

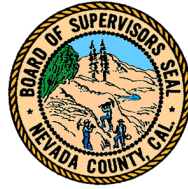
# COUNTY OF NEVADA

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### SUMMARY MINUTES - Draft

Date	Time	Location
Friday, January 24, 2025	8:25 AM	Gold Miners Inn Ballroom 121 Bank Street Grass Valley, California 95945

#### Workshop

### CONTINUED SPECIAL MEETING DAY 3 OF 3

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### CONTINUED SPECIAL MEETING: BOARD WORKSHOP 8:25 AM

Rollcall

The following Supervisors present:

Heidi Hall, 1st District  
Robb Tucker, 2nd District  
Lisa Swarthout, 3rd District  
Susan Hoek, 4th District  
Hardy Bullock, 5th District

### Board of Supervisors Chair: Heidi Hall

z. [SR 25-0069](#) Welcome | Overview

ACTION TAKEN: Lori Burkhardt Frank, Facilitator, welcomed the Board and the public back to day three of the three day workshop. The agenda was presented, previous days were reviewed and information was provided.

### STANDING ORDERS:

Chair Hall called the third day of the three-day special meeting back into order at 8:25 a.m. Chair Hall thanked Rain Wrenn, Administrative Assistant, for providing recycling and composting bins for the meeting. She presented Rain with a challenge coin for creativity and persistence.

- aa.**    [SR 25-0106](#)    Board Directed Items
- Community Wellness Initiative
  - Environmental Health/Natural Resources Mines Pilot
  - Donner Pass Snow Removal
  - South Yuba River Shuttle Service Pilot
  - Tribal Affairs Policy
  - Community Spay and Neuter Program
  - Micro Transit Pilot in East County

ACTION TAKEN: Alison Lehman, County Executive Officer introduced the presentation: a wellness initiative to look at what can be done to support our health care system, help reduce chronic disease, look at the nexus between health and quality, including economic development, and most importantly, how we provide lift for our existing non-profits and services to support our young people and our families. Supervisor Swarthout provided comments and introduced Sandra Barrington, CFRE, Executive Director, Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation, who provided a presentation on HealthSpan, a program to help people live well longer. She stated that the mission of the initiative is to create a thriving community where everyone has the opportunity to achieve their fullest potential and enjoy a high quality of life.

Board discussion ensued.

*Resources and Priorities moved after Board Objectives.*

- ab.**    [SR 25-0104](#)    Resources and Priorities

ACTION TAKEN: Staff provided clarity of the Board direction given for Board priorities during this three day workshop. Staff outlined the process of first confirming policy direction, not committing resources yet, and returning to the Board in March or April with project charters. Staff confirmed what direction was provided to each department.

Board discussion ensued and Board members clarified their direction and requested Staff keep the Board updated on the progress being made on each charter.

- ac.**    [SR 25-0103](#)    Board Objectives 2025

ACTION TAKEN: Chair Hall provided a presentation regarding protecting our natural resources. She believes having personnel who focus on our natural resources would be a benefit to our county. She spoke to the numerous mines in the county; active, non-working claims and abandoned mines that pose both a public health and physical threat to our community. She requested a pilot program to review these issues and have Staff return to the Board with recommended options.

Board discussion ensued.

Board provided direction.

ACTION TAKEN: Supervisor Bullock provided a presentation regarding providing snow removal in the Sugar Bowl area. He spoke to the difficult winter travel impacts currently on Interstate 80 and the importance of other throughways which can be used to move traffic through the area. He spoke to the increased big rig traffic and the impacts on safety. He reported that he has a meeting with CalTrans coming up and will discuss the issue with their representatives. He reported that there is not a lot of infrastructure in Eastern County, in the form of a building/office for the personnel working on the road.

Board discussion ensued.

The Board provided direction.

*The Board took a short break.*

ACTION TAKEN: Supervisor Hoek provided information regarding a South Yuba River Shuttle. She stated the river visitors have greatly increased and she would welcome ideas for solving the overcrowding, public safety issues, and crime that is happening at the Highway 49 crossing. One idea is to have a shuttle, with a place for people to park and catch the shuttle. This would be a pilot program, or a first step, and later Edwards and Purdon crossing could be added.

Board discussion ensued.

The Board provided direction.

ACTION TAKEN: Supervisor Bullock provided information and a presentation regarding his meeting with the Washoe Tribe based in the Martis Valley. He reported that the County does not have an intergovernmental policy to assist in communication between the County and all Tribal entities.

Board discussion ensued.

The Board provided direction.

ACTION TAKEN: Supervisor Swarthout provided information regarding the Nevada County Animal Shelter. She reported that the shelter is inundated with animals to be adopted, currently particularly puppies that have been dropped off. Staff presented information regarding the Spay and Neuter Clinic and the need for increased funds to help prevent the ballooning population of puppies and kittens resulting from citizens who cannot afford the surgery for their pets. Also, a possible pilot program for licensing pets which also offers education for pet owners.

Board discussion ensued.

The Board provided direction.

ACTION TAKEN: Supervisor Bullock provided information regarding the current status of Western Nevada County public transportation; shuttles and buses. Eastern County has its own program Transit for the Tahoe Area (TART or TART Connect) which has permanent funding as a result of a bond that Truckee put in place. He reported that there are still areas that do not have any public transportation. He would like Staff to collect a data set that would help to understand if there is a demand for public transportation in these uncovered areas, and if so, what are options to pay for the service. Staff provided information that Western Nevada County Transit Services Division in partnership with Nevada County Transportation Commission (NCTC) is preparing to undertake a comprehensive operations analysis and, with Board direction, could also include potential summit services as a part of that study that has already been funded.

Board discussion ensued.

The Board provided direction.

*The Board took a short break.*

ad. [SR 25-0113](#) Closing Comments

ACTION TAKEN: Alison Lehman, County Executive Officer, provided a summary of the three day meetings and thanked Staff for their hard work and participation in presenting all of the detailed information to the Board. Also, she thanked Lori Burkhardt Frank for her excellence in keeping the meeting running smoothly.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

ACTION TAKEN: Chair Hall adjourned the 3-day special meeting.

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Signature and Attestation

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Heidi Hall, Chair

ATTEST:

By:

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Lauriana Cecchi, Board Clerk II