

Tehama County
Tuesday, April 23, 2024 5:30 PM
Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes



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Board Chambers

William Moule, District 1
Candy Carlson, District 2
Pati Nolen, District 3
Matt Hansen, District 4, Vice Chair
John Leach, District 5, Chairman

Gabriel Hydrick
Chief Administrator

Margaret Long
County Counsel

Jennifer A. Vise
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SPECIAL MEETING

5:30 PM CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Supervisor Candy Carlson, Supervisor Pati Nolen, Vice Chair Matt Hansen, and Chairperson John Leach
Absent: Supervisor William Moule

Chairman Leach presided. Present in the chambers were Clerk of the Board Jennifer Vise, County Counsel Margaret Long by Deputy Andrew Plett, and Chief Administrator Gabriel Hydrick.

PUBLIC COMMENT

5:31 PM Supervisor Carlson joined the meeting.

Sheriff Dave Kain said he supported holding evening meetings to support interaction with the community.

Alma Clementz said she supported holding evening meetings.

Liz Merry stated she supports holding occasional evening meetings and asked for proper notice.

Danielle Eyestone said she supports evening meetings but asked the Board to choose a different evening because all the cities hold their meetings on various Tuesday evenings.

William Gentry said this is the first Board meeting he has been to because it is being held in the evening and supports them.

Colleen Sheehan also stated she supports evening meetings and said she doesn't know how members of the public will be noticed and made aware.

Carolyn Morgan added she supports evening meetings.

Supervisor Elect Robert Burroughs also stated he is in favor of evening meetings and announced the PATH Navigation Center will be having an open house from 1:00pm to 3:00pm on Saturday, April 27th.

Sharon Novak said she supports evening meetings and stated these may encourage civic minded youth groups to attend. Ms. Novak added the County should be hosting town hall meetings to discuss budget.

Celeste Davis said the animal shelter is in a crisis situation due to funding and irresponsible owners.

Kevin Pearce said he appreciated the evening meeting and discussed the wage compression issue at the Public Works Department.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

24-411

a) STUDY SESSION - Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding holding Board meetings outside of regular business hours.

Chief Administrator Gabriel Hydrick reviewed the pros and cons of holding evening meetings. Mr. Hydrick also discussed various options for these meetings.

Supervisor Nolen stated she is fine with an occasional meeting in the evening as lots of other counties hold them as well. Supervisor Nolen also added she is encouraged by the turnout.

Supervisor Hansen added he supports evening meetings and would consider holding them on another day while continuing to hold the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisor meetings on Tuesdays at 9:00am. Supervisor Hansen also stated perhaps the evening meetings would be to discuss one or two items.

Supervisor Carlson is interested in having night meetings and said everything the Board does should be of interest to the public. Supervisor Carlson added certain subject matters that are of interest to the public should be held in the evening.

Chairman Leach said he would like to see them monthly but held on a different day of the week and they should be to discuss public interest items.

Treasurer/Tax Collector Parker Hunt added evening meetings brings in a different crowd and says if they are to be successful, they should be of public interest. Mr. Hunt added department heads would probably not attend and move their regular items to another date.

Discussion took place regarding criteria and what types of items should be put on the agenda for a night meeting.

In response to Supervisor Carlson, Deputy County Counsel Andrew Plett stated start times of meetings are set by ordinance and so is closed session times.

Mr. Plett added the Board can always have a special meeting that doesn't need to be written into the ordinance.

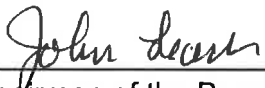
Additional discussion took place regarding the logistics of holding a night meeting, staff flex time, and labor groups.

Direction was given to hold three night meetings beginning July 23rd through September 24th on the fourth Tuesday of the month in place of the morning meetings. The meetings will be held at 6:00 pm and the agenda will contain regular County business items.

ADJOURN

ATTEST: June 9, 2024

APPROVED



Chairman of the Board
of Supervisors

JENNIFER A. VISE, Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

