

**SHASTA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Tuesday, November 2, 1999

**REGULAR MEETING**

9:05 a.m.: Chairman Hawes 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 Fust  
District No. 3 - Supervisor Hawes  
District No. 4 - Supervisor Wilson  
District No. 5 - Supervisor Clarke

Budget Coordinator - Elaine Kavanaugh  
County Counsel - Karen Jahr  
Clerk of the Board - Carolyn Taylor

**INVOCATION**

Invocation was given by Pastor Harold Johnson, Twin View Assembly of God.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Supervisor Hawes

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD - OPEN TIME**

Sally Riley reported on the benefit dinner held at the Nash Pumpkin Patch in Bella Vista which raised a little over \$1,300 for the Jones Valley Fire Fund. She expressed her appreciation for all the support that was received. Ms. Riley noted with concern that she had been informed that there had been instances where fire victims were taken advantage of by workmen offering to perform repairs/clean up for free, only to later find that there was a charge. She said she felt this should be addressed.

Fire Warden Duane Fry presented an update on the recent Jones Fire. He indicated that the fire burned a 17 mile area constituting 26,202 acres. Although 174 residences and 579 other types of structures were damaged or destroyed, over 1,000 homes were saved and there was no loss of civilian life. Mr. Fry praised all agencies and individuals involved for their efforts and assistance.

Fire Warden Fry then informed the Board that at the last meeting of the Emergency Management Council, several suggestions dealing with these emergency situations were made. The first was that a Fuel Reduction Task Force be formed. Mr. Fry indicated that this task force will be convened within the next two or three weeks, and Supervisors Fust and Hawes were requested to serve on this task force.

The second suggestion dealt with the fact that the President still has not signed a declaration

of emergency which includes "private" property. It was recommended that either Assemblyman Dick Dickerson or a member of the Board of Supervisors travel to Washington, D.C. and meet with representatives and convey the magnitude of the problems that exist in Shasta County due to the Jones and Canyon Fires. He offered to provide tapes, maps etc. to assist in showing the need for this proclamation.

The last suggestion addressed a need to have a "point" person to coordinate all groups and county governmental agencies involved in the emergency clean up operations. Undersheriff Larry Schaller informed the Members of the Board that he and the County Administrative Officer had met with Joe Barnett who has agreed to serve as the "Fire Recovery Coordinator". A personal services contract is currently being prepared in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. Should it appear that this amount will be exceeded, it will come to the Board for approval. Mr. Schaller also indicated that Carol Zacker, a volunteer on the Canyon Fire, would be working closely with Mr. Barnett on coordinating community-related activities.

General discussion was then held regarding the magnitude of the clean up operations from both the recent fires and equipment and man-power assistance offered by CalTrans. Assistant Public Works Director Pat Minturn explained that the \$100 voucher program is in effect and explained some of the problems being experienced with getting rid of vast amounts of debris such as concrete and metal.

At this time, Undersheriff Schaller requested that the Board of Supervisors consider taking action on the agenda item dealing with the continuation of the Proclamations of Local Emergencies.

#### CONTINUANCE OF PROCLAMATIONS OF LOCAL EMERGENCIES

By motion made, seconded (Fust/Clarke), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors recognized that the circumstances and factors which led to the August 31, 1999, September 27, 1999, and October 19, 1999 proclamations of local emergencies due to extreme peril to the safety of persons and property caused by wild land fires have not been totally resolved and there is a need for the continuance of the proclamations.

Dave Muir of Congressman Wall Herger's office expressed concern regarding the President's lack of action on the emergency proclamation which would provide "private" property assistance. He suggested that additional letters be sent to legislators. Budget Coordinator Elaine Kavanaugh requested that the Board authorize the Chairman to sign letters to Senators Boxer and Feinstein requesting their assistance in getting the President to sign the requested proclamations. By motion made, seconded (Clarke/Fust), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Chairman to sign the requested letters.

In further discussion, Mr. Muir indicated that the Congressman would be willing to host the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and another representative in Washington and to assist them in getting this matter resolved.

Linda Tony of Assemblyman Dickerson's office informed the Board that Mr. Dickerson was also ready and willing to fly to Washington to help Shasta County in obtaining the necessary proclamation to aid the affected private property owners. Ms. Tony pointed out that the County needs to develop a method for handling the disposal of the monumental amount of debris (concrete and metal) from the recent fires.

Sally Riley again addressed the Board, suggesting that letters be sent to Washington making emotional appeals to the President based upon fire victims' own experiences due to the fires.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Approved the minutes of the meeting held on October 26, 1999, as submitted. (Clerk of the Board)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign the CSAC-Excess Insurance Authority (CSAC-EIA) Program Memorandum of Understanding and adopted Resolution No. 99-156 which approves continued participation in the CSAC-EIA Property Program. (Risk Management)  
(See Resolution Book No. 40)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign a certification of disability letter to the Public Employees Retirement System dated November 2, 1999 granting David Zebo an industrial retirement. (Risk Management)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an agreement with Christina Golden, M.D., in the amount of \$87,000 to fill a vacant Senior Psychiatrist position for the period of November 2, 1999 through June 30, 2000. (Mental Health)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an amendment to the agreement with Vista Staffing Solution, a Locum Tenens, which increases the rates paid to temporary psychiatrists without changing the total contract amount of \$205,000 for Fiscal Year 1999-2000. (Mental Health)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an agreement with Dr. Alexandre A. DeMoraes in the amount of \$20,000 for medical services and consultation at the Shasta County Psychiatric Hospital during the period of November 2, 1999 through June 30, 2000. (Mental Health)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an agreement with the Family Service Agency of Shasta County in the total amount of \$27,974 for counseling services under the Drug Suppression in Schools Program during the period of November 2, 1999 through June 30, 2000. (Sheriff)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign agreements totaling \$105,135 with eleven school districts for School Resource Officer services during the current school year, including summer school, and continuing from year to year for as long as the Sheriff's Office receives grant funding from the U. S. Department of Justice for the School Resource Officer Program and ancillary funding from the school districts. (Sheriff)

Approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an agreement with the State Department of Health Services to reimburse Shasta County for conducting source water assessments for small public drinking water sources under the County/Local Primacy Agency jurisdiction in coordination with the California Drinking Water Sources Assessment and Protection Program during the period of June 1, 1999 through December 31, 2002. (Environmental Health Division)

**REGULAR CALENDAR****BOARD MATTERS****NOVEMBER 1999 EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**  
**SCOTT G. WAHL, SUPERVISING ENGINEER**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 99-157**

At the recommendation of Public Works Director Ron Hill, and by motion made, seconded (Fust/Kehoe), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 99-157 which recognizes Scott G. Wahl, Supervising Engineer as Shasta County's November 1999 Employee of the Month.

(See Resolution Book No. 40)

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT****ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE/BOARD OF SUPERVISORS****LEGISLATIVE UPDATE/SUPERVISORS' REPORTS**

Budget Coordinator Elaine Kavanaugh presented an update on a conference she and the County Administrative Officer had attended regarding tobacco litigation funds. The Board discussed these potential funds, pointing out that there is no guarantee that these funds will actually ever be received and, if they are, what kind of strings may be attached or what other funding may be taken away.

Supervisors reported on issues of countywide interest.

**AUDITOR-CONTROLLER****COUNTY CLAIMS**

By motion made, seconded (Wilson/Kehoe), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors authorized the issuance of warrants totaling \$202,312.18 for County operating funds and special districts, as submitted by Auditor-Controller Rick Graham.

**LIBRARY****AGREEMENT: CITY OF ANDERSON**  
**ANDERSON LIBRARY BRANCH**

At the request of County Librarian Carolyn Chambers and by motion made, seconded (Clarke/Kehoe), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors approved and authorized the Chairman to sign an agreement with the City of Anderson for services at the Anderson Branch Library, and in return receive a contribution from the City in the amount of \$23,000 for Fiscal Year 1999-2000.

GRANT APPLICATION  
GATES LIBRARY INITIATIVE

At the request of County Librarian Carolyn Chambers and by motion made, seconded (Fust/Clarke), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors approved a grant application to the Gates Library Initiative in the approximate amount of \$43,000 for computer equipment, wiring, and training, and authorized the Chairman to sign the application certification.

**HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**SOCIAL SERVICES**

**PRESENTATION: GREAT BEGINNINGS PROGRAM**

Social Services Director Dennis McFall, Chris Motes, Executive Director of the Family Services Agency, Carla Alexander, Director of North Valley Catholic Social Services and Judy Smith, Executive Director of Shasta Head Start, gave a presentation on the Great Beginnings Program public/private partnership for children's services designed to reduce out-of-home placement.

**CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**

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

1. Confer with counsel to discuss existing litigation entitled City of Shasta Lake v. County of Shasta, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, subdivision (a).
2. Confer with its Labor Negotiator, County Administrative Officer Doug Latimer's representative, Budget Coordinator Elaine Kavanaugh to discuss the following employee organizations: Shasta County Employees Association, Shasta County Mid-Management Association, Deputy Sheriff's Association, Sheriffs Administrative Association, Professional Peace Officers' Association, Unrepresented Employees, and United Public Employees of California , pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.

10:37 a.m.: The Board of Supervisors recessed to Closed Session.

12:05 p.m.: The Board of Supervisors recessed from Closed Session.

12:14 p.m.: The Board of Supervisors reconvened in Open Session with Supervisors Clarke, Kehoe and Hawes, and Clerk of the Board Carolyn Taylor present.

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

Chairman Hawes reported that the Board of Supervisors had met in Closed Session to discuss existing litigation as well as labor negotiations, however no reportable action was taken.

12:15 p.m.: The Board of Supervisors adjourned

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Chairman

ATTEST:

CAROLYN TAYLOR  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy