

State of California, County of Siskiyou

Board of Supervisors Minutes, January 3, 2023

The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Siskiyou County, California, met in regular session this 3rd day of January 2023; there being present Supervisors Brandon Criss, Michael N. Kobseff, Nancy Ogren, Ray A. Haupt and Ed Valenzuela, County Administrator Angela Davis, County Counsel Edward J. Kiernan, and County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Laura Bynum and Deputy County Clerk Taylor Brummett.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Criss. Pursuant to AB23, the Clerk announced that the Board members receive no additional compensation for sitting as members of the Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Siskiyou Power Authority, and County Service Area 4. Supervisor Kobseff led in the salute to the flag of the United States of America.

Invocation - Siskiyou County Sheriff Chaplain

County Clerk - Ceremonial Swearing-In of County Elected Officials; Allan S. Carver, County Superintendent of Schools, Michael N. Kobseff, District 3 Supervisor, Ray A. Haupt, District 5 Supervisor, Craig S. Kay, Assessor-Recorder, Diane Olson, Auditor-Controller, Laura Bynum, County Clerk, Kirk Andrus, District Attorney, Jeremiah LaRue, Sheriff, and Jennifer Taylor, Treasurer-Tax Collector.

Assistant County Clerk Nichole Thomas appeared before the Board and presented the County Elected Officials to be sworn in; Allan S. Carver, County Superintendent of Schools, Michael N. Kobseff, District 3 Supervisor, Ray A. Haupt, District 5 Supervisor, Craig S. Kay, Assessor-Recorder, Diane Olson, Auditor-Controller, Laura Bynum, County Clerk, Kirk Andrus, District Attorney, Jeremiah LaRue, Sheriff, and Jennifer Taylor, Treasurer-Tax Collector. Ms. Thomas administered the Oath of Office to Supervisors Kobseff and Haupt, Assessor-Recorder Craig S. Kay, Auditor-Controller Diane Olson, County Clerk Laura Bynum, Sheriff Jeremiah LaRue, and Treasurer-Tax Collector Jennifer Taylor.

Supervisor Haupt thanked his supporters during the election cycle.

Supervisor Kobseff advised that this was his fifth term and thanked his supporters within his district.

County Superintendent of Schools Allan Carver thanked former Superintendent Kermith Walters for his years of service and his wife Jamie Carver.

Off-agenda item – County Administration – Request to renew Health Officer Emergency Proclamation of McKinney, Mill, and Mountain Fires. Added to the agenda. Proclamation renewed.

County Counsel Edward Kiernan provided an overview of the off-agenda item, advising that the proclamation would need to be renewed prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

It was moved by Supervisor Kobseff, seconded by Supervisor Ogren and carried following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Valenzuela and Criss voting YES to add an item not on the posted agenda with regard to renewing the Health Officer Emergency Proclamation of the McKinney, Mill, and Mountain Fires.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Kiernan advised that the emergency proclamation needs to be renewed every 30 days.

Community Development Director Rick Dean advised of the need for the continuation of the Health Officer's proclamation, as additional lots were still needing to be cleaned up.

It was moved by Supervisor Haupt, seconded by Supervisor Kobseff and carried, following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES, to renew the Health Officer Emergency Proclamation for the McKinney, Mill, and Mountain fires.

Board of Supervisors' Requests - Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2023.

It was moved by Supervisor Kobseff, seconded by Supervisor Criss and carried following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES to elect Vice Chair Valenzuela as Chair for 2023.

It was moved by Supervisor Haupt, seconded by Supervisor Valenzuela and carried following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES to elect Supervisor Kobseff as Vice Chair for 2023.

Board of Supervisors' Requests - Grant County Officials permission to leave the State of California and the United States during 2023.

It was moved by Supervisor Haupt, seconded by Supervisor Kobseff and carried following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES to grant County Officials permission to leave the State of California and the United States during 2023.

Presentations from the Public

Siskiyou Economic Development Council (EDC) representatives Tonya Dowse, Niki Brown and Kory Hayden advised the Board of the EDC had recently been selected as a recipient of the California Climate Planning Grant and provided an update of current and upcoming projects of the EDC.

State Senator Brian Dahle and representing Assembly member Megan Dahle appeared before the board, providing information regarding redistricting and changes to both district boundaries and expressing that both the Senator and Assembly members were always available for assistance.

Consent Agenda – Approved.

At Chair Valenzuela’s request, item 7A, Community Development’s request to approve Subrecipient Agreement in the amount of \$555,834 with Hope Crisis Response Network, was pulled from the consent agenda for discussion.

At Supervisor Kobseff’s request, items 7H, 7M and 7o, Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Division’s request to approve FY 22/23 contract with Yreka Union High School District; Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Division’s request to approve Memorandum of Understanding with the Siskiyou County Sheriff’s Office; and Health and Human Services Health and Human Services - Social Services Division’s request to approve first amendment to the CARES Act Emergency Services Grant Program (ESG-CV) subrecipient agreement, were pulled from the consent agenda for discussion.

It was moved by Supervisor Criss, seconded by Supervisor Kobseff and carried, following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES, that the following consent agenda is approved, and the Chair and/or clerk authorized to execute/record any necessary documents:

County Administration

Approve second amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the County of Siskiyou and the Karuk Tribe to memorialize a flat fee criminal justice mitigation payment in the amount of \$128,750.

County Administration

Board approval of the Consent Form and authorization for the County Administrator or designee, to approve and sign other documents related to a \$500,000 broadband grant the County received through the Local Technical Assistance Grant Program, and authorize the Auditor to establish budget for this grant.

County Administration - Personnel

Adopt Resolution P23-08 approving the County of Siskiyou Salary Schedule for the period effective December 25, 2022 through December 23, 2023.

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Consent Agenda - Continued

County Administration - Personnel

Adopt Resolution P2307 amending the Siskiyou County Salary Schedule and Position Allocation List, regarding Building Inspector I, Building Inspector II, Building Inspector III, Building Plans Examiner, Chief Building Inspector and Deputy Director of Building range adjustments, effective January 8, 2023, create Behavioral Health Services Specialist II – 1.0 FTE, create Behavioral Health Services Clinician III – 1.0 FTE, and create Staff Services Analyst III – 1.0 FTE, effective February 5, 2023.

County Counsel

Approve the Twenty-Sixth Addendum to Professional Services Retention Agreement with Nossaman, LLP, to advise and assist the County on Klamath legislation and litigation related matters, increasing the compensation under the Contract by \$7,000 bringing the total amount not to exceed to \$681,000.

General Services - Stage

Adopt Resolution 23-09 adopting 2022 Annual Transit Asset Management Plan to assess the current condition of capital assets, determine what condition and performance of its assets should be, identify the unacceptable risks, and deciding how to best balance and prioritize reasonably anticipated funds; and authorize the Transportation Manager to execute and file the Transit Asset Management Plan and any other required documents.

Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Division

Approve Contract with Casa Serenity, LLC, to provide residential care to adult clients in need of a 24 hour skilled residential setting at the rates specified in Exhibit A for the term July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Division

Approve FY 22/23 contract with Quartz Valley Indian Reservation to provide prevention, early intervention, and outreach to tribal members as part of the Mental Health Services Act in an amount not to exceed \$194,192.

Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Division

Approve First Addendum with Sacramento Behavioral Healthcare Hospital., LLC to provide 24 hour inpatient psychiatric services at the rates specified in Exhibit A for the term July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2026.

Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Division

Approve contract with Relias to provide regulatory and compliance training to Behavioral Health staff for the term February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$37,602.61.

Health and Human Services - Public Health Division

Approve the new County based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (CMAA) Program Participation Agreement between the State of California - Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to permit the Local Government Agency (LGA) to continue participating in the CMAA program under California's Medi-Cal Program. This Participation Agreement would replace the County's previous contract with the Department of Health Care Services effective July 1, 2020 and would continue until terminated by either party. And authorize the Auditor to establish budget appropriation. Continued . . .

Consent Agenda - Continued

Probation

Approve agreement with BI Incorporated to provide electronic monitoring services for both juvenile and adult probationers at the rates specified in Schedule A, for the term July 1, 2022 through May 3, 2027.

Sheriff

Approve contract with Guardian Alliance Technology to provide pre-employment background checks at the rates specified in Exhibit A for the term July 22, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

Sheriff

Approve Second Addendum to contract with Central Valley Toxicology to provide toxicology analysis at the rates specified in Exhibit A for the term July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Sheriff

Approve contract with Mt Shasta Memorial Chapel to provide Autopsy services at the rates specified in Exhibit A for the term July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

Sheriff

Approve contract with Janus Advisor, Inc., dba Girdner's Funeral Chapel to provide Autopsy services at the rates described in Exhibit A for the term July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

Sheriff

Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the Sheriff's Office and Lake Shastina Police Department for dispatch support services at the rate specified in Exhibit A for the term January 3, 2023 through January 30, 2024, and authorize the Auditor to make appropriations.

Sheriff

Approve contract with Dr. Catherine Nicka to provide Autopsy services in the amount specified in Article 4.01 for the term July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

Transfer of funds

Behavioral Health - \$117,000. Resolution 23-01 adopted.

Drug and Alcohol Program - \$53,781. Resolution 23-02 adopted.

Courthouse & Grounds - \$70,500. Resolution 23-03 adopted.

Siskiyou Transit and General Express - \$81,304. Resolution 23-04 adopted.

Probation - \$250,000. Resolution 23-05 adopted.

Community Development - Approve Subrecipient Agreement in the amount of \$555,834 with Hope Crisis Response Network for single family home construction for the Slater Fire home replacement program and adopt a resolution approving exceptions to CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Guidelines and adopt Resolution approving exceptions to CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Guidelines specific to the Slater Fire Home Replacement Program. Subrecipient Agreement approved and Resolution 23-10 adopted.

Chair Valenzuela advised that this item was pulled from the Consent Agenda.

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Community Development – Continued

County Administrator Angela Davis advised of the need to amend the Resolution to reflect January 3, 2022, vs. December 3, 2023.

It was moved by Supervisor Haupt, seconded by Supervisor Kobseff and carried with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES, to approve Subrecipient Agreement in the amount of \$555,834 with Hope Crisis Response Network for single family home construction for the Slater Fire home replacement program and adopt a resolution approving exceptions to CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Guidelines and adopt Resolution approving exceptions to CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Guidelines specific to the Slater Fire Home Replacement Program.

Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Division - Approve FY 22/23 contract with Yreka Union High School District to provide prevention and early intervention services in an amount not to exceed \$180,700. Approved.

This item was pulled from the consent agenda at Supervisor Kobseff's request.

In response to Supervisor Kobseff, Health and Human Services Director Sarah Collard advised that Yreka Union High School does not have a drug awareness program, but Behavioral Health does have a prevention program that visits all the schools, which is funded by the Mental Health Services Act funding.

In response to Supervisor Criss, Ms. Collard advised that the approach used by Behavioral Health is more focused on mental health.

It was moved by Supervisor Kobseff, seconded by Supervisor Ogren and carried following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES, to approve FY 22/23 contract with Yreka Union High School District to provide prevention and early intervention services in an amount not to exceed \$180,700.

Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Division - Approve Memorandum of Understanding with the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office to provide prevention, early intervention, and D.A.R.E. Plus Services to County Elementary and Middle School students for the term January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$117,000. Approved.

This item was pulled from the consent agenda at Supervisor Kobseff's request.

In response to Supervisor Kobseff, Health and Human Services Director Sarah Collard and Sheriff Jeremiah LaRue advised that this is an expansion of a current MOU and that efforts are made to visit all schools, however, some have the City Police Departments provide similar services.

In response to Supervisor Valenzuela, Ms. Collard advised that the Mental Health Services Act provides funding for the MOU.

It was moved by Supervisor Kobseff, seconded by Supervisor Haupt and carried following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES to approve Memorandum of Understanding with the Siskiyou County Sheriff's Office to provide prevention, early intervention, and D.A.R.E. Plus Services to County Elementary and Middle School students for the term January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$117,000.

Health and Human Services - Social Services Division - Approve first amendment to the CARES Act Emergency Services Grant Program (ESG-CV) subrecipient agreement between Shasta County through its housing and community action agency and Siskiyou County to offer essential services to vulnerable homeless individuals and families due to the COVID-19 pandemic and increase the compensation with reallocation funding by \$250,000, and extending the term of the agreement to November 30, 2023 and accept the additional grant award and authorize the Auditor to establish budget appropriations.

This item was pulled from the consent agenda at the request of Supervisor Kobseff. Continued . . .

Health and Human Services - Social Services Division – Continued

In response to Supervisor Kobseff, Health and Human Services Director Sarah Collard advised that this funding is used for hotel rooms for those that are homeless.

It was moved by Supervisor Kobseff, seconded by Supervisor Ogren and carried with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES, to Approve first amendment to the CARES Act Emergency Services Grant Program (ESG-CV) subrecipient agreement between Shasta County through its housing and community action agency and Siskiyou County to offer essential services to vulnerable homeless individuals and families due to the COVID-19 pandemic and increase the compensation with reallocation funding by \$250,000, and extending the term of the agreement to November 30, 2023 and accept the additional grant award and authorize the Auditor to establish budget appropriations.

Community Development - Community Development Department year-end update. Presentation only.

Community Development Director Rick Dean introduced Dan Wessel, Deputy Director of Environmental Health who provided an overview of the activities and divisions within Environmental Health, an overview of services provided in 2022 and goals for 2023.

In response to Supervisor Kobseff, Mr. Wessel advised the lack of ground water recharge for water well usage and determining what effects of the Governor's Order regarding water usage.

In response to Supervisor Haupt, Mr. Wessel advised that with regard to Consumer Protection, Environmental Health provides quarantine services to animals suspected of having rabies.

In response to Supervisor Criss, Mr. Wessel advised historically there being no employee turnover in Environmental Health, but with wages not keeping up with inflation, employees are having to seek employment elsewhere.

Mr. Dean introduced Glenn Shockency, Deputy Director of the Building Department, who provided an overview of current staffing levels, the creation of four new positions within the Building Department, tasks of the Building Department statistics of services provided in 2022. Mr. Schockency also provided an overview of challenges within the Department, including projects regarding dam removal.

Discussion followed regarding need of the challenges as a result of the dam removal project to mitigated and the need for a project manager related to dam removal.

Mr. Shockency continued the presentation including goals of the Department for 2023. Discussion followed regarding the electronic submittals of building permits and the use of SmartGov.

Mr. Dean introduced Deputy Director of Planning Hailey Lang who provide an overview of the Planning Division, including Code Enforcement activities, mining program and Williamson Act Contracts. Ms. Lang also provided an overview of Planning's goals for 2023.

Mr. Dean provided historical information for the Community Development Department, including staffing levels, backlogs and actions taken for additional positions and increases in salaries.

County Clerk - Appointment of three members to the scheduled vacancies on the Siskiyou County Law Library Advisory Board, for one-year terms ending December 31, 2023. TJ Linville, John Quinn and Matthew Kane appointed.

County Clerk Laura Bynum advised that incumbents TJ Linville, John Quinn and Mathew Kane were interested in being in reappointed.

It was moved by Supervisor Criss, seconded by Supervisor Ogren and carried with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES to appoint TJ Linville, John Quinn and Mathew Kane to the Siskiyou County Law Library Advisory Board, for one-year terms ending December 31, 2023.

County Clerk - Appointment of two members and two alternates for Supervisorial Districts 3 and 5, to the scheduled vacancies on the Siskiyou County Fish and Game Commission for terms ending January 4, 2027. John Dawson appointed delegate and Harold Duchi as alternate for District 3.

County Clerk Laura Bynum provided an overview, advising District 3 representatives John Dawson and Harold Duchi were interested in reappointment.

Discussion followed between Supervisor Haupt and Mrs. Bynum regarding the posting process and no letters of interest being received for District 5 representation.

It was moved by Supervisor Kobseff, seconded by Supervisor Valenzuela and carried, following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES, to appoint John Dawson as delegate and Harold Duchi as an alternate for District 3 to the Siskiyou County Fish and Game Commission for terms ending January 4, 2027.

At the request of Supervisor Haupt, the appointment for a District 5 representative was continued.

County Clerk - Appointment of four scheduled vacancies on the Behavioral Health Services Board, with terms ending December 31, 2025. Earl Chancellor, Ed Harris and Bethany Rolan appointed.

Following an overview from County Clerk Laura Bynum, it was moved by Supervisor Ogren, seconded by Supervisor Valenzuela and carried following a roll call vote, to appoint Earl Chancellor, Ed Harris and Bethany Rolan to the Behavioral Health Services Board for terms ending December 31, 2025.

County Clerk - Appointment of one unscheduled vacancy on the Behavioral Health Services Board, with a term ending December 31, 2023.

County Clerk Laura Bynum advised that no letters of interest were received and it was the consensus of the Board to continue this item.

Minute Approval- Approved

It was moved by Supervisor Kobseff, seconded by Supervisor Ogren and carried following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES to approve the minutes of December 6, 2022 as presented.

It was moved by Supervisor Haupt, seconded by Supervisor Ogren and carried following a roll call vote with Supervisors Haupt, Kobseff, Ogren, Criss and Valenzuela voting YES to approve the minutes of December 13, 2022 as presented.

Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel, Anticipated Litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9, Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4), one case, existing litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) and anticipated litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9, significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2), one case; commenced at 10:37 a.m. and concluded at 12:37 p.m., no action taken.

County Counsel Edward Kiernan advised that there we no reportable action.

Board and Staff Reports

There were no Board and Staff reports.

Adjournment - There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:
Laura Bynum, County Clerk

Ed Valenzuela, Chair

By: _____
Deputy