

NED COE
1st District

2nd District

KATHIE RHOADS
3rd District

ELIZABETH CAVASSO
4th District

GERI BYRNE
5th District



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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING REGULAR MEETING

June 14, 2022

10:00 AM Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Ned Coe	Supervisor District I	Present	10:00 AM
Kathie Rhoads	Supervisor District III	Present	10:00 AM
Elizabeth Cavasso	Supervisor District IV	Absent	
Geri Byrne	Supervisor District V	Present	10:00 AM
Scott McLeran	Deputy County Counsel	Present	10:00 AM
Chester Robertson	County Administration Officer	Present	10:00 AM
Mickey Cole	Extra Help	Present	10:00 AM

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Prayer

Senior Pastor of Christian Life Assembly, Clarence McCarty, offered a word of prayer.

Public Comment

None.

Approval or Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Supervisor Coe requested to move the following item on the agenda:
Item 1.g. be pulled from the Consent Agenda and placed as item 6.c.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

Correspondence

a. Correspondence received - California Fish and Game Commission June 15-16, 2022 Agenda

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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Department Head Reports

Assessor/Recorder Kristen DePaul, provided a handout and report on the Assessment Roll.

Assessor/Recorder DePaul provided a report on the Williamson Act and the potential for future funding through the Governor's office.

Supervisor Byrne thanked Assessor/Recorder DePaul for the report.

Handout Provided - Tax Year 2022 Assessed Roll

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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1. Consent Agenda Items:

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

- 1.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health Services to sign an annual service agreement between Modoc County Behavioral Health and Modoc County Office of Education, not to exceed \$225,500.00, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. (Behavioral Health)**

Contract# 2022-90

- 1.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health Services to sign an annual contract between Modoc County Behavioral Health and IDEA Consulting, not to exceed \$75,000.00, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. (Behavioral Health)**

Contract# 2022-91

- 1.c. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health services to sign an annual contract between Modoc County Behavioral Health and Crisis Support Services of Alameda County, not to exceed \$37,800.00, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. (Behavioral Health)**

Contract# 2022-92

- 1.d. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION:** Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health Services to sign an annual contract between Modoc County Behavioral Health and Visions of the Cross Inc., not to exceed \$50,000.00, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30 2023. (Behavioral Health)

Contract# 2022-93

- 1.e. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION:** Requesting approval and authorization of the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health Services to sign an annual contract between Modoc County Behavioral Health and Aurora Behavioral Healthcare, not to exceed \$80,000.00, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024. (Behavioral Health)

Contract# 2022-94

- 1.f. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION:** Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health Services to sign an annual contract between Modoc County Behavioral Health and Vista Pacifica Enterprises, not to exceed \$300,000.00 effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. (Behavioral Health)

Contract# 2022-95

- 1.g. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION:** Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health Services to sign Agreement #19-10544 A02 between the County of Modoc and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) in the amount of \$1,231,985, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022. - *Pulled from consent agenda.* (Health Services)

- 1.h. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION:** Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an annual agreement between the Modoc County Probation Department and the Modoc County Office of Education for specialized services, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. (Probation)

Contract# 2022-97

- 1.i. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION:** Requesting approval and authorization for the Alturas Chamber of Commerce to use and sell alcohol on the premises of the Veterans Memorial Park and Rachel Dorris Park for the annual Fandango Days celebration on July 2, 2022. (County Clerk)

2. Sheriff/Coroner Items:

- 2.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Modoc County Sheriff to sign an agreement between the Modoc County Sheriff's Office and the California State Sheriff's Association for Cloud Based Computer Services and Support, effective once provisioned by the California States Sheriff's Association on the Modoc County Sheriff's Office behalf. (Sheriff's Office)**

Sheriff, Tex Dowdy, provided a background on the new program, Sheriff Dowdy reported on the following: 1) The cloud-based platform would allow purchasing power with other counties; 2) The cloud-based program was a secure site with no cost for onboarding; 3) Payment would only be required for what was used.

A discussion followed and several questions were asked of Information Systems Analyst III, Jason Moeller, and Sheriff Dowdy regarding usage and costs.

Contract# 2022-98

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
SECONDER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

3. Emergency Services Items:

- 3.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a resolution to accept the California Climate Investment Fire Prevention Grant Program Award in the amount of \$340,210.00 to the Modoc County Office of Emergency Services. (Office of Emergency Services)**

Sheriff, Tex Dowdy, provided a background on the resolution. Sheriff Dowdy reported the grant award would be used for the mapping program in coordination with the Assessor's office. Sheriff Dowdy reported the mapping program would benefit the county as a whole and would assist in emergency evacuation plans.

A discussion followed regarding funding and the reimbursable grant.

Supervisor Byrne reported she would like to strike the word "amendments" from number five (5) under the portion of the resolution "Now, therefore, be it resolved".

Supervisor Coe requested a copy of the amended resolution be filed with the Clerk of the Board.

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Rhoads, seconded by Supervisor Coe to approve of a resolution as amended to accept the California Climate Investment Fire Prevention Grant Program Award in the amount of \$340,210.00 to the Modoc County Office of Emergency Services.

Motion approved unanimously.

Resolution# 2022-24

RESULT:	APPROVE AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
SECONDER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

Final Certified Resolution# 2022-24

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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4. Treasurer/Tax Collector Items:

- 4.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting a review and approval to accept the 2020-2021 Treasury Oversight Compliance Audit performed by R.J. Ricciardi, Inc. (Treasurer/Tax Collector)**

Treasurer/Tax Collector, Cheryl Knoch, provided a background on the Treasury Oversight Committee Compliance Examination for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 which was completed in February, 2022.

Contract# 2022-99

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
SECONDER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

5. Behavioral Health Items:

- 5.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health Services to sign a contract between Modoc County Behavioral Health and Sacramento Behavioral Health Hospital, not to exceed \$80,000.00, effective date July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024. (Behavioral Health)**

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

Contract# 2022-100

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

6. Health Services Items:

6.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Health Services Director to sign a contract between the County of Modoc and Frontier Communications for the Primary Rate Interface (PRI) services. (Health Services)

Information Systems Analyst III, Jason Moeller, provided a report on the Frontier Health Services Primary Rate Interface (PRI) contract. Information Systems Analyst III Moeller detailed the following: 1) Upgrading the phone system at Health Services would increase capabilities and capacity; 2) The old phone system would no longer be supported; 3) The new system would be a digital system with the capability for twenty-three (23) phone calls to occur simultaneously with one central phone number; 4) The necessity to upgrade data connection in order to provide support; 5) Significant cost savings per month with the new system; 6) Increased efficiency within the department.

Supervisor Byrne asked if the phones would be unusable if the internet failed.

Information Systems Analyst III Moeller replied in case of internet failure, data communication would return to the central office of Frontier Communications and the department would be able to make and receive calls within Alturas.

A brief discussion followed regarding limits and charges for additional usage beyond the contracted limit.

Contract# 2022-101

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

6.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to award bid and authorize the purchase of one (1) 2022 Chevrolet Equinox from Lithia Chevrolet, in the amount of \$29,139.15 and one (1) 2022 GMC Acadia from Taylor Motors in the amount of \$43,781.93. (Health Services)

Director of Health Services, Stacy Sphar, provided a background on the two (2) vehicle purchase bids.

Contract# 2022-102

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

- 6.c. **Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Director of Health Services to sign Agreement #19-10544 A02 between the County of Modoc and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) in the amount of \$1,231,985, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022. - Item moved from original posting order.**

Director of Health Services, Stacy Sphar, provided a background on the contract. Director of Health Services Sphar reported on the following: 1) This was a contract cleanup of a previously awarded contract; 2) Previous amendment to the contract in 2021 was increased to 1.2 million dollars at that time; 3) The amendment was to increase COVID-19 vaccinations and flu vaccines; 4) Throughout the contract refrigerators had been purchased to store vaccines, provide outreach and cover staff time; 5) The contract would be extended to 2024 and there would be another amendment with no additional funding.

Supervisor Coe thanked Director of Health Services Sphar for the explanation and additional details provided regarding the agreement.

Contract# 2022-96

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

7. Information & Technology Items:

- 7.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to enter into a financing contract between the County of Modoc and Dell Financial for the purchase of computing server and storage infrastructure per county code 3.24.060 not to exceed \$13,768.81 annually for a total of \$68,844.05 for a five (5) year finance term, effective July 1, 2022. (Information Technology)**

Information Systems Analyst III, Jason Moeller provided a background on the necessary replacement of the server and infrastructure in the Sheriff's office. Information Systems Analyst III

Moeller reported the Sheriff's Department equipment was seven (7) years old and had begun to have problems such as interfacing dropping off.

A conversation followed and several questions were asked of Information Systems Analyst III Moeller regarding bids, current costs, and future costs of the equipment.

Contract# 2022-103

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

- 7.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the County Administrative Officer to sign a maintenance agreement between the County of Modoc and Megabyte Systems, Inc. for the Megabyte Property Management System in the amount of \$105,287.88, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. (Information Technology)**

Information Systems Analyst III, Jason Moeller, provided a background on the maintenance agreement.

Contract# 2022-104

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
SECONDER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

- 7.c. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the County Administrative Officer to sign an agreement between the County of Modoc and Frontier Communications governing the County's self management of Caller ID. (Information Technology)**

Information Systems Analyst III, Jason Moeller, provided a background on the Caller ID Release of Liability.

Contract# 2022-105

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

8. Agriculture Items:

- 8.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an airport hangar lease agreement between the Modoc County Agriculture Department and the City of Alturas in the amount of \$80.00 per month, effective June 6, 2022 until termination by either party. (Agriculture)**

County Administrative Officer (CAO), Chester Robertson, provided a report on the airport hangar agreement. CAO Robertson reported the airplane had arrived last week and would be based in Alturas for use throughout California. CAO Robertson reported the funding had come from unclaimed gas tax and would be a benefit for services delivered to Modoc County. CAO Robertson reported the county had not had services for the past three (3) years.

Contract# 2022-106

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

9. Administrative Services Items:

- 9.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to award the bid to Copp's Irrigation Inc. for the purchase of Seametrics Electromagnetic Insertion Flow Meters with a Data Logger for the Big Valley Groundwater Basin, not to exceed twenty five (25) meters. (Administrative Services)**

Assistant County Administrative Officer, Tiffany Martinez, provided a background on the bid meters.

Contract# 2022-107

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
SECONDER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

9.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a professional services agreement between the County of Modoc and West Yost for a water availability analysis not to exceed \$65,000.00, effective upon signature by both parties. (Administrative Services)

Assistant County Administrative Officer (ACAO), Tiffany Martinez, provided a background on the Winter Water Availability Analysis. ACAO Martinez detailed the many challenges in obtaining definitive requirements from the State Water Resources Control Board regarding the study. ACAO Martinez reported the company West Yost had provided a written scope of services. ACAO Martinez reported the water availability analysis research would begin at the base of the Warner Mountains in Modoc County and would extend as far as the funding allowed.

Supervisor Coe asked if the study would determine only wintertime flow water rights and would not include irrigation season water amounts.

ACAO Martinez replied she believed the study would determine wintertime flow rates. ACAO Martinez reported during the summer there was one hundred percent (100%) allocation of water. ACAO Martinez reported due to wintertime freezing conditions in Modoc County, the study could face challenges. ACAO Martinez reported she had addressed the freezing weather challenge in their communications with the state and the state had replied they would return to the committee when a response had been formulated.

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, reported the mandated study placed an undue burden on upper watershed entities. CAO Robertson reported the study overburdened rural and disadvantaged low-income counties.

ACAO Martinez reported within the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) the water budget had been based on many assumptions and this study would help the GSP narrow down the assumptions on how much water would be available to be placed back into the basin for recharge.

Contract# 2022-108

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

10. Board of Supervisors Items:

10.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a salary increase for the Director of Health Services to \$10,450.00 monthly, effective May 26, 2022. (Board of Supervisors)

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

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
SECONDER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

10.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Modoc and the Northern Rural Training and Employment Consortium (NORTECH) with a term of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. (Board of Supervisors)

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a background on the five (5) year Memorandum of Understanding.

Contract# 2022-109

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
SECONDER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

11. Comments/Reports:

a. Public Comments

None.

b. Administrative Services Report

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, reported on the following: 1) Newell Water District Department of Water Resources (DWR) grant application had been expedited; 2) Administration meetings with all utilities regarding laws and funds arriving to coordinate those; 3) Discussion of hazards with Frontier Communications utility poles placement; 4) Modoc-Siskiyou Community Action Agency meeting; 5) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with pest abatement reviews; 6) Potential Memorandum with Shasta County with one of the county departments; 7) Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) requirements for land-fill challenges; 8) Planned Quad County meeting on July 26, 2022 at 2:00 in Susanville; 9) Wildlife Services in-person meeting; 10) Mountain lion incidences in Modoc County; 11) Additional candidates for some open positions that have flown; 12) Courts will perform interviews for Probation Chief in July; 13) Attendance of a series of community meetings; 14) Sheriff's series of community meetings; 15) Newell cleanup day event success.

c. Department Head Reports

None.

d. Board of Supervisors Reports

Supervisor Rhoads reported on the following: 1) Forest Service Recreation Committee meeting; 2) Modoc County Transportation Commission (MCTC) and Modoc Transportation Agency (MTA) meeting; 3) Field trip to Frontier Communications project; 4) Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) meeting; 5) Please call her cell phone number if communication is needed, due to her home phone carrier having current service issues.

Supervisor Coe reported on the following: 1) Modoc Ag Pass training in Tulelake; 2) Ft. Bidwell Fire Department barbecue; 3) Western Interstate Region/Public Lands Committee meeting; 4) Klamath Water Users Association (KWUA) Infrastructure funding project meeting; 5) US Fish and Wildlife Infrastructure Funding project discussion; 6) Tri-county meeting with Congressmen LaMalfa and Bentz staff; 7) Tri-Counties meeting.

Supervisor Byrne reported on the following: 1) 2021 County of Modoc Audit phone call; 2) Klamath Water Users Association (KWUA) Infrastructure funding project meeting; 3) Infrastructure Proposal Review; 3) Infrastructure follow-up meeting with Tri-County; 4) Drought and Water Resiliency Ad Hoc (RCRC) call meeting; 5) Tri-County meeting with Congressmen LaMalfa and Bentz staff; 4) Tri-County consultant discussion call; 5) Upcoming Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) County Chair meetings in Nevada.

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

11:17 a.m. Motion to go into Closed Session.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
SECONDER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

12. Closed Session:

- 12.a. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to CA Government Code 54957.6 -- Conference with Labor Negotiator Mr. Scott McLeran and Pam Randall to discuss United Public Employees of California (UPEC) and Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA) negotiations. (Administrative Services)**

RESULT:	NO ACTION
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- 12.b. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to CA Government Code 54957; Performance Evaluation; Title: Road Commissioner. (Administrative Services)**

RESULT:	EVALUATION HELD
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12.c. CLOSED SESSION: Anticipated Litigation Government Code 54956.9 (d)(2) - Number of cases (1). (County Counsel)

RESULT:	DIRECTION GIVEN
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1:19 p.m. The Board reconvened and reported out of closed session on item 12.c. with Supervisor Coe, Rhoads and Byrne present.

1:21 p.m. Motion to recess and return to closed session.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

12.d. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to CA Government Code 54957; Performance Evaluation; Title: County Administrative Officer. (Board of Supervisors)

RESULT:	EVALUATION HELD
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3:09 p.m. The Board reconvened and reported out of closed session on item 12.d. with Supervisor Coe, Rhoads and Byrne present.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn the June 14, 2022 meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Rhoads, Byrne
ABSENT:	Cavasso

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned to meet in regular session Tuesday, June 28 at 10:00 a.m.

Tiffany A. Martinez
Clerk of the Board

Geri Byrne
Chair, Modoc County Board of Supervisors