



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ALPINE COUNTY
Board Chambers
County Administration Building
Markleeville, CA 96120
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ACTION MINUTES April 7, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

Chair Griffith called the Regular Meeting to order at 9:00 AM with Supervisors Griffith, Woodrow, Mecak, and Dobson present. Supervisor Jim was absent.

2. OPEN SESSION - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CORRECTIONS

Deputy County Clerk Michelle Minder announced that additional documents were added to Item 5.5.

4. GENERAL NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 4.1. Continued update and presentation on Eastern Alpine Fire and Rescue activities. – (Ref. 12/03/2024 and continuing quarterly the second meeting of month). – EMS/Fire Chief

Eastern Alpine EMS/Fire Chief Paul Washam presented a quarterly update on staffing, equipment, response statistics, and preparedness for wildland fire season.

By consensus, the Board reduced updates from quarterly to every six months, with the next update to be provided in December; however, staff may still provide updates or public comment as needed.

Director of the Alpine Outdoor Recreation Association Andy Lovell provided updates regarding current and upcoming activities of the Alpine Trails Association and Markleeville Disc Golf.

Wildfire Projects Coordinator Clint Celio announced the upcoming Arbor Day event.

County Clerk Teola Tremayne announced the passing of Hung A Lei Ti resident Ike Bennett and that a memorial service would be held on Sunday, April 12.

Library/Archives Director Rita Lovell announced the upcoming plant exchange event, Bear Valley library would hold a celebration honoring Dayoan Rivera's 14 years of service, and the Markleeville library would be closed April 21-April 25.

Caples Lake Resort owner Mike Niccoli expressed concerns that fishing-related funds may be reduced or eliminated.

State Assembly District 1 candidate Darin Hale made an introduction to the Board during a visit to the County.

Carson River Resort owner Phil Elfstrom urged the Board to prioritize fish stocking and develop a more consistent, reliable program to support the local tourism economy.

Economic Development Director/Public Information Officer JT Chevallier announced upcoming stakeholder workshops for the Tri-County Economic Analysis of Recreation.

District Representative for Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil Valerie Spake reported that Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil continued to work closely with the County regarding issues related to Rite of Passage (ROP). Spake also highlighted two key legislative proposals.

Angling Reporter Doug Busey spoke in support of continued fish stocking efforts within the County.

Markleeville General Store Manager John Briggum spoke in support of continued investment in fish stocking.

Markleeville resident Amy Broadhurst requested consideration for a permanent public restroom with running water and handwashing facilities in downtown Markleeville.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Supervisor Mecak pulled Items 5.5 and 5.7 for separate action.

MOTION Terry Woodrow / SECOND Charles Dobson approving the Consent Agenda as follows:

AYES: Charles Dobson, Terry Woodrow, David Griffith, Evan Mecak;
ABSENT: Irvin Jim;
MOTION PASSED.

5.1. Regular meeting minutes of 03/17/2026. – County Clerk

5.2. Revised Public Health Nurse job specification by adding emergency preparedness coordinator duties and removing clinic support duties; to create a single role classification in order to improve operational efficiency and better align public health and emergency response functions – Health and Human Services Director/Public Guardian

5.3. **Contract No. CC2026-11** with Secretary of State grant #25G27102 to provide for activities to improve the administration of elections for Federal office, including enhancing election technology and making election security improvements in the amount of \$8,324.38 for the term 04/07/2026 – 12/3/2026, and authorize County Clerk/sex officio Registrar of Voters to sign. – County Clerk

5.4. **Contract No. CC2026-12** with the State of California Department of Health Care Services for Specialty Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services for the term 07/01/2026 – 06/30/2029 in the amount of \$0.00. – HHS Director

5.5. This item was pulled for separate action.

5.6. **Resolution No. R2026-11/Contract No. CC2026-14 Amendment No. 1** to the Public Risk Innovation, Solutions, and Management Joint Powers Authority Agreement and authorizing the County's designated Primary and/or Alternate PRISM Board member to execute. – Director of Budget and Procurement

- 5.7.** This item was pulled for separate action.
- 5.8.** A letter to Caltrans requesting a meeting to discuss how the local community may support our request for a re-evaluation of the seasonal closure policy for State Route 89 over Monitor Pass. – Supervisor District 5
- 5.9.** Out of state travel to the Conference on Crimes Against Women in Dallas, TX for Victim Witness Coordinator for May 17-21, 2026. – District Attorney
- 5.10.** Fiscal Year 2026/2027 calendar for budget adoption and schedule a public hearing for September 1, 2026, at 11:00 AM or thereafter, and continuing if needed at 9:00 AM September 2 for the public to address comments to the Board of Supervisors concerning the County's Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget. – Director of Budget and Procurement
- 5.11.** Appointment of Gabrielle Weetman to the Mental Health Board representing the Family Member position for the unexpired term ending May 31, 2028. – County Clerk

ITEMS PULLED FOR SEPARATE ACTION

- 5.5.** Approve Amendment No. 1 to contract CC2023-36 to update the contracting entity name currently identified as "Ellis Planning Associates, Inc." to "Galen Ellis, DBA Ellis Planning Associates". – HHS Director

County Counsel Charles McKee clarified that the change would be made through an assignment and assumption agreement rather than an amendment because the contracting entity transitioned from a corporation to a sole proprietorship.

MOTION Evan Mecak / SECOND Terry Woodrow approving Contract No. CC2026-13 Amendment No. 1 to contract CC2023-36 to update the contracting entity name currently identified as "Ellis Planning Associates, Inc." to "Galen Ellis, DBA Ellis Planning Associates."

AYES: Charles Dobson, Terry Woodrow, David Griffith, Evan Mecak;
ABSENT: Irvin Jim;
MOTION PASSED.

- 5.7.** Approve a Budget Appropriation of \$12,500 from General Fund Contingency (100-199-595010) to Support the 2026 Market at Markleeville Event series. – Economic Development Director

Economic Development Director/Public Information Officer JT Chevallier explained that the funding was needed because prior historical funding streams were no longer available. Therefore, a one-time appropriation from the General Fund Contingency was recommended to bridge this funding gap and maintain continuity of the event while longer-term, sustainable funding sources were explored.

MOTION Evan Mecak / SECOND Charles Dobson approving a Budget Appropriation of \$12,500 from General Fund Contingency (100-199-595010) to Support the 2026 Market at Markleeville Event Series.

AYES: Charles Dobson, Terry Woodrow, David Griffith, Evan Mecak;
ABSENT: Irvin Jim;
MOTION PASSED.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 6.1. Public hearing and request adopting of a resolution approving an update to the Safety Element of the Alpine County General Plan and the associated CEQA Statutory Exemption. – Community Development**

Wildfire Projects Coordinator Clint Celio explained that the updates were necessary to bring the plan into compliance with state law and maintain eligibility for the Fire Risk Reduction Community List.

Chair Griffith opened the public hearing at 10:11 AM, and after hearing no public comments, closed the public hearing at 10:11 AM.

~~Wildfire Projects Coordinator Clint Celio explained that the updates were necessary to bring the plan into compliance with state law and maintain eligibility for the Fire Risk Reduction Community List.~~

~~Chair Griffith closed the public hearing at 10:11 AM.~~

Celio would coordinate with Supervisor Dobson regarding state and federal jurisdiction.

MOTION Evan Mecak / SECOND Charles Dobson adopting Resolution No. R2026-12 to update the Safety Element of the Alpine County General Plan and the associated CEQA Statutory Exemption, as amended.

AYES: Charles Dobson, Terry Woodrow, David Griffith, Evan Mecak;
ABSENT: Irvin Jim;
MOTION PASSED.

- 7. REGULAR AGENDA – UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
None

8. REGULAR AGENDA – NEW BUSINESS

- 8.1. Request approval of a resolution proclaiming April 2026 as Arts & Creativity Month in Alpine County. – Economic Development Director**

Economic Development Director/Public Information Officer JT Chevallier noted a minor amendment to correct capitalization within the resolution.

Arts and Culture Executive Director January Riddle read the resolution.

MOTION Terry Woodrow / SECOND Charles Dobson adopting Resolution No. R2026-13 proclaiming April 2026 as Arts & Creativity Month in Alpine County, as amended.

AYES: Charles Dobson, Terry Woodrow, David Griffith, Evan Mecak;
ABSENT: Irvin Jim;
MOTION PASSED.

- 8.2. Request adoption of resolution declaring April 2026 as Child Abuse Prevention month and ratify raising the Children's Memorial Flag for the month. – District Attorney**

Victim Witness Coordinator Sara Daniel read the resolution.

MOTION Terry Woodrow / SECOND Evan Mecak adopting Resolution No. R2026-14 declaring April 2026 as Child Abuse Prevention month and ratify raising the Children's Memorial Flag for the month.

AYES: Charles Dobson, Terry Woodrow, David Griffith, Evan Mecak;
ABSENT: Irvin Jim;
MOTION PASSED.

- 8.3. Presentation by the US Forest Service regarding the final report for the Carson River Hot Springs Management Plan and consideration of adopting a management Memorandum of Understanding for the Carson River Hot Springs. – Economic Development Director**

Due to the Forest Service representative's absence and technical difficulties with the video presentation, the Board's consensus was to continue the item to a future meeting and request in-person attendance from Forest Service representatives for further discussion on the plan.

- 8.4. Consider approval of CEO employment contract**

County Counsel Charles McKee explained that the Board had previously appointed Samuel R. Booth as CEO on March 17, 2026, contingent upon contract approval.

MOTION Terry Woodrow / SECOND Evan Mecak approving Contract No. CC2026-15 appointing Samuel R. Booth as County Executive Officer at a rate of \$18,537.00 per month.

AYES: Charles Dobson, Terry Woodrow, David Griffith, Evan Mecak;
ABSENT: Irvin Jim;
MOTION PASSED.

9. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

The Board of Supervisors gave an update regarding county business, meetings attended related to appointed commissions and committees and upcoming events.

10. CLOSED SESSION

- 10.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Existing Litigation (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) Name of case: Yolo County Superior Court CASE NO. CV 2021-1686 Alpine County v South Tahoe Public Utility District. – Assistant County Counsel**

No reportable action was taken.

- 10.2. Public Employment/Appointment – Title: County Counsel – Government Code section 54957. – Assistant CEO to Personnel and Risk Management**

No reportable action was taken.

10.3. Conference with Legal Counsel – Potential Initiation of litigation pursuant to §54956.9(c) — one case — Interim County Counsel

No reportable action was taken.

11. ADJOURN TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES FOR WHICH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SITS AS OFFICERS: BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, WATER AGENCY

None

12. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned to the next regular meeting of April 21, 2026, at 9:00 AM at Alpine County Government Center, 99 Water Street, Markleeville, California.

ATTEST:



David Griffith, Chair, Board of Supervisors
County of Alpine, State of California



Teola L. Tremayne, County Clerk & ex officio Clerk of
the Board of Supervisors
By: Michelle Minder, Deputy County Clerk

* A complete audio/video recording of this meeting is available on the County website*

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