

**MINUTES OF FINAL BUDGET HEARINGS FISCAL YEAR 1996/97
COUNTY OF CALAVERAS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1996**

PRESENT: Thomas Tryon, Chairman; Michael Dell'Orto, Vice-Chairman; Tom Taylor, Merita Callaway and Terri Bailey, Supervisors; Brent Harrington, County Administrative Officer; Clay Hawkins, Financial Analyst; Jeanne Boyce, Sr. Administrative Analyst; Linda Carter, Auditor-Controller; Chris Hollingshead, Accountant Auditor; and Mary Jane Giuffra, Supervising Board Clerk

ABSENT: None

Meeting recorded on Cassette(s) 96-39E, Side II; 96-39F; 96-39G

1:30 P.M.: Chairman Tryon reconvened the Board in continued Final Budget Hearings for FY 1996/97 then CAO Harrington reviewed the summary of actions taken on September 5, 1996 stating that the only difference is an accounting error of -\$75,151.00. The Auditor explained that this was due to the way that stabilization funds were applied. Harrington further explained that the Airport A-87 error was a legitimate expense and there is no impact to the budget as it stands. \$114,446 in realignment funds were transferred from the Health fund to the Welfare fund and Health will still have \$400,000 in their contingencies. Revenues for Public Defender have increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000. The remainder of the summary was reviewed with Harrington concluding that the deficit now stands at \$77,198. The Board agreed that the summary does in fact include all the actions they took on September 5, 1996.

Dell'Orto then requested that \$15,000 be moved from the Road Fund into the Board's budget for the District Work Programs.

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In reviewing available options for balancing the budget, the following decisions were made: (1) increase revenues as follows: SB90 from \$35,000 to \$45,000; Vehicle License Fees from \$360,000 to \$365,000; Supplemental Vehicle License Fees from \$410,000 to \$420,000; (2) use Trust Revenues as follows: \$7,934 from OCJP/Probation Fund #5616; \$26,414 from Confidential Trust Fund #5499; \$10,000 from Auditor's Trust (Title IV-A Revenues) - (Supervisor Callaway was opposed to this); (3) reduce General Fund Contributions to Welfare in the amount of \$10,000 - (Supervisors Callaway and Taylor suggested reducing Deputy Probation Officer to one rather than two for a savings of \$22,200 but the remainder of the Board was not in favor of this); (4) balance with Health Fund Anticipated Revenues in the amount of \$7,950. FINAL RESULTS: The \$77,198 deficit has been addressed.

Tryon and Dell'Orto informed the Board of a request from Jack Horner, Mountain County Fire Rescue, for funds in the amount of \$6,600. Jim Miner, Fire

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Warden, stated that there are no monies available in the Water Enhancement Trust Fund. On a 3-2 vote, with Supervisors Callaway and Bailey voting in the negative, it was agreed to take the money from the General Fund.

In addition, the Board took the following actions: (1) include a salary adjustment to \$30.00 per hour for the Building Official and the Ag Commissioner (NOES: Callaway and Bailey); (2) allocate \$6,600 from the General Fund to Mountain County Fire Rescue to offset equipment costs (NOES: Bailey

and Callaway); (3) transfer \$75,000 from the Health Fund to Capital Equipment Budget for County Fire (NOES: Bailey); (4) transfer \$15,000 from Road Fund Revenues into the Board's budget for specific projects which cannot be expended until the Board develops a spending policy. Chairman Tryon then called for additional comments prior to closing the budget hearings and Jim Miner, Fire Warden, spoke re: Prop 172 and the need to include County Fire in the allocations. Phil Soria, Calaveras Fire Chiefs' Association also had concerns regarding Prop 172 monies and asked that they be considered for funding, as did Sam Cook for the Fire Districts' Association. Supervisor Callaway had questions regarding the Airport budget and Dell'Orto asked about Trial Court Funds. CAO Harrington responded to these questions. There being no further issues to come before the Board regarding the 1996/97 Final Budget, Chairman Tryon announced that the hearings were concluded and that the Board would reconvene in a Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 16, 1996.

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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