# TRINITY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Trinity County Library
Conference Room
Weaverville. CA

# **MEETING MINUTES**

2015-09-15

Chairman
Supervisor Judy Morris - District 2

Vice Chairman
Supervisor Karl Fisher - District 3

Supervisor Keith Groves - District 1 Supervisor Bill Burton - District 4 Supervisor John Fenley - District 5

Wendy Tyler - County Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board
Margaret Long - County Counsel
Suzie White - Administrative Coordinator

Meeting called to order in open session at 9:00 AM. Pledge of Allegiance - Supervisor Morris Public Comment - Richard Seel and Tom Balenko.

## Consent

# **Auditor/Controller**

**1.01** Adopted Resolution No. 2015-088 which establishes Trinity County's Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Year 2015/16.

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

## **Behavioral Health Services**

**1.02** Appointed Mario Angelone as a Professional Member to the Trinity County Behavioral Health Services Board to serve a 3 year term expiring September 15, 2018.

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

## **Board of Supervisors**

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1.03 Discussed the adoption of a resolution banning fracking in Trinity County and supporting legislation similar to the 2011 FRAC Act and the 2011 BREATHE Act to repeal the fracking exemption to the Safe Drinking Water Act and require disclosure of chemicals used in fracking.

Received comments from Richard Cole, Bob Van Fleet, Dennis Duncanwood, Unknown SAFE Representative, and Joseph Bower.

Motion by Supervisor Burton to adopt a resolution banning fracking in Trinity County and supporting legislation similar to the 2011 FRAC Act and the 2011 BREATHE Act to repeal the fracking exemption to the Safe Drinking Water Act and require disclosure of chemicals used in fracking died due to the lack of a second.

Tabled to October 20, 2015 consideration of a resolution banning fracking in Trinity County and supporting legislation similar to the 2011 FRAC Act and the 2011 BREATHE Act to repeal the fracking exemption to the Safe Drinking Water Act and require disclosure of chemicals used in fracking.

Motion: Burton Second: Fisher Carried Vote: 5-0

# Clerk of the Board

**1.04** Approved regular meeting minutes of September 1, 2015, as submitted by the Clerk.

**Motion:** Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

**1.05** Approved the Board's responses to the following Grand Jury Reports:

FAR 2014-2015-001 Participation Series 2005 Bond Report; and

DER 2014-2015-001 Environmental Impacts Related to Marijuana Grows and Law and Code Enforcement

Problems Related to Marijuana Grows.

**Motion:** Groves **Second:** Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

**1.06** Adopted Resolution No. 2015-089 confirming the continuance of a Local Emergency due to drought

conditions.

Groves

Motion:

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

1.07 Adopted Resolution No. 2015-090 confirming the continuance of a Local Health Emergency due to

hazardous unhealthy debris and air quality concerns in Trinity County.

**1.08** Adopted Resolution No. 2015-091 which supports the Hayfork Elementary School Halloween Parade.

**Motion:** Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

**1.09** Adopted Resolution No. 2015-092 which supports the Trinity High School Homecoming Parade.

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

**1.10** Found no objection to the issuance of a daily alcoholic beverage license to the Friends of Trinity County Resource Conservation District to serve alcoholic beverages at the Trinity County Veterans Hall, in

Weaverville, CA during their Mountain Bike Race to be held October 3 and 4, 2015.

Motion: Burton Second: Fisher Carried Vote: 4-0

Second: Burton

**Groves - RECUSED** 

Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

## **Clerk Recorder Assessor**

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**1.11** Pursuant to Trinity County Code Section 2.60.090 (G) changed the hours of operation for the

Clerk/Recorder/Assessor/Elections office to 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, effective October

1, 2015.

**Motion:** Groves **Second:** Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

## **Health & Human Services**

**1.12** Approved amendment no. 8 to the agreement with Cal Safety increasing the maximum cost by \$10,000 for alarm and surveillance services and monitoring at Health and Human Services, and authorized the County Administrative Officer to sign.

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

**1.13** Approved an agreement with Prevent Child Abuse California (PCA CA) for the AmeriCorps program to provide two (2) full time volunteers for a prevention/family intervention program.

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

1.14 Approved an agreement with the California Department of Public Health Agreement (15-10126) for Local Agency Support for the California Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program.

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

## **Personnel**

**1.15** Adopted Resolution No. 2015-093 which proclaims the week of October 18, 2015 as "Freedom From Workplace Bullies" week.

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

1.16 Adopt an updated Policy Against Workplace Discrimination, Harassment, Bullying & Retaliation (Policy No.

15-04).

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

## **Solid Waste**

**1.17** Awarded to Stericycle Environmental Solutions Company the contract for the handling, loading, transportation and disposal of hazardous waste collected at temporary collection events throughout Trinity County.

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Vote: Burton, Groves, Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

# **Reports/Announcements**

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2.01 I. Received a report from Director of Transportation Rick Tippett.

a. Received a Code Enforcement Update from Director of Building and Planning Rick Tippett, County Administrative Officer Wendy Tyler and County Counsel Margaret Long.

- II. Received a report from County Administrative Officer Wendy Tyler.
- III. Received reports from Members of the Board of Supervisors.

# **County Matters**

## **Behavioral Health Services**

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3.01 Approved the new Behavioral Health Services' Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Plan for Fiscal Year 2015-16.

Received comments from Director of Behavioral Health Services Noel O'Neill.

Motion: Fenley Second: Fisher Carried Vote: 5-0

## **Board of Supervisors**

**3.02** Discussed adopting a declaration pertaining to the State of Jefferson (SOJ) Movement.

Received comments from SOJ Local Representative Richard Seel, SOJ Representative Mark Baird, Keep It California Vice Chairman Kevin Hendrick, Terry Rapoza, George Bates, Joseph Bower, Dennis Duncanwood, Diana Sheen, Steve Sowers, Bill DeWolf, Aaron, Tehama County Resident, and Rob Oakley.

Substitute motion 2 to take no action regarding the State of Jefferson Movement failed due to the lack of a majority.

Motion: Groves Second: Fenley Vote: 2-3

Fenley, Fisher and Morris - NO

Substitute motion 1 to adopt a declaration supporting the withdrawal from the State of California and formation of the State of Jefferson failed due to the lack of a majority.

Motion: Burton Second: Groves Vote: Burton and Groves - AYE

Fenley, Fisher and Morris - NO

Adopted a declaration declining to join the State of Jefferson and advocating improved representation of rural California counties.

Motion: Fisher Second: Fenley Vote: Fenley, Fisher and Morris - AYE

3.03 Continued to October 6, 2015 the discussion with the Planning Director regarding the recommendations presented on August 4, 2015 by the Northwest RC&D Council contained in the "Trinity County Water Resources Planning Proposal to Supplement the North Coast Integrated Regional Water Management Plan".

Motion: Groves Second: Burton Carried Vote: 5-0

# **County Administrative Officer**

Adopted Resolution No. 2015-094 which adopts a final budget for fiscal year 2015/2016 and corrected the Allocation of Position Listing (Exhibit C) to show the addition of 1 Staff Services Analysts I/II not 1 Staff Services Analysts III in the Health and Human Services Department.

Received comments from County Administrative Officer Wendy Tyler.

Motion: Groves Second: Fisher Vote: Fisher, Groves, Burton, Fenley and Morris - AYE

## Closed Session

## **County Counsel**

**4.01** Government Code section 54954.5(c) - Conference with Legal Counsel - Initiation of Litigation No. of Cases: Three

Directions was given to staff.

## Addendum

# **Board of Supervisors**

A Authorized the Chairman to sign a letter to Governor Brown requesting the veto of AB 57 Telecommunications: wireless telecommunication facilities.

Motion: Fisher Second: Groves Carried Vote: 5-0

**B** Ratified the Chairman's signature on argument in favor of Measure W, 5% Increase in TOT.

Motion: Burton Second: Fisher Carried Vote: 5-0

C HEARD DURING CLOSED SESSION

Government Code section 54954.5(e) - Public Employee Evaluation: County Administrative Officer Direction was given to staff.

# **Cooperative Extension**

Adopted Resolution No. 2015-095 proclaiming the week of October 4, 2015 as national 4-H week.

Received comments from Cooperative Extension Director Larry Forero, Shasta/Trinity 4H Community
Education Specialist Nate Caeton and Lewiston Grass Valley Creek 4-H Club President Korson Coulter.

Motion: Groves Second: Fenley Vote: Fenley, Groves, Burton, Fisher and Morris - AYE

## Subsequent

## **Transportation**

1	Moved to discuss and/or take action regarding debris clean up related to the 2015 Fires in Trinity County, and find that the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted. The urgency is that clean up needs to start immediately.
	Motion: Fenley Second: Fisher Carried Vote: 5-0
	Discussed waiving fees for reconstruction of structures lost or damaged during the 2015 wildfires in Trinity County and authorizing the County Administrative Officer and Director of Transportation to execute any and all documents necessary to secure State and Federal funding for disaster related efforts.
	Received comments from Director of Transportation Rick Tippett, County Administrative Officer Wendy Tyler and John Hamilton.
	Substitute motion by Supervisor Burton to waive 50% of building and planning fees for reconstruction of structures lost or damaged during the 2015 wildfires in Trinity County; waive Director's use permit fees for temporary RV placement during reconstruction on fire damaged properties, streamline processing of Director's use permits during reconstruction and allow accessory building for 1 year without requiring a Director's use permit pending reconstruction of principal structure died due to the lack of a second.
	Waived Director's use permit fees for temporary RV placement during reconstruction on fire damaged properties; streamlined the process for Director's use permits for temporary RV placement during reconstruction without notice to contiguous property owners, and determined that accessory buildings surviving the fire are allowed for 1 year without requiring a Director's use permit to allow for reconstruction of the principal structure.
	Motion: Fisher Second: Groves Carried Vote: 3-2  Burton and Fenley - NO
Motie	Approved an MOU with CalRecycle and authorized the County Administrative Officer and/or the Director of Transportation to execute all agreements necessary to carry out mitigations of hazardous waste and debris from the 2015 Trinity County Fires.  on: Fisher Second: Groves Carried Vote: 5-0
Boa	rd of Supervisors
2	Moved to discuss and/or take action to receive a fire update, and find that the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted. The urgency is that the Board needs to be updated on the fire status.
	Motion: Fenley Second: Burton Carried Vote: 5-0
	Received a fire update from USFS Trinity River Management Unit District Ranger Tina Lynsky.
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TRINITY	COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
U.D.V.146	Attest:
Board of	ORRIS, CHAIRMAN Supervisors, County of WENDY G. TYLER ate of California Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
	By:

# DECLARATION OF THE TRINITY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECLINING TO JOIN THE "STATE OF JEFFERSON" AND ADVOCATING IMPROVED REPRESENTATION OF RURAL CALIFORNIA COUNTIES

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2015, the State of Jefferson Declaration Committee made a presentation to the Board of Supervisors requesting adoption of a declaration that Trinity County intends to break away from California to form a new "State of Jefferson"; and

WHEREAS, the Trinity County Board of Supervisors wishes to acknowledge problems with our economy, commerce, education and overall well-being; and

WHEREAS, representation of rural California issues is often unfair and inadequate, resulting in one-size-fits-all decisions and regulations which can cripple our local economy; and

WHEREAS, the State of Jefferson proponents have failed to prove financial viability or that forming a new state will solve the above problems and will likely never be approved by the California Legislature and the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest that the Trinity County Board of Supervisors be informed of all the possible financial impacts and practical consequences of separation from California; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has an economic output that surpasses most countries, and jobs funded by the state through our schools, county, parks, police and nonprofit community provide living wage employment which helps support our local economy and Trinity County will lose millions of dollars in funding for roads, education, and social services for youth, families and seniors, if we separate from California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED The Trinity County Board of Supervisors has carefully examined and considered the proposal by the "State of Jefferson" proponents and does not agree that forming a new state will solve the above problems and that the financial risks and uncertainties outweigh the possible benefits of forming a new "State of Jefferson".

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** The Trinity County Board of Supervisors will renew efforts to unite our community and to foster collaboration as a proud county of the State of California, to persistently inform our State and Federal representatives of our unique rural issues and to aggressively advocate for viable solutions for our rural counties.

Declaration Declining to Join State of Jefferson Movement September 15, 2015 Page **2** of **2** 

**DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 15th day of September, 2015 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Trinity by motion, second (Fisher/Fenley), and the following vote:

AYES:

Supervisors Fenley, Fisher and Morris

NOES:

Supervisors Groves and Burton

ABSENT:

None None

ABSTAIN: RECUSE:

None

JUDY MORRIS, CHAIRMAN

Board of Supervisors County of Trinity State of California

ATTEST:

WENDY G. TYLER

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By:

Deputy