

MODOC COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
Casey Cockrell, Supervisor District IV
Geri Byrne, Supervisor District V



Ned Coe
Chairperson

Chester Robertson
County Administrative Officer

Board of Supervisors Room
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REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026
10:00 AM

10:00 AM - Call to Order

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Ned Coe	Supervisor District I	Present
Shane Starr	Supervisor District II	Present
Kathie Rhoads	Supervisor District III	Present
Casey Cockrell	Supervisor District IV	Present
Geri Byrne	Supervisor District V	Absent
Chester Robertson	County Administrative Officer	Present
Tiffany Martinez	Clerk of the Board/Assistant County Administrative Officer	Present
Scott McLeran	Deputy County Counsel	Remote

The Board of Supervisors held a moment of silence in honor of Congressman Doug LaMalfa.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Prayer

Public Comment

This is the time set aside for citizens to address the Board on matters on the consent agenda and matters not otherwise on the agenda. Comments should be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the Board. If your comment concerns an item shown on the agenda please address the Board after that item is open for public comment. By law, the Board cannot take action on matters that are not on the agenda. Unless otherwise announced, the Chair reserves the right to limit the duration of each speaker to three minutes. Speaker may not cede their time.

Agenda items with times listed will be considered at that time all other items will be considered as listed on the agenda or as deemed necessary by the Chair.

Doreen Smith Power requested that a resolution be placed on the next agenda regarding her correspondence provided to the Board of Supervisors. Doreen provided comments on the new agenda system.

Approval or Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Correspondence

The Chair of the Board entered the following correspondence into the record: 1) Letter from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management - Notice of Proposed Action Lands in Wilderness Massacre Rim WSA - CA-020-1013 (Placed as item f. under Correspondence); 2) Letter from Doreen Smith Power regarding the Pit River (Placed as item g. under Correspondence).

- a. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Thank you card from Elaina French for the Board of Supervisors support in the Devils Garden Colt Challenge.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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- b. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Response letter from the United States Department of the Interior on the August 22, 2025, letter to Secretary Burgum expressing support for the continued operation of Keno Dam.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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- c. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Letter received from the Surprise Valley Health Care District, regarding the AB-1882 Seismic Compliance Reporting.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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- d. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Letter received from Modoc County Department of Social Services regarding funding for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 for the Home Safe Program.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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- e. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Letter received from Wadrick Bouligny, regarding his claim against the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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Department Head Reports

None.

1. Board of Supervisors Items

1.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Reorganization of the Board of Supervisors and election of the 2026 Chair and Vice-Chair of the Modoc County Board of Supervisors.

The Chair of the Board read the item into the record and turned the gavel over to the Clerk of the Board, Tiffany Martinez.

Clerk of the Board Martinez called for nominations for the 2026 Chair of the Board.

Supervisor Rhoads nominated Supervisor Byrne for the 2026 Chair of the Board.

Clerk of the Board Martinez called for any other nominations. There being no other nominations for the 2026 Chair of the Board, Clerk of the Board Martinez closed the nominations for 2026 Chair of the Board.

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Rhoads, seconded by Supervisor Cockrell, to elect Supervisor Byrne as the 2026 Chair of the Board.

Motion carried 4-0. Supervisor Byrne was absent.

Clerk of the Board Martinez called for nominations for the 2026 Vice-Chair of the Board.

Supervisor Starr nominated Supervisor Rhoads for the 2026 Vice-Chair of the Board.

Clerk of the Board Martinez called for additional nominations. There being no other nominations for the 2026 Vice-Chair of the Board, Clerk of the Board Martinez closed the nominations for 2026 Vice-Chair of the Board.

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Starr, seconded by Supervisor Coe, to elect Supervisor Rhoads as the 2026 Vice-Chair of the Board.

Motion carried 4-0. Supervisor Byrne was absent.

Clerk of the Board Martinez turned the gavel over to Vice-Chair of the Board Rhoads in the absence of Chair of the Board Byrne.

1.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a Resolution to honor Congressman Doug LaMalfa and his years of public service representing the rural constituents of Northern California.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

2. **Consent Agenda Items**

- 2.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a recurring grant agreement between the County of Modoc and California Air Resources Board (CARB) for the G25-MO-14 Carl Moyer Grant, not to exceed \$200,000.00, effective January 7, 2026 through December 31, 2034.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-01

- 2.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a recurring agreement between the County of Modoc and Remi Vista, Inc., not to exceed \$50,000.00, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-02

- 2.c. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign the twelfth (12) amendment to the Refuse Collection Agreement between USA Waste of California, Inc. dba Alturas Disposal, and the County of Modoc, extension effective February 28, 2026 through February 28, 2027.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-03

- 2.d. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign the Memorandum of Agreement with Robert K. Weidner for government**

relations advisory services related to water resource constraints, in the amount of \$12,000.00, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-04

- 2.e. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign the Memorandum of Agreement with Robert K. Weidner for government relations advisory services for public lands, in the amount of \$23,000.00, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-05

- 2.f. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign the 2026 Certificate Statement Regarding Composition of Local Child Care and Development Planning Council (LPC) Membership.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-06

- 2.g. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting authorization to remove one (1) Dell Server (Fixed Asset ID# 1650-0034) from the Information Technology fixed asset inventory list and allow for disposal, effective January 13, 2026.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
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MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.h. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting authorization to remove one (1) Dell Server (Fixed Asset ID# 1660-0072) from the Information Technology fixed asset inventory list and allow for disposal effective January 13, 2026.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.i. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting authorization to remove one (1) Dell Server (Fixed Asset ID# 1660-0073) from the Information Technology fixed asset inventory list and allow for disposal effective January 13, 2026.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.j. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting authorization to remove one (1) Dell Server (Fixed Asset ID# 1660-0074) from the Information Technology fixed asset inventory list and allow for disposal effective January 13, 2026.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.k. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting the appointment of Christina Fragnito as a Board Member to the Far Northern Coordinating Council on Developmental Disabilities (dba Far Northern Regional Center) for a two (2) year term, effective January 13, 2026 through January 12, 2028.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.l. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to accept the resignation of Edna Winkle from the Far Northern Coordinating Council on Development Disabilities, effective May 16, 2025.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.m. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the reappointment of Clinton Davis as a Council Member to the PSA 2 Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council for a four (4) year term, effective June 9, 2025 through June 8, 2029.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.n. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the reappointment of Catherine Smitha as the District II Board Member to the Library Advisory Board, effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2028.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.o. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting the reappointment of Kris Anderson to the Law Library Board of Trustees, effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.p. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting the reappointment of Harry Hitchings as the Modoc County Veterans Remains Officer, effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.q. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the October 14, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.r. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the October 28, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.s. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the November 10, 2025 Board of Supervisors special meeting minutes.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
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MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.t. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the December 9, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 2.u. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the December 15, 2025 Board of Supervisors special meeting minutes.**

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENT AGENDA [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

3. Behavioral Health Items

- 3.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an agreement between the County of Modoc and Californina Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA) for HEDIS Performance Measurement Year 2025/Reporting Year 2026, not to exceed \$25,920.00, effective January 1, 2025 through Decemeber 31, 2029.**

Director of Health Services, Stacy Sphar, provided a background on the proposed agreement.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-07

4. Road/Airport Items

- 4.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an agreement between the County of Modoc and Hat Creek Construction and Materials Inc. for construction of Modoc County Road 91 Rehabilitation Project, for the bid amount of \$8,540,989.00, effective January 13, 2026.**

Road Commissioner, Mitch Crosby, provided a background on the proposed agreement.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-08

5. Planning Items

- 5.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 325-A to amend Title 19 - Comprehensive Land Use, Chapter 19.06 – Land Conservation (Williamson) Act of the Modoc County Code.**

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a background on the proposed Ordinance.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Ordinance# 325-A

6. Air Pollution Control District

- 6.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a Grant Agreement between the Modoc County Air Pollution Control District and California Air Resources Board (CARB) for the Climate Heat Impact Response Program (CHIRP Year 2022) in the amount of \$20,208.00.**

Air Pollution Control Officer, Heather Kelly, provided a background on the proposed agreement and requested to amend the agenda item as follows: Requesting approval and authorization to apply for a grant between the Modoc County Air Pollution Control District and California Air Resources Board (CARB) for the Climate Heat Impact Response Program (CHIRP Year 2022) in the amount of

\$20,208.00.

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Cockrell, seconded by Supervisor Starr, to approve as amended and authorize applying for a grant between the Modoc County Air Pollution Control District and California Air Resources Board (CARB) for the Climate Heat Impact Response Program (CHIRP Year 2022) in the amount of \$20,208.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-09

- 6.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to Air Pollution Fund 675, modifying revenue in the amount of \$77,000.00.**

Air Pollution Control Officer, Heather Kelly, provided a background on the proposed budget modification and requested the agenda verbiage be updated as follows: Requesting approval of a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to Air Pollution Fund 675, modifying expenditures in the amount of \$77,000.00.

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Coe, seconded by Supervisor Cockrell, to approve as amended a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to Air Pollution Fund 675, modifying expenditures in the amount of \$77,000.00.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

7. Agriculture Items

- 7.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign agreement 25-0563-000-SA between the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) and the Modoc County Department of Agriculture for the Apiary Protection Program, not to exceed \$5,211.30, effective January 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.**

Agriculture Commissioner, Heather Kelly, provided a background on the proposed agreement.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe

SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-10

8. Farm Advisor Items

- 8.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a letter to the Modoc National Forest requesting the ownership of up to fifteen (15) horses to be transferred from the Forest Service to the County of Modoc, as per allowance by the Forest Service regulations.**

Farm Advisor, Laura Snell, provided a background on the proposed letter.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 8.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a letter to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requesting the ownership of up to twenty (20) horses to be transferred from the BLM to The County of Modoc, as per allowance by the Bureau of Land Management.**

Farm Advisor, Laura Snell, provided a background on the proposed letter.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

9. Sheriff/Coroner Items

- 9.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a Resolution to accept the 2025 Department of Justice COPS Hiring Grant for the total Federal Award amount of \$250,000.00, with a match of \$86,110.00 over the course of five (5) years, effective October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2030.**

Sheriff, Tex Dowdy, provided a background on the proposed Resolution.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Resolution# 2026-02

Contract# 2026-02

- 9.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization to remove one (1) 2020 Dodge Durango (Fixed Asset ID# 2110–0490) from the Sheriff's Office fixed asset inventory list and transfer the asset to the Tulelake Police Department, effective October 14, 2025.**

Sheriff, Tex Dowdy, provided a background on the proposed asset transfer.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 9.c. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to waive the competitive bidding requirements per Modoc County Code Section 3.24.060 (B) and authorize the purchase of two (2) 2022 Dodge Durangos and one (1) 2018 Ford F-150 from Querque Auto Brokers, Albuquerque, NM, for the Modoc County Sheriff's Office, for the amount of \$85,899.00.**

Sheriff, Tex Dowdy, provided a background on the proposed purchase.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Contract# 2026-12

10. Administrative Services Items

- 10.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance 320-A to amend Title 3 - Revenue and Finance, Chapter 3.24 - Purchasing Procedure of the Modoc County Code.**

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a background on the proposed Ordinance.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

Ordinance# 320-A

- 10.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to create the non-exempt position and adopt the class specification for a Paralegal III, Range 293: Step A-J: \$4,711.00 - \$7,308.00 monthly, effective July 1, 2025.**

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a background on the proposed creation of the Paralegal III position.

Dorren Smith Power asked several clarifying questions on the class specification.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

11. Board of Supervisors Items

- 11.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a Resolution approving the amendment to the Joint Exercise of Powers agreement for the purpose of continuing a regional medical services agency and providing for the implementation, operation, and management of an emergency medical services system in the counties of Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Sierra, and Trinity counties in the State of California.**

Assistant County Administrative Officer, Tiffany Martinez, provided a background on the proposed Resolution.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None

ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne
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- 11.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a letter to the Caltrans District 2 Traffic Division Manager regarding safety concerns on Highway 299.**

Supervisor Coe provided a background on the proposed letter.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 11.c. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a letter to the United States Department of Agriculture Secretary Rollins regarding alfalfa hay being included as a commodity in the Farmer Bridge Assistance Program.**

Supervisor Coe provided a background on the proposed letter.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 11.d. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to adopt the amended by-laws for the Big Valley Advisory Groundwater Committee, effective January 13, 2025.**

Assistant County Administrative Officer, Tiffany Martinez, provided a background on the proposed bylaws.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

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- 11.e. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Discussion and approval for the Chair of the Board to appoint a member of the Board of Supervisors to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy Board assignment for 2026.**

Supervisor Starr reported he would like to continue to serve as the designated Supervisor for the Sierra Nevada Conservancy Board assignment.

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Coe, seconded by Supervisor Cockrell, to approve the appointment of Supervisor Starr as the designated Supervisor for the Sierra Nevada Conservancy Board assignment for 2026.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 11.f. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Discussion and approval for the Chair of the Board to set the 2026 Standing Committees for the Board of Supervisors.**

Supervisor Starr reported he would like to recommend that Supervisor Cockrell be appointed as the Board of Supervisors alternate representative for the Modoc County Transportation Commission and the Modoc County Transportation Agency.

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Coe and seconded by Supervisor Starr, to approve as amended the 2026 Standing Committees for the Board of Supervisors with the recommended change of Supervisor Cockrell as the Board of Supervisors alternate representative to the Modoc County Transportation Commission and the Modoc County Transportation Agency.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

- 11.g. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Discussion and approval for the Chair of the Board to set the 2026 Ad Hoc Committees for the Board of Supervisors.**

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Starr, seconded by Supervisor Cockrell, to approve the 2026 Ad Hoc Committees for the Board of Supervisors as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr

SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

12. **Comments/Reports**

12.a. **NO ACTION: Public Comment**

Doreen Smith-Power provided comments regarding a letter provided to the Planning Department on County Road 81. Ms. Smith-Powers provided comments on the need to update county road signs. Ms. Smith-Power provided comments on the new agenda system.

12.b. **REPORT: Administrative Services Report**

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a report on the following: 1) California Association of County Executives (CACE) report on County Medical Services Program (CMSP); 2) Will be scheduling a meeting with the Chair and Vice-Chair to discuss a request from the Big Valley Water Users Association for watermaster service; 3) Update on the purchase of the new building by the Air Pollution Control District; 4) Update on indigent defense costs for 2025-2026; 5) Update on the proposed State of California budget; 6) Update on the Cedarville Water District bill dispute for county facilities; 7) Update on the Surprise Valley Healthcare District IGT funding and ongoing activities of the District.

12.c. **REPORT: Department Head Reports**

Watermaster, Ben Silvia, reported on the recent Watermaster staff training and certificate of completion for in-flow measurement from the Irrigation District School of Irrigation (ITRC) through Cal Poly.

12.d. **REPORT: Board of Supervisors Reports**

Supervisor Starr reported on the following: 1) Sierra Nevada Conservancy meeting; 2) Tri-Counties meeting; 3) United States Forest Service Coordination meeting; 4) Rural Voices for Conservation meeting; 5) Follow-up meeting with Rural Voices for Conservation; 6) Superior California Economic Development (SCED) micro loan Committee meeting.

Supervisor Cockrell reported on the following: 1) Tri-Counties meeting; 2) Community Corrections Partnership (CCPIF) meeting; 3) Meeting with Supervisor Coe, Road Commissioner Crosby, and Debbie Pedersen regarding safety concerns on the highway near the auction yard.

Supervisor Coe reported on the following: 1) Last Frontier Health Care District meeting; 2) California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Building Advisory Council meeting; 3) Big Valley Advisory Committee (BVAC) meeting; 4) Modoc Fish, Game, and Recreation Committee meeting; 5) Golden Gate Safari Club Dinner and wolf presentation; 6) Nor-Cal Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Board meeting; 7) National Association of Counties (NACo) West Region monthly meeting; 8) Tri-Counties meeting; 9) Review of the Municipal Services Review (MSR) for the Surprise Valley Healthcare District (SVHCD) with Supervisor Rhoads; 10) California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Annual meeting; 11) California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Executive

Committee meeting; 12) California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Building Advisory meeting; 13) California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Board of Directors meeting; 14) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) Board meeting; 15) California Fish and Game Commission meeting; 16) Tri-Counties monthly meeting; 17) National Association of Counties (NACo) West Region meeting; 18) Tri-Counties Three-Board meeting; 19) National Association of Counties (NACo) Western Interstate Region monthly meeting; 20) California Fish and Wildlife Wolf meeting; 21) Meeting with Supervisor Cockrell, Road Commissioner Crosby, and Debbie Pedersen regarding safety concerns on the highway near the auction yard; 22) Juniper Berry Parade.

Supervisor Rhoads reported on the following: 1) Forest Service Coordination meeting; 2) Review of the Municipal Services Review (MSR) for the Surprise Valley Healthcare District (SVHCD) with Supervisor Coe; 3) Preparation of the Law Library agenda and minutes.

The Vice-Chair of the Board read the items into the record.

11:28 a.m. Motion to go into closed session.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

13. Closed Session

- 13.a. **CLOSED SESSION: Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Pursuant to CA Government Code 54957): Title: Director of Social Services.**

RESULT:	EVALUATION HELD
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- 13.b. **CLOSED SESSION: Real Property Negotiations (Pursuant to CA Government Code 54956.8) — Conference with property negotiators, County Administrative Officer, and County Counsel; APN: 027-070-008, 027-070-037, 027-070-039, 027-030-024, 027-030-023.**

RESULT:	DIRECTION GIVEN
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- 13.c. **CLOSED SESSION: Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Pursuant to CA Government Code 54957): Title: County Administrative Officer.**

RESULT:	DIRECTION GIVEN
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- 13.d. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Report at the conclusion of closed session any actions, if any, taken under Closed Session (Pursuant to Section 54957.1 of the CA Government Code).**

3:23 p.m. The Vice-Chair reconvened the meeting and reported out of closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 3:23 p.m. to meet in regular session on January 27, 2026.

NED COE
Chair of the Board

ATTEST:

BY:

TIFFANY MARTINEZ
Clerk of the Board