

NED COE
1st District

SHANE STARR
2nd District

KATHIE RHOADS
3rd District

ELIZABETH CAVASSO
4th District

GERI BYRNE
5th District



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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING REGULAR MEETING

October 8, 2024

10:00 AM **Call to Order**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Ned Coe	Supervisor District I	Present	10:00 AM
Shane Starr	Supervisor District II	Present	10:00 AM
Kathie Rhoads	Supervisor District III	Present	10:00 AM
Elizabeth Cavasso	Supervisor District IV	Present	10:00 AM
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
Tiffany Martinez	Clerk of the Board/ACAO	Present	10:00 AM

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Prayer

Public Comment

None.

Approval or Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Rhoads, Cavasso, Byrne

Correspondence

Clerk of the Board, Tiffany Martinez, entered the following correspondence into the record: 1) Letter from the Fremont-Winema National Forest inviting review and comment on the proposal for the Forest Fertilization 2024 Project.

- a. **Correspondence received - U.S. Forest Service requesting public input on proposed projects on the Fremont-Winema National Forest.**

RESULT: ANNOUNCED

- b. **Correspondence received - Letter from the Fremont-Winema National Forest inviting review and comment on the proposal for the Forest Fertilization 2024 Project.**

RESULT: ANNOUNCED

Department Head Reports

None.

1. Consent Agenda Items:

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Geri Byrne, Supervisor District V
SECONDER: Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES: Coe, Starr, Rhoads, Cavasso, Byrne

- 1.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to remove one (1) Magellan Desk & Hutch (Asset ID# 6210-0059) from the Farm Advisor's asset inventory list and allow for disposal, effective October 8, 2024. (Farm Advisor)**
- 1.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to remove one (1) Broadstreet Desk & Hutch (Asset ID# 6210-0058) from the Farm Advisor's asset inventory list and allow for disposal, effective October 8, 2024. (Farm Advisor)**

2. Board of Supervisors Items:

- 2.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a Resolution in support of Utah v. United States Legal Action United States Supreme Court Docket NO. 22O160. (Board of Supervisors)**

Director of Natural Resources, Sean Curtis, provided a background on the proposed resolution.

A discussion was held and several questions were asked of the Director of Natural Resources Curtis.

10:09 a.m. Supervisor Rhoads left the meeting room.

A discussion was held on concerns regarding the financial commitment of the County of Modoc.

10:13 a.m. Supervisor Rhoads returned to the meeting room.

A further discussion was held on the unappropriated lands within Modoc County.

Ordered on a motion by Supervisor Coe, and seconded by Supervisor Byrne to approve as amended a Resolution in support of Utah v. United States Legal Action United States Supreme Court Docket NO. 22O160 with authorization to the Chair of the Board and the Natural Resource Director to obtain answers to the questions asked by the Board and make a determination on the Resolution of support.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution# 2024-52

RESULT:	APPROVE AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Geri Byrne, Supervisor District V
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Rhoads, Cavasso, Byrne

2.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Discussion and approval for the Chair of the Board to designate a delegate and alternate to the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Board of Directors for 2024-2025. (Board of Supervisors)

Supervisor Byrne nominated Supervisor Coe as the delegate and Supervisor Starr as the alternate.

The Board concurred with the nomination.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Geri Byrne, Supervisor District V
SECONDER:	Kathie Rhoads, Supervisor District III
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Rhoads, Cavasso, Byrne

3. Administrative Services Items:

3.a. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION: Update from Human Resources and Risk Manager, Pam Randall, on County of Modoc open enrollment. (Administrative Services)

Human Resources and Risk Manager, Pam Randall, provided the board with a handout on the following: 1) Modoc County Employee Benefit Sheet Calendar Year 2025 General/Exempt-Confidential Management/Appointed At-Will Employees; 2) Modoc County Employee Benefit Sheet Calendar Year 2025 Elected Officials; 3) Modoc County Employee Benefit Sheet Calendar Year 2025 Deputy Sheriff's Association; 4) Modoc County Employee Benefit Sheet Calendar Year 2025 Probation Department General/Exempt-Confidential Management/Appointed At-Will Employees; 5) Modoc County Retiree Benefit Sheet Calendar Year 2025.

Human Resources and Risk Manager Randall reported the Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA) open enrollment began on September 16, 2024, and will close on October 11, 2024.

Human Resources and Risk Manager Randall reported the General Unit/Exempt-Confidential Management/Appointed At-Will Employees open enrollment begins on October 15, 2024 through November 18, 2024.

Human Resources and Risk Manager Randall reported the benefit plans will see the following increases: 1) 9% increase for PACE medical insurance benefits; 2) 16% increase in dental insurance benefits; 3) 9% increase in vision insurance benefits; 4) 20% increase in life insurance benefits.

Human Resources and Risk Manager Randall reported the December payroll would see the first deductions for the January 2025 payroll.

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a background on the increases in employee benefits across other county agencies. County Administrative Officer Robertson provided updates on potential options for other health insurance benefits for the County of Modoc.

3.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of a budget modification for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 to SGMA Grant Fund 296 and General Fund 001; modifying revenues and expenditures, in the amount of \$2,420.47. (Administrative Services)

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

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Geri Byrne, Supervisor District V
SECONDER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Rhoads, Cavasso, Byrne

4. Air Pollution Control District:

4.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to approve the application for a grant between the County of Modoc Air Pollution Control District and Carl Moyer Program for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. (Air Pollution Control District)

Air Pollution Control Officer, Heather Kelly, provided a background on the proposed grant.

Contract# 2024-175

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Rhoads, Cavasso, Byrne

- 4.b. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a contract between the County of Modoc Air Pollution Control District and O'Sullivan Grazing Company for Agreement 2-16-24 not to exceed \$99,239.04, effective October 1, 2024 through October 1, 2029. (Air Pollution Control District)**

Air Pollution Control Officer, Heather Kelly, provided a background on the proposed grant.

Contract# 2024-176

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Geri Byrne, Supervisor District V
SECONDER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Rhoads, Cavasso, Byrne

5. Comments/Reports:

a. Public Comments

None.

b. Administrative Services Report

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a report on the following: 1) Update on insurance for the County of Modoc and other county agencies; 2) Artificial intelligence (AI) within county government update; 3) SB 525 Healthcare minimum wage update; 4) Geographic Information System (GIS) Mapping update - County of Modoc precincts; 5) Code Enforcement Officer update.

c. Department Head Reports

None.

d. Board of Supervisors Reports

Supervisor Coe reported on the following: 1) County of Modoc budget hearings; 2) Modoc Fish, Game, and Recreation Commission meeting; 3) Western Interstate Region By-Laws Committee meeting; 4) Western Interstate Region (WIR) Board meeting in Stevens County, Washington; 5) National Association of Counties (NACo) Artificial Intelligence (AI) Leadership Academy Workshop; 6) Meeting with Iown Renewable Energy.

Supervisor Cavasso reported on the following: 1) County of Modoc budget hearings; 2) Modoc Joint Unified School Board Candidate Forum; 3) Modoc County Transportation Commission (MCTC) meeting; 4) Modoc Transportation Agency (MTA) meeting; 5) Alturas Elementary Walk-to-School day; 6) Wildland Fire Leadership Council meeting; 7) Modoc High School Homecoming Football game.

Supervisor Byrne reported on the following: 1) County of Modoc budget hearings; 2) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) Officers Zoom meeting; 3) Rural County Representatives of

California (RCRC) legislative call-in meeting; 4) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) County of the Chair planning meeting; 5) Meeting with Iown Renewable Energy.

Supervisor Rhoads reported on the following: 1) County of Modoc budget hearings; 2) Modoc County Transportation Agency (MCTC) meeting; 3) Modoc Transportation Agency (MTA) meeting; 4) Modoc Forest Service Coordination meeting; 5) Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) meeting.

Supervisor Starr reported on the following: 1) County of Modoc budget hearings; 2) Modoc County Resources Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting; 3) National Association of Counties (NACo) Artificial Intelligence (AI) Leadership Academy Workshop; 5) Modoc Forest Service Coordination meeting; 6) Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn the October 8, 2024 meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Rhoads, Cavasso, Byrne

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 AM

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned to meet in regular session Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Tiffany A. Martinez
Clerk of the Board

Shane Starr
Chair, Modoc County Board of Supervisors