

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



Geri Byrne
Chairperson

Chester Robertson
County Administrative Officer

Board of Supervisors Room
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REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2026
10:00 AM

Call to Order

The Chair of the Board, Geri Byrne, 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	Present
Chester Robertson	County Administrative Officer	Present
Tiffany Martinez	Clerk of the Board/Assistant County Administrative Officer	Present
Scott McLeran	Deputy County Counsel	Remote

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.

Cal Fire Division Chief of Devil's Garden Fire Center, Steve Walker introduce Cal Fire Unit Chief for Lassen and Modoc, Josh Kern. Cal Fire Unit Chief for Lassen and Modoc Kern provided an update on the staffing and

equipment within Modoc County.

A discussion was held, and several questions were asked regarding County Road 91.

Approval or Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

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

Correspondence

Clerk of the Board, Tiffany Martinez, entered the following into the record: 1) A thank you letter from Kristi Dodgen for the Adin Clean Up Day roll off dumpster.

Department Head Reports

District Attorney, Nina Salarno, introduced the new District Attorney service dog to the Board of Supervisors.

Farm Advisor, Laura Snell, reported that Lassen County Farm Advisor, David Lile, would be retiring at the end of June. Farm Advisor Snell reported on the potential UC ANR positions that could potentially be filled in the future. Farm Advisor Snell invited the Board of Supervisors to the Junior Livestock Show and BBQ.

1. Consent Agenda Items

- 1.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an Allocation Agreement Amendment Number 1 between the Farmer Shared Allocation Pool and the Modoc County Air Pollution Control District to extend the unused administration funds, the due date, and the allocation agreement end date.**

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

Contract No. 2026-95

- 1.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a recurring grant agreement between the Modoc County Air Pollution Control Board and the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Grant G21-PBRM-14-4, not to exceed \$50,000.00, effective June 1, 2022 to June 30, 2028.**

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

Contract No. 2026-96

- 1.c. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a recurring grant agreement between the Modoc County Agriculture Department and the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for the agreement number 26-0050-000-SA, not to exceed \$900.00, effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.**

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

Contract No. 2026-97

- 1.d. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a recurring grant agreement 26-0096-000-SA between the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) and Modoc County Department of Agriculture, not to exceed \$240.00, effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**

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

Contract No. 2026-98

- 1.e. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a contract via DocuSign between the County of Modoc and JUMP Technology Services, L.L.C. for hosting and support of a cloud-based Adult Protective Services (APS) system, not to exceed \$7,350.00, effective June 1, 2026 through May 31, 2028.**

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

Contract No. 2026-99

- 1.f. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an annual contract via DocuSign between the County of Modoc and Training Employment and Community Help, Inc. (TEACH, Inc.) for parent education services, not to exceed \$86,500.00, effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.**

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

Contract No. 2026-100

- 1.g. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting authorization to remove one (1) L-Shaped Desk (Fixed Asset ID #01250332) from the Department of Social Services fixed asset inventory list and allow for disposal, effective June 9, 2026.**

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

2. Agriculture Items

- 2.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to award the bid for the purchase of one (1) UTV 2025 Honda Pioneer 1000 to Northstate Powersports, in the amount of \$19,883.00, effective June 9, 2026.**

Agriculture Commissioner/Sealer of Weights and Measures, Heather Kelly, provided a background on the proposed bid award.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr

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

Contract No. 2026-101

3. Health Services Items

- 3.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an Affiliation Agreement between the County of Modoc and Wilmington University for the completion of student clinical hours, effective June 9, 2026.**

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

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

Contract No. 2026-102

4. Public Health 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 Emergent 3 for an employee safety notification system, not to exceed \$4,500.00 per year, effective June 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029.**

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

A discussion was held, and several questions were asked of Director Sphar.

Motion by Supervisor Coe and seconded by Supervisor Cockrell to approve as amended and authorize the Chair of the Board to sign an agreement between the County of Modoc and Emergent 3 for an employee safety notification system, not to exceed \$4,500.00 per year, with the inclusion of the \$2,000.00 startup fee, effective June 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029.

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

Contract No. 2026-103

5. Recorder Items

- 5.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to 282 Modernization Fund, modifying expenditures in the amount of \$265.00.**

Assessor, Kristen DePaul, provided a background on the proposed budget modification.

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

6. Social Services Items

- 6.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an amendment to the ongoing contract via DocuSign between the County of Modoc and Training Employment and Community Help, Inc. (TEACH, Inc.) for the Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP), increasing the not-to-exceed amount from \$204,411.00 to \$219,411.00, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026.**

Director of Social Services, Tom Sandage, provided a background on the proposed amendment.

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

Contract No. 2026-104

7. Taylor Grazing Items

- 7.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization to grant funding for the Archie Osborne - Lower Lake Solar Pump project, as approved and recommended by the Modoc County Grazing Advisory Board, not to exceed \$6,564.56.**

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

Supervisor Cockrell reported he would like to recuse from voting on item 7.a. as he has recently conducted business with the applicant.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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MOVER:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe
SECONDER:	District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne, District II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
NAYS:	None
RECUSAL:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell

Contract No. 2026-105

8. Treasurer/Tax Collector Items

- 8.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a Resolution authorizing the temporary transfer of funds to the Modoc County Treasurer and Auditor for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.**

Treasurer-Tax Collector, Macey Von-Radar, provided background information on the proposed Resolution.

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

Resolution No. 2026-25

- 8.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to General Unit 001; Treasurer Unit 1140 and Tax Collector Unit 1160, modifying expenditures for a net-zero impact.**

Treasurer-Tax-Collector, Macey Von-Radar, provided a background on the proposed budget modification.

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

9. Sheriff/Coroner Items

- 9.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an agreement between the County of Modoc Sheriff's Office and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for Gray Wolf Management Services.**

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

A short discussion was held regarding the agreement.

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

Contract No. 2026-106

- 9.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a bid exemption per Modoc County Code 3.24.060 (B) (3) and authorization for the Sheriff to execute all necessary documents related to the acquisition of one (1) decommissioned mobile command post trailer and one (1) 2019 Kenworth truck as a unit from the Lake County Sheriff's Office for emergency management, incident command, and public safety operations, not to exceed \$45,000.00.**

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

A discussion was held, and several questions were asked of Sheriff Dowdy.

Motion by Supervisor Coe, seconded by Supervisor Rhoads to approve of a bid exemption per Modoc County Code 3.24.060 (B) (3) and authorize the Sheriff to execute all necessary documents related to the acquisition of one (1) decommissioned mobile command post trailer and one (1) 2019 Kenworth truck as a unit from the Lake County Sheriff's Office for emergency management, incident command, and public safety operations, not to exceed \$45,000.00.

Supervisor Byrne asked if sales tax was included in the not-to-exceed amount.

Sheriff Dowdy reported that sales tax was not included in the not-to-exceed amount requested.

Motion by Supervisor Coe, seconded by Supervisor Rhoads to approve as amended of a bid exemption per Modoc County Code 3.24.060 (B) (3) and authorize the Sheriff to execute all necessary documents related to the acquisition of one (1) decommissioned mobile command post trailer and one (1) 2019 Kenworth truck as a unit from the Lake County Sheriff's Office for emergency management, incident command, and public safety operations, not to exceed \$45,000.00 with the inclusion of \$3,262.50 for sales tax.

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

Contract No. 2026-107

10. Road/Airport Items

- 10.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a Resolution authorizing the expenditure of Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account funds.**

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

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

Resolution No. 2026-26

- 10.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a contract between the County of Modoc and Lumos & Associates for On-Call Road Engineering Services, not to exceed \$400,000.00, effective June 9, 2026 through June 9, 2029.**

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

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

Contract No. 2026-108

- 10.c. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement between the Federal Aviation Administration and the California State Historical Preservation Officer regarding the Tullake Municipal Airport Proposed Perimeter Fence Project, effective June 9, 2026.**

Road Commissioner, Mitch Crosby, provided a background on the revised amendment.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell
SECONDER:	District II Supervisor, Shane Starr
AYES:	District I Supervisor, Ned Coe, District V Supervisor, Geri Byrne, District

	II Supervisor, Shane Starr, District IV Supervisor, Casey Cockrell, District III Supervisor, Kathie Rhoads
ABSTAIN:	None

Contract No. 2026-109

11. Information Technology Items

- 11.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a Statement of Work No. 2026-09 between the County of Modoc and Patrick Gerard DBA Shasta Infrastructure Services for services related to the .gov website and email transition, in the amount of \$6,067.50.**

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

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

Contract No. 2026-110

12. Administrative Services Items

- 12.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the Public Risk Innovation Solutions, and Management (PRISM) Joint Powers Authority Agreement and authorizing the County's PRISM Board member to sign the agreement.**

County Administrative Officer, Chester Roberson, provided a background on the proposed amendment.

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

Resolution No. 2026-27

Contract No. 2026-110 (A)

- 12.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the**

Board to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County of Modoc and the Modoc Firesafe Council for Landowner Assistance and Residential Chipping Program, in the amount of \$67,400.00, effective May 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a background on the proposed Memorandum of Understanding and reported that there is a typo that needs to be corrected to section 3.a. of the scope of work

A discussion was held, and several questions were asked of County Administrative Officer Robertson.

Motion by Supervisor Coe, seconded by Supervisor Starr, to approve as amended and authorize the Chair of the Board to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County of Modoc and the Modoc Firesafe Council for Landowner Assistance and Residential Chipping Program with a correction to section 3.a. of the scope of work, in the amount of \$67,400.00, effective May 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

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

Contract No. 2026-111

10:55 a.m. At the conclusion of item 12.b., Supervisor Coe left the meeting room.

- 12.c. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an Amendment #4 between the County of Modoc and Prentice Long, PC, increasing the fee schedule 2.6%, effective June 1, 2026.**

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

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

Contract No. 2026-112

- 12.d. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a contract between the Law Office of Jessica Ryan Keeney, Esq. and the County**

of Modoc for Public Defender Services, in the amount of \$18,566.22 monthly, effective July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

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

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

Contract No. 2026-113

- 12.e. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an updated countywide Travel and Reimbursement Policy, effective July 1, 2026.**

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

Auditor, Stephanie Wellemeyer, provided a background on the proposed travel policy.

Motion by Supervisor Cockrell, seconded by Supervisor Rhoads, to approve and authorize the Chair of the Board to sign an updated countywide Travel and Reimbursement Policy, effective July 1, 2026.

Assistant County Administrative Officer, Tiffany Martinez, asked about having the Board of Supervisors Travel Policy attached to the county-wide travel policy.

Supervisor Rhoads reported she would support the addition of the Board of Supervisors Travel Policy as Attachment A to the county-wide travel policy.

Supervisor Byrne asked Auditor Wellemeyer if an employee or elected official takes an Uber and pays a tip to the driver, is that covered within the policy.

Auditor Wellemeyer reported that a tip is not currently included as it is covered under incidentals. Auditor Wellemeyer reported that tips for meals are included in the per diem, and other tips are under incidentals at this time.

Supervisor Byrne asked for clarification if a tip paid to an Uber driver was reimbursed.

Auditor Wellemeyer reported that the proposed policy only includes a five-dollar per diem, per day, which would cover any tips. Auditor Wellemeyer reported that there is no other language in the

policy related to tips.

A discussion was held on amending the policy in relation to tips, and a discussion on road and bridge tolls took place.

A lengthy discussion was held, and several questions were asked of Auditor Wellemeyer regarding the inclusion of tips in the county policy.

Motion by Supervisor Cockrell, seconded by Supervisor Rhoads, to amend their motion and second to approve as amended and authorize the Chair of the Board to sign an updated countywide Travel and Reimbursement Policy, effective July 1, 2026 with the following amendments: 1) Include the Board of Supervisors Travel Policy as Attachment A; 2) Add a section to the policy to state that tips during travel for county business shall not exceed 15% of the cost of service.

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

13. Board of Supervisors Items

- 13.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting authorization for the Alturas Chamber of Commerce to use the Veterans Memorial Park and Rachel Dorris Park for the annual Fandango Days celebration on July 4, 2026, and approve the alcohol license for the Alturas Lions Club to sell alcohol on the premises.**

Supervisor Cockrell reported he is not against Fandango Days, but he believes that we can have a society where there does not have to be alcohol to have fun.

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

14. Reports

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

None.

11:22 a.m. Supervisor Coe returned to the meeting room.

The Chair of the Board moved to Department Head reports.

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

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a report on the following: 1) Update on jury trials for the county; 2) Grand Jury update regarding a 30% increase in their budget; 3) Update on insurance rates decrease for the County of Modoc and the potential of having a pooled gap funding policy; 4) Meetings and obtaining quotes from health insurance companies for employee health insurance rates.

Assistant County Administrative Officer, Tiffany Martinez, provided a report on the following: 1) 2026 Code Enforcement Ad Hoc Committee meetings; 2) Reviewing county-wide phone system solutions; 3) Update on the failure of our secondary internet equipment; 4) Update on meeting with Charter Spectrum regarding internet connections; 5) Coordination meeting with the Sheriff's Office regarding Information and Technology projects; 6) Budget software training is complete and update on remaining implementation; 7) Update on website implementation which is set to go live on July 1, 2026; 8) Update on the .gov transition; 9) Update on the network switch project and wireless access points upgrade; 10) Update on the camera installation project.

The Chair of the Board moved to the Board of Supervisors reports.

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

Auditor and County Clerk, Stephanie Wellemeyer, provided an update on the following: 1) 2026 Primary election; 2) Time and attendance module for ADP update; 3) Update on county audits.

A discussion was held on the time and attendance module regarding implementation and the ability to track staff expenses to obtain reimbursements from the state.

The Chair of the Board moved to the Administrative Services Report.

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

Supervisor Rhoads reported on the following: 1) Treasury Oversight Committee meeting; 2) Oral, Maternal Child and Adolescent Health meeting; 3) Forest Service Coordination meeting; 4) Modoc County Transportation and Transit meetings; 5) Modoc Forest Services Recreation meeting; 6) Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) meeting.

Supervisor Coe reported on the following: 1) Euna Budget software training; 2) California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Legislative update; 3) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) Legislative update; 4) Western Interstate Region (WIR) Officer Planning meeting; 5) National Association of Counties (NACo) Public Lands office hours; 6) Modoc County Transportation Commission (MCTC) meeting; 7) Modoc Transportation Agency (MTA) meeting; 8) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) County of the Chair meeting; 9) Meeting with

Senator Schiff staff member Wesley Fink.

Supervisor Starr reported on the following: 1) 2026 Code Enforcement Ad Hoc Committee meeting; 2) Treasury Oversight Committee meeting; 3) Northern Rural Training and Employment Consortium (NoRTEC) meeting; 4) Forest Service County Coordination meeting; 5) 2026 Code Enforcement Ad Hoc meeting; 6) Modoc Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development grant application.

Supervisor Cockrell reported on the following: 1) Euna Budget Software Training; 2) 2026 Code Enforcement Ad Hoc Committee meetings.

Supervisor Byrne reported on the following: 1) Tri-Counties Work Group Teams Monthly meeting; 2) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) Officers meetings; 3) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) County of the Chair meeting; 4) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) basket for annual meeting.

The Chair of the Board read the closed session items into the record.

11:43 a.m. Motion to go into closed session.

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

15. Closed Session

- 15.a. **CLOSED SESSION: Labor Negotiations (Pursuant to CA Government Code 54957.6) — Conference with labor negotiators, County Counsel, and Human Resources Director, to discuss Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the United Public Employees of California (UPEC), Local 792 - General Unit.**

RESULT:	DIRECTION GIVEN
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- 15.b. **CLOSED SESSION: Labor Negotiations (Pursuant to CA Government Code 54957.6) — Conference with labor negotiators, County Counsel, and Human Resources Director, to discuss Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Deputy Sheriffs Association (DSA).**

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

RESULT:	EVALUATION HELD
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- 15.d. **: 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).

2:30 p.m. The Board reconvened and reported out of closed session with all members present.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 2:31 p.m. to meet in regular session on June 23, 2026.

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

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Chair of the Board

ATTEST:

BY:

TIFFANY MARTINEZ
Clerk of the Board