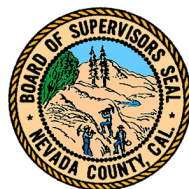


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SUMMARY MINUTES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tuesday, May 10, 2016	9:00 AM	Board Chambers, First Floor Eric Rood Administrative Center 950 Maidu Avenue Nevada City, California

REGULAR MEETING: 9:00 AM

Rollcall

The following Supervisors were present:

Nathan H. Beason, 1st District
Ed Scofield, 2nd District
Dan Miller, 3rd District
Hank Weston, 4th District
Richard Anderson, 5th District

STANDING ORDERS:

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Kevin Edwards, Veterans' Services Officer.

Corrections and/or deletions to agenda.

ACTION TAKEN: No corrections and/or deletions to the agenda were noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT: 9:01 A.M.

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Eddie Garcia, District II resident, provided comments regarding the status of the State of Jefferson movement. He announced that the State of Jefferson will have a booth at the Penn Valley Rodeo.

Mr. Weldon Travis, District IV resident, renewed his concerns regarding the Federal Bureau of Land Management's handling of the recent events in Oregon, and urged the Board to become informed of such matters.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION TAKEN: Chairman Miller introduced the consent calendar.

Public Health Director: Jill Blake

1. [SR 16-0301](#) Resolution approving a renewal contract between the County of Nevada and Lynne Lacroix dba Cody Consulting for the provision of project coordination services related to the County's Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Program, in the maximum amount of \$37,200, for the period April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-182

Auditor-Controller: Marcia Salter

2. [SR 16-0311](#) Resolution authorizing the Auditor-Controller to review and approve tax refund claims in accordance with Revenue & Taxation Code Section 5097, et seq, and other statutory roll corrections, amending the roll correction process, and rescinding Resolution 08-312.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-183

Agricultural Commissioner: Chris Flores

3. [SR 16-0347](#) Resolution approving Agreement 16-0172-SA between the County of Nevada and California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to reimburse the County for costs incurred in the enforcement of certified Farmers Market Inspections, in an amount not to exceed \$7,044, for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Agreement.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-184

4. [SR 16-0322](#) Resolution approving renewal of revenue Agreement 15-0588-SF between the County of Nevada and California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to fund County European Grapevine Moth (EGVM) trapping activities, in the maximum reimbursement amount of \$9,636, for the period of February 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Agreement.
- Adopted.**
- Enactment No: RES 16-185

Environmental Health Director: Amy Irani

5. [SR 16-0350](#) Resolution authorizing the Nevada County Board of Supervisors to accept grant funding for Agreement TEA23-15-0038 with the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for the Waste Tire Enforcement Grant (TEA) 23rd Cycle (County Fiscal Year 2016/17), in the amount of \$35,823, for the period June 30, 2016 through September 30, 2017, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors or his/her designee to execute all documents necessary to secure release of grant funds for the Waste Tire Enforcement Grant Program.
- Adopted.**
- Enactment No: RES 16-186

Director of Public Works: Steven Castleberry

6. [SR 16-0362](#) Resolution to reject bids and authorize re-bidding the Maybert Bridge at Canyon Creek Replacement Project - Contract No. 224017. (Dist. V)
- Adopted.**
- Enactment No: RES 16-187
7. [SR 16-0334](#) Resolution awarding contract to Linear Options, Inc., for the 2016 Nevada County Annual Striping Phase 1 and Phase 2 Contract No. 426633, in the amount of \$204,567.55 plus a ten percent contingency for the contract work items, for a grand total of \$225,024.31 and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the contract.
- Adopted.**
- Enactment No: RES 16-188

Chief Probation Officer: Michael Ertola

8. [SR 16-0354](#) Resolution approving Amendment 2 to contract between the County of Nevada and Telmate, LLC for inmate phone services at Carl F. Bryan II Juvenile Hall (Res. 12-394), extending the contract termination date from April 26, 2016 to December 31, 2016, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Amendment.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-189

Chief Information Officer: Stephen Monaghan

9. [SR 16-0361](#) Resolution approving Amendment 1 to contract between the County of Nevada and C&S Engineers, Inc., to provide for additional services pertaining to a new Perimeter Fence and Gate System at the Nevada County Airport (Res. 16-026), increasing the maximum contract amount from \$69,913 to \$91,270, extending the term of the contract to September 30, 2016, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Amendment. (Airport)

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-190

10. [SR 16-0358](#) Resolution authorizing the Conveyance and Recordation of a Non-Exclusive Easement within Western Gateway Park property (APN 51-220-16), approving an Easement Agreement between the County of Nevada and the Nevada Cemetery District, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Agreement. (Facilities)

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-191

County Counsel: Alison Barratt-Green

11. [SR 16-0375](#) Resolution approving Amendment 4 to contract between the County of Nevada, acting on behalf of Nevada County Community Facilities District No. 1990-1 (Wildwood Estates), and Allen Matkins Leek Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP, increasing the maximum contract amount by \$14,544.55, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Amendment.

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-192

12. [SR 16-0382](#) Resolution approving a personal services contract between the County of Nevada and Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, P.C. for bond counsel services related to proposed financing for the Nevada County Energy Conservation and Generation Project, in the maximum contract amount of \$60,000, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Agreement.
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 16-193

Clerk of the Board: Julie Patterson Hunter

13. [SR 16-0377](#) Resolution proclaiming May 2016 as Motorcycle Awareness Month in Nevada County.
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 16-194
14. [SR 16-0371](#) Acceptance of resignation from Mr. Clifford Bottenfield as Forest and Related Industry member on the Agricultural Advisory Commission.
Accepted.
15. [SR 16-0368](#) Approval of John Muir Charter Schools' Conflict of Interest Code.
Approved.
16. [SR 16-0369](#) Approval of Nevada County Office of Education's amended Conflict of Interest Code.
Approved.
17. [SR 16-0379](#) Acceptance of Board of Supervisors Summary Minutes for April 26, 2016.
Accepted.

Approval of the Consent Agenda.

Adopted.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Weston, seconded by Supervisor Beason, to approve the Consent Calendar. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MATTERS:

Behavioral Health Director: Rebecca Slade

18. [SR 16-0339](#) Resolution proclaiming May 2016 as Mental Health Awareness Month in Nevada County.
Adopted.
Enactment No: RES 16-195

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Rebecca Slade, Director of Behavioral Health, and Ms. Nancy Ramsey, Chair, Nevada County Mental Health Advisory Board, provided a Prezi presentation regarding the impacts of mental health illnesses in the community. In addition, Ms. Ramsey provided an overview of the 2015/16 Mental Health Board Report, and together they requested the Board proclaim May 2016 as "Mental Health Awareness Month" in Nevada County.

The Board members thanked Ms. Slade and Ms. Ramsey for their report, and for the work done in the community by the Mental Health Advisory Board and Behavioral Health Department staff.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Weston, seconded by Supervisor Scofield to adopt resolution 16-195. On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Director of Social Services: Mike Dent

19. [SR 16-0357](#) Approve designation of Mr. Kevin Edwards as the County Veterans' Services Officer (VSO), effective April 25, 2016.
Approved.

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Mike Dent, Director of Social Services, thanked Mr. Victor Ferrera for his years of service as the Nevada County Veterans' Services Officer. He introduced Mr. Kevin Edwards, a 20-year veteran and retired Chief in the United States Navy, and asked the Board to approve Mr. Edwards as the County Veterans' Services Officer (VSO).

Chairman Miller thanked Mr. Ferrera for his service, and the Board members thanked Mr. Edwards for his service in the military and welcomed him to his new position.

Chairman Miller provided an opportunity for public comment.

Mr. Weldon Travis, District IV resident, let Mr. Edwards know that he is a member of the Patriot Rider Guard, who escorts veteran's remains to their final resting place, and he offered his services as a contact for the Guard.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Miller closed public comment.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Beason, seconded by Supervisor Anderson to approve the appointment of Mr. Kevin Edwards as the County Veterans' Services Officer, effective April 25, 2016. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

20. [SR 16-0330](#) Presentation on services and performance measures related to the administration of employment services for Nevada County CalWORKs participants through the Employability Barrier Removal Program, unpaid Work Experience (WEX), paid Subsidized Employment Program (SEP), and Expanded Subsidized Employment (ESE) Programs.

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Mike Dent, Director of Social Services, and Ms. Mali Dyck, CalWORKs Program Manager, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the CalWORKs employment services performance measures and the coordination of services with Nevada County In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Public Authority. Mr. Dent reviewed the CalWORKs Program, noting that the unemployment rate in Nevada County is currently at 5%. He provided an overview of the new programs in Nevada County CalWORKs; Family Stabilization, Expanded Subsidized Employment, and Housing Support Program. The goal is to assist low- and no-income families gain sustainable employment, leading to self-sufficiency. He reported that currently there are 450 families enrolled in the Program. Ms. Dyck reviewed the County's relationship with IHSS Public Authority, and reported on the performance measures during the first six months of the Program, the numbers of clients they have been able to serve, and the requirements for the clients. Ms. Dyck reviewed the businesses that they work with to employ Program participants. She reported on participation rates and the number of clients they have moved into permanent employment.

Mr. Dent summarized their efforts and concluded his report.

Board questioning and discussion ensued.

Chairman Miller provided an opportunity for public comment.

Mr. Lee French, District II resident, shared concerns regarding high school graduates who may be looking for summer employment. Mr. Dent responded that CalWORKs families do have these services available to them, and the One Stop Career Center also provides services for youth.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Miller closed the public comment period and thanked staff for the report.

Environmental Health Director: Amy Irani

21. [SR 16-0351](#) Resolution approving a draft of the County of Nevada On-Site Sewage Disposal regulation and related documents which comprise the proposed draft Local Area Management Plan (LAMP) and authorizing the Nevada County Department of Environmental Health to submit the draft LAMP to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB).

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-196

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Any Irani, Environmental Health Director, introduced Mr. Nick Weigel, P.E., Senior Civil Engineer, North Star Engineering. She provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding Nevada County sewage regulations and the new State Water Resources Control Board mandates, which requires each jurisdiction to submit a Local Area Management Plan (LAMP) by May 13, 2016. She reviewed the key elements of the On-Site Wastewater Treatment System Policy (OWTS), Tiers 0, 1, and 2. Nevada County is recommending Tier 2 Standards in the interest of maintaining local control of permitting septic systems within the County. Failure to submit the draft LAMP would result in Nevada County being limited to Tier 1 Standards. Ms. Irani reviewed the Tier 3 requirements including Wolf Creek, which has been identified as an impaired body of water. She provided an overview of the LAMP impacts on septic systems, which would apply only if an existing system experienced failure or an expansion, and reported on potential impacts on impaired water bodies, which would consist of an Advanced Protection Management Program. Ms. Irani stressed that the Environmental Health Department will work closely with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board to be sure all issues are addressed and all requirements are met. Ms. Irani requested the Board approve the Resolution authorizing the submittal of the Draft LAMP and attachments.

Board questioning ensued.

Chairman Miller provided an opportunity for public comment.

Mr. Weldon Travis, District IV resident, provided comments regarding his neighbor who recently received notification from the State Resource Water Quality Control Board regarding reporting issues with his well that would be very costly. It is also highly important to him that control be kept local. He believed this could put people; ranchers, farmers etc., out of business.

Mr. Calvin Clarke, District IV resident, asked if California counties have any type of technology seminars and if some of the newest technologies are being considered in the LAMP. Mr. Weigel explained that the California On-Site Water Association was influential in coming up with solutions to AB 85. He commended Nevada County on coming into compliance with Tier 2 requirements. There are technologies being used that are approved within Nevada County and are further defined in the LAMP. Reuse is not discussed in the OWTS policy, although he does see it as a serious issue to consider.

Ms. Karen Rynberg, District I resident, suggested the County consider graphene water filters, which are currently being used to filter sea water in Southern California.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Miller closed public comment.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Anderson, seconded by Supervisor Scofield to adopt Resolution 16-196. On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER ITEMS:

22. [SR 16-0355](#) Letter opposing Assembly Bill 2395 - Telecommunications, replacement of public switched network.

Sponsors: Nate Beason, District 1

Approved.

ACTION TAKEN: Supervisor Beason introduced the agenda item, and reviewed the staff report. He clarified that the bill is to allow telecommunications companies to be absolved of their legacy responsibility to provide landline service. He believed that rural counties would be hurt by this bill and stressed that availability is not the same as accessibility, particularly for Nevada County's elderly population. He reported the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) voted unanimously to oppose the bill, and urged support from the Board members.

Board questioning and discussion ensued.

Chairman Miller provided an opportunity for public comment.

Mr. Jerry Bloom, District I resident, reported that he has no cell service at his residence and provided comments regarding the lack of available public phones. He urged the Board support the item.

Mr. Calvin Clarke, District IV resident, asked if the proposed bill would incur any costs to the County. Supervisor Beason responded that he believed there would be no direct costs to the County.

There being no further public comment Chairman Miller closed the public comment period.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Beason, seconded by Supervisor Anderson to approve the letter. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

***CLOSED SESSION:**

[SR 16-0378](#) Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, the Board of Supervisors desires to hold a closed session regarding real property negotiations. The negotiators for the County are Steve Monaghan and Tom Coburn. Negotiating parties are the County of Nevada, and Nancy Peirce, on behalf of the Western Gateway Park District. Items under negotiation concern the transfer of approximately 80.03 acres of Park Property from the County to the Park District, located at 18560 Penn Valley Drive, Penn Valley, APN 51-220-16.

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Alison Barratt-Green, County Counsel, read the title of the closed session into the record and the Board entered into closed session.

Following closed session, Ms. Barratt-Green reported that nothing occurred in closed session that is required to be reported out by law.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MATTERS: (Continued)

Chief Information Officer: Stephen Monaghan

23. [SR 16-0359](#) Resolution authorizing the transfer of Western Gateway Park (APN 51-220-16), approving the Western Gateway Park Transfer Agreement between the County of Nevada and the Western Gateway Park and Recreation District, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Agreement. (4/5 Affirmative Vote Required) (Dist. IV) (Facilities)

Adopted as amended.

Enactment No: RES 16-197

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Stephen Monaghan, Chief Information Officer, reviewed the staff report, proposing to transfer 80.97 acres from the County of Nevada to the Western Gateway Park and Recreation District. He reported that in 1984, Nevada County entered into a lease agreement with the Park District, and the Capital Facilities Subcommittee has been working on the transfer for a number of years. Mr. Monaghan stressed that it was a win-win for both entities, noting that the property will be restricted for park purposes only.

Board questioning ensued.

Supervisor Weston asked that the proposed Resolution be clarified regarding the County waiver of Community Development Agency (CDA) fees. He stressed that the permit process is still a requirement for all projects proposed at the Park. Supervisor Anderson further clarified that the permit process will not be waived; just the CDA fee.

Board questioning and discussion continued.

Chairman Miller provided an opportunity for public comment.

Ms. Nancy Pierce, Chairman, Board of Directors of Western Gateway Park and Recreation District, spoke in support of the re-opening this opportunity. On behalf of the Board, stakeholders, and community she thanked the Board. She referred to the waiver of CDA fees, noting that their Board is requesting this waiver be continued in the sale per the current lease agreement.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Miller closed public comment.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Weston, seconded by Supervisor to adopt Resolution 16-197, as amended, to include the modification regarding permit process for applications from the Park & Recreation District, that all projects must be permitted. On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

24. [SR 16-0373](#) (Waive Further Reading/Adopt) An Ordinance amending Article 7 of Chapter IV of the Nevada County General Code regarding Hazardous Vegetation Abatement. (Emergency Services)
Adopted.
Enactment No: ORD-2411

ACTION TAKEN: Chairman Miller read the title of the Ordinance into the record.

Mr. Victor Ferrera, Office of Emergency Services Program Manager introduced Mr. Sean Powers, Community Development Agency Director. Mr. Powers introduced the item, noting that there was one change made to the proposed Ordinance when it was introduced; Paragraph 7.2C was revised to replace the word 'may' with 'shall.'

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Weston, seconded by Supervisor Anderson to adopt Ordinance 2411. On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

25. [SR 16-0372](#) Resolution approving and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) Mutual Agreement Page. (Emergency Services)

Adopted.

Enactment No: RES 16-198

ACTION TAKEN: Chairman Miller introduced the agenda item. Mr. Victor Ferrera, Office of Emergency Services Program Manager, introduced Ms. Joanne Drummond, Executive Director, Fire Safe Council of Nevada County. Mr. Ferrera reviewed the staff report.

Supervisor Anderson asked if Eastern County's CWPP was different than the proposed document. Mr. Ferrera explained that it is a separate document that covers the responsible area of the Truckee Fire Department. Ms. Drummond noted that the way they address community plans such as the Truckee Fire District Community Fire Plan, is to include them, by appendix, as part of the larger CWPP. She explained that Fire Safe Council will take the lead in the implementation and execution of proposed projects. They could potentially compete for State funding, although they are working together to ensure the projects complement each other.

Ms. Drummond presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Nevada County CWPP 2016. She provided an overview of the scope and purpose of the CWPP, which is directed at protecting at-risk communities. Ms. Drummond reported that it is required to have a CWPP to apply for Federal funding.

Ms. Drummond introduced the Fire Safe Council Director and Projects Committee Chairman, Mr. Donn Thane, Tahoe National Forest. Mr. Thane reported that he is retired from 40 years in the Forest Service. He reviewed some of Fire Safe Council's upcoming projects and provided comments regarding fire protection, fire control measures, and types of treatment.

Ms. Drummond stressed that the process is a two-way street in terms of communication between other entities. She mentioned the bark beetle infested trees, and grants available for addressing the issue. Fire Safe Council has been awarded funding grants from Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) and another from the State provided through State Responsibility Area (SRA) fees. She concluded her report.

Supervisor Anderson had concerns that in Eastern Nevada County there would be two CWPPs in effect, which may cause cross purposes of objectives. He asked if the recommendations have been vetted by the management of the Truckee Fire Protection District. Ms. Drummond explained that they have had meetings with the Eastern Truckee area Fire District, and the Fire-wise communities. Public meetings were also held for community members. It is her understanding that they are prepared to sign the document.

Supervisor Anderson wanted to confirm that the document would help ensure that the Truckee Fire Protection District, CalFIRE and the Forest Service will stand a better chance of getting funding for their projects. Ms. Drummond responded that this document covers only certain grant sources; it is only adhering to the requirements of the Healthy Forest Restoration Act. Certain projects could be funded under the SRA Fee that CalFIRE has offered (the SRA Fee Grant Program), or they could be funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) if they were included in another plan.

Board questioning ensued.

Supervisor Anderson stated he would likely vote yes because the proposed CWPP is an improvement above what is in place now, but he felt they could and should do better.

Mr. Ferrera added that Truckee Fire Protection District (TFPD) was part of the original 2009 CWPP. He reported that TFPD is doing their current CWPP based on a grant they have received. Mr. Ferrera suggested that the better question is; why did TFPD feel the need to apply for a CWPP grant, which now requires them to create their own CWPP. He noted that their CWPP came well after the County 2009 CWPP was agreed on.

Supervisor Beason followed-up on Supervisor Anderson's concerns regarding the priorities of the County CWPP versus Truckee's CWPP. He asked if it could be incorporated into the County's CWPP. Ms. Drummond responded that is their intention.

Supervisor Beason had questions regarding the priorities listed in the CWPP; the first was regarding the comment that the Forest Service has asked that not much treatment be done in the Greenhorn Creek area because of concerns regarding off-road vehicle (OHV) activity. Ms. Drummond responded that it was actually the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the

U.S. Forest Service. Supervisor Beason has talked with Karen Hayden, Yuba River District Ranger, and the only thing she told him was how concerned she is regarding the fuels situation in that area. He asked who at the Forest Service said they did not want to consider that as a priority? Ms. Drummond responded that she would have to go back to put a name on it, but it was prior to Karen Hayden came on board. There were a number of parties going on in the Greenhorn Creek area, and the concern expressed was if a fuels treatment was completed in terms of limbing and thinning that it would invite those people further into the forest. Supervisor Beason suggested that if they did do a fuels treatment there and the people came, it might prevent a fire. He shared his concerns for the Greenhorn Creek area and he thought they ought to run that to ground and have somebody in authority tell them. Obviously, their supervisor has to sign the CWPP and he hoped he would also read it. Supervisor Beason noted that Greenhorn Creek was included in the western Nevada County boundary, and asked if it is going to be in there shouldn't it be on the priority list? He suggested it was a contradiction within the document, if the Forest Service was asking that fuels treatment not be done in that area although it is shown as part of the CWPP. Ms. Drummond said that Greenhorn Creek was in the 2009 CWPP and when they sought funding for Greenhorn Creek is when some of the CWPP partners expressed their concerns regarding the OHV usage in the area. Supervisor Beason would like to hear them say that. Ms. Drummond would have to go back and see who exactly she could attribute that comment to, but she believed it was part of the 2009 Plan. Supervisor Beason would like to see that run to ground.

Supervisor Beason asked why Ponderosa Way is listed as the number 1 priority. Ms. Drummond responded that it was based on the cost benefit analysis, in terms of the number of homes that would be protected within a mile and a half, as well as aligning with the Ridge Road top alignment. It also is the footprint of the historic Ponderosa fuel break that was built in the 1940's.

Board questioning and discussion ensued.

Supervisor Beason felt that the CWPP had confusing information regarding which project was the top priority. Ms. Drummond responded to his concerns, explaining that the identified top priority is the watershed base.

Board questioning continued.

Supervisor Beason commented that he will most likely support the document; despite his concerns he believed it to be a vast improvement over what was in place before.

Supervisor Scofield appreciated the work that has gone into the plan. He asked if 'ignition points' were looked at. Ms. Drummond responded that they did look at 'ignition points' and it

really is about the scope and scale. Nevada County has over 600,000 acres, so how do you prioritize? The problem is that vegetation grows, so even when they complete a fuels treatment, they are looking to maintain it by contractually obligating the landowners that Fire Safe Council works with. They approach their analysis strategically because there is not enough money to mitigate all of the hazards that are present,

Board discussion ensued.

Supervisor Scofield shared South County's concerns regarding fire coming from the Bear River canyon; he did not see any projects proposed in that area and asked if some were considered. Ms. Drummond responded that some of the projects presented are exactly within that footprint.

Supervisor Beason addressed the issue of river canyons and the increase in visitors during fire season, as well as illegal camping activity; he wanted to see priority given to the river canyons. Mr. Thane responded that they need to be looking at larger areas for prescribed burning.

Chairman Miller provided an opportunity for public comment.

Mr. Calvin Clarke, District IV resident, read a statement into the record regarding national monuments and Federal acres. These lands that are not managed, and if the Federal agencies in Nevada County are not communicating with local organizations, it places County citizens at risk. He opposes the acceptance of Federal grant funding and felt we should work on this on at the State and local level.

Mr. Weldon Travis, District IV resident, suggested this ties directly into some of the matters that he has brought to the Board before. He suggested that environmentalists are using endangered species to control the forests. He provided comments regarding loosing local control; the State of Jefferson; and Federal overreach.

Mr. Lee French, District II resident, and Federation of Neighborhood Associations (FONA) representative, spoke in support of the CWPP. The overall plan recognizes the importance of individual responsibility for fuels mitigation and for taking action to proactively address the neighborhood hazards. He commended the leadership of Fire Safe Council of Nevada County and asked the Board support the CWPP and Fire Safe Council.

Mr. Jerry Bloom, District I resident, was pleased with the presentation and the priority on local communities rather than in the general forest. He is particularly concerned regarding the wildlife needs of the community, which are often at odds with the fire needs of the community. Many parcels are in the wild lands; he knows it is ancient history, and stressed that the outer-lands need to be left alone. Typically, they are in areas where wildfire is not a threat to

communities. Mr. Bloom suggested the Board should re-institute some of the restrictions on development within the County.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Miller closed the public comment period.

MOTION: Motion made by Supervisor Weston, seconded by Supervisor Scofield to adopt Resolution 16-198. On a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

***ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, Board members and County Executive Officer may make a brief announcement or brief report on his or her activities. Board members and County Executive Officer may also provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the Board at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

ACTION TAKEN: Not held.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chairman Miller adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Signature and Attestation

Dan Miller, Chairman

ATTEST:

By:

Julie Patterson Hunter, Clerk of the Board