

SHASTA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

SPECIAL MEETING

9:01 a.m.: Chair Crye called the Special Session of the Board of Supervisors to order on the above date with the following present:

District No. 1 - Supervisor Crye
District No. 2 - Supervisor Long
District No. 3 - Supervisor Harmon
District No. 4 - Supervisor Plummer
District No. 5 - Supervisor Kelstrom

County Executive Officer/Clerk of the Board - David J. Rickert
County Counsel - Joseph Larmour
Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board - Stefany Blankenship

Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board Stefany Blankenship announced that Senior Administrative Analyst Jenn Rossi would not be in attendance during closed session. She also noted a typo in the first Shasta County Code section referenced in the proposed ordinance regarding the Shasta County Elections Commission, which would be corrected prior to the ordinance being enacted.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

REGULAR CALENDAR**SHERIFF****RATIFICATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO FEBRUARY 2025 WINTER STORMS
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-013**

Sheriff Michael L. Johnson discussed the flooding and damages from the recent storms and the anticipated effects from the upcoming storms, the potential cost of damages, emergency responses and preparations, and recommended approval of the proclamation of a local emergency. Sheriff Johnson recognized Lieutenant Sandbloom, Office of Emergency Services (OES), for his efforts in preparing for and coordinating the responses to the situation.

In response to questions by Supervisor Kelstrom, Lt. Sandbloom stated that the American Red Cross was reaching out to individuals who had been affected by the storms. He stated that any agencies with affected infrastructure should reach out to the OES so that their reports could be included in the County's communications to the State.

In response to questions by Supervisor Long, Lt. Sandbloom discussed the preliminary damage estimates from the cities, the County, and the Anderson-Cottonwood Irrigation District, and explained the need to include damages at the time of the declaration to the State in order to be reimbursed for the costs of repair.

Dolores Lucero and Margaret Hansen spoke during public comment.

By motion made, seconded (Crye/Long), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2025-013, which ratifies the Shasta County Director of Emergency Services' February 5, 2025, proclamation of a local emergency due to the February 2025 winter storms, subject to the requirements of and in accordance with Government Code Section 8630.

(See Resolution Book No. 75)

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

APPOINTMENT OF REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS **ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 050-050-010**

Bryan Ritchie, Senior Administrative Analyst, presented the staff report, discussed the legal requirement to appoint real property negotiators, described the real property, and recommended approval.

There was no public comment.

By motion made, seconded (Plummer/Harmon), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors appointed David J. Rickert, County Executive Officer, Bryce Ritchie, Senior Administrative Analyst, and Jenn Rossi, Senior Administrative Analyst, as real property negotiators for Assessor's Parcel Number 050-050-010, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Confer with legal counsel to discuss existing litigation entitled *Daniel T. Ladd v. Thomas Toller* (Shasta County Superior Court, Case No. 206952), pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1); and

Confer with legal counsel to discuss one case of anticipated litigation, pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(e)(2); and

Confer with its Real Property Negotiators, County Executive Officer David J. Rickert, Senior Administrative Analyst Bryce Ritchie, and Senior Administrative Analyst Jenn Rossi, and the Negotiating Party, City of Redding, regarding real property located 7251 Eastside Road, Redding, CA (APN 050-050-010), pursuant to Government Code section 54964.8.

Ronnean Lund, Rich Gallardo, Thomas H., Kim, Dan, Rick H., Tim Saunders, Laura Hobbs, Michelle, Gary Peyrot, Dolores Lucero, Bev, Jim Burnett, and AR spoke during public comment.

9:57 a.m.: The Board of Supervisors recessed to Closed Session.

11:26 p.m.: The Board of Supervisors returned from Closed Session and reconvened in Open Session with all Supervisors, County Executive Officer/Clerk of the Board David J. Rickert, and County Counsel Joseph Larmour present.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

County Counsel Joseph Larmour reported that the Board of Supervisors met in Closed Session to discuss existing litigation, anticipated litigation, and real property negotiations, and took the following actions:

On the item regarding existing litigation entitled *Daniel T. Ladd v. Thomas Toller*, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint counsel and defend the claim. The Board also voted 4-1, with Supervisor Crye voting no, to suspend meetings of the Shasta County Elections Commission until the litigation was resolved.

On the item regarding anticipated litigation, the Board took no action.

On the item regarding real property negotiations, direction was given to staff.

REGULAR CALENDAR, CONTINUED

By motion made, seconded (Plummer/Long), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors directed staff to place on a future agenda an item to form an ad hoc committee to work on elections during the period in which the Shasta County Elections Commission is suspended.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DISCUSSION REGARDING SHASTA COUNTY ELECTIONS COMMISSION ORDINANCE AMENDING SHASTA COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2.07, ELECTIONS COMMISSION

Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board Stefany Blankenship presented the staff report and discussed the proposed ordinance, which incorporated changes as directed by the Board at the January 28, 2025, meeting.

The Board discussed the Shasta County Elections Commission and the proposed number of annual meetings.

Rich Gallardo; Thomas H.; Kim; Dan; Steve Amaral; Rick H.; KC; Gary Peyrot; Laura Hobbs; Michelle; Antonia; Dolores; Bev; Joanna Francescut, Assistant County Clerk/Registrar of Voters, on behalf of Tom Toller, County Clerk/Registrar of Voters; Judy H.; Jim Burnett; Ronnean Lund; Jenny; Teresa; Carol Johnson; and Linda Glass spoke during public comment.

By motion made, seconded (Plummer/Kelstrom), and unanimously carried by roll call vote, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions: Discussed the Shasta County Elections Commission; amended “*An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta Amending Chapter 2.07, Elections Commission, of the Shasta County Code*” to change the number of meetings to no more than six in years with a statewide election and no more than ten in years without a statewide election; and directed staff to bring it back to the next Board meeting for reintroduction.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

2025 MEETING CALENDAR AMENDMENTS

Dolores Lucero spoke during public comment.

By motion made, seconded (Plummer/Long), and unanimously carried, the Board of Supervisors approved amendments to the 2025 Board of Supervisors' meeting calendar.

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

Chair

ATTEST:

DAVID J. RICKERT
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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