



COUNTY OF LAKE

255 North Forbes Street
Lakeport, CA 95453

Meeting Minutes - Final BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

9:00 AM

Board Chambers

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Rasmussen. County Administrative Officer Susan Parker, County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano, and Administrative Analyst Carolyn Purdy were present, along with the following Supervisors:

Present: Supervisor Owen, Supervisor Sabatier, Supervisor Crandell, Vice-Chair Pyska, and Chair Rasmussen

2. Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was dedicated to Josh.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Supervisor Owen.

4. Consideration of Extra Items Not Appearing on the Posted Agenda

There were no extra items to consider.

5. Approval of the Consent Agenda

- 5.1 Approve Amendment #3 of the Agreement for Professional Services Between the County of Lake and Lake County PEG-TV for an increase of \$12,000 for the Fiscal Year 26-27 and authorize the Chair to sign
- 5.2 Adopt a Proclamation Designating the Week of July 19-25, 2026 as Probation Services Week in Lake County
- 5.3 Adopt the Resolution Accepting the work of the 2024 Pavement Rehabilitation Project; Bid No. 24-39, and directing the Public Works Director to file the Notice of Completion with the County of Lake, Recorder's Office

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-61

- 5.4** (a) Adopt "Resolution Accepting Official Canvass of the Statewide Direct Primary Election held on June 2, 2026"; and (b) Accept the Certification of the Official Canvass Results prepared by the Registrar of Voters.

On motion of Supervisor Crandell, and by vote of the Board, approved consent agenda items 5.1 through 5.4. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-62

6. Timed Items

6.1 9:02 A.M. - Public Input

Public Members Elaine Brown, Skiela Laiwa, and Sterling Wellman spoke.

6.2 9:03 A.M. - Pet of the Week

There was no pet of the week to consider.

6.3 9:05 A.M. - Presentation of Proclamation Designating the Week of July 19-25, 2026 as Probation Services Week in Lake County

Chair Rasmussen read the proclamation into the record and presented it to Lake County Probation. Chief Probation Officer Wendy Mondfrans, James Cook, Tammy Cook, Anastasia Smithers, and Richard Moyta spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak. No one wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

This Ceremonial Item was read into the record and presented.

6.4 9:10 A.M. - (Sitting as the Board of Directors of the Kelseyville County Waterworks District #3) Consideration of Resolution Designating a Member of the County of Lake Board of Supervisors to Serve as its Representative Member on the Board of Directors of the Lake County Sanitation District (LACOSAN)

Director Sabatier presented the item to the Board.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following person present in the Board of Supervisors Chambers spoke: Cindy Storrs. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

Director Sabatier offered the resolution and it passed by roll call vote:

Ayes- Directors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-63

- 6.5** 9:15 A.M. - (Sitting as the Lake County Sanitation District Board of Directors) Consideration of Resolution of Intent of the Lake County Sanitation District to Establish an Interim Composition of the Governing Board of the Lake County Sanitation District Pursuant to Health and Safety Code 4730, et. Seq.

Supervisor Sabatier presented the item to the Board. County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano and Treasurer-Tax Collector Patrick Sullivan spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following person present in the Board of Supervisors Chambers spoke: Helen Mitcham. The following people spoke via Zoom: Sterling Wellman. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

Direction was given to staff to receive applications and hold them until after the public hearing.

Director Sabatier offered the resolution with the addition that the resolution move forward after adoption by Clearlake City Council and it passed by roll call vote:

Ayes- Directors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-64

- 6.6** 9:30 A.M. - Consideration of Whether to Initiate the Formal Park Renaming Process Pursuant to County Policy for the Existing Middletown Square Park

Supervisor Owen presented the item to the Board. Public Works Director Lars Ewing spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following people present in the Board of Supervisors Chambers spoke: Linda Dehl-Darms, Tom Lajcik, and Roberta Macintyre. The following person spoke via Zoom: Angela Ameral. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

Direction was given to staff to initiate a public outreach campaign.

- 6.7** 10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING -(Sitting concurrently as Clearlake Keys CSA#1, #2, #6, #13, #20, #21-Board of Supervisors, Kelseyville County Waterworks District #3 and Lake County Sanitation District - Board of Directors) - Consideration of (a) Resolution Confirming Collections of Annual Lighting Fees; (b) Resolution Confirming Collections of Delinquent Water Fees; (c) Resolution confirming Collections of Delinquent Water and Sewer Fees; (d) Resolution of Delinquent Sewer Fees for Lake County Sanitation District.

Special Districts Administrator Robin Borre presented the item to the Board. County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak. No one wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

Supervisor Pyska offered the Resolution Confirming Collections of Delinquent Water Fees and it passed by roll call vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Supervisor Pyska offered the Resolution Confirming Collections of Annual Lighting Fees and it passed by roll call vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Director Pyska offered the Resolution of Delinquent Sewer Fees for Lake County Sanitation District and it passed by roll call vote:

Ayes- Directors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Director Pyska offered the Resolution confirming Collections of Delinquent Water and Sewer Fees and it passed by roll call vote:

Ayes- Directors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

- 6.8** 10:30 A.M. - PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Section 19-17.2 of the Ordinance Code of the County of Lake for the Removal of a Stop Sign on Second Street and the Placement of a Stop Sign on Middle Creek Road in Upper Lake

Public Works Director Lars Ewing presented the item to the Board. County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following person present in the Board of Supervisor Chambers spoke: Tim Chiara. The following people spoke via Zoom: Danny Wind, Lisa Marie Benavides, and Angela Ameral. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

On motion of Supervisor Crandell, and by vote of the Board, moved to approve the ordinance and have it read in title only. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

On motion of Supervisor Crandell, and by vote of the Board, advanced the second reading of the ordinance to the next available agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

- 6.9** 11:00 A.M. - Consideration of Request for Hearing before the Board of Supervisors for Code Enforcement actions taken at: 19355 S. State Hwy 29, Middletown (APN 014-270-02); Property Owner: Michael G. Burns (Continued from May 19, 2026)

Community Development Director Mireya Turner introduced the item to the Board. County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano and Code Enforcement Manager Marcus Beltramo spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak. No one wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

On motion of Supervisor Owen, and by vote of the Board, moved to uphold the nuisance notice with the requirements of completion of abatement of the health and safety violations on the property as stated in the notice of nuisance violation as it relates to the property and direction to staff to develop a compliance agreement with the property owner. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

- 6.10** 11:05 A.M. - (a) (Sitting as the Lake County Board of Supervisors) Consideration of the Proposed County Capital Improvement Plan for FY 26/27 Through FY 29/30; (b) (Sitting as the LACOSAN Board of Directors) Consideration of the Proposed LACOSAN Capital Improvement Plan for FY 26/27 Through FY 29/30

Deputy County Administrative Officer Ben Rickleman presented the item to the Board.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following person spoke via Zoom: Sterling Wellman. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

On motion of Supervisor Pyska, and by vote of the Board, approved the Lake County Capital Improvement Plan for FY 26/27 Through FY 29/30. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

On motion of Director Pyska, and by vote of the Board, approved LACOSAN Capital Improvement Plan for FY 26/27 Through FY 29/30. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Directors: 5 – Sabatier, Owen, Sabatier, Pyska, and Rasmussen

- 6.11** 1:00 P.M. - Consideration of Ad Hoc Energy Policy Committee Recommendations to: Develop an Energy Element and Companion Energy Policy; Continue Introductory Meetings with Energy Projects, with the Understanding These Meetings in No Way Replace Existing Community Development Department Permitting Processes; and Pause Consideration of Community Choice Aggregator Membership Due to Potential Changes in the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment

Deputy County Administrative Officer Ben Rickleman presented the item to the Board. Community Development Director Mireya Turner spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following people present in the Board of Supervisors Chambers spoke: Tom Lajcik, Margaux Kambara, and Weston Syphers. The following people spoke via Zoom: Sterling Wellman, Kate Schmidt-Hopper, Angela Ameral, Betsy Cawn, Lisa Marie Benavides, and Coda Rainsford. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

There was Board consensus to have the committee return with an energy policy within 60 days and a RFP for the energy element and have county staff continue to meet with energy projects.

- 6.12** 1:30 P.M. - Consideration of Appeal (PL-26-359) of Planning Commission's Denial of Major Use Permit (PL-25-71) and Mitigated Negative Declaration for Pasta Farms 3. Applicant: 1833 DS, LLC / Peter Simon for property located at 10750, 10417, and 10145 Seigler Springs North Road, 10800, 10833, 9864, 9954, 11000 Diener Drive, and 9954 Salmina Road (APNs 115-004-05, 115-004-01, 011-069-48, 115-004-08, 115-001-21, 115-001-29, 115-004-07, 115-006-18, 115-005-03, and 011-047-06).

Senior Planner Mary Claybon presented a PowerPoint Presentation to the Board. Applicant Peter Simon, Community Development Director Mireya Turner, and County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following people present in the Board of Supervisors Chambers spoke: Adidam Representative, Elliot Hurwitz, Steven Reid, Magdalena Valderrama-Hurwitz, Alexander Powell, Lynn Wagner, Duncan Gamin, Indigo Perry, Tom Lajcik, and Margaux Kambara, and Amanda Martin. The following people spoke via Zoom: Kate Schmidt-Hopper, Sterling Wellman, Gordon Thrupp, and Angela Ameral. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, moved that the Board of Supervisors grant appeal number PL-26-359 in part with the following modifications as outlined by CDD staff and as a condition require the applicant to submit amended project description, amended property management plan, amended site plans, and supplemental information on their appeal application stating their grounds for appeal to CDD staff within 30 days based on pages 14-15 of the June 11, 2026 staff report, exhibit A and directed staff to prepare findings of fact. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 4 – Owen, Sabatier, Crandell, and Rasmussen

Absent- Supervisor: 1 – Pyska

6.13 2:00 P.M. - PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration of Ordinance to Amend Chapter 21, Article 27 of the Lake County Code regarding Commercial Cannabis Regulations (Continued from March 10, April 7, June 2, June 23, and July 7, 2026)

Community Development Director Mireya Turner presented the item to the Board.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following people present in the Board of Supervisors Chambers spoke: Margaux Kambara and Tom Lajcik. The following people spoke via Zoom: Angela Ameral, Holly Harris, and Skiela Laiwa. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, approved the first reading of ordinance as amended to be read in title only. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 4 – Owen, Sabatier, Crandell, and Rasmussen

Absent- Supervisor: 1 – Pyska

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, advanced the second reading of the ordinance as amended to the next available agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 4 – Owen, Sabatier, Crandell, and Rasmussen

Absent- Supervisor: 1 – Pyska

7. Non-Timed Items

7.1 Supervisors' weekly calendar, travel and reports

7.2 Consideration of the following Advisory Board appointments:

Behavioral Health Advisory Board

Middletown Cemetery District

Chair Rasmussen presented the item to the Board.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak. No one wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, appointed Simone Tatum to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 4 – Owen, Sabatier, Crandell, and Rasmussen

Absent- Supervisor: 1 – Pyska

On motion of Supervisor Owen, and by vote of the Board, appointed Zoi Bracisco to the Middletown Cemetery District. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 4 – Owen, Sabatier, Crandell, and Rasmussen

Absent- Supervisor: 1 – Pyska

8. Closed Session

Chair Rasmussen announced that the Board would now go into Closed Session at 5:18 p.m. to take up the items posted on the agenda.

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 7:12 p.m. having taken no action.

- 8.1 Conference with Legal Counsel: Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(2), (e)(1) – Three potential cases

- 8.2 Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing Litigation pursuant to Gov. Code sec. 54956.9 (d)(1) – FERC Proceeding No. P-77, Potter Valley Hydroelectric Project

This item was pulled from the agenda.

- 8.3 Public Employee Evaluation:
Title: Special Districts Administrator

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Board of Supervisors adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

SUSAN PARKER
Clerk of the Board

By: _____
Johanna DeLong
Assistant Clerk of the Board

Chair-Lake County Board of Supervisors