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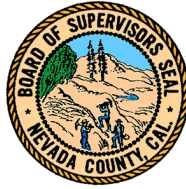
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## SUMMARY MINUTES - Draft

Date	Time	Location
Thursday, January 23, 2025	8:25 AM	Gold Miners Inn Ballroom 121 Bank Street Grass Valley, California 95945

### Workshop

## CONTINUED SPECIAL MEETING: DAY 2 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*

## STANDING ORDERS:

Chair Hall called the second day of the three-day special meeting back into order at 8:25 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

## 1. BOARD WORKSHOP

*Continued from Wednesday, January 22, 2025.*

**County Executive Officer: Alison Lehman****o. [SR 25-0111](#)** Welcome | Overview

ACTION TAKEN: Lori Burkhardt Frank, Workshop Facilitator, reviewed today's agenda and provided announcements.

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**p. [SR 25-0085](#)** Board Objective on Emergency Preparedness for 2025

ACTION TAKEN: Staff provided a presentation on the Office of Emergency Services Sustainable and Strategic Approach for 2025 with related information on planned projects and their implementation. Staff provided information on evacuation concerns. The Board provided direction to Staff.

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**q. [SR 25-0083](#)** Roadside Vegetation & Maintenance

ACTION TAKEN: Staff provided an overview of the 2024 Evacuation Study and reviewed the existing road maintenance program, including vegetation clearing. Staff presented the Roads Action Plan for 2025 and described the challenges of seasonality and how seasonal services compete with core services. Staff also presented information on the correlation of evacuation route improvements and removal of hazardous vegetation. The Board provided direction to Staff.

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*The Board took a short break.*

**r. [SR 25-0086](#)** Fire Consolidation

ACTION TAKEN: Staff, along with, Chief Jason Robitaille, Consolidated Fire District, and Chief Rob Rothenburger, Ophir Hill Fire Protection District, provided background information and an overview of the process, fiscal benefits, funding challenges, and community benefits, of creating a collaborative consolidation of fire departments. The Board provided direction.

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*The Board took a short break.*

s. [SR 25-0100](#) Board Objective on Broadband for 2025

ACTION TAKEN: Staff reported that for the past year the County has been advocating for enhanced broadband access throughout our rural community. Staff reviewed the Board Broadband Objective of 2024 and reported that Staff is not recommending any changes to the objective. Staff provided information regarding the plans for broadband in 2025 and provided information regarding the revised zoning ordinance to facilitate and streamline broadband and cell tower infrastructure.

The Board provided to Staff.

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t. [SR 25-0087](#) Board Objective on Climate Resilience for 2025

ACTION TAKEN: Staff, along with, Beth Taylor, Nevada County 2025 Civic Spark Fellow, Gina Stassi-Vanacore, Pioneer Community Energy Director of Communications provided an overview of the resiliency objective and the priorities for Nevada County, including information on the 2025 policy direction for regional resilience and climate action. Gina Stassi-Vanacore provided a description of Pioneer Community Energy, a non-profit provider, giving communities a choice for their energy provider.

The Board provided direction to Staff.

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*The Board took a short break.*

u. [SR 25-0089](#) Code Compliance

ACTION TAKEN: Staff provided an overview of Code Compliance policy and process. Sheriff panel members reported on statistics, issues and main concerns regarding cannabis grows in the county. They reported on the personnel and funding needed for illegal cannabis grow eradication.

Alison Lehman, County Executive Officer, reported that there will be an abatement ordinance coming to the Board in the Spring that will cover updates that the Board has requested. The ordinance would be reviewed by the Planning Commission before coming before the Board. Also, that Planning and Code would bring further information to the Board before bringing the ordinance to the Board for action.

The Board provided direction to Staff.

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v. [SR 25-0098](#) Board Objective on Housing for 2025

ACTION TAKEN: Staff provided an overview of housing and community services in the county, including updates on the Board direction received at the 2024 Board workshop. Staff provided information regarding work in the County on housing transition and the facilities available. Staff presented a proposed housing development services reorganization that would be implemented July 1, 2025.

Staff reviewed the Community Land Trust (CLT) regarding finding surplus land for use as potential housing opportunity sites.

Staff presented information regarding options for alternative housing.

The Board provided direction to Staff.

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*The Board took a scheduled break.*

w. [SR 25-0090](#) Capital Facilities Projects

ACTION TAKEN: Staff provided a presentation overview of current capital projects and preliminary projects. Staff reported that most capital projects take approximately five years and reported on completed projects. Staff also provided an overview of different types of capital project funding. Staff summarized the five year capital project outlook and provided more detail regarding different funding resources, and the expenditure of funds on project types.

Board discussion ensued.

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*Wrap-up was moved before State of Cities and Town.*

*The Board took a short break.*

x. [SR 25-0102](#) State of Cities and Town

ACTION TAKEN: Tim Kiser, Grass Valley City Manager, and Grass Valley Mayor, Hillary Hodge, provided a state of the city of Grass Valley report, including ongoing and projected projects. Tim Kiser reported that as a result of the funding received via Measure E, Grass Valley has hired seven fire fighters, has been able to purchase a new ladder truck, and has been working on fire risk reduction. Measure E has also provided funds for additional staff, including a new canine first responder and community outreach dog, Nugget.

ACTION TAKEN: Sean Grayson, Nevada City Manager and Nevada City Mayor, Gary Peterson provided updates regarding the community driven strategic plan. The city leadership established seven strategic initiatives of priority, with a community wildfire protection plan, housing consideration, and business development.

ACTION TAKEN: Jen Callaway, Truckee Town Manager and Truckee Town Mayor, Jan Zabriskie, provided an update on the general plan and presented a brief video highlighting Truckee's capital improvement projects. Providing examples of a few of the projects: construction of a new regional library; construction of workforce housing, improvements in wildfire risk mitigation, and river revitalization.

Board discussion ensued.

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y. [SR 25-0112](#) End of Day | Wrap-Up

ACTION TAKEN: Day two of the workshop was reviewed and information was provided to the Board.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

ACTION TAKEN: Chair Hall adjourned the 3-day special meeting to Friday, January 24, 2025, at 8:25 a.m.

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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