

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 25, 2022

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	Absent	
Elizabeth Cavasso	Supervisor District IV	Present	10:00 AM
Geri Byrne	Supervisor District V	Present	10:00 AM
Margaret Long	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

The Board of Supervisors, Modoc County Departments and staff would like to observe a moment of silence in memory of former volunteer Museum Curator Dixie Server.

Moment of Prayer

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

Public Comment

New State of California member, Noelle Jones, read their Statement of Truth emergency ordinance for the reorganization of the State of California governance and provided a handout.

New State of California member, Jay Jones, continued to read their Statement of Truth emergency ordinance for the reorganization of the State of California governance.

Handout Provided - State of New California 7th Declaration of Truth.

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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Approval or Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Supervisor Coe requested that items 9.1 and 9.2 be corrected to read as items 9.a and 9.b.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Cavasso, Byrne
ABSENT:	Rhoads

Correspondence

Supervisor Byrne reported she had received a thank you letter from Congressman Doug LaMalfa.

- a. **Correspondence Received - California Fish and Game Commission regarding a notice of proposed emergency regulations concerning the use of hoop nets for the recreational take of crab and lobster.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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- b. **Correspondence Received - Fremont-Winema National Forest invitation to review and comment on the Klamath Ranger District's proposal for the Trailhead Boot Brush Installation Project.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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- c. **Correspondence Received - State of California Fish and Game Commission - November 1, 2022 meeting agenda.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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- d. **Correspondence Received - Congressman Doug LaMalfa letter of appreciation.**

RESULT:	ANNOUNCED
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Department Head Reports

Library Director, Kris Anderson, provided a report on the following: 1) Dick Read was appointed as a representative on the Library Advisory Board; 2) Poetry Hour is to be held this Friday from 6:00-7:00 p.m.; 3) Friends of the Library work day was planned for November 2, 2022, in Lookout.

1. Assessor Items:

- 1.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a contract between the County of Modoc and Ray Morgan Company for the lease of a new Canon copier, effective October 17, 2022 through October 16, 2027. (Assessor)**

Assessor, Kristen DePaul, provided a background on the lease agreement.

Contract# 2022-167

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
SECONDER:	Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Cavasso, Byrne
ABSENT:	Rhoads

2. Recorder Items:

- 2.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a contract between the County of Modoc and Kofile Technologies, Inc. for the preservation, restoration and imaging of three (3) water rights books and the water rights index book not to exceed \$6,169.88, effective October 25, 2022. (Recorder)**

Recorder, Kristen DePaul, provided a background on the contract.

A brief discussion was held regarding the expected timeline for the project and the excellent qualifications of Kofile.

Contract# 2022-168

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

3. Board of Supervisors Items:

- 3.a. PRESENTATION: Presentation by the Resource and Development Director, Ken Sandusky, on the current activities of the Modoc Nation in Modoc County. (Board of Supervisors)**

Modoc Nation Resource and Development Director, Ken Sandusky, provided a presentation and reported on the following: 1) Long term plans for involvement by the Modoc Nation; 2) Short term plans; 3) Modoc Nation ranches; 4) Invitation for active partnership with the Modoc Nation.

A discussion was held and several questions were asked of Modoc Nation Resource and Development Director Sandusky.

Supervisor Byrne thanked Modoc Nation Resource and Development Director Sandusky for the presentation.

Modoc Nation Resource and Development Director Sandusky said he would return with more specific goals to present to the Board at a future date.

3.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval for the Chair of the Board to designate a delegate and alternate to the Rural Counties' Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA) Board of Directors for 2023. (Board of Supervisors)

Supervisor Byrne designated Supervisor Coe as the delegate and County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, as the alternate.

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

3.c. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a letter of support for the California Deer Association to submit a grant application to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy for a forest resilience project on the Modoc National Forest. (Board of Supervisors)

Supervisor Coe provided a background on the letter of support.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Cavasso, Byrne
ABSENT:	Rhoads

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

10:29 a.m. Motion to go into Closed Session.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
SECONDER:	Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Cavasso, Byrne
ABSENT:	Rhoads

4. Closed Session:

- 4.a. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to CA Government Code 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiator Mr. Scott McLeran and Pam Randall regarding UPEC Local 792. (County Counsel)**

RESULT:	DIRECTION GIVEN
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11:09 a.m. The Board reconvened and reported out of closed session with Supervisor Coe, Cavasso, Byrne and Starr present.

5. Consent Agenda Items:

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

- 5.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and the Chief Probation Officer to sign a contract between the County of Modoc and Shasta County Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility for the placement of juveniles not to exceed \$85,000.00 per year, effective for one (1) year from date of signature by all properly authorized representatives, with an automatic renewal for two additional one-year terms. (Probation)**

Contract# 2022-169

- 5.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign an annual agreement# 22-1586-000-SA between the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) and the County of Modoc to enforce all laws and regulations pertaining to industrial hemp cultivation in the amount of \$6,289.50, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024. (Agriculture)**

Contract# 2022-170

5.c. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the July 26, 2022 Board of Supervisors meeting minutes. (Clerk of the Board)**

5.d. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval of the September 26, 2022 Board of Supervisors special meeting minutes. (Clerk of the Board)**

6. Auditor Items:

6.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting acceptance of the 2020-2021 Financial Statements and Single Audit prepared by Clifton Larson Allen, LLC. (Auditor)**

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, provided a background on the 2020-2021 Audit acceptance request.

Contract# 2022-171

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

7. Emergency Services Items:

7.a. **CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization to purchase a backup power source from Power House Solar to serve the Courthouse and Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$143,955.00 from budget unit 0159 PSPS funding. (Office of Emergency Services)**

Deputy Director of the Office of Emergency Services, Heather Hadwick, provided a background on the request to purchase a generator and batteries. Deputy Director of the Office of Emergency Services Hadwick reported ten (10) quotes had been requested and only one (1) quote had been received by the deadline.

A discussion was held regarding the type of power needed to run the generator, the proper storage of the batteries, and where the items would be housed.

A discussion was held regarding the benefits of the batteries and the generator, and the expected timeline for installation.

A brief discussion was held regarding the ability to add components to the system in the future.

Contract# 2022-172

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

8. Planning Department Items:

- 8.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to waive the second reading and adopt an Ordinance to rezone Assessor Parcel Number 019-070-004-000, owned by Jennifer Lindsay; from Unclassified (U) zone to Agriculture General (AG) zone within the boundaries of Parcel Map (PM2021-02). (Planning)**

Ordinance# 236-154

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ned Coe, Supervisor District I
SECONDER:	Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Cavasso, Byrne
ABSENT:	Rhoads

9. Clerk of the Board Items:

- 9.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to create the position of Deputy Clerk of the Board I, Range 228: Step A-F; \$3,041.00 - \$3,882.00 monthly, effective October 25, 2022. (Clerk of the Board)**

Assistant County Administrative Officer, Tiffany Martinez, provided a background on the creation of the position.

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

9.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval to create the position of Deputy Clerk of the Board II, Range 248: Step A-F; \$3,360.00 - \$4,287.00 monthly, effective October 25, 2022. (Clerk of the Board)

Assistant County Administrative Officer, Tiffany Martinez, provided a background on the creation of the position.

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

10. Administrative Services Items:

10.a. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board and County Administrative Officer to a sign the consent form to execute documents between the County of Modoc and California Public Utilities Commission for the LATA funding not to exceed \$500,000. (Administrative Services)

County Administrative Officer (CAO), Chester Robertson, provided a background on the Local Agency Technical Assistance (LATA) funding. CAO Robertson reported on the following: 1) A Joint Powers Authority (JPA) had been formed and Modoc County had joined the JPA; 2) Modoc County had committed to allocate \$40,000.00 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the JPA; 3) Modoc County would contract with the public utilities commission who would sub contract with the JPA; 4) Creation of the plans was required in order to access increased future funding; 5) Budgeting allocations; 6) This was a preliminary commitment to the forthcoming contract that would be specific to Modoc County.

Supervisor Coe asked if the JPA was under the Golden State Connect Authority (GSCA).

CAO Robertson replied the JPA was a subset of counties under the GSCA that would be given priority for the funds.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
SECONDER:	Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Cavasso, Byrne
ABSENT:	Rhoads

10.b. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) on behalf of the County of Modoc as a part of the Rural Public Lands Council and Robert K. Weidner for government relations advisory services in the amount of \$20,000.00, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022. (Administrative Services)

County Administrative Officer (CAO), Chester Robertson, provided a background on the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). CAO Robertson reported on the following: 1) The MOA was retroactive to July 1, 2022, for work that had begun at that time; 2) The participation of other counties would affect the dollar amount that Modoc County would pay; 3) The three (3) counties in the MOA would not pay identical amounts; 4) Modoc County was the lead county on the MOA; 5) The other counties had withdrawn from the Public Lands portion of the agreement.

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

10.c. CONSIDERATION/ACTION: Requesting approval and authorization for the Chair of the Board to sign a contract between the County of Modoc and US Cellular for Geometrics 95-002 Non BT OBDII plug and play device not to exceed \$520.80 per month, effective October 25, 2022 through October 24, 2024. (Administrative Services)

Assistant County Administrative Officer (ACAO), Tiffany Martinez, provided a background on the contract and SB 296 Safety Standards for Code Enforcement Officers.

Supervisor Cavasso asked if other departments could utilize the system in the future.

ACAO Martinez replied other departments could utilize the system in the future but the current pricing might not be available.

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RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
SECONDER:	Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Cavasso, Byrne
ABSENT:	Rhoads

11. Comments/Reports:

a. Public Comments

None.

b. Administrative Services Report

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, reported on the following: 1) General business; 2) Preparation for the Treasurer's report; 3) Park facility survey had been conducted by drones; 4) A 3.1 million dollar grant had been awarded for the Active Transportation project in Cedarville; 5) Appraisal for the old hospital facility and the next steps; 6) Meeting with the military for a potential radar installation location for national defense.

c. Department Head Reports

None.

d. Board of Supervisors Reports

Supervisor Starr reported on the following 1) Superior California Economic Development (SCED) Loan Committee meeting; 2) PSA 2 Area Agency on Aging meeting; 3) Modoc National Forest Coordination meeting.

Supervisor Cavasso reported on the following: 1) Modoc County Advisory Board of the NorCal Continuum of Care meeting; 2) National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy - Wildland Fire Leadership Council Western Region meeting; 3) Alturas City Pool Committee meeting; 4) Library Advisory Board meeting.

Supervisor Coe reported on the following: 1) Modoc County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) meeting; 2) Alliance for Workforce Development (AFWD) open house; 3) Tri-counties meeting; 4) National Association of Counties (NACo) western region monthly meeting; 5) Modoc County Cattlemen's Association annual meeting.

Supervisor Byrne reported on the following: 1) Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) Drought Ad Hoc Committee meeting; 2) Tri-counties meeting; 3) Golden State Natural Resources (GSNR) and Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA) joint meeting; 4) Tri-counties meeting; 5) Modoc County Cattlemen's Association annual meeting.

11:35 a.m. Motion to recess for lunch until 1:00 p.m.

Motion to recess for lunch.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Shane Starr, Supervisor District II
SECONDER:	Elizabeth Cavasso, Supervisor District IV
AYES:	Coe, Starr, Cavasso, Byrne
ABSENT:	Rhoads

1:00 p.m. The Board reconvened with Supervisor Coe, Cavasso, Byrne and Starr present.

12. 1:00 p.m. Board of Supervisors Items:

12.a. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION: Discussion and update from the California State Treasurer, Fiona Ma. (Board of Supervisors)

At 1:19 p.m. California State Treasurer, Fiona Ma, entered the meeting room.

California State Treasurer, Fiona Ma, provided a background on the many duties her office performs for the State of California, as well as her background and financial experience. California State Treasurer Ma reported on the following: 1) Middle Class Tax Refund; 2) Child Savings Accounts; 3) The 2023 First-Time Homebuyer's Assistance pilot project.

A lengthy discussion was held and several questions were asked of California State Treasurer Ma.

County Administrative Officer, Chester Robertson, reported on the upcoming tour of several Modoc County departments and locations with California State Treasurer Ma.

Supervisor Byrne thanked California State Treasurer Ma for her visit to Modoc County.

ADJOURNMENT

1:33 p.m. Motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn the October 25, 2022 meeting.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 1:33 PM

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned to meet in special session Monday, November 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Tiffany A. Martinez
Clerk of the Board

Geri Byrne
Chair, Modoc County Board of Supervisors