

**APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
OF THE BUTTE COUNTY
ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
JULY 22, 2021**

The following minutes are a summary of actions taken by the Board of Directors. A digital recording of the actual meeting is available at BCAG's office located at 326 Huss Drive, Suite 150, Chico, CA.

Board Member Connelly called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. at the BCAG Conference Room, 326 Huss Drive, Suite 150, Chico CA.

MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON

Bill Connelly	Supervisor	District 1
Jody Jones	Councilmember	Town of Paradise
Kasey Reynolds	Vice Mayor	City of Chico
Doug Teeter	Supervisor	District 5
Tami Ritter	Supervisor	District 3
Tod Kimmelshue	Supervisor	District 4

MEMBERS PRESENT REMOTELY

J Angel Calderon	Councilmember	City of Gridley
John Busch	Councilmember	City of Biggs

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chuck Reynolds	Mayor	City of Oroville
Debra Lucero	Supervisor	District 2

STAFF PRESENT

Jon Clark	Executive Director
Sara Cain	Associate Senior Planner
Cheryl Massae	Human Resources Manager
Chris Devine	Planning Manager
Jim Peplow	Senior Transit Planner
Andy Newsum	Deputy Director
Ivan Garcia	Programming Specialist
Victoria Proctor	Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT REMOTELY

- Lance Atencio, Transdev
- Mary Neumann, Passages MSSP
- Rose Tryon, Town of Paradise

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Roll Call**

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Approval of Minutes from June 24, 2021 BCAG Board of Directors Meeting
4. Approval of Fiscal Year 2021/22 Preliminary Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claims
5. Approval of Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) Appointments

On motion by Board Member Ritter and seconded by Board Member Teeter, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

6: Approval of Resolution 2021/22-02 to Receive Caltrans' Strategic Partnership Transit Grant Funding for North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan

Staff informed the Board that they were awarded a grant to study expanding passenger rail service from the Sacramento area to Butte County. In order to receive those funds, a resolution approved by the Board is required.

There was general discussion between Staff and the Board about potential routes this service could take, as well as where the funding will come from to make those rail line improvements. Approval of this funding will complete the North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan, which will investigate existing Union Pacific Railroad lines that extend through Oroville and Chico from the Natomas area in order to determine which of those two routes is preferable. Staff will continue to keep the Board informed as this project moves forward.

On motion by Board Member Ritter and seconded by Board Member Kasey Reynolds, approval of Resolution 2021/22-02 to receive Caltrans' Strategic Partnership Transit Grant Funding for the North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan was unanimously approved.

7: Approval of Consultant Contract Amendment for Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Service Consultant Scope of Work

Staff updated the Board on the request that was brought at the June 24, 2021 meeting to study Non-Emergency Medical Transportation in Butte County. On June 29th a scope of work was received from the consultant and discussed with Staff on the 30th.

There was general conversation between the Board and Staff regarding the summary of the scope of work that was contained within the memo. This scope would develop a Draft NEMT Action Plan by June 2022 and would then be available should the Board determine it necessary to take further action. There was discussion about why this

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wasn't sent out to bid in an RFP process, and Staff let the Board know that this would just be amending the contract for the consultant already brought in for the Route Optimization Study.

On motion by Board Member Jones and seconded by Board Member Ritter, approval for the consultant contract amendment for Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Service was unanimously approved.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no items from the floor.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, the BCAG Board meeting adjourned at 9:18 AM.

Attest:

Jon Clark, Executive Director

Victoria Proctor, Board Clerk

Butte County Association of Governments