



COUNTY OF LAKE

255 North Forbes Street
Lakeport, CA 95453

Meeting Minutes - Final BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, September 15, 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 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 Lars Ewing.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Veterans.

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** Adopt Resolution Fixing Tax Rates for Local Agencies, General Obligation Bonds and Other Voter Approved Indebtedness for Fiscal Year 2026/27

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-86

- 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 Adopt Proclamation Designating the Month of September 2026 as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month
- 5.9 Approve Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes for June 15, 2026, June 16, 2026, June 17, 2026, July 14, 2026, August 18, 2026, August 25, 2026, and September 1, 2026

Supervisor Sabatier introduced 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, approved meeting minutes June 15, 2026, June 16, 2026, June 17, 2026, August 18, 2026, August 25, 2026, and September 1, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 5.10 Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of Application for the Solid Waste Disposal and Co-Disposal Site Cleanup Grant Program, Illegal Disposal Site Abatement

Deputy Community Development Director Shannon Walker-Smith presented the item to the Board. Analyst Damien Marks 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: Roberta MacIntyre and Margaux Kambara. The following person spoke via Zoom: Sterling Wellman. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

Supervisor Pyska offered the resolution and it passed by roll call vote:

Ayes- Supervisors: 4 - Owen, Crandell, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Nays- Supervisor: 1 - Sabatier

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-87

- 5.11 Authorize the Public Works Director/Assistant Purchasing Agent to sign a Purchase Order to TiLT Industrial Services in an amount not to exceed \$108,995.22 for the purchase of one Barford 3R5036 Tracked Stacking Conveyor
- 5.12 Authorize the Public Works Director/Assistant Purchasing Agent to sign a Purchase Order to Nixon-Egli Equipment in an amount not to exceed \$104,652.94 for the purchase of one Rosco RB50 Self Propelled Broom.

- 5.13** Adopt Resolution Temporarily Authorizing a Road Closure, Prohibiting Parking, Authorizing Removal of Vehicles and Ordering the Department of Public Works to Post Signs for the Kelseyville Pear Festival Farm to Fork Dinner and Street Dance from 12:00 PM on September 25, 2026 through 12:00 AM on September 26, 2026

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-88

- 5.14** Adopt Resolution Temporarily Authorizing a Road Closure, Prohibiting Parking, Authorizing Removal of Vehicles and Ordering the Department of Public Works to Post Signs for the Kelseyville Pear Festival September 25 & 26, 2026 from 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM Daily

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-89

- 5.15** a) Waive the Competitive Bidding Process pursuant to section 2-38.2(2) for the purchase of hot mix asphalt from Granite Construction for the Bottle Rock Road Resurfacing Project as the unique nature of the goods or services precludes competitive bidding; and b) Authorize the Public Works Director / Assistant Purchasing Agent to issue a purchase order to Granite Construction not to exceed \$275,000

- 5.16** Authorize Special Districts Administrator/Assistant Purchasing Agent to issue a purchase order not to exceed \$120,000 to Owen Equipment for the purchase of a Valve Turning Trailer

This item was pulled and continued to a future date.

- 5.17** Approve Closure of the Lake County Special Districts Department to the public on September 18, 2026; December 18, 2026; April 23, 2027; and June 11, 2027, for all-staff training and team-building activities

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, approved consent agenda items 5.1 through 5.17 with the exception of items 5.9, 5.10 and 5.16 which were pulled for further discussion. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6. Timed Items

6.1 9:02 A.M. - Public Input

Public Members Steven Zurker, Justin Quayle, Nicole Flora, Kelli Page, Maya Lyn, Hilary Mosher, and Skiela Laiwa spoke.

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

Animal Care and Control Officer Wenceslao Rojas-Lopez presented the pet of the week 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.

6.3 9:05 A.M. Consideration of Proclamation of a Local Emergency due to the Lucas Fire

Sheriff Lucas Bingham 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 Maya Lyn. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

Supervisor Crandell offered the resolution and it passed by roll call vote:

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

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-92

6.4 9:10 A.M. - Presentation of Proclamation Designating the Month of September 2026 as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

Supervisor Crandell read the proclamation into the record and presented it to the Lake County Community. Behavioral Health Director Elise Jones, Outreach, Prevention Specialist Richard Occhino, Behavioral Health Programs Manager Amber Westphal, and Staff Services Analyst Megan Morgan 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.

6.5 9:30 A.M. - PUBLIC HEARING – (Sitting as the Kelseyville County Waterworks District No. 3 Board of Directors) Consideration of Draft Ordinance to Amend Section 1 of Appendix D of the Lake County Code Establishing a Cross-Connection Control Program to Protect the Public Water Systems

Chair Rasmussen introduced 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.

On motion of Supervisor Pyska, and by vote of the Board, continued the hearing to October 6, 2026 at 9:30 A.M. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6.6 9:45 A.M. - PUBLIC HEARING – Consideration of Draft Ordinance to Amend Article VI to Chapter 9 of the Lake County Code Establishing a Cross-Connection Control Program to Protect the Public Water Systems

Chair Rasmussen introduced 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 Supervisors Chambers spoke: Tom Lajcik. 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, continued the public hearing to October 6, 2026 at 9:45 A.M. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6.7 10:00 A.M. - Consideration of Presentation of the Lake County Energy Strategy

Chair Rasmussen introduced the item to the Board. Chief Deputy County Administrative Officer Matthew Rothstein 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 move the item to the October 6th Board of Supervisors Meeting.

6.8 10:30 A.M. - Proposed Findings of Fact and Decision in the Appeal of Trey Sherrell (PL-26-357)

County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano 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: Tom Lajcik, Angela Ameral, and Marguax 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, moved to approve 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-25-115 / UP 21-17) (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 Appointments of a Director and Alternate to the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Board of Directors for 2027**

Supervisor Sabatier 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 Owen, and by vote of the Board, appointed Supervisor Sabatier as Chair and Supervisor Pyska as alternate to the CSAC Board of Directors for 2027. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 7.3** Consideration of Change Order to Agreement between Lake County and Workday, dated 1/29/2025, to extend the ERP/HCM go-live date to 10/1/2026, and increasing the total implementation cost by \$175,000

Auditor Controller Jenavive Herrington 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, approved Change Order to Agreement between Lake County and Workday, dated 1/29/2025, to extend the ERP/HCM go-live date to 10/1/2026, and increasing the total implementation cost by \$175,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 7.4** a) Consideration of a Resolution amending Resolution No. 2025-118, as previously amended, to amend the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget for Fund 145 (Mental Health), Budget Unit 4014, by increasing revenues and appropriations by \$4,861,792; and b) Consideration of a Resolution amending Resolution No. 2025-118, as previously amended, to amend the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget for Fund 141 (Substance Use Disorder Services), Budget Unit 4015, by increasing Medi-Cal/DMC-ODS revenue and appropriations by \$9,975,000

Behavioral Health Director Elise Jones presented the item to the Board. County Counsel Lloyd Guintivano spoke.

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.

Supervisor Pyska offered resolution amending Resolution No. 2025-118, as previously amended, to amend the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget for Fund 145 (Mental Health), Budget Unit 4014, by increasing revenues and appropriations by \$4,861,792 and it passed by roll call vote:

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

Supervisor Pyska offered Resolution amending Resolution No. 2025-118, as previously amended, to amend the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget for Fund 141 (Substance Use Disorder Services), Budget Unit 4015, by increasing Medi-Cal/DMC-ODS revenue and appropriations by \$9,975,000 and it passed by roll call vote:

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

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-90

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-91

- 7.5** Approve Agreement Between the County of Lake and Traditions Behavioral Health for Specialty Mental Health Services, Including Locum Tenens and Telepsychiatry Services, for the Term of July 1, 2026 Through June 30, 2027, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$5,400,000, and Authorize the Board Chair to Sign.

Behavioral Health Director Elise Jones 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 Pyska, and by vote of the Board, approved Agreement Between the County of Lake and Traditions Behavioral Health for Specialty Mental Health Services, Including Locum Tenens and Telepsychiatry Services, for the Term of July 1, 2026 Through June 30, 2027, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$5,400,000, and Authorized the Board Chair to Sign. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays- Supervisors: 2 - Owen and Sabatier

8. Closed Session

Chair Rasmussen announced that the Board would now go into Closed Session at 11:33 a.m. for the reasons stated on the agenda.

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 2:54 p.m. having taken no action.

- 8.1** 2:00 P.M. - Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957(b)(1):
Interviews for Public Health Officer
Appointment of Public Health Officer
- 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
- 8.3** Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing Litigation pursuant to Gov. Code sec. 54956.9 (d)(1) – Rojas, et. al. v. Clearview AI, Inc., et. al.
- 8.4** Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing Litigation pursuant to Gov. Code sec. 54956.9 (d)(1) – Stewart, Jr. v. City of Lakeport, County of Lake, et. al.
- 8.5** Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957(b)(1):
Appointment of Interim Public Works Director
- 8.6** Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Board of Supervisors adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

SUSAN PARKER
Clerk of the Board

By: _____
Johanna DeLong
Assistant Clerk of the Board

Chair-Lake County Board of Supervisors