



MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DEL NORTE COUNTY
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

10:00 AM

PRESENT:

Supervisor, District 2 Valerie Starkey
Supervisor, District 3 Chris Howard
Supervisor, District 1 Darrin Short
Supervisor, District 5 Dean Wilson
Supervisor, District 4 Joey Borges

ABSENT:

CLOSED SESSION 8:30 A.M.

Public Comment on Closed Session items only.

Hold a closed session to consider and discuss litigation and personnel matters:
Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 between
County Negotiator: Neal Lopez, CAO and Represented Employee Bargaining Groups.

Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code
Section 54956.9(d)(1)-one case: Jennifer Perry, Del Norte County Assessor v. Board
of Supervisors of County of Del Norte, in its capacity as the Del Norte County
Assessment Appeals Board, CVPT-2023-1036

Public Employment: Public Defender Appointment Discussion.

REGULAR SESSION 10:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M. Call the meeting to order and take roll.

- Moment of Reflection
- The Pledge of Allegiance to be led by Joey Borges, District 4 Supervisor.
- Introduction of new employees to the Board of Supervisors

Job Silva – Behavioral Health Specialist II/DHHS

- Report of any actions from closed session by County Counsel

None

- The Chair requests any deletions, corrections or additions from Board members to the agenda at this time. In order to add an item to the agenda, the matter must have come to the attention of the County subsequent to the posting of the agenda and the matter requires action before the next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

The Assistant County Administrative Officer requested to add an item authorizing the Chair to sign letters requesting federal FY 25 congressionally designated spending and/or community project funding for the 1) South Beach Public Use Improvement and Unincorporated Communities Marker Project and the 2) Veterans Memorial Hall Public Use Improvement Project, as introduced to the Board on Dec. 29, 2023. With a motion by Supervisor Howard and a second by Supervisor Borges with a 5-0 vote (Yes: Supervisor Short, Starkey, Howard, Borges, Wilson No: None) the item was added to the agenda as an urgency item.

- Receive other brief reports or announcements relative to the County of Del Norte programs and projects, progress of the two by two committees, goal committees and/or Board and staff travel/training reports.

Supervisor Short: Attended the PBSP Citizens Advisory Committee meeting, attended the 7th Graduation of the Prison Paws Program, attended the DNSWMA meeting, attended the City Council meeting, attended the LAFCO meeting and attended the RCTA meeting.

Supervisor Starkey: Spent time analyzing the 2nd Quarter budget numbers, participated in several planning meetings for the upcoming CASA Crystal Ball fundraiser, attended a meeting with former Sutter Coast CEO Mitch Hanna and the new CEO of Sutter Coast Mike Lane, attended the MHSA planning session for Behavioral Health, attended the Chamber Retreat, participated in numerous discussions regarding Offshore Wind Energy and attended a Meet & Greet at Brother Jonathan Park.

Supervisor Howard: Spent time gathering information for the upcoming Pacific Fishery Management Council meetings with constituents and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, attended several meetings prepping for the upcoming Kamome Festival, spent time preparing for the upcoming US Hwy 199 Audit, attended a meeting with Sheriff Scott regarding the Jail and budgets, attended a meeting with Kevin Malone from TRUE North regarding housing and other issues, attended the LTCO meeting and attended a meeting with former Sutter Coast CEO Mitch Hanna and new Sutter Coast CEO Mike Lane.

Supervisor Wilson: Attended the DNSWMA meeting and LAFCO meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Comments from members of the public may be heard at this time regarding matters on the Consent Agenda only.

Action: Approved.

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Chris Howard

Second: Darrin Short

Vote Yea: 5 Darrin Short, Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Joey Borges, Dean Wilson

Vote Nay: 0 None

Vote Abstain: 0 None

1. Approve and adopt the minutes from the February 13, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting.**

Approved.

2. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Amendment #3 to Agreement 2023-111 with Pacific Affiliates for On-Site Sewage Design at Florence Keller Park, as requested by the Administrative Services Manager.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-034

3. Approve and authorize the Probation Department to purchase plaques for employee recognition at the annual LEADN awards, not to exceed \$200.00 as requested by the Chief Probation Officer.**

Approved.

4. That the Board authorizes the Sheriff to fund the purchase of award plaques to be presented to employees and volunteers of the Del Norte County Sheriff's Office for the 30th annual LEADN awards not to exceed \$1,000.00 as requested by the Sheriff-Coroner.**

Approved.

5. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the attached Agreement with Community Behavioral Health for Telepsychiatry Services the term of February 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-035

6. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the attached Fifth Amendment to the Agreement with Lenders Construction Services to provide construction project management support for the Encampment Resolution Fund Micro Shelter Village project, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-036

7. Authorize the District Attorney to accept and implement the Violence Against Women Vertical Prosecution Program for calendar years 2024 (VV23010080), 2025 (VV24020080), and 2026 (VV25030080), including any extensions or amendments thereto, subject to further review and approval; and agree to provide all cash matching funds required for the said grant and to comply with the rules and regulations of Cal OES, as requested by the District Attorney.**

Approved.

8. Approve and adopt the Side Letter Agreement with the Mid Management Group to expand the designated classifications eligible for recruitment and retention stipends for positions assigned to the Department of Health and Human Services, Social Services Branch as requested by the County Administrative Officer.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-037

SCHEDULED ITEMS

9. 10:25 A.M. COMMENT PERIOD: Members of the public may address the Board on matters which are within the jurisdiction of the Board. If you are addressing the Board regarding a matter listed on the agenda, you may be asked to hold your comments until the Board takes up that matter. Please limit your comments to three minutes or less.
10. 10:30 A.M. 1) Receive a presentation on the Humboldt/Del Norte Film Commission; and 2) discuss and take possible action on increasing the annual contribution to the Humboldt/Del Norte Film Commission as requested by the Humboldt/Del Norte Film Commissioner Cassandra Hesseltine.

The Board directed the Film Commission to come back to the Board before the next Fiscal Year budget is approved in June with data to support the request for additional funding.

11. 10:40 A.M. Receive a presentation on the Young Adult Tobacco Purchase Survey from the Tobacco Use Prevention Program (TUPP).
12. 11:00 A.M. Conduct a public hearing and adopt a Resolution authorizing Community Development Department staff to proceed with the temporary closure of portions of Union Street, Broad Street, South Bend Avenue, National Boulevard and Madison Avenue using a combination of gates and K rail as shown on Attachment A in the Resolution in accordance with California Vehicle Code Sections 21101.4 and 21101.6 and authorize the spending of Measure R funds allocated to the Code Enforcement Division for cleanup in the South Bend Avenue and Union Street areas to be used to cover expenses related to the temporary road closures as requested by Supervisor Short.**

Action: Approved. RESO#2024-009

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Chris Howard

Second: Darrin Short

Vote Yea: 4 Darrin Short, Chris Howard, Joey Borges, Dean Wilson

Vote Nay: 1 Valerie Starkey

Vote Abstain: 0 None

REGULAR ITEMS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

13. Receive an update on the development of the Strategic Plan, as requested by the Assistant County Administrative Officer.**

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

Action: Approved.

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Darrin Short

Second: Joey Borges

Vote Yea: 5 Darrin Short, Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Joey Borges, Dean Wilson

Vote Nay: 0 None

Vote Abstain: 0 None

14. Approve and adopt Budget Transfer #02-05 in the amount of \$111,762.00 (one hundred and eleven thousand seven hundred and sixty-two dollars) within the Hospital Preparedness Program budget unit to add in the carry forward funding as requested by the County Administrative Officer and the OES Fiscal Manager.**

Approved. BT#02-05

15. Approve and adopt Budget Transfer #02-06 in the amount of \$70,058.00 (seventy thousand and fifty-eight dollars) from the General Fund Contingency Budget to the Public Defender Budget due to the number of increases in cases that require investigative and expert services as requested by the Administrative Services Manager.**

Approved. BT#02-06

LEGISLATIVE AND BUDGET ISSUES:

Consider miscellaneous legislative and budget matters pertinent to the County of Del Norte. Authorize the Chair to sign and send appropriate letters with respect to matters pending before the state or federal governments.

16. Receive an update on legislation introduced in the California legislature for the 2024 legislative cycle and provide direction as necessary, as requested by the Assistant County Administrative Officer.**
17. 1) Receive and review the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 General Fund Budget Summary, individual General Budgets and the Budget update; 2) Approve the new classification job description for Certified Peer Support Specialist; and 3) Approve the DHHS Behavioral Health Branch request for new positions to meet the staffing needs for the mandated Mobile Crisis Unit Program as presented and requested by the County Administrative Officer and the Auditor-Controller.**

Action: Approved.

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Chris Howard

Second: Darrin Short

Vote Yea: 5 Darrin Short, Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Joey

Borges, Dean Wilson
Vote Nay: 0 None
Vote Abstain: 0 None

URGENCY ITEMS

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Move: Valerie Starkey

Second: Chris Howard

Vote Yea: 5 Darrin Short, Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Joey Borges, Dean Wilson

Vote Nay: 0 None

Vote Abstain: 0 None

ADJOURNMENT

(Next meeting is March 12, 2024)

Kylie Goughnour, Clerk of the Board
County of Del Norte, State of California

Date Posted: February 23, 2024

THE AGENDA AND ACTION SUMMARY ARE AVAILABLE ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE:

www.co.del-norte.ca.us