



COUNTY OF LAKE

255 North Forbes Street
Lakeport, CA 95453

Meeting Minutes - Final BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Tuesday, January 13, 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 Deborah Jackson.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Administrative Analyst Trevor Mockel.

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

4.1 EXTRA ITEM: A) Consideration of Extra Agenda Item; and B) Approve the Award of Bid No. 24-04 to NG Builder Company, for the EOC Remodel Project in the amount of \$1,095,000.00

a) Public Services Director Lars Ewing 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.

b) Public Services Director Lars Ewing 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.

a) On motion of Supervisor Pyska, and by vote of the Board, approved the extra item as it came up after the posting of the current agenda, and there is a need to take immediate action before the next available agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays- Supervisors: 1 - Sabatier

b) On motion of Supervisor Pyska, and by vote of the Board, approved the Award of Bid No. 24-04 to NG Builder Company, for the EOC Remodel Project in the amount of \$1,095,000.00 and authorized the chair to sign the agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

4.2 EXTRA ITEM: (a) Consideration of "extra" agenda item, and (b) Consideration of Resolution Proclaiming the Existence of a Local Emergency due to the 2026 Robin Lane Sewer Spill (City of Clearlake)

a) Chair Rasmussen introduced the item to the Board.

b) Sheriff Luke Bingham 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.

a) On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, approved 4.2 as an extra item due to it coming up after the posting of the agenda and needing action before the next available agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

b) Supervisor Sabatier offered the resolution and it passed by roll call vote:

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

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-06

4.3 EXTRA ITEM: A) Consideration of Extra Agenda Item; and B) Consideration of a Resolution for Proclamation of a Local Health Emergency by the Lake County Health Officer for the Clearlake Sewage Spill

a) Public Health Officer Dr. Robert Bernstein 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.

b) Public Health Officer Dr. Robert Bernstein 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.

a) On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, approved taking this item up as an extra item as it came up after the posting of the agenda and action is required before the next agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

b) Supervisor Sabatier offered the resolution and it passed by roll call vote:

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

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-07

5. Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

5.3 Approve Continuation of Proclamation declaring a Clear Lake Hitch Emergency

5.4 (a) Approve Proclamation of the Lake County Board of Supervisors Commending Public Officials for Exemplary Service in Public Safety; and (b) Authorize staff to add the names of honorees and the Chair to sign and issue each completed proclamation for the corresponding honoree at the awards ceremony

5.5 Approve Out of State Travel for District 5 Supervisor Jessica Pyska and District 2 Supervisor Bruno Sabatier, to attend National Association of Counties (NACo) annual Legislative Conference in Washington D.C. from February 20 to February 25, 2026

5.6 Approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement Between the County of Lake and Lake County Resource Conservation District for Services Under the Adaptation Planning Grant Program Agreement with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and authorize the Chair to sign

- 5.7** Approve Side Letter to Lake County Deputy Sheriff Association Unit 16 July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2028, MOU.
- 5.8** Approve Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes December 9, 2025
- 5.9** SECOND READING - Adopt Ordinance Amending Chapter 5 of the Lake County Code and Adopting by Reference the 2025 California Building standards Code, Known as the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1 Through 6, 8 Through 12, Incorporating the 2025 Edition of the California Administrative Code, Title 24 Part 1; the 2025 Edition of the California Building Code, Title 24 Part 2; the 2025 Edition of the California Residential Code, Title 24 Part 2.5; The 2025 Edition of the California Electrical Code, Title 24 Part 3; The 2025 Edition of the California Mechanical Code, Title 24 Part 4; The 2025 Edition of the California Plumbing Code, Title 24 Part 5; The 2025 Edition of the California Historical building Code, Title 24 Part 8; The 2025 Edition of the California fire Code, Title 24 Part 9; the 2025 Edition of the California Existing Building Code, Title 24 Part 10; The 2025 Edition of the California Green Building Code, Title 24 Part 11; The 2025 Edition of the California Referenced Standards Code, Title 24, Part 12; the 2025 Edition of the California Wildland-Urban Interface, Title 24, Part 7; the 2024 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code.

Supervisor Owen introduced the item to the Board. Community Development Director Mireya Turner 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 Sabatier offered the ordinance and it passed by roll call vote:

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

Enactment No: Ordinance No. 3157

- 5.10** a) Adopt Resolution Authorizing the 2026-2027 Grant Project-Lake County Child Advocacy Center Program and b) Authorize the Chair to Sign the Grant Subaward Certification of Assurance of Compliance
- Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-03
- 5.11** Approve the 2025-2026 Community Corrections Partnership Plan
- 5.12** Approve Acceptance of \$275,000 Additional Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) Funding for FY 26/27
- 5.13** Approve Task Order Proposal from On-Call Engineer, Brelje & Race Consulting Engineers, and allow Special Districts to move forward with the design and preparation of a bid package for sewer main lining and lift station lining.

5.14 (Sitting as the Board of Directors Lake County Watershed Protection District) Approve the award of Contract for Consulting Services – Sunny Day Flood Scenario and Inundation Map Compliance for Highland Creek and Adobe Creek Dams in the amount of \$32,500; and Authorize the Chair to Sign and the Water Resources Director to execute the Contract between the Watershed Protection District and Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc.

5.15 (Sitting as the Board of Directors Lake County Watershed Protection District) Approve the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Donna Koker for Property within the Middle Creek Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Project and authorize the Chair of the Board of Directors to sign the Purchase and Sale Agreement

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, approved consent agenda items 5.1 through 5.15 with the exception of item 5.9 which was 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 Luisa Costa, Sterling Wellman, and Skiela Laiwa spoke.

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

Animal Care and Control Officer Jonathan Early presented the pet of the week to the Board.

Presentation Only.

6.3 9:04 A.M. - New and Noteworthy at the Library

County Librarian Christopher Veach 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.

6.4 9:15 A.M. - Consideration of Presentation Giving an Update on the Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) Derivatives Available to the Public

Chief Climate Resiliency Officer Terre Logsdon 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: Tom Lajcik. The following people spoke via Zoom: Sterling Wellman and Donna Mackiewicz. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

Presentation Only.

6.5 9:30 A.M. - Consideration of Presentation on the UC Davis Clear Lake Restoration Project

UC Davis Professor Dr. Alexander Forrest presented the item to the Board. UC Davis Representative Steve Camden 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.

Presentation Only.

6.6 9:45 A.M. - (Sitting as the Lake County Air Quality Management District Board of Directors) Consideration of Air Toxics Hot Spots Report for 2024 Presentation and Discussion

Air Pollution Control Director Doug Gearhart 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 Air Toxics Hot Spots Report for 2024 Presentation. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6.7 10:05 A.M. - PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration of Draft Resolution Adopting the Lake County Climate Adaptation Plan

Community Development Director Mireya Turner introduced the item to the Board. PlaceWorks Representative Jacqueline Protsman Rohr presented a PowerPoint Presentation 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. The following people spoke via Zoom: Betsy Cawn and Angela Ameral. 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: 5 - Owen, Sabatier, Crandell, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-04

6.8 10:45 A.M. - 2026 Governance Workshop Presentation for Probation

Chief Probation Officer Wendy Mondfrans 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.

6.9 11:00 A.M. - PUBLIC HEARING - (Continued from November 18, 2025)
Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Article VIII. Of Chapter 18 Of the Lake County Code to Implement a Low Value Property Tax Exemption

Treasurer-Tax Collector Patrick Sullivan presented the item to the Board. Assessor-Recorder Richard Ford spoke.

Chair Rasmussen asked if anyone present wished to speak and the following people present in the Board of Supervisors Chambers spoke: Clearlake City Manager Alan Flora and Elizabeth Larson. 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, approved the first reading of the ordinance to be read in title only. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays- Supervisors: 2 - Owen and Sabatier

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: 3 - Crandell, Pyska, and Rasmussen

Nays- Supervisors: 2 - Owen and Sabatier

6.10 11:15 A.M. - PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration of Resolution Approving an Application for Funding and the Execution of a Grant Agreement and any Amendments Thereto from the 2025 Funding Year of the State CDBG Program

Deputy County Administrative Officer Ben Rickleman presented the item to the Board. CDS Consulting Representative Jeff Lucas 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.

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

6.11 11:30 A.M. - PUBLIC HEARING - (Continued from December 9, 2025)
Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Purchasing Ordinance: Article X of Chapter Two of the Lake County Code to clarify powers and duties, additional exemptions from competitive bidding and include increased purchasing limits for public projects

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

6.12 1:00 P.M. - Consideration of the distribution of excess proceeds in the amount of \$663,489.75 from Tax Defaulted Land Sale #162 held May 31, 2024 per R&T §4675.

Assistant Treasurer-Tax Collector Elizabeth Martinez 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: Elizabeth Larson. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

On motion of Supervisor Owen, and by vote of the Board, approved the distribution of excess proceeds in the amount of \$663,489.75 from Tax Defaulted Land Sale #162 held May 31, 2024 per R&T §4675. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

On motion of Supervisor Owen, and by vote of the Board, moved to reconsider the action taken on item 6.12. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, moved to rescind the previous motion. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, approved distribution of excess proceeds in the amount of \$663,489.75 from Tax Defaulted Land Sale #162 held May 31, 2024 per R&T §4675. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6.13 1:15 P.M. - Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the California Statewide Communities Development Authority to Establish a Community Facilities District for the Guenoc Development

Deputy County Administrative Officer Ben Rickleman introduced the item to the Board. Lou Felton presented the PowerPoint Presentation to the Board. Brian Forbath and Public Services Director Lars Ewing 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 Owen offered the resolution and it was passed by roll call vote:

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

Enactment No: Resolution No. 2026-05

6.14 1:30 P.M. - Consideration of Proposed Findings of Fact and Decision in the Appeal of Maria Kann and Associates (PL-25-198)

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. The following people spoke via Zoom: Maria Kann and Brad Johnson. 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, approved the findings of fact and decision as amended and authorized the chair to sign. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays- Supervisors: 2 - Owen and Sabatier

On motion of Supervisor Crandell, and by vote of the Board, moved to deny the appeal. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays- Supervisors: 2 - Owen and Sabatier

6.15 2:00 P.M. - Presentation of Update on Community Development Department (CDD) Loan Repayment Plan

Community Development Director Mireya Turner introduced the item to the Board. Deputy Community Development Director Shannon Walker-Smith and Deputy County Administrative Officer Casey Moreno presented PowerPoint Presentations to the Board. Assistant County Administrative Officer Stephen Carter and 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. The following person spoke via Zoom: Skiela Laiwa. No one else wished to speak and the public input portion of this item was closed.

There was Board consensus to bring back the presentation in February with more detail.

7. Non-Timed Items

7.1 Supervisors' weekly calendar, travel and reports

7.2 Consideration of a Supplemental Response to the 2024-25 Lake County Civil Grand Jury's Final Report

Administrative Analyst Trevor Mockel 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 Supplemental Response to the 2024-25 Lake County Civil Grand Jury's Final Report. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7.3 Consideration of the following Advisory Board appointment:

- Cobb Municipal Advisory Council
- Kelseyville Cemetery District
- Lake County Ag Advisory Committee
- Lower Lake Cemetery District

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, appointed Paul Duncan and Cathy McCarthy to the Cobb Municipal Advisory Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

On motion of Supervisor Pyska, and by vote of the Board, appointed Elizabeth Broida to the Kelseyville Cemetery District. The motion carried by the following:

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

On motion of Supervisor Pyska, and by vote of the Board, appointed Carolyn Hillman, David Weiss, Paul Bernacchio, and Makaila Benjamin to the Lake County Ag Advisory Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nays- Supervisors: 2 - Owen and Sabatier

On motion of Supervisor Owen, and by vote of the Board, appointed Iris Hudson to the Lower Lake Cemetery District. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7.4 SECOND READING - Consideration of Ordinance to Amend Chapter 21, Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 27 and 68 of the Lake County Zoning Code to Implement General Plan Sixth Cycle Housing Element Policies HE-38, 38, HE-59, HE-60, HE-61, HE-71, HE-72 and HE-73 (Staff requests another first reading, due to addition of text)

Community Development Director Mireya Turner 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: Holly Harris. 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, advanced the draft ordinance with amendments to the next Board of Supervisors Meeting for consideration and possible adoption. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

7.5 Consideration of Consolidation of Public Works and Public Services Departments

Public Services Director Lars Ewing 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.

There was Board consensus to return with a presentation prior to the Budget Hearing.

7.6 ADDENDUM - Consideration of a Letter to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) Regarding Proposed Juvenile Detention Regulations

Chief Probation Officer Wendy Mondfrans 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 letter as proposed with amendment to the first sentence. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

On motion of Supervisor Sabatier, and by vote of the Board, directed staff to appropriately include issues related to juvenile detention in the County’s 2026 State Legislative Priorities. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

8. Closed Session

Chair Rasmussen announced that the Board would now go into Closed Session at 5:39 p.m. for the reasons stated on the agenda.

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 6:13 p.m. having taken no action.

8.1 Public Employee Evaluation:
Title: County Counsel

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Board of Supervisors adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

SUSAN PARKER
Clerk of the Board

By: _____
Johanna DeLong
Assistant Clerk of the Board

Chair-Lake County Board of Supervisors