

**Amador County Board of Supervisors
ACTION MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, March 26, 2024
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
LOCATION: County Administration Center, 810 Court Street, Jackson,
California

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador met at the County Administration Center, 810 Court Street, Jackson, California, on the above date pursuant to adjournment, and the following proceedings were had, to wit:

Present on Roll Call:

Brian Oneto, District V – Chairman
Patrick Crew, District I – Vice-Chairman
Richard M. Forster, District II
Frank U. Axe, District IV
Jeff Brown, District III

Staff: Charles T. Iley, County Administrative Officer
Gregory Gillott, County Counsel
Jennifer Burns, Clerk of the Board

Absent: None

NOTE: These minutes remain in *Draft* form until approved by Minute Order at the next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors. Any packets prepared by County Staff are hereby incorporated into these minutes by reference as though set forth in full. Any staff report, recommended findings, mitigation measures, conditions, or recommendations which are referred to by Board members in their decisions which are contained in the staff reports are part of these minutes by reference only. Any written material, petitions, packets, or comments received at the hearing also become a part of these minutes by reference.

CLOSED SESSION may be called for labor negotiations (pursuant to Government Code §54957.6), personnel matters (pursuant to Government Code §54957), real estate negotiations/acquisitions (pursuant to Government Code §54956.8), and/or pending or potential litigation (pursuant to Government Code §54956.9). **At 8:30 a.m., the Board convened into closed session.**

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS: County Negotiators: Charles T. Iley, County Administrative Officer; Jon Hopkins, General Services Director

ACTION: Direction given to staff.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.

County Negotiators: Greg Gillott, County Counsel, Chuck Iley, County Administrative Officer, Greg Ramirez, IEDA and Lisa Gaebe, Human Resources Director
Employee Organization: All Units
Suggested Action: Discussion and possible action.

ACTION: Direction given to staff.

CONFERENCE WITH COUNTY COUNSEL: ANTICIPATED LITIGATION -
{Government Code 54956.9(d) (2)}

One Case.

Suggested Action: Discussion and possible action.

ACTION: Direction given to staff.

Confidential Minutes: Review and possible approval of the March 12, 2024 Confidential Minutes.

ACTION: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION: It was moved by Supervisor Axe, seconded by Supervisor Forster and carried unanimously to approve the March 12, 2024 Confidential Minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Oneto led the Board and the public in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA: Discussion items only, no action to be taken. Any person may address the Board at this time upon any subject within the jurisdiction of the Amador County Board of Supervisors; however, any matter that requires action may be referred to staff and/or Committee for a report and recommendation for possible action at a subsequent Board meeting. Please note - there is a **three (3) minute limit per person**.

- Mr. Bill May, District II resident, addressed the Board and expressed his objection to the proposed Casino in Plymouth.

AGENDA: Approval of agenda for this date; any and all off-agenda items must be approved by the Board (pursuant to §54954.2 of the Government Code.)

ACTION: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION: It was moved by Supervisor Crew, seconded by Supervisor Brown and carried unanimously, to approve the agenda as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA: Items listed on the consent agenda are considered routine and may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be removed for discussion and possible action, and made a part of the regular agenda at the request of a Board member(s).

Chairman Oneto advised the following item has been added as an Addendum to the Consent Agenda for today's date:

Administrative Agency: Approval of a resolution for the County to donate the remaining Rule 20A Credits to underground the overhead lines at McGee Park.

Chairman Oneto requested the following item be pulled from the Consent Agenda to be discussed and voted on separately.

Item 7.j-General Services Administration: Dispense with the formal bidding procedure, approve the purchase of one Loader and one Excavator & approve the unbudgeted Fixed Asset for the Public Works Department.

Chairman Oneto advised the reason he pulled the above item was to request the Board approve up to \$10,000.00 additional if a loader bucket from a current loader will not be a satisfactory replacement on a new machine. If a new four in one bucket is required, there will be a significant cost increase to purchase the equipment.

Discussion ensued with the following action being taken.

ACTION #1: Item 7.j. approved pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION #1: It was moved by Supervisor Crew, seconded by Supervisor Axe and unanimously carried to authorize up to an additional \$10,000.00, if needed, to purchase a four in one loader bucket.

ACTION #2: Consent Agenda approved pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION #2: It was moved by Supervisor Axe, seconded by Supervisor Crew, and unanimously carried to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda as presented.

REGULAR AGENDA

Risk Management: Presentation by the County's Risk Pool, PRISM, on the General Liability and Workers Compensation program data and discussion of other options.

Ms. Sarah Duarte, Risk Manager, introduced this matter and explained it is on the agenda today to further answer questions posed by the Board at the last Board Meeting.

Mr. Kevin Dibler, with Alliant and Ms. Gina Dean, PRISM, took this time to provide an informative Power Point presentation and field questions from the Board. It should be noted, a complete copy of the presentation is hereby incorporated into these minutes as though set forth in full.

ACTION: Presentation only.

Office of Emergency Services: Discussion and possible action relative to the adoption of the Amador County Emergency Operations Plan.

Sergeant Matt Girton, OES, Coordinator, presented the Amador County Emergency Operations Plan and fielded questions from the Board.

ACTION: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION: It was moved by Supervisor Forster, seconded by Supervisor Crew, and unanimously carried to approve the Amador County Emergency Operations Plan as presented.

Amador Senior Center: Presentation by Mr. Chris Kalton, Executive Director, regarding an update on the Meals on Wheels program.

Mr. Chris Kalton, Amador Senior Center Executive Director, provided an informative Power Point presentation for the Board outlining the Meals on Wheels program.

ACTION: Presentation only.

Administrative Agency: Discussion and possible action relative to a request for allocation of funds for FY 24/25 to the Amador County Chamber of Commerce and the Amador Council of Tourism. The Chamber was allocated \$80,000 for fiscal year 23/24 and the ACT allocation was \$101,500.00.

Mr. Matt Toma, Chamber of Commerce and Ms. Tracey Berkner, Amador Council of Tourism, addressed the Board on behalf of their respective entities and summarized their request for funding.

The following individuals also spoke relative to this matter:

Brad Benard, Chamber of Commerce

Kathleen Mahan, Amador Council of Tourism

Ms. Koney Austinn, Amador City Business and Community Association, and ACT Board Member

Mr. Chris Kalton, Amador Senior Center (Chamber Member)

Ms. Alana Lyons, Amador City resident

Ms. Nicole Shebl, joined via ZOOM

Ms. Kirstin Machi, District IV resident (joined via ZOOM)

Chairman Oneto stated he is in favor of leaving the funding status quo at \$101,500.00 to the Amador Council of Tourism and \$80,000.00 to the Chamber of Commerce.

Supervisor Brown stated he would be in favor of allocating \$80,000.00 to the Chamber of Commerce and \$110,000.00 to the Amador Council of Tourism.

Lengthy discussion ensued with the following actions being taken.

ACTION #1: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION #1: It was moved by Supervisor Forster, seconded by Supervisor Axe, and carried to increase the allocation to the Chamber of Commerce to \$90,000.00 and increase the allocation to the Amador Council of Tourism to \$131,000.00.

Ayes: Supervisors Forster and Axe

Noes: Supervisors Crew, Oneto and Brown

****Motion failed due to lack of majority vote****

ACTION #2: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION #2: It was moved by Supervisor Crew to allocated \$90,000.00 to the Chamber of Commerce and the Amador Council of Tourism.

****Motion failed due to lack of a second****

ACTION #3: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION#3: It was moved by Supervisor Brown to keep funding for each entity as it is currently proposed; \$80,000.00 for the Chamber of Commerce and \$101,500.00 for the Amador Council of Tourism.

****Motion failed due to lack of a second****

Chairman Oneto advised it appears the Board is at impasse regarding this matter. Currently the proposed budget includes funding in the amount of \$80,000.00 for the Chamber of Commerce and \$101,500.00 to the Amador Council of Tourism. Further discussion and potential amendments can be made at the Budget Workshop on April 24, 2024 if the Board so desires.

Public Works Agency: State Route 88 Pine Grove Corridor Improvements Project Update.

Mr. Rich Vela, Public Works Director, summarized the staff report relative to this matter which is hereby incorporated into these minutes as though set forth in full.

Discussion ensued and the following individual wished to speak:

- Ms. Brenda Walker, District III resident

ACTION: Update only.

Public Health: Nutrition Outreach Program Presentation.

Mr. Christian Tucker and Ms. Sylvia Novaky, Public Health, provided an informative presentation relative to Nutrition Outreach Programs offered by Amador County.

ACTION: Presentation only.

Administrative Agency: Discussion and possible action relative to a potential Sales Tax for Roads.

Supervisor Axe summarized the memorandum relative to this matter which is hereby incorporated into these minutes as though set forth in full. In summary, Supervisor Axe stated it is recommended that the road tax be a .5 cent general sales tax which requires only a simple majority of the public to pass. A ten (10) year sunset on the measure will allow Amador County citizens in the unincorporated areas, to assess the success of the measure and to give permission to

continue in the future. The funds generated by this measure will be directed toward fixing key collector roads throughout the county. It is recommended that a Citizen Oversight Committee to provide oversight and transparency to the spending of the accrued funding.

Supervisor Forster suggested possibly gleaning public interest in proposing a .75% tax with a shorter sunset clause. He advised an increase from .5 to .75% would provide significant additional monies to facilitate road maintenance and repair going forward.

The following individuals wished to speak relative to this matter.

Ms. Brenda Walker, District III resident
Mr. Russ Parker, District II resident (via ZOOM)

Mr. Paul Molinelli Jr., and Mr. Jack Mitchell, both speaking in their capacity as members of the Chamber of Commerce, indicated they have confidence that the Chamber of Commerce Board would support moving forward with placing this matter on an upcoming ballot.

Discussion ensued with the following action being taken.

ACTION: Direction given to staff to continue to move forward with public outreach, establishing guidelines and refining ballot language needed to place this Measure on the ballot for the next Election.

General Services Administration: Discussion and possible action relative to U.S. Congressionally directed spending projects.

Ms. Karen Warburton, Senior Administrative Analyst, summarized the staff report relative to this matter which is hereby incorporated into these minutes as though set forth in full.

Mr. Rich Farrington, Amador Water Agency Board Member, spoke in favor of supporting the Tanner Water Treatment Plant upgrade project.

Discussion ensued with the following motion being taken.

ACTION: Direction given to staff to submit a letter of support to Senator Padilla for the Tanner Water Treatment Plant upgrade.

General Services Administration: Discussion and possible action relative to the state mandated migration to Microsoft 365.

Mr. Jeff White, IT Director, summarized the staff report relative to this matter which is hereby incorporated into these minutes as though set forth in full.

Discussion ensued with the following action being taken.

ACTION: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION: It was moved by Supervisor Forster, seconded by Supervisor Axe and unanimously carried to approve migration to M365 (GCC) on the current Microsoft contract and authorize the Information Technology Director and Purchasing Agent to proceed with the technical support services from a professional services partner not to exceed \$45,000.00.

Board of Supervisors: Review and possible approval of the March 12, 2024 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes.

ACTION: Direction given pursuant to the following Motion.

MOTION: It was moved by Supervisor Axe, seconded by Supervisor Crew and unanimously carried to approve the March 12, 2024 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes.

****10:30 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING****

Planning Department: Discussion and possible action relative to consideration and acceptance of the 2023 Draft General Plan Annual Progress Report, Draft Housing Element Annual Progress Report, and Draft Performance Monitoring Report prior to submittal to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and the CA Department of Housing and Community.

Ms. Krista Ruesel, Planner, provided informative presentations relative to the 2023 Draft General Plan Annual Progress Report and Draft Housing Element Annual Progress Report. It should be noted that copies of each presentation are hereby incorporated into these minutes as though set forth in full.

Discussion ensued with the following actions being taken.

ACTION #1: Public Hearing closed pursuant to the following motion.

MOTION #1: It was moved by Supervisor Brown, seconded by Supervisor Forster and unanimously carried to close the Public Hearing.

ACTION #2: Direction given pursuant to the following motion.

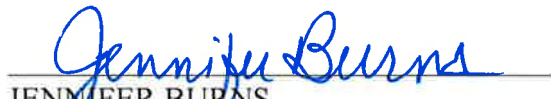
MOTION #2: It was moved by Supervisor Forster, seconded by Supervisor Axe and unanimously carried to accept the 2023 Draft General Plan Annual Progress Report, Draft Housing Element Annual Progress Report, and Draft Performance Monitoring Report and direct staff to submit to the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and the CA Department of Housing and Community.

ADJOURNMENT: Until Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.



Brian Oneto, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



JENNIFER BURNS,
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

March 26, 2024 CONSENT MINUTES

7.a. Agreement with the State of California for \$ 100,000.00 of Federal HAVA Funds

ACTION: Approved-Resolution No. 24-043

7.b. Assessor Roll Corrections - Property qualified for P 19 Family Farm. Restored factored base year value.

ACTION: Approved

7.c. Probation: Budget Increase to cover increased upfitting costs for the two vehicles purchased.

ACTION: Approved

7.d. Building Department: Agreement to Limit Use of Agricultural Structure for AG244921.

ACTION: Approved-Resolution No. 24-044

7.e. Building Department: Agreement to Limit Use of Agricultural Structure for AG244931 – GABBAY.

ACTION: Approved-Resolution No. 24-045

7.f. Assessor Roll Corrections - approval of P19 base year value transfer being decreased over \$150,000.

ACTION: Approved

7.g. Ranch House Estates Community Services District: The Political Reform Act (Government Code Sections 87200 et seq.) requires all local agencies to adopt a conflict-of-interest code, which is not effective until it has been approved by the code-reviewing body. The County Board of Supervisors is the code-reviewing body for all Amador County local agencies, including Ranch House Estates Community Services District. The code must include a list of positions for which economic interest disclosures must be filed. Government Code section 87306 further provides that changed circumstance, including the creation of new positions, require amendment to the conflict-of-interest code which then must be approved by the code-reviewing body.

ACTION: Approved-Resolution No. 24-046

7.h. Addition of a new limited term Outreach Specialist position in the Public Health Department.

ACTION: Approved

7.i. Amador County Maintained Mileage List.

ACTION: Approved-Resolution No. 24-047

7.j. General Services Administration: Dispense with the formal bidding procedure, approve the purchase of one Loader & one Excavator & approve the unbudgeted Fixed Asset for the Public Works Department. **(Pulled from Consent and voted on separately, see page 3).**

ACTION: Approved

7.k. Public Health - Amended DIS Workforce Grant #21-10545 A1.

ACTION: Approved

7.l. Social Services: CalWORKs System Improvement Plan (Cal-SIP) Report.

ACTION: Approved

7.m. **ADDENDUM-Administrative Agency:** Approval of a resolution for the County to donate the remaining Rule 20A Credits to underground the overhead lines at McGee Park.

ACTION: Approved-Resolution No. 24-048