

Calaveras County BOS Meeting - 02.13.24

Supervisor Stopper was absent

Staff Announcements

- None

Recognition and Acknowledgments

2. Proclamation - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (ID # 7725) Proclaim the week of February 11th through February 17th, 2024 as Kindness Week in Calaveras County and further deem the County as a Random Acts of Kindness Zone.

- **Supervisor Huberty read the proclamation.**
- **Jill ?** - Random Acts of Kindness started 30 years ago in Angels Camp from her parent's flower shop. They would give something away and not expect anything in return. Read an excerpt from a poem.

Motion to approve Proclamation - passed 5 - 0.

3. Proclamation - Public Health (ID # 7759) Adopt a proclamation declaring February 2024 as Children's Oral Health Month in Calaveras County.

- **Supervisor Folendorf read the proclamation.**
- **Randie Orloff - Public Health** - read statement from Dr. Jay Kumar - read a prepared statement re dental disease stating it is one of the top reason children are absent from school. Will present oral health education at libraries to help provide knowledge and outcome. Encouraged children to brush teeth twice daily. Look forward to implementation for dental education at schools and screening.

Motion to approve Proclamation - passed 5 - 0.

General Public Comment

- **Dana Jorgenson - Senator Alvarado-Gil's Office** - holding office hours today at library from 10 a.m. to noon. Will be on zoom with AT&T re Copper line and safety concern. We are aware of PG&E issue as well. We are accepting applications for Women of the Year. Asking it comes from a public representative. Have been following CUSD issue, answering questions, getting info re state budget issue. Call with any questions.
- **Timothy Mullen - New CA State Assemblyman for Calaveras County** - read a written statement regarding the constitution.
- **Deborah Rojas - New CA State Assemblyperson for Calaveras County** - read a written statement regarding the constitution and violations committed by the state.
- **Terry McBride - New CA State Assemblyperson for Calaveras County** - read a written statement regarding the constitution, election issues, and violations committed by the state.
- **Bonnie Newman - Double Springs resident** - received AT&T's proposal to limit landlines and use cell phones only. I don't use a cell phone. Not sure if you approved SEIU contract for healthcare workers. Feels SEIU is using things in their best interest and political agenda not for the members. This union has neglected our request to negotiate. Someone is dumping old mattresses and sofas on Double Springs Road.

Consent Agenda

4. Minutes of Board of Supervisors – Regular Meeting – Jan 23, 2024 8:00 AM

5. Action Item - Clerk of the Board of Supervisors (ID # 7747) Appointment of applicants to serve on various Committees, Commissions, Advisory Boards and County Service Areas.

6. Resolution - Economic & Community Development (ID # 7731) Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the County of Calaveras to apply and receive a U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Business Development Grant, up to \$500,000.

7. Agreement - Behavioral Health (ID # 7748) Authorize the Board Chair to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Health Management Associates, Inc. (HMA) for the California Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Expansion Project resulting in revenue up to \$85,000 for the term August 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025.

8. Action Item - Behavioral Health (ID # 7772) Authorize 1) the Director of the Health and Human Services Agency to complete an application for the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), Providing Access and Transforming Health (PATH) Capacity and Infrastructure Transition, Expansion and Development (CITED 3) Grant, resulting in potential revenue between \$750,000-\$1,000,000; and 2) the CEO to execute any required subsequent documents after proper internal approvals have been received.

9. Agreement - Childrens Services (ID # 7751) Authorize the Board Chair to sign an Agreement with Aspiranet for the provision of intensive home-based wrap-around services in an amount not to exceed \$270,000 for the period of October 1, 2023 through March 31, 2025.

10. Action Item - Health and Human Services Agency (ID # 7729) Appoint two Public Agency Representative members to the Calaveras Child Care Council (CCCC) upon the recommendation of the CCCC.

11. Action Item - Health and Human Services Agency (ID # 7744) Receive the California–Child and Family Services Review (C-CFSR) Annual System Improvement Plan (SIP) Progress Report, Year 3 Update for the time covering October 29, 2022 through October 29, 2023 and authorize Board Chair to sign related certification.

12. Agreement - Human Services (ID # 7760) Authorize the Board Chair to sign the Lease Agreement with David Williamson for office space for the Health and Human Services Agency for the term of August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2026, in the not to exceed amount of \$19,800.

13. Action Item - Public Works (ID # 7749) 1) Accept the work of George Reed, Inc. for the construction of the 2019 Winter Storms Rail Road Flat Road Slide Repair Project, KCB-CALCO- 0003-1 (Project); 2) Authorize the Board Chair to sign and record the associated Notice of Completion; and 3) Authorize the Department of Public Works to release all retained funds.

14. Action Item - Public Works (ID # 7752) 1) Accept the work of Midstate Barrier, Inc. for the construction of the Guardrail Upgrades Project HSIPL 5930(094); 2) Authorize the Board Chair to sign and record the associated Notice of Completion; and 3) Authorize the Department of Public Works to release all retained funds.

15. Agreement - Public Works (ID # 7573) Authorize the Board Chair to execute Amendment 08 to the Professional Services Agreement with T.Y. Lin International for the Whiskey Slide Road Bridge and Schaad Road Bridge projects, increasing the amount by \$178,215 to an amount not to exceed \$2,005,274, and extending the term to expire December 31, 2025.

16. Resolution - Victim Witness (ID # 7758) Adopt a resolution authorizing the District Attorney to enter into specified grant agreements, and to execute any applicable grant

amendments or modifications, with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

17. Action Item - Sheriff (ID # 7734) Find one dual-purpose Malinois German Shepherd mix canine, named Nox, to be no longer required for public use pursuant to County Code § 3.28.034.

18. Agreement - Sheriff (ID # 7756) 1) Approve and authorize the Board Chair to execute a Third Amendment to the Jail-Based Competency Treatment (JBCT) Services Agreement with California Forensic Medical Group, Inc. with a term of February 1, 2021 through January 31, 2025 for a combined daily base rate and other reimbursement totaling \$6,010,746; and 2) Grant the Sheriff and/or Undersheriff authority to execute future amendments and other administrative contract- related documents so long as these do not alter the Contract term and not-to-exceed amount.

- **Supervisor Tofanelli pulled items 15 and 17.**

Motion to approve consent items 4 - 18 with the exception of 15,17 - passed 4 - 0, 1 absent.

Item #15

- **Supervisor Tofanelli** - I pulled this item because this has been going on for almost 11 years, \$2M and no plans, when is there an end date and we can go out for an RFP.
- **Robert Pachinger - Director of Public Works** - approximately 1/2 of money went to work for Chad Road bridge and was completed. We need to do a few minor things for erosion control. What is left is the other road, Whiskey Slide, difficult location with a lot of environmental factors that impact the location. Environmental studies have been completed but need to do additional studies. We don't have plans yet but once these are done we hope to have them to BOS. Once we get plans, it goes for permitting and we don't have control over those agencies.
- **Supervisor Tofanelli** - hoping a year from now we can have plans drawn up and go out for RFP. The more time that goes on the costlier it can get. I want to get this project done.
- **Robert Pachinger** - this helps us move it forward with outside agencies.

Public Comment

- **None**

Motion to approve consent item 15 - passed 4 - 0, 1 absent.

Item #17

- **Supervisor Tofanelli** - I pulled this item but turn it over to Sheriff Rick DiBasilio.
- **Rick DiBasilio - Sheriff** - we are retiring one of our dogs, he has been with us for 7 years, want to recognize we were allowed to purchase the dog. He had an injury that he cannot come back from. Sgt. Moser, his handler, is going to keep the dog. Nox has done a lot of work and events and trainings that the public has been able to see him. Sgt. Moser has put in a lot of work for Nox.
- **Sgt. Moser** - had Nox since 2018, has been a great dog, served this county well. Unfortunately, he has an injury so I ask we retire him and we can keep him as a family dog.
- **Supervisor Tofanelli** - the dog has done wonderful things over the years.

Public Comment

- **None**

Motion to approve consent item 17 - passed 4 - 0, 1 absent.

Regular Agenda

19. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7755) Approve Title III Funding Proposals from the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 in the Amount of \$114,940.94.

- **Female** - 45 day comment period is over and we received none. We are looking forward to proposal as presented.

Public Comment

- **None**

Action Item - passed 4 - 0, 1 absent.

20. Informational Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7757) Receive an update from the Area 12 Agency on Aging updating the Board on current activities and issues.

- **Rich Corbello** - goal is to advocate for older adults and insure for independence. Calaveras County has 8 seats, 2 filled, 6 vacancies. Committee meets six times per year. We review and approve plan updates to meet needs of the communities. We receive training, conduct community survey every four years.
- **Kristen Knowha - Area 12 Director Agency for Aging** - thanked Rich for coming and speaking. We really need help and imperative we get seats filled. Needs assessment will be put on website this afternoon. Did a statewide survey as well and those findings will be in our report too. Trying to keep elderly folks' home repair done, yard work done, and fear of falling. Hosted a workshop with UC Davis and UCSF, we had 55 attend and it was well received. Will host another event on May 15 in Tuolumne County at the Resilience Center. We are in the early planning stages but will keep everyone informed and updated. Will be open to Calaveras residents. Will place two resource kiosks in the county, one in San Andreas and one at Angels Camp library. They are like large iPads and it is all touch screen and is filled with lots of resource information. Will have printer so people can take home information. Common Ground Senior Services will not be seeking extension re meal and home transportation. We would like to thank them for 24 years of service. We have started the request the RFP process. We are hoping to bring to BOS for approval in June and hoping to have the new service provider in place by July 2024. Calaveras County provides the match cash every year. In 2022/23 - County provided \$100,802, we provided \$564,000 worth of services to residents in Calaveras County. For every \$1 the County gave us, the residents of Calaveras County received over \$5 of services. This is a great investment of your dollars.
- **Supervisor Huberty** - thanked them for all they do and the services they provide. Honor to be on this board.

Public Comment

- **Stacy Jorgensen - Calaveras-Mariposa Community Action Agency** - thanked Kristen and Area 12. I have developed a relationship with them over the past two years. I look forward to see this relationship foster. We will support them through this transition.
- **Mariam Coham - retired public health nurse** - I have been an advocate for kids a lot but I fell last September and I became very inactive. I am using Common Grounds for all my physical therapy appointments. It is a very valuable service. I was always very active and we will all need these services. I have never been a recipient and very thankful for the services provided.

Informational Item Only

21. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7739) 1) Conduct a Public Hearing to receive public input for the closeout of the Community Development Block Grant contract 20-

CDBG-12009 funded program; and 2) Authorize the Director of Health and Human Services Agency to approve, sign and submit the Closeout Certifications and any other necessary documents.

- **Marcos Munoz - Assistant CAO** - discussed terms of contract, over 8,000 individuals were served.

Public Comment

- **Tina Mather** - the food bank is a thankful recipient from the CDB funds. 32,283 people have benefited from grant during its lifetime. All of our programs 107,044 have benefitted during same time frame, 2,736+ pounds of food. Hunger is a problem in our community. 81% increase for number of people coming for our services from last January to this January.

Action Item - passed 4 - 0, 1 absent.

Chair Garamendi requested items #22 through #27 be presented and done with one motion. BOS agreed.

- **Teresa Hitchcock - CEO** - all amendments (items #22 through #26) are to clean up county ordinance code from a CAO model to a CEO model.

Action Item (#22 through #27) - passed 4 - 0, 1 absent.

22. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7716) Introduce, waive first reading, and authorize summary publication of an ordinance amending County Code Chapter 2.08 - County Counsel.

Public Comment

- None

23. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7746) Introduce, waive first reading, and authorize summary publication of an ordinance amending County Code Sections 2.64.365 - Appointment - Department Heads and 2.64.555 - Disciplinary Action - Department Heads and Principal Assistants.

Public Comment

- None

24. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7741) Introduce, waive first reading, and authorize summary publication of an ordinance amending County Code Section 2.40.030 - Planning Director.

Public Comment

- None

25. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7742) Introduce, waive first reading, and authorize summary publication of an ordinance amending County Code Section 12.28.040 - Airport Manager.

Public Comment

- None

26. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7743) Introduce, waive first reading, and authorize summary publication of an ordinance amending County Code Sections

2.22.040 - Environmental Health Agency Head and 2.22.070 - Director of Environmental Health.

Public Comment

- None

27. Action Item - Administrative Office (ID # 7745) Introduce, waive first reading, and authorize summary publication of an ordinance amending County Code Section 6.06.010 - Director of Animal Services.

Public Comment

- None

28. Ordinance - Planning (ID # 7754) 1) By a 4/5 vote, adopt Chapter 17.75 of the Zoning Code, an interim urgency ordinance to regulate the demolition and alteration of certain historic buildings and structures; 2) find the adoption of the ordinance to be within the scope of the 2019 General Plan Environmental Impact Report.

- **Gabriel Elliott - Planning Director - power point presentation presented. Please review for detailed information.**
- Interim Ordinance Regulating Historic Structures in the County.
- Calaveras County contains many historic structures.
- **Purpose of the Ordinance** - The General Plan calls for the preservation of the County's historic resources. General Plan Implementation Measure COS-8G requires the County to develop a cultural resource management ordinance that includes the establishment of a County register of historic resources and requires a cultural resource study prior to demolition of buildings 75 years or older. General Plan Implementation Measure COS-8H requires the use of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Treatment of Historic properties (1992) as a guide for evaluating development proposals involving cultural resources.
- **Applicability** - Buildings or structures at least 75 years or older that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places or has been determined to be eligible for the National Register, or listed on the California Register of Historic Places, or have been determined by the State Historical Resources Commission to be eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources.
- **Additional Review Required** - Chief Building Official requests Planning Director's determination of whether a parcel under review contains a listed historical building or structure. If the Parcel contains a listed historical building or structure, Chief Building Official shall not issue a building or demolition permit until a Conditional Use Permit has been approved by the Planning Commission. Chief Building Official shall apply the State Historical Building Code if the parcel contains a listed historical building or structure.
- **Limited Scope Conditional Use Permit** - Review of the application for a CUP under this Chapter shall be limited to a review of potentially significant impacts to the listed historical building or structure. If carrying out the proposed construction or demolition activity will result in one or more potentially significant impacts to the listed historical building or structure, conditions of approval may be required. If conditions of approval will not suffice to reduce the potential impacts to the listed historical building or structure to less than significant, the application may be denied. CEQA or NEPA review shall be limited in scope of discretionary review authorized by this Chapter. CEQA or NEPA compliance shall be the responsibility of the Planning Director.
- **Panel Review of Limited Scope CUP** - CUP application shall be reviewed and reported on within thirty days by a panel consisting of: Planning Director or designee; Chief Building Official or designee; Designee of the Calaveras County Historical Society. Purpose is make sure there is independent judgment re a specific structure.
- **Review Panel Responsibilities** - Determine whether the proposed construction or demolition activity will result in one or more potentially significant impacts to the listed historical building

or structure. Describe identified potentially significant impacts in writing. Describe in writing what, if any, requirements or conditions can be feasibly imposed as a condition of the County's approval that will reduce impacts to the point of insignificance. Planning Director submits recommendations for CEQA compliance to Planning Commission.

- **Planning Commission Review** - Findings of the Planning Commission: That CEQA has been complied with. That approval of the permit is consistent with the General Plan and any applicable Community Plan. That the proposed activity involves a structure or building described in County Code. That Commission has read and considered the report prepared by the review panel. Explanation of what conditions of approval will be imposed and why they are required to reduce potential impacts to the historical characteristic of the building or structure to the point of insignificance.
- **Discretionary Permits Involving Historic Structures** - When regular CEQA and permit review as required for the permit. Examples: use permits, zoning amendments, maps. Review of historic structures is just one part of CEQA cultural resource analysis. But this part will be done using panel review.
- **Nuisance Declaration** - Failure to comply with this ordinance is unlawful in all zones and constitutes a public nuisance that may be abated as described in Chapter 8.06 of the County Code. Planning Director may revoke a permit issued under this Chapter at any time that there has been noncompliance with one or more of the provisions of this chapter and/or the conditions of the permit. Inspections of the building or structure at issue and the surrounding premises and grounds may be conducted by the Planning Director, the Chief Building Official, or their designees during business hours without prior notice. Failure to grant entry can result in a warrant.
- **Nuisance Declaration** - Whenever any County enforcement official determines that a public nuisance exists within the unincorporated county, he or she is authorized to utilize the enforcement, abatement, cost recovery, and administrative hearing provisions described in Chapter 8.06 of the county code, including, as necessary, the summary abatement provisions of that chapter. In any enforcement action brought to enforce the provisions of this chapter, each parcel owner, permittee, or occupant who causes violation shall be jointly and severally liable for all resulting administrative fines and for any and all actual costs of enforcement incurred by the county, including all allowable attorneys' fees. Each activity that violates this Chapter shall be an infraction. Each day that a violation of this Chapter continues unabated shall constitute an independent violation.
- **Effective Date and Duration** - Pursuant to Government Code section 65858, this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption but shall expire within forty-five days if not first extended by a 4/5 vote at a subsequent noticed public hearing of the Board of Supervisors.
- **Supervisor Tofanelli** - re 75 year old building, anytime a permit comes in re a 75+ year old house, you have to go through this entire process? **Sarah Edwards - County Counsel** - no, has to be 75 years old and listed on the registry, only for things that already require a permit for the county.
- **Supervisor Folendorf** - state and national are different, and things are different for historical sites. We need to reflect in the code if we are referring to state or national because they are very different. **Sarah Edwards** - yes, they are different but it is determined when it is applicable.
- **Chair Garamendi** - question is eligibility, to be eligible under the codes, is pretty broad. **Sarah Edwards** - yes, will be determined by the federally qualified expert for federal register or state register. Eligible is a term of art. If BOS wants to restrict it, that is something they can do. Example, an owner can say they don't want their eligible structure on the list and it will not be put on the list.
- **Doug Oliver - Chief Building Official** - as it is written, if the building is known on the state register or is eligible, we would need to go through use permit process. If there is no eligibility, we would not require they go through the CPU process. Re eligibility, if BOS takes them off, it will effect how people make choices because they may not be able to apply to funding. We want to encourage as much participation, you get tax reduction and other programs we don't

control but want to encourage people to participate in. We would want people to be on the register and eligible to be on it. People could then seek an eligibility. Private owner can seek the process and we don't want to discourage that.

- **Sarah Edwards - County Counsel** - if structure is on federal list, it is eligible for the state but may not be on the state.
- **Gabriel Elliott** - we have a local resource that has a list of property on state historic register and eligible. The information is not regularly shared because they want to keep it confidential. They can provide us that list and identify the property.
- **Chair Garamendi** - I feel this is listed as a blanket ordinance that any building 75+ years old is eligible. **Sarah Edwards** - that is not our intention. Reviewed ordinance and showed where that is not how it is written. **Chair Garamendi** - concerned about this broad language, how it may impact a lot of people in this community.
- **Doug Oliver** - we have not had to make this determination very often. I believe only four in my career, and only one was a dwelling, usually a building in the downtown or state historic park. Historic preserve is not always convenient but meant for historic buildings is maintained. It is always negotiable and we want to keep the historic integrity of the building.
- **Gabriel Elliott** - if your concern is cost, we may want to address a different cost analysis for that; impose a different fee for a limited scope CUP versus a full CUP. **Chair Garamendi** - sounds good.
- **Supervisor Huberty** - re list, old list that was being modified. Where are we with that. **Gabriel Elliott** - has a list that shows which are on the state or federal historical list; e.g., Copperopolis site. I did not bring the list with me of all the sites which includes buildings, bridges, etc. If someone wants to apply for relief through the Mills act, financial assistance, they can. **Supervisor Huberty** - there is a passion for people who take on these projects, I believe they have the best interest at heart.
- **Chair Garamendi** - my concerns are many fold; using an urgency ordinance to accomplish this. This is a hole we should have filled a long time ago. I am concerned about getting public input. I would like to take this through the Planning Commission and public process and a time certain. My main concern is terms with eligibility. We got this on Wednesday afternoon, haven't had time to digest this. Eligibility is very subjective. Other concern is construction and alteration. Are we keeping building from being torn down. It is a bit subjective. Final issue - is how documentation is written. We need to be thoughtful so we don't have unintended consequences.
- **Doug Oliver** - re eligibility, if we agree on premise there may disagreement over language, if BOS agrees it should be implemented the way counsel has written it, we will agree enforcement means 75+ years and on the state or federal registry or the state has recognized it is eligible. We can write appropriate procedure based on that direction.
- **Gabriel Elliott** - we can limit it to demolition only but moving forward we need to look at alteration. If concern is we don't want buildings demolished without vetting, we can do that. **Sarah Edwards** - re interim ordinance, would only be applicable for demolition purposes. In permanent ordinance, it will require it to be broader per law. **Gabriel Elliott** - it will go through planning process, we can have committee meetings for the public.
- **Supervisor Foldendorf** - I feel this ordinance is late and we are abnormal in that we don't have an ordinance. It is not an easy decision when you get to the point of demolition but in my experience there is public forum, negotiations and usually a compromise. I think this ordinance is a good step in the right direction and we can learn from other counties re the public process. There are many buildings in all of our districts and buildings will be threatened if we don't do something about it. We need to take the first step in the right direction.
- **Supervisor Huberty** - with property ordinance, we will be able to get state and federal grants as Doug Oliver stated.
- **Chair Garamendi** - I think this is important but question whether this is an appropriate emergency ordinance and concerned re ambiguity between construction and renovation, if limited to demolition. Want to preserve our county and want to make sure our intent is clear. This has not been a public process.

- **Supervisor Tofanelli** - final ordinance will come back to us and will have a lot more than the demolition and will show. I understand your concern but don't feel we will have a lot of leeway when it comes back to us due to the state and federal requirements. It will come back to us in 45 days. During that time, we can work with staff to incorporate some of your concerns.
- **Gabriel Elliott** - we may want to wait until there are five BOS members present as it requires a 4/5 vote. We may want to continue to another date to work things out. The actual ordinance will be more detailed and require additional language and work out the detail over time.
- **Doug Oliver** - 45 days won't be enough to bring a full ordinance, but maybe add a sentence.
- **Sarah Edwards** - interim ordinance is only in place for 45 days but can be extended. If there is cleanup or typos we can do those at that time. Would rather make changes today than 45 days from now. BOS can direct changes or edits.
- **Chair Garamendi** - can we do a redline today and take a break for you to prepare it. **Sarah Edwards** - yes. BOS can limit in scope to demolition.
- **BOS - make changes now, take a break and reconvene.**
- **Sarah Edwards - County Counsel** - put amendments on the screen but it was too small to read. Removed references to alterations or construction permits and limited to demolition permits. More limited in scope.
- **Opened up for public comment again due to new version. No additional public comments.**

Public Comment

- **Christopher Mandel - Executive Director of Calaveras Historical Society and resident of Sheep Ranch** - we have an important problem that won't cost the county any money. Double Springs Courthouse was preserved, Altaville School House was restored, Red Barn was preserved, downtown buildings were slated for demolition for a parking structure but the previous Executive Director preserved them. This ordinance is well done and helps our rural county. Ordinance is a roadmap for property owners and agencies. Calaveras County is a special place and what makes it special is its historical places that people world wide come to see. We have a responsibility to these buildings to keep them preserved.
- **Judith Marvin - Murphys resident - architectural historian for over 40 years for federal, state, county, city, private industry** - CEQA supersedes all ordinances. It is important that we have this demolition ordinance. In Murphys we are about to lose the oldest continuous school in California. We have to preserve these buildings because that is why people are coming to our county.
- **Sal Mano- President of the Society of the Preservation of Western Calaveras County** - here because of threat of demolition of Valley Springs train station. This vote isn't just about the train depot, we don't have a code which is required and failure to determine to community and county. Details needs to be worked out and put out to the public. If the interim ordinance is not passed today, the train depot is destroyed before a permanent ordinance is established, it will be clear who will be responsible for that and that is why there is an urgency to this ordinance.
- **Julia Costello - Mokelumne Hill Resident - archeologist** - Sal said it very well, this is a 45 day ordinance. Beautiful barn was in our town, was going to be torn down. The barn disappeared and it galvanized our town. We had a town ordinance and we passed it for our town.
- **Jill Vergance - local journalist and writer** - my family has been here for 3 generations. In February 1850, our county was established. We have some of the oldest and significant buildings in the state and for the gold rush period. These structures need a voice and they need it now. I am asking it be yours.

Action Item - passed 4 - 0, 1 absent.

Supervisor Announcements

- **Supervisor Tofanelli** - attended COG meeting. CalTrans said they were awarded \$300M for charging stations in CA. I said since there are 58 counties, we would like 5 for our county. AT&T has sent letters out to people re landlines in Calaveras County, this puts a lot of elderly people at risk without a phone. Is the BOS interested in sending a letter to AT&T asking them not to do that. BOS agreed to send letter to AT&T. Admin will put letter together for BOS and ready for approval at next meeting.
- **Supervisor Folendorf** - attended COG meeting, attended Calaveras Transit Authority (CTA) meeting, compared to last year our ridership is up 46.7% using Calaveras Connect, huge increase, last year there were 12,641 riders, 18,548 riders this year. One of the biggest increase is to Columbia College. Attended the ? Processor stakeholder meeting, had approximately 40 people present. Good conversation.
- **Supervisor Huberty** - 29th attended meeting re homelessness; on 31st attended meeting re crosswalk situation at Michelson school, on 1st attended Agency on Aging, on 5th attended Utica Town Hall, on 7th Cal Trans meeting re upper Hwy 4 corridor.
- **Chair Garamendi** - reminded BOS, I am part of an adhoc committee we are calling Williamson Act 2.0, reached out to staff and practitioners re their point of view re law, hoping to present real legislative improvement to the act. Golden State Connect Authority continues to do their work. Sierra Nevada Conservancy has a meeting coming up to get some projects up in Calaveras County.
- **Teresa Hitchcock - CEO** - met with Utica Power and Water re exemption, requested formal letter from BOS to consider. **Supervisor Huberty** - still has some work to do. **Teresa Hitchcock** - will meet with Supervisor Huberty to get the work and wording done.