

**LASSEN COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**MINUTES**

Regular Commission Meeting

**August 14, 2023**

City of Susanville Council Chambers  
66 North Lassen Street  
Susanville, CA

1:30 P.M. Open Session

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**1. Convene**

*The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.*

**Roll Call: Present:** Albaugh, Brown, Gallagher, McCourt, Neely  
**Absent:** Stafford

**1.1 Pledge of Allegiance**

*The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was deferred.*

**1.2 Adoption of Agenda:**

*It was moved by Commissioner Neely and seconded by Commissioner Brown that the Commission adopt the agenda as presented. The agenda was adopted by the following vote:*

AYES: Albaugh, Brown, Gallagher, McCourt, Neely  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Stafford  
ABSTAIN: None

**1.3 Approval of the June 19, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes**

*The Commission was asked to adopt the Minutes of their June 19, 2023, Regular Meeting, as presented by staff.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Gallagher and seconded by Commissioner Neely to approve the minutes as presented by staff. The motion was passed by the following vote:*

AYES: Albaugh, Brown, Gallagher, McCourt, Neely  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Stafford  
ABSTAIN: None

#### **1.4 Approval of Consent Calendar**

*It was moved by Commissioner Neely and seconded by Commissioner McCourt that the Commission approve the Consent Calendar as presented by staff. The motion was passed by the following vote:*

AYES: Albaugh, Brown, Gallagher, McCourt, Neely  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Stafford  
ABSTAIN: None

### **2. CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLIC COMMENT**

*No written communications were received.*

*Verbal communications:*

*Elizabeth Norton commented on a number of trails/connecting corridor efforts throughout the county. Mostly regional connecting trails that could benefit both the City and County. These connections enhance both inter- and intra-regional trail connectivity and will be constructed over the next few years. There was comment on the potential improvement to the section of the Biz Johnson Trail from the Train Depot to “Hobo Camp”.*

*Chair Albaugh asked that correspondence and public comment can be separated on future agendas.*

*No verbal comments were received.*

### **3. REPORTS**

#### **3.1 Caltrans**

*Michael Oguro introduced Brian Snyder as the new Assistance PM for Lassen County. He also provided an update on important Caltrans projects in the region. This included the following:*

- Susanville Gateway project – sign currently being constructed*
- Shalas CapM project – construction within the next 12 months*
- Secret Valley Rest Area – new sight about 12 miles north of current location*
- Pitt River Bridge Seismic Retrofit*
- Susan River Pavement Project – in project development stage*
- Red Rock CapM project - in project development stage*

#### **3.2 CHP**

*Lacey Carney reported on CHP activities in the region including DUI arrests, and other enforcement activities. Noted that citations were up substantially year over year, with a corresponding decrease in accidents including fatal accidents on US 395.*

### **3.3 City of Susanville**

*No Report was provided for the City of Susanville.*

### **3.4 Lassen County**

*Pete Heimbigner reported on several maintenance jobs being done by the county. The work included paving and culvert replacement. Permits for the culvert replacement work may extend construction to next summer.*

### **3.5 Susanville Indian Rancheria**

*No Report was provided for the Susanville Indian Rancheria.*

## **4 NEW BUSINESS**

### **4.01 Announcement of Items to be Discussed in Closed Session**

*There was no closed session.*

### **4.02 Announcement of Action Taken in Closed Session**

*There was no closed session.*

### **4.10 Action/Discussion Items**

### **4.11 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program**

*Executive Secretary John Clerici updated the Commission of the status of the 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program. He noted that the current fund estimate for the 2024S TIP for Lassen County is approximately \$6,600,000 with approximately \$2,600,000 in unprogrammed carryover from the 2022 STIP, and \$4,00,000 of new programmable capacity.*

*He added that staff will be meeting with the City and the County to identify suitable projects for the 2024 cycle on August 31.*

*Next steps would include the August 31 meeting, then a preliminary list being submitted to the Commission for review and comment at their October meeting. Final action will be taken on the 2024 STIP at the Commissions December meeting.*

*This was an information item only and no action was taken by the Commission.*

**5. INFORMATION ITEMS**

*The following is an overview of some of the issues, projects, and coordination currently being advanced by LCTC.*

**5.01 Executive Summary Report**

*The Executive Secretary reported the following:*

- **US 395 Update** – Lassen and Washoe Counties have both adopted their MOA's in support of the US 395 Coalition. The next meeting of the coalition will be held on August 16.
- **WCB Wildlife Crossing Grant** – The Wildlife Conservation Board is scheduled to approve the

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

*None.*

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

**7.1 Matter brought forth by the Commission**

*No issues were brought forth by the Commission.*

**7.2 Next Commission Meeting**

*Next meeting of the LCTC will be on Monday, October 17, 2023, at 1:30 PM, at the City of Susanville, City Council Chambers, 66 North Lassen Street, Susanville, CA.*

**7.3 Adjourn**

*The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.*

*Submitted for approval by:*



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John Clerici  
Executive Secretary