COUNTY OF LAKE

255 North Forbes Street
Lakeport, CA 95453

Meeting Minutes - Final
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, August 18, 2026 | **9:00 AM** | **Board Chambers**

Please see agenda for public participation information and eComment submission on any agenda item.

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 Assistant Clerk of the Board Johanna DeLong 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 James Bowlander Jr. and Marie Louise Walsh.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Supervisor Crandell.

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 Addition of the County of Lake Seal to the Public Agency Coalition Letter on Proposed Wildfire Liability Reforms

5.2 Approve Continuation of a Local Emergency Due to Geotechnical Instability Causing Roadway Failure and Embankment Erosion on Socrates Mine Road and Authorizing Emergency Contracting Pursuant to Public Contract Code Sections 22050 and 20395(d)

5.3 Approve Continuation of Emergency Proclamation Declaring a Shelter Crisis in the County of Lake

5.4 Approve Continuation of Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency Due to Pervasive Tree Mortality

5.5 Approve Continuation of Proclamation declaring a Clear Lake Hitch Emergency

5.6 Approve Continuation of Proclamation of a Local Health Emergency by the Lake County Health Officer for the Clearlake Sewage Spill

5.7 Approve Continuation of a Local Emergency due to the 2026 Robin Lane Sewer Spill (City of Clearlake)

5.8 Approve Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Middletown Unified School District Ordering a School Bond Election, and Authorizing Necessary Actions in Connection Therewith

5.9 Adopt Resolution authorizing the 2026-2027 Grant Project, Lake County Victim-Witness Assistance Program and authorize the District Attorney to enter the County of Lake into Grant Subaward with CalOES

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-76

5.10 (a) Approve Amendment III between the County of Lake and Summit Food Services effective July 1st, 2026, retroactively, with a change to the inmate meal rate; and (b) Authorize the Chair to sign the amendment

5.11 Approve School and Special Districts Resolutions Requesting Consolidation of each Districts’ Election with the November 3, 2026, General Election

5.12 Adopt Resolution Setting Rate of Pay for Election Officers for the November 3, 2026, General Election.

On motion of Supervisor Crandell, and by vote of the Board, approved consent agenda items 5.1 through 5.12. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-77

6. Timed Items

6.1 9:02 A.M. - Public Input

Health Services Director Lisa Faraco, Public Health Intern Amanda Gard, Justin Quayle, Erinn, Margaux Kambara, Tom Lajcik, Elaine Brown, Maya Lyn, Sterling Wellman, and Skiela Laiwa spoke.

6.2 9:14 A.M. - (Sitting as the Lake County Sanitation District Board of Directors) Consideration of a Resolution Confirming Current Processes for Administration, Legal Representation, Facilities Operation, Payroll, and Accounting of the Lake County Sanitation District

County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano presented the item to the Board. County Administrative Officer Susan Parker spoke.

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

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

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

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-78

6.3 9:15 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING - (Sitting as the Lake County Sanitation District Board of Directors) Consideration of Resolution establishing the Interim Composition of the Governing Board of the Lake County Sanitation District pursuant to California Health & Safety Code § 4730, et. seq

County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano spoke. Auditor-Controller Jenavive Herrington 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 and Betsy Cawn. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

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

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

On motion of Director Crandell, and by vote of the Board, appointed Vice-Chair Pyska as second member of the Lake County Sanitation District Board of Directors. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Directors: 3 - Crandell, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Nays- Directors: 2 - Owen and Sabatier

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-79

6.4 10:00 A.M. - Consideration of a Report from the Lake County Regional Housing Trust Fund (LCRHTF) on a Contract Award to Rural Communities Housing Development Corporation (RCHDC) for the LCRHTF Homeownership Opportunity Program in the Amount of $1,250,000.00

Deputy County Administrative Officer Lisa Judd presented the PowerPoint Presentation 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.

Presentation Only.

6.5 11:00 A.M. - Consideration of Informational Update on Broadband Infrastructure Programs

Deputy County Administrative Officer Ben Rickleman presented a PowerPoint Presentation 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.

Presentation Only.

6.7 1:00 P.M. - Consideration of Presentation on CWS-CARES Statewide Computer System Launch Readiness

Social Services Director Rachael Dillman-Parsons 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.

Presentation Only.

6.8 1:20 P.M. - Consideration of Proposed Findings of Fact and Decision in the Appeal of 1833 DS LLC (PL 26-359)

County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano 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: Margaux Kambara. 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 Findings of Fact and Decision and authorized the Chair to Sign. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 3 - Sabatier, Crandell, and Pyska

Nays- Supervisors: 2 - Owen and Rasmussen

On motion of Supervisor Pyska, and by vote of the Board, moved to grant the appeal in part with the amendments to Major Use Permit (PL-25-71) (Exhibit E) as stated in the Findings of Fact and Decision. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 3 - Sabatier, Crandell, and Pyska

Nays- Supervisors: 2 - Owen and Rasmussen

7. Non-Timed Items

7.1 Supervisors’ weekly calendar, travel and reports

7.2 Consideration of Resolution Supporting the Opportunity Zones 2.0 Local Authority Recommendation Forms Submitted to GO-Biz

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 present in the Board of Supervisors Chambers spoke: Lakeport City Manager Kevin Ingram. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

Supervisor Sabatier offered the resolution as amended and it passed by roll call vote:

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

7.3 Consideration of Special District User Fees and Proposition 26 User Fee Study

LT Municipal Consultants Representative Alison Lechowicz presented the item to the Board. Special Districts Administrator Robin Borre and 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.

There was board consensus to return with the item.

8. Closed Session

Chair Rasmussen announced that the Board would now go into Closed Session at 9:28 a.m. for the reasons stated on the agenda.

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 9:56 a.m. having taken no action.

Chair Rasmussen announced that the Board would now go back into Closed Session at 1:37 p.m. for the reasons stated on the agenda.

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 4:10 p.m. having taken no action.

8.1 9:03 A.M. - Conference with Legal Counsel: Decision whether to initiate litigation pursuant to Gov. Code Sec. 54956.9(d)(4): Two potential cases

8.2 Public Employee Evaluation:
Title: Special Districts Administrator

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

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Board of Supervisors adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

SUSAN PARKER
Clerk of the Board

By: ______________________________________
Johanna DeLong
Assistant Clerk of the Board

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Chair-Lake County Board of Supervisors