



MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DEL NORTE COUNTY
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

10:00 AM

PRESENT: Supervisor, District 2 Valerie Starkey
Supervisor, District 3 Chris Howard
Supervisor, District 1 Darrin Short
Supervisor, District 4 Joey Borges

ABSENT: Supervisor, District 5 Dean Wilson

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 Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 between
County Negotiator: One- Gallagher (Compensation Study Update)

Conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(4)-
Initiation of Litigation: One

Conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)-
Pending/Existing Litigation: One- *In re: Wellpath Holdings, Inc., et. al*, Debtors; Case
No. 24-90533(ARP))

Liability Claims: One-Claim No.: Del 21-0011; Claimant: Pomilia

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 Darrin Short, District 1 Supervisor.
- Introduction of new employees to the Board of Supervisors

Ryan Downs - Certified Peer Support Specialist; Brittany Moore - Social Worker
Supervisor (DHHS Employees)

- Report of any actions from closed session by County Counsel

The Board gave direction to initiate Litigation with a 4-0 vote (Yes: Supervisor Short, Starkey, Howard, Borges No: None). The Defendants and other particulars will be disclosed to any person upon inquiry once Litigation is formerly commenced.

- 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.

Vice-Chair Borges noted that item #14 will have an effective date of November 06, 2024.

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

Supervisor Short: Thanked all staff and other agencies for their help with the training burn held at 206 Williams Drive.

Supervisor Howard: Provided an update on the South Beach Project, attended a Natural Resource Working Group Community meeting, attended a North Deal meeting, attended the CSAC Annual meeting, attended a meeting with Caltrans regarding their upcoming trip to Japan, attended the NACo Symposium, attended the Natural Resources Goal Committee meeting, attended a meeting with the DNUSD regarding the upcoming Kamome Student Exchange, attended the California/Japan Sister City Network meeting, attended a meeting with representatives from Pacific Power regarding Conveyance Studies within the County and thanked staff for their great work on the Tsunami Emergency Response.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Action: Approved. Supervisor Short pulled item #7 for further discussion and a separate vote. Vice-Chair Borges noted that item #14 will have an effective date of November 06, 2024.

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Darrin Short

Second: Chris Howard

Vote Yea: 4 Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Darrin Short, Joey Borges

Vote Nay: 0 None

Vote Abstain: 0 None

1. Approve and adopt the minutes from the November 12, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting.**

Approved.

2. Approve and adopt the 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting schedule and the 2025 County holiday schedule.**

Approved.

3. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign an agreement for professional attorney services with Nicholas Mavris as requested by the District Attorney.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-237

4. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign an agreement for Professional Investigation Services with Tuan ("AC") Field as requested by the District Attorney.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-238

5. 1) Approve the appointment of Carris Castillo as a Board of Supervisors appointed member representing Child Care Providers of the Local Planning Council for Child Care & Development with term ending in December 2026 as requested by the Local Planning Council Coordinator.**

Approved.

6. Approve and adopt the attached Side Letter Agreements between the County of Del Norte and the Del Norte County Employees Association/SEIU Local 1021 to revise retention stipends for the listed positions assigned to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Social Services Branch and to establish retention stipends for the listed positions assigned to DHHS, Behavioral Health Branch as requested by the County Administrative Officer.**

Approved. Social Services/DNCOAGREE#2024-239; Behavioral Health/DNCOAGREE#2024-240

7. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Agreement with Mendocino County for Placement of Juvenile Court Wards at the Mendocino County Juvenile Hall as requested by the Chief Probation Officer.**

Action: Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-241. Supervisor Short pulled this item for further discussion and a separate vote.

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Darrin Short

Second: Chris Howard

Vote Yea: 4 Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Darrin Short, Joey Borges

Vote Nay: 0 None

Vote Abstain: 0 None

8. Approve and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the attached Agreement with the 41st District Agricultural Association for TUPP signs for the term of September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2027, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-242

9. Approve and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the attached Mental Health Plan MOU with Partnership HealthPlan of California for an ongoing term, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-243

10. Approve and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the attached Fellowship Program MOU with the California Dept. of Public Health for the term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-244

11. Approve and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the attached Mobile Crisis Grant Funds MOU with Sutter Coast Hospital for the term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-245

12. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the attached Agreement for Residential Treatment and Detox services with Midvalley Recovery Facilities for the term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-246

13. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the third Amendment to the Agreement with Brokaw Design Inc. to extend the term of the Agreement to June 30, 2025 for construction services that will convert The Legacy from transitional to permanent housing, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-247

14. Approve and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the attached Agreement for Legacy Housing Assistance Payments with the City of Crescent City Housing Authority for a twenty year term, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-248. Vice-Chair Borges noted that the effective date of this Agreement will be November 06, 2024.

15. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign agreements for Public Defender services with Keith Morris (Felony Panel), David Cooper (Felony Panel), Joseph Futrell (Miscellaneous Panel), Helen Hoopes (Miscellaneous Panel) and Tamra Fallman-Berling (Part-time Misdemeanor Appointments only) for the period of January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, as requested by the Administrative Programs Manager.**

Approved. Morris-DNCOAGREE#2024-249; Cooper-DNCOAGREE#2024-250; Futrell-DNCOAGREE#2024-251; Hoopes-DNCOAGREE#2024-252; Fallman-DNCOAGREE#2024-253

16. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the attached renewal Agreement with California Hearing Officers for 5150 Mental Health Hearing Officer Services for

the term of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-254

17. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the attached Amendment to the MOU with Family Resource Center of the Redwoods for access to the K Street gated parking area, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-255

18. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the attached third Amendment to the Agreement with NorthCoast Health Screening to continue providing alcohol and drug testing services from January 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-256

19. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the attached Agreement for LPS Conservatee Services with JPS Home Care Services for the term of November 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025, as requested by the Director of Health and Human Services.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-257

20. Approve and authorize the Chair to sign an agreement between the Del Norte County Tax Collector and American Financial Credit Services, Inc. for third party collection services as requested by the Treasurer-Tax Collector.**

Approved. DNCOAGREE#2024-258

21. Approve the Special District Appointments for the November 2024 Election as requested by the Registrar of Voters.**

Approved.

22. Accept the certified results of the Statement of Vote for the November 5, 2024, Statewide General Election as requested by the Registrar of Voters.**

Approved.

23. Approve and authorize the use of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) in Capital Improvement Funding for the replacement of the roof at the Veterans Memorial Hall as requested by the Director of Building Maintenance & Parks.**

Approved.

SCHEDULED ITEMS

24. 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.

25. 10:30 A.M. Del Norte Fire Safe Council Update (Aaron Babcock, Del Norte County Coordinator)

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

26. 11:15 A.M. Adjourn as the Board of Supervisors, reconvene as the Board of Equalization and conduct an Assessment Appeal Hearing per the Del Norte Board of Equalization Section 8.4 for a Supplemental Assessment - AAA 2024-001 Eric A. Matson 120-204-009 (Roll Year 23/24). **

Action: Approved. The motion was to adjourn to Submission and schedule the report out of the decision after Closed Session on Tuesday, January 14, 2025.

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Valerie Starkey

Second: Chris Howard

Vote Yea: 3 Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Darrin Short

Vote Nay: 1 Joey Borges

Vote Abstain: 0 None

REGULAR ITEMS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

27. Approve and authorize successor resolutions establishing benefits and compensation for the following unrepresented groups as requested by the Board of Supervisors: a) Appointed Department Heads, b) Assistant Department Heads, c) Deputy Directors, d) Confidential Employees, and e) the Undersheriff, as recommended by the County Administrative Officer, County Auditor-Controller, County Counsel, and Assistant County Administrative Officer.**

Action: Approved. Appointed DH RESO#2024-041; Appointed DH RESO#2024-042; Assistant DH RESO#2024-043; Deputy Director RESO#2024-043; Confidential RESO#2024-044; Undersheriff RESO#2024-045

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Valerie Starkey

Second: Darrin Short

Vote Yea: 4 Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Darrin Short, Joey Borges

Vote Nay: 0 None

Vote Abstain: 0 None

28. Approve and Authorize the Chair to sign and send a letter to the Bureau of Indian Affairs on behalf of the County opposing the applications to accept "into trust" the properties identified in Case No. 56743 and Case No. 56749 as recommended by the Natural Resources and Environmental Coordination Technical Advisory Committee.**

Action: Approved.

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Valerie Starkey

Second: Darrin Short

Vote Yea: 4 Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Darrin Short, Joey Borges

Vote Nay: 0 None

Vote Abstain: 0 None

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

Action: Approved.

Motion: Move to approve

Move: Darrin Short

Second: Valerie Starkey

Vote Yea: 4 Valerie Starkey, Chris Howard, Darrin Short, Joey Borges

Vote Nay: 0 None

Vote Abstain: 0 None

29. Approve and adopt Budget Transfer, #12-01 in the amount of \$7,200.00 (Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars) within the Recreation Division budget to purchase a new ATV/QUAD, as requested by the Administrative Programs Manager.**

Approved. BT#12-01

30. Approve and adopt Budget Transfer, #12-02 in the amount of \$7,200.00 (Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars) within the Miscellaneous Revenues and Expenditures Asset - Vehicle Budget Unit to fund a vehicle for the Recreation Department, as requested by the Administrative Programs Manager.**

Approved. BT#12-02

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.

ADJOURNMENT

(Next meeting is January 14, 2025)

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

Date Posted: December 05, 2024

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

www.co.del-norte.ca.us