preservation, and maintenance of irreplaceable and historical records from the date of signing through June 30, 2006, with two additional one-year renewals. (Assessor-Recorder)

Approved a contract with the California Office of Administrative Hearings (COAH) to reimburse COAH for costs to provide an Administrative Law Judge to conduct safety member disability retirement hearings in accordance with Administrative Policy 3-405, *Procedures and Rules for the Conduct of Safety Member Disability Retirement Hearings*. (Support Services-Risk Management)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign a renewal agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$270,050 annually to provide day rehabilitation and/or day treatment intensive mental health services for the period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006, with two optional one-year renewals. (Mental Health)

Authorized the Alcohol and Drug Program Administrator to sign an amendment to the Drug Court Partnership Grant Award extending the expenditure period to June 30, 2006. (Mental Health-Alcohol and Drug Programs)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an amendment to the agreement with the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs increasing funding by \$66,612 (for a total of \$1,806,388) to provide alcohol and other drug treatment prevention services for Fiscal Year 2004-05. (Mental Health-Alcohol and Drug Programs)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an agreement with Helene Stovall, LCSW and Jerry Stovall, LCSW in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to provide counseling and mental health services for the period July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. (Social Services)

For North Chaparral Drive Road Permanent Road Division (Centerville area), received the petition for formation and activation, affidavit verifying petition information, improvement and maintenance cost estimate, County Surveyor's report, and parcel charge report; and set a public hearing for October 11, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. (or as soon thereafter as may be heard) to consider formation and activation. (Public Works)

For Woggon Lane Road Permanent Road Division (North Redding area), received the petition for formation and activation, affidavit verifying petition information, improvement and maintenance cost estimate, County Surveyor's report, and parcel charge report; and set a public hearing for October 11, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. (or as soon thereafter as may be heard) to consider formation and activation. (Public Works)

Adopted Resolution No. 2005-108, which allows the Inter-Mountain Fair to purchase food, beverages, and promotional items connected with the annual County Fair; and authorized the Auditor-Controller to pay associated claims. (Inter-Mountain Fair)

(See Resolution Book No. 46)

REGULAR CALENDAR

BOARD MATTERS

VOLCANIC LEGACY ALL AMERICAN ROAD

Lassen National Forest Public Services Officer Elizabeth Norton provided a background of the Volcanic Legacy All American Road project, discussed the coordination and participation of affected agencies, and presented the three structures of the Memorandum of Understanding.

Recreation Outdoor Coalition Chair Sylvia Milligan discussed the planned 160-mile backcountry trail. She requested a current letter of support for the project from the Board of Supervisors.

9:19 a.m.: Chairman Kehoe recused himself and left the room due to his association with the U.S. Forest Service. Vice Chairman Clarke presided.

By motion made, seconded (Hartman/Hawes), and carried, the Board of Supervisors approved the preparation of a letter of support for the Volcanic Legacy All American Road project.

By motion made, seconded (Hawes/Cibula), and carried, the Board of Supervisors endorsed the designation of an alternate route to the Lassen Backcountry Discovery Trail; and directed Public Works Director Pat Minturn and County Counsel Karen Jahr to review the Volcanic Legacy All American Road Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and return at a later date for the Board of Supervisors to consider approving the MOU and appointing a representative to the Executive Team which will provide policy direction and management decisions as outlined in the MOU.

9:21 a.m.: Chairman Kehoe returned to the room and presided.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE/BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE/SUPERVISORS' REPORTS

County Administrative Officer (CAO) Doug Latimer had no legislative report.

In response to a request by Supervisor Hawes, Mr. Latimer stated an invitation would be sent to Assemblyman Doug LaMalfa to speak to the Board of Supervisors about California's pending legislation regarding eminent domain.

Supervisors reported on issues of countywide interest.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

"STATE OF THE COUNTY" EVENT
RESOLUTION NO. 2005-109

CAO Latimer presented the staff report and recommended approval of an event to inform the public of County services and accomplishments over the past year. Supervisors Kehoe, Cibula, and Hartman supported the recommendation, stating that it assisted in the openness of

government, the presentation and report could be utilized at “town meetings,” and a local citizen from each District would be recognized.

Supervisor Clarke said that televised Board meetings and individual Supervisors participating in community groups currently contribute to openness in County government. Supervisor Hawes added that the staff time and money needed to prepare for the event, report, and presentation could be utilized for other needs.

By motion made, seconded (Cibula/Hartman), and carried, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2005-109, which directs the Administrative Officer to establish a committee to plan a “State of the County” event, work with the committee and department heads to produce a written report about County services and accomplishments, develop a multimedia presentation to be shown during the event, and work with the Board of Supervisors to implement a process to select one outstanding citizen from each District to be recognized at the event; authorized the expenditure of up to \$10,000 for event costs; and directed the Auditor-Controller to pay claims for expenses related to the event. Supervisors Hawes and Clarke voted no for the reasons previously stated.

(See Resolution Book No. 46)

BACHELOR’S DEGREE PROGRAM WITH NATIONAL UNIVERSITY RESOLUTION NO. 2005-110

Director of Support Services Joann Davis presented the staff report. Supervisor Clarke suggested it is the employee’s responsibility to pay for a higher-education alternative. Supervisor Kehoe communicated that he would prefer to consider this item during the mid-year period and would like more information on the results of the first MPA Cohort program.

By motion made, seconded (Hawes/Hartman), and carried, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2005-110, which grants authority to the County Administrative Officer to establish a professional development program that may include partial tuition reimbursement or other incentives to complete a Bachelor’s Degree with an Accounting emphasis; and extended the definition of “Release of Duty” in the Personnel Rules and Memoranda of Understanding to include some paid release time to attend classes that fall under the program. Supervisors Clarke and Kehoe voted no for the reasons previously stated.

(See Resolution Book No. 46)

MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT ASSESSMENT UPDATE

Senior Analyst Celeste Buckley presented the staff report and related information of the assessment, treatment, and stabilization of those suffering from mental illness. Ms. Buckley explained that the Stakeholder Group has been meeting on a regular basis and has been problem solving issues identified at the Mental Health Workshop held on May 24, 2005. There has been discussion as to how to reduce the number of frequent utilizers to the local emergency departments, regarding mental health treatment. There has been continued discussion to implement coordinated case management that will include mental health treatment, primary medical care, and referrals to psychosocial support within the community.

Mental Health Director Dr. Donald Kingdon discussed the frequent utilizer project and the opportunity it presents to serve this group of individuals through coordinated case management. Dr. Kingdon also gave an update on the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) and will submit the MHSA plan to the Mental Health Advisory Board on September 7, 2005. This plan is available for public review until October 6, 2005. A public hearing will be conducted on October 7, 2005, prior to submitting the plan to the State Department of Mental Health.

Shasta Consortium Director Doreen Bradshaw reported that the stakeholders continue to assess existing patient data, identify gaps and strengths in existing community resources, research other mental health treatment models, and obtain community feedback on mental health issues. The group is finalizing the grant application to the California Endowment for an independent assessment of mental health treatment services in Shasta County.

North Valley Medical Association President Dr. Ronald Reese discussed the efforts made by the Shasta County Mental Health Department to improve relationships with community stakeholders, communicate system procedures, and expedite services for the mentally ill who go to local emergency departments. Dr. Reese praised the efforts of the Mental Health Department and other community stakeholders to address the frequent utilizer issues and reminded everyone that the solutions to the problems that were identified at the May workshop are the responsibility of the community, not just the County Mental Health Department. Dr. Reese reported that he would contact Horizon Health to discuss opening an inpatient facility in Shasta County. The public will be invited to attend and provide input and support.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE **SHASTA COUNTY SUBVENTION PROGRAM** **MEDI-CAL COST AVOIDANCE PROGRAM**

Shasta County Veterans Service Officer Dave Lanford provided information regarding the results of the recent California Department of Veterans Affairs audit report. Mr. Lanford stated that no errors were found in the audited records of Shasta County.

By motion made, seconded (Hawes/Hartman), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors approved and authorized the Chairman to sign Certificates of Compliance for the California Department of Veterans Affairs to participate in programs for Fiscal Year 2005-06 to enhance the overall services provided by the County and reduce costs associated with the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) program: to allow the Veterans Service Office to participate in the County Subvention program; and to allow the Veterans Service Office to participate in the Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance program.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS

INTER-MOUNTAIN FAIR

PRESENTATION: JENNIFER SKUCE PAVILION PROJECT

Senior Administrative Analyst Julie Hope introduced Inter-Mountain Fair Manager Bob Macfarlane, who gave his support of the proposed multi-use pavilion located on the Inter-Mountain Fairgrounds.

Project Advocate Christine McArthur presented the plans to construct the Jennifer Skuce Pavilion Project at the Inter-Mountain Fairgrounds, provided by private donations. She added that the pavilion could be utilized for various community activities, including children's sports groups.

By motion made, seconded (Hawes/Hartman), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors approved proceeding with plans to construct the Jennifer Skuce Pavilion Project at the Inter-Mountain Fairgrounds, including accepting private donations.

**ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY 6-101 ONE-TIME EXEMPTION
RESOLUTION NO. 2005-111**

Inter-Mountain Fair Manager Bob Macfarlane explained that as the hay planting cycle begins September 15, 2005 a one-time exemption to Administrative Policy 6-101, *Shasta County Contracts Manual*, is needed to expedite the leasing of fairgrounds property.

By motion made, seconded (Hawes/Clarke), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2005-111, which exempts the Inter-Mountain Fair (Fair) from section 4.3 of Administrative Policy 6-101, *Shasta County Contracts Manual*, on a one-time basis; authorized the Fair to follow the alternate leasing procedure as delineated in Government Code section 25537(b); delegated lease signature authority to the Administrative Officer on a one-time basis; and authorized the Fair to lease 53 acres of the fairgrounds for farming purposes.

(See Resolution Book No. 46)

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman Kehoe announced that the Board of Supervisors would recess to a Closed Session to take the following actions:

1. Confer with its counsel to discuss existing litigation entitled *Butcher v. County of Shasta and Deputy Sheriffs Association v. County of Shasta* pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (a).
2. Confer with its Labor Negotiators, County Administrative Officer Doug Latimer and Director of Support Services Joann Davis, to discuss the following employee organizations: Shasta County Employees Association, Shasta County Mid-management Association, Deputy Sheriffs Association, Sheriffs Administrative Association, Professional Peace Officers Association, Unrepresented Employees, United Public Employees of California, and Trades and Crafts, pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6.
3. Confer with its counsel to discuss appointment of a public employee (County Administrative Officer), pursuant to Government Code section 54957.

10:50 a.m.: The Board of Supervisors recessed to Closed Session.

4:06 p.m.: The Board of Supervisors recessed from Closed Session.

4:07 p.m.: The Board of Supervisors reconvened in Open Session with all Supervisors, County Counsel Karen Jahr, and Deputy Clerk of the Board Elaine Grossman present.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

County Counsel Karen Jahr reported that the Board of Supervisors met in Closed Session to discuss existing litigation and labor negotiations, as well as a public employee appointment. In the matter of *Butcher v. County of Shasta*, on a unanimous vote, the Board of Supervisors approved a compromise and release settlement of \$61,500. In the matter of *Deputy Sheriffs Association v. County of Shasta*, on a unanimous vote, the Board of Supervisors approved acceptance of service of the complaint and approved assignment of defense of the action to the law firm of Laughlin, Falbo, Levy and Moresi, LLP. No other reportable action was taken.

4:09 p.m.: The Board of Supervisors recessed to reconvene on Tuesday, September 6, 2005 at 7 a.m.

SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, September 6, 2005

**SPECIAL MEETING: MERCY MEDICAL CENTER
COMMUNITY BENEFITS PROGRAM**

7:10 a.m.: Supervisors Hawes and Cibula, Assistant County Counsel Mike Ralston, and Deputy Clerk of the Board Elaine Grossman were present. The meeting was adjourned due to lack of a quorum.

Chairman

ATTEST:

H. DOUGLAS LATIMER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By _____
Deputy