

**TRINITY COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**
Trinity County Library
Conference Room
351 Main Street
Weaverville, CA

MEETING MINUTES

September 21, 2021

Chairman

Supervisor Jeremy Brown - District 4 - ABSENT UNTIL 9:30

Vice-Chairman

Supervisor Dan Frasier - District 5

Supervisor Keith Groves - District 1

Supervisor Jill Cox - District 2 - ABSENT

Supervisor Liam Gogan - District 3

Richard Kuhns, Psy.D - County Administrative Officer / Clerk of the Board

Margaret E. Long - County Counsel

Emma Purvis - Deputy Clerk of the Board

ZOOM INFORMATION

This meeting used Zoom due to the coronavirus (COVID-19).

Meeting called to order in open session at 9:00 AM

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge led by Supervisor Liam Gogan.

Public Comment

Received public comment from Terry Mines.

Consent Calendar

Clerk of the Board

- 1.1** Adopted Resolution No. 2021-095 which confirms the continuance of a Local Emergency in the County of Trinity due to drought conditions.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

- 1.2** Adopted Resolution No. 2021-096 which confirms the continuance of a Local Emergency in the County of Trinity due to the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

- 1.3** Adopted Resolution No. 2021-097 which confirms the continuance of a Local Emergency in the County of Trinity due to the River Complex Fire.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

- 1.4** Adopted Resolution No. 2021-098 which confirms the continuance of a Local Emergency in the County of Trinity due to the 2020 wildfires.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

- 1.5** Adopted Resolution No. 2021-099 which confirms the continuance of a Local Emergency in the County of Trinity due to unhealthy air quality from the 2021 wildfires.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

- 1.6** Adopted Resolution No. 2021-100 which supports Trinity High School's 2021 Homecoming Parade.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

Health and Human Services

1.7 *This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.*

Approved amendment number four to the agreement with Southern Trinity Health Services, extending the term to June 30, 2022 and increasing the maximum cost by \$10,000 to provide funds for unreimbursed costs for emergency medical transport services in Zone 3 of Trinity County.

Received comments from County Administrative Officer Richard Kuhns and Director of Health and Human Services Liz Hamilton.

Motion: Dan Frasier **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

Planning and Zoning

1.8 *This item was pulled from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.*

Approved an agreement with SHN Consulting Engineers, Inc. to provide staff support for processing land use projects and the implementation of the County's Surface Mine and Reclamation Act (SMARA) program.

Received comments from Liz McIntosh, County Counsel Margaret Long, County Administrative Officer Richard Kuhns, and Terry Mines.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Dan Frasier **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

Transportation

1.9 Approved amendment number one to the agreement with Pace Engineering, Inc., increasing the maximum cost by \$70,000, to provide right of way and delineation services for the identification and removal of hazard trees created by natural disasters, including the 2020 August Complex Fires.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

1.10 Approved amendment number one to the agreement with R.S.S.E. Inc. increasing the maximum cost by \$15,000 to provide construction, removal, inspection, testing and repair of underground storage tank systems, above ground storage tank system, piping tank monitoring equipment, fuel dispensers, and other fuel system components.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Brown, Cox

Reports/Announcements

- 2.1 I. Received reports from Director of Health and Human Services Liz Hamilton, Grants Coordinator Suzi Kochems, Grants Program Manager Chantelle Estess, and Director of Building and Planning Kim Hunter.
II. Received a report from County Administrative Officer Richard Kuhns.
III. Received reports from Members of the Board of Supervisors.

County Matters

Human Resources

- 3.1 Adopted Resolution No. 2021-101 which revises the employer's contribution for each qualifying retired employee's (annuitants) health benefit plan.

Received comments from Director of Human Resources Shelly Nelson.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Dan Frasier **Carried**

Ayes: Brown, Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Cox

- 3.2 Took the following actions regarding the Skilled Trades MOU, retroactively effective September 16, 2021:

1. Ratified County's Lead Negotiator Sophia Meyer's signature on a side letter agreement with the Skilled Trades Unit modifying spreadsheet A of the MOU;
2. Approved the job descriptions and set the salary range and add to the alphabetical listing of classification those positions listed on Attachment A;
3. Modified the departmental listing of allocations for the Department of Transportation and Department of Building & Planning – Cannabis Division to reflect the new/revised classifications as listed on Attachment C;
4. Pursuant to County Code section 2.60.360, authorized reclassifying the employees noted on Attachment B; and
5. Removed from the alphabetical listing of classifications those positions listed in the side letter agreement.

Received comments from Director of Human Resources Shelly Nelson.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**

Ayes: Brown, Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Cox

- 3.3** Modified the departmental allocation list for the Department of Transportation to read: Two (2) Environmental Compliance Specialist I or II, effective September 21, 2021.

Received comments from Director of Human Resources Shelly Nelson and Director of Transportation Rick Tippet.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Jeremy Brown **Carried**
Ayes: Brown, Frasier, Gogan, Groves
Absent: Cox

Closed Session

- 4.1** Government Code Section 54954.5(c) - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
No. of Cases: 2

Trinity Action Association, Inc. v County of Trinity, et al (Trinity County Superior Court Case No. 19CV001)
Recused: Brown

In re Bankruptcy of Purdue Pharma LP (Western District of Washington US Bankruptcy Court Case No. 19-23649)

Direction was given to staff.

- 4.2** Government Code Section 54954.5(d) - Liability Claim
No. of Cases: One

Claimant: Robert Fenenbock (Claim No. TRI20-0013)
Agency Claimed Against: Trinity County

Direction was given to staff.

- 4.3** Government Code Section 54954.5(f) - Conference with Labor Negotiators
County's Designated Representatives: Sophia Meyer and Shelly Nelson
Employee Organizations: Deputy Sheriffs Association, Probation Peace Officers Unit, Skilled Trades Unit, Management and Confidential Unit and General Unit

Direction was given to negotiators.

2:00 PM County Matters

Planning and Zoning

- 5.1 Received an update from Director of Building and Planning Kim Hunter and Senior Environmental Compliance Specialist David Colbeck, and directed staff to maintain and continue improving the County's Commercial Cannabis Cultivation Program.

Received comments from County Administrative Officer Richard Kuhns, Contract Counsel Derek Cole, County Counsel Margaret Long, Terry Mines, Jake Grossman-Crist, Lisa Wright, Deidre Brower, Tom Ballanco, Adrien Keys, Patrick Kahan, Ryan Tarbell, and John Brower.

SUBSEQUENT

- 6.1 Moved to discuss and took action to consider adopting a resolution regarding the use of remote teleconference meetings pursuant to the Brown Act and found that the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted. The urgency is that the Governor's order related to COVID-19 telemeetings is set to expire prior to the next Board of Supervisors Meeting and we would be unable to protect the health and safety of citizens without this resolution.

Received comments from County Counsel Margaret Long.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Dan Frasier **Carried**
Ayes: Brown, Frasier, Gogan, Groves
Absent: Cox

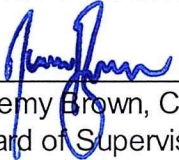
Adopted Resolution No. 2021-102 that authorizes remote teleconference meetings of the legislative bodies of Trinity County pursuant to Brown Act provisions.

Received comments from County Counsel Margaret Long and Dero Forslund.

Motion: Dan Frasier **Second:** Liam Gogan **Carried**
Ayes: Brown, Frasier, Gogan, Groves
Absent: Cox

Adjourn

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Jeremy Brown, Chairman
Board of Supervisors,
County of Trinity.
State of California

Attest:

Richard Kuhns, Psy.D
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: 

Deputy

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**Meeting Addendum Minutes
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Transportation

- A. Approved an agreement with Tullis Inc. of Anderson, CA to make pavement repairs to Martin Road and Lance Gulch Road, subject to routing for form and content.

Received comments from Director of Transportation Rick Tippet.

Motion: Jeremy Brown **Second:** Keith Groves **Carried**

Ayes: Brown, Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Cox

- B. Ratified the Road Commissioner's signature on Contract Change Order (CCO) Number 1 to provide waterline extension to the Trinity County Sheriff Detention Facility and increasing the maximum cost by \$23,300.24; and approved CCO Number 2 increasing the maximum cost by \$63,198.96 to provide paving changes on Airport Road; subject to routing for form and content.

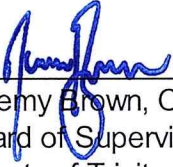
Received comments from Director of Transportation Rick Tippet and Director of Building and Planning Kim Hunter.

Motion: Keith Groves **Second:** Dan Frasier **Carried**

Ayes: Brown, Frasier, Gogan, Groves

Absent: Cox

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