



Board of Supervisors

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MEETING MINUTES

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF PLUMAS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA HELD IN QUINCY ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

STANDING ORDERS

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Public Comment Opportunity/Written Comment

Members of the public may submit written comments on any matter within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, regardless of whether the matter is on the agenda for Board consideration or action. Public comment relating to the current meeting submitted to the Board of Supervisors in written form will not be read out loud during the meeting. Any public comments submitted in writing to the Board prior to the posting of the agenda will be entered into the administrative record of the meeting. Members of the public are strongly encouraged to submit their comments on the agenda and non-agenda items using the e-mail address Public@countyofplumas.com

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call.

Present: Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 4, Chair Hall

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Undersheriff Beatley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

There are no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

Matters under the jurisdiction of the Board, and not on the posted agenda, may be addressed by the general public at the beginning of the regular agenda and any off-agenda matters before the Board for consideration. However, California law prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter which is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an urgency item by the Board of Supervisors. Any member of the public wishing to address the Board during the "Public Comment" period will be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes.

There were 2 public comments received electronically prior to the meeting, and 3 during the meeting in person and on zoom.

DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS

Brief announcements by, or brief reports on their activities by County Department Heads

Marcy DeMartile (Clerk Recorder/Registrar of Voters) updated the Board on activities in her department.
Rob Thorman (Public Works Director) updated the Board on activities in his department.
Lisa Beck introduced Carey Russell as a new employee.
Josh Mizrahi (HR Director) updated the Board on activities in his department.
Tracey Ferguson (Planning Director) updated the Board on activities in her department.

ACTION AGENDA

- A. **CONTINUED FROM AUGUST 18, 2026:** State of California Strategic Growth Council, Community Resilience Center (CRC) grant opportunity (deadline September 25, 2026); presentation requesting Plumas County, including the County Office of Emergency Services and the Public Health Agency, be a partner in the Sierra Institute for Community and Environment grant application for construction of a CRC in Taylorsville; presenters include Kyle Rodgers, Interim Executive Director and Ariana Bernstein, Development Specialist; discussion and possible action.

The Board has decided that there will be no action at this time on this item.

Chair Hall comments

Vice Chair comments

Supervisor McGowan comments

Dan K. comments

Deb H. comments

Supervisor Engel comments

1. CONSENT AGENDA

These items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. The Board of Supervisors will act upon them at one time without discussion. Any Board members, staff member or interested party may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda for discussion. Additional budget appropriations and/or allocations from reserves will require a four/fifths roll call vote.

Motion: Approve the following consent matters, as submitted, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 5 Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 4, Chair Hall.

ITEM NO. 1.A.4 WILL BE DENIED AT THIS TIME

A. FACILITY SERVICES AND AIRPORTS

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to ratify and sign a 3-year agreement between Plumas County Facility Services & Airports and DBT Transportation, LLC for tri-annual Automated Weather Observation Systems (AWOS) inspections, maintenance, and repair; effective July 1, 2026; not to exceed \$71,694.00; No General Fund Impact; 20891/520900; approved as to form by County Counsel.
- 2) Approve and authorize Facility Services and Airports to recruit and fill, funded and allocated, vacant one Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Maintenance Worker 2; (General Fund Impact) (20120/51000) as approved in the FY26/27 preliminary adopted budget; discussion and possible action
- 3) Approve and authorize Chair to sign amendment no. 1 to agreement between Plumas County Facility Services and Airports and Avery's Excavation Inc. for additional asphalt overlay at Gansner Park; (General Fund Impact) not to exceed \$40,000, as approved in the FY26/27 preliminary adopted budget; approved as to form by County Counsel.
- 4) Approve and authorize Chair to waive fees for Almanor Basin Food Pantry for use of Chester Hall to conduct free educational culinary classes for the Plumas County Charter School at Chester Hall.; (General Fund Impact) \$1680.00 lost revenue.

THIS ITEM IS DENIED AT THIS TIME.

B. PLUMAS COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to sign an agreement between Plumas County Office of Emergency Services and Union Pacific Railroad Company, effective 09/01/2026; not to exceed \$3000.00 for the first 12 months with an annual increase by 3% over the preceding years fee for the following 4 years; General Fund Impact as approved in FY26/27 preliminary adopted budget 20470 / 523804; approved as to form by County Counsel.

C. LIBRARY

- 1) Approve closure of Portola Branch Library on September 12th and October 20th, 2026, due to staffing shortage.

D. CLERK OF THE BOARD

- 1) Approve the attached Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes for Meeting minutes for the month of August 2026, as submitted.

E. PUBLIC WORKS/ROAD

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to sign an agreement between Plumas County Public Works and A-1 Radiator Repair for maintenance and repairs on Public Works heavy equipment; not to exceed \$15,000.00; (No General Fund Impact); Road Funds; approved as to form by County Counsel.

F. SOCIAL SERVICES

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between Plumas County Department of Social Services and System Partners in the MOU to ensure all public programs for children, youth, and families will provide services; effective August 18, 2026; No General Fund Impact; approved as to form by County Counsel.
- 2) Approve and authorize Chair to sign an agreement between Plumas County Department of Social Services and UBEO West, LLC for a 3-year photocopier lease, maintenance services and materials, effective August 15, 2026; not to exceed \$49, 599.00; (No General Fund Impact) State and Federal funds; approved as to form by County Counsel.

G. COUNTY COUNSEL

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to ratify and sign an agreement between Plumas County and Christopher Parkhurst and Associates to provide Public Defender attorney services upon court order; effective August 29, 2026; not to exceed \$9,887.98 per month; (General Fund Impact) as approved in FY26/27 preliminary adopted budget (20320 Public Defender/ 526900 Contracts); approved as to form by County Counsel; discussion and possible action.

H. PROBATION

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to sign amendment no. 1 to agreement between Plumas County Probation and Redwood Toxicology Laboratory, Inc. a California Corporation, due to changes in the product line; General Fund Impact of \$12,000.00 remains unchanged, as approved in FY26-27 preliminary adopted budget; approved as to form by County Counsel; discussion and possible action.

I. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to ratify and sign an agreement between Plumas County Behavioral Health and Plumas County Public Health Agency for Primary Prevention services; effective July 1, 2026; not to exceed \$110,078.00 each fiscal year until June 30, 2028; (No General Fund Impact) Substance Use Block Federal Grant; approved as to form by County Counsel.

- 2) Approve and authorize Chair to ratify and sign an agreement between Plumas County Behavioral Health and Plumas Rural Services Prevention Program for girls and nonbinary youth; effective July 1, 2026; not to exceed \$30,000.00 each fiscal year until June 30, 2029 (No General Fund Impact) Behavioral Health Services Act; approved as to form by County Counsel.
- 3) Approve and authorize Chair to ratify and sign an agreement between Plumas County Behavioral Health and Granite Wellness Centers; focusing on coordination of substance use disorder care to assist beneficiaries in accessing medical, rehabilitation, coping skills, recovery skills, personal responsibility, and reintegration. Effective July 1, 2026, not to exceed \$40,000.00; (No General Fund Impact) Federal Substance Use Block Grant; approved as to form by County Counsel.
- 4) Approve and authorize Chair to ratify and sign an agreement between Plumas County Behavioral Health and Progress House, Inc., focusing on coordination of substance use disorder care to assist beneficiaries in accessing medical, rehabilitation, coping skills, recovery skills, personal responsibility, and reintegration. Effective July 1, 2026, not to exceed \$40,000.00; (No General Fund Impact) Federal Substance Use Block Grant; approved as to form by County Counsel.

J. SHERIFF'S OFFICE

- 1) Approve and authorize the Sheriff's Office to recruit and fill, funded and allocated, 2 vacant FTE (Full-Time Equivalent) Deputy I positions; (General Fund Impact) as approved in FY26/27 preliminary adopted budget; discussion and possible action

2. SPECIAL DISTRICTS GOVERNED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Board of Supervisors sits as the Governing Board for various special districts in Plumas County including Dixie Valley Community Services District; Walker Ranch Community Services District; Plumas County Flood Control and Water Conservation District; Beckwourth County Service Area, Quincy Lighting District; and Crescent Mills Lighting District.

A. ADJOURN AS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

B. CONVENE AS THE PLUMAS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

- 1) Hold the following Assessment Appeal Hearings or continue to September 1, 2, and 3rd, 2026, as needed.

APN# 125-244-001-000 Crowder

APN# 117-270-002-000 Anderson

APN# 131-210-024-000 McGrath (via Zoom)

The Board of Equalization met and heard the following appeal hearings:

Anderson APN #117-270-002-000

McGrath APN #131-210-024-000 (Via Zoom)

Crowder APN #125-244-001-000 (this item was not heard due to the appellant not being present and will be denied at this time)

C. ADJOURN AS THE PLUMAS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND RECONVENE AS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

3. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS

A. SHERIFF'S OFFICE - Chad Hermann

- 1) Approve and authorize Chair to sign an agreement between Plumas County and Winner Chevrolet for the fixed asset purchase of one (1) fully up-fitted, unmarked Chevrolet Tahoe; total not to exceed \$75,000;(No General Fund Impact) AB443 funds (70331/541500-small rural law enforcement funds); as approved in the FY 26/27 preliminary adopted budget; approved as to form by County Counsel; discussion and possible action. **Four/fifths roll call vote**

Motion: Approve and authorize Chair to sign an agreement between Plumas County and Winner Chevrolet for the fixed asset purchase of one (1) fully up-fitted, unmarked Chevrolet Tahoe; total not to exceed \$75,000;(No General Fund Impact) AB443 funds (70331/541500-small rural law enforcement funds); as approved in the FY 26/27 preliminary adopted budget; approved as to form by County Counsel; discussion and possible action. **Four/fifths roll call vote, Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss.

Vote: Motion Passed by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 4, Chair Hall.

Undersheriff Beatley presents

B. PLANNING - Tracey Ferguson

- 1) **11:00AM TIME CERTAIN - CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING:** Adopt a **RESOLUTION** and an **ORDINANCE** of the County of Plumas, State of California, first introduced on August 18, 2026, known as Code Amendment CA 2-25/26-02, amending and adding to Plumas County Code Title 9 Planning and Zoning, Chapter 2 Zoning, Article 41. - Telecommunications, Sec. 9-2.4105, Exemptions, Subsection (h); Sec. 9-2.4106, Permits Required, Subsection (a); Sec. 9-2.4107, Permit Application Review And Terms, Subsection (h); and Sec. 9-2.4109, Facility Design Standards, Subsections (a), (b), and (d); approved as to form by County Counsel; discussion and possible action. **Roll call vote**

Motion: Approve **11:00AM TIME CERTAIN - CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING:** Adopt a **RESOLUTION No. 26-9189** and an **ORDINANCE No. 26-1168** of the County of Plumas, State of California, first introduced on August 18, 2026, known as Code Amendment CA 2-25/26-02, amending and adding to Plumas County Code Title 9 Planning and Zoning, Chapter 2 Zoning, Article 41. - Telecommunications, Sec. 9-2.4105, Exemptions, Subsection (h); Sec. 9-2.4106, Permits Required, Subsection (a); Sec. 9-2.4107, Permit Application Review And Terms, Subsection (h); and Sec. 9-2.4109, Facility Design Standards, Subsections (a), (b), and (d); approved as to form by County Counsel; discussion and possible action. **Roll call vote, Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 5 Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 3 McGowan.

Vote: Motion Passed by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 4, Chair Hall.

Planning Director Ferguson presents

Deb H. comments
Chair Hall comments
Supervisor Engel comments

C. **PUBLIC WORKS/ROAD** - Rob Thorman

- 1) Discussion and possible approval of a Letter of Credit for Snake Lake Bridge Incidental Take Permit in the amount of \$20,357.46 and authorize the Director of Public Works and Treasurer to execute the letter of credit with Plumas Bank; No General Fund Impact; Road funds; approved by County Counsel. **Roll call vote**

Motion: Approve Discussion and possible approval of a Letter of Credit for Snake Lake Bridge Incidental Take Permit in the amount of \$20,357.46 and authorize the Director of Public Works and Treasurer to execute the letter of credit with Plumas Bank; No General Fund Impact; Road funds; approved by County Counsel. **Roll call vote**

, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 5 Engel, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss.

Vote: Motion Passed by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 4, Chair Hall.

PW Director Rob Thorman presents

Chair Hall comments

Supervisor McGowan comments

4. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**

- A. Consider approval of the temporary closure of the Building Department front counter on Tuesdays and Fridays through September 18, 2026, due to staffing shortages. The Department's two Permit Technicians and one Administrative Assistant are currently out on medical leave, significantly reducing front office capacity; discussion and possible action.

Motion: Approve Consider approval of the temporary closure of the Building Department front counter on Tuesdays and Fridays through September 18, 2026, due to staffing shortages. The Department's two Permit Technicians and one Administrative Assistant are currently out on medical leave, significantly reducing front office capacity; discussion and possible action., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss.

Vote: Motion Passed by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 4, Chair Hall.

CAO Dan Pargee presents

Supervisor McGowan comments

Deputy County Counsel Sara James comments

Supervisor Ceresola comments

Supervisor Engel comments

Chair Hall comments

5. **BREAK FOR LUNCH 30 MINUTES**

6. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- A. Approve and authorize supplemental budget transfer of \$1,758.68 from (2002758/585160 CONTRIB TRANS SHERIFF) to (2002753/53200 CONTRIB OTHER AGENCY) to cover the over-budget costs for Franchise Tax Board fees in FY25/26; approved by Auditor/Controller.

Four/Fifths roll call vote

Motion: Approve and authorize supplemental budget transfer of \$1,758.68 from (2002758/585160 CONTRIB TRANS SHERIFF) to (2002753/53200 CONTRIB OTHER AGENCY) to cover the over-budget costs for Franchise Tax Board fees in FY25/26; approved by Auditor/Controller. **Four/Fifths roll call vote,**

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, **Seconded by** Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss.

Vote: Motion Passed by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Supervisor - District 1 Ceresola, Supervisor - District 2, Vice-Chair Goss, Supervisor - District 3 McGowan, Supervisor - District 5 Engel, Supervisor - District 4, Chair Hall.

Clerk of the Board Allen Hiskey presents

- B. Weekly report by Board members of meetings attended, key topics, project updates, standing committees and appointed Boards and Associations

THIS ITEM WAS NOT HEARD

7. CLOSED SESSION

ANNOUNCE ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

- A. Conference with Labor Negotiator regarding employee negotiations: Sheriff's Administrative Unit; Sheriff's Department Employees Association; Operating Engineers Local #3; Confidential Employees Unit; Probation; Unrepresented Employees and Appointed Department Heads
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Subdivision (d)(2) and (e)(1) of Government Code Section 54956.9 (2 cases)
- C. Conference with Real Property Negotiators, pursuant to Government Code §54956.8: County Administrative Officer, Dan Pargue APN# 110-110-010-000
- D. Conference with Legal Counsel: Claim Against the County, filed by Christopher Shea, received on August 11, 2026
- E. Conference with Legal Counsel: Claim Against the County, filed by John Valdez, received on July 27, 2026.
- F. Public Employee Performance Evaluation, pursuant to Government Code §54957 - OES/Risk Manager (Board Only)
- G. Public Employee Performance Evaluation, pursuant to Government Code §54957 - Behavioral Health Director (Board Only)

REPORT OF ACTION IN CLOSED SESSION (IF APPLICABLE)

Chair Hall reported the following reportable actions taken during closed session.

Item A: No reportable action.
Item B: No reportable action.
Item C: No reportable action.
Item D: Claim is denied
Item E: Claim is denied
Item F: No reportable action.
Item G: No reportable action.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned meeting to Tuesday, September 8, 2026, Board of Supervisors Room 308, Courthouse, Quincy, California