MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CONFORMED AGENDA

JULY 1, 1997

Time Description
9:04 a.m. Meeting Called to Order
Pledge of Allegiance lead by Captain Jim Allen.

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda
- Leota Striplin, Kiwanis Club, advised that Cow-Chip Bingo plots are for sale and will
be played at the annual Fourth of July picnic to be held at the Fairgrounds. She
further advised that there would be a dunk tank to help fund Little League. She presented
Chairman Stewart with a schedule of events for that day.

Approval of Minutes of 6/17/97 Regular Meeting

BOARD ACTION: Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Agenda)

BOARD ACTION: (M) Parker, (S) Reilly, all items were approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

James Moffett, Chief Probation Officer;
Resolution Authorizing Chief Probation Officer to Submit a Grant Application and Enter
into an Agreement with the Office of Criminal Justice Planning (OCJP) for a Jail
Removal Grant ($33,000)

BOARD ACTION: (M) Parker, (S) Reilly, Res. 97-275 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

Roger Matlock, Sheriff;
A) Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Execute Agreement with Dr. Rosebrock for
Animal Control Contract for 1997-1998

BOARD ACTION: (M) Parker, (S) Balmain, Res. 97-276 adopted with corrections to be
made at the end of paragraph 8 and within paragraph 13, as suggested by Supervisor
Balmain. Motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, directing Sheriff to
include verbiage in contract that allows someone else to be contracted if necessary/Ayes:
Unanimous.

B) Information and Demonstration of Bicycle Patrol Program

BOARD ACTION: Board moved meeting to the front of the courthouse for
demonstration given by Officers Sterling Cramer and Skip Swain. Information relative to
the success of the program as well as background on the bicycle training the officers
underwent was provided by the following: Sheriff Roger Matlock, Undersheriff Pelk
Richards, Officer Sterling Cramer, and Officer Skip Swain. Following questions from
the Board and public, the officers demonstrated some of the techniques learned, including
demonstrating apprehension with Chairman Stewart as volunteer. Board members
thanked the Sheriff’s Department for their demonstration and reconvened in the Board
meeting room for the remaining items.

Robert C. Stewart, Supervisor - District III;
Discussion and Possible Direction Relative to Economic Development in Mariposa
County

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held regarding the Board’s current and future
position relative to commercial and economic development. The following people in the
audience provided input: Mark Luz, member of EDC, stated that he feels the community
and local government are all working to achieve economic development but expressed the need of a goal and some common ground between all parties. Ed Johnson, Planning & Building Director, explained that economic development is multifaceted and must have a public and private partnership to be successful. He requested direction from the Board to help departments prioritize and focus the varying economic development projects. Mary Dayhoff, representing the Board of Realtors, expressed her desire to see the Board take a leadership role with long-term involvement in the economic development of this community. Following public input the Board discussed past and current projects it has pursued and continues to work on to furthering economic development. Board concurred with scheduling a public workshop and having County Administrative Officer work with key department heads to develop a discussion.

10:42 a.m. Break

10:49 a.m. Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer;
Resolution Approving the 1996-97 Adjusted Budget as the Operating Budget for 1997-98 from July 1, 1997 until Adoption of the Final Budget; and Consider Adopting Resolution Authorizing Department Heads to Execute Contracts which Contain Substantially the Same Terms and Conditions as in 1996-97 Subsequent to the Review and Approval of County Counsel and the County Administrative Officer

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer relative to the outlook of the budget and suggestions that department heads came up with for curtailing expenditures, in both short and long-term ranges. Short-term ideas are as follows: limit extra-help, with exception to grant funded extra-help and the recreation program which would be split between fiscal years; limit overtime, hiring freeze, and limit travel to grant funded, new revenue for County, and Board of Supervisors travel that may benefit the County. Long-term ideas, which would begin in the 1997-98 fiscal year are as follows: furloughs or salary adjustments vs. program adjustments and a proposal for a three year budget to spread out impact and allow for departments to restructure funding level. Janet Hogan recommended authorizing department heads to execute contracts which contain substantially the same terms and conditions as in 1996-97 subsequent to review and approval of County Counsel and the County Administrative Officer and to further include departments that are not funded through county dollars. Further discussion was held relative to balancing the budget. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, suggested the possibility of liquidating some of the land the County owns and has no use for at a gain of $500,000 for a short-term solution. Janet Hogan reminded the Board that departments are working on budgets to include a 9% reduction. (M)Pickard, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-277 adopting adjusted budget and approving County Administrative Officer’s recommendation for authorizing department heads to execute contracts. Supervisor Parker reiterated his request to have County Administrative Officer and County Counsel return in afternoon with figures before making a decision. Jeff Green, County Counsel, recommended from a Personnel standpoint, exempting jail and dispatch personnel from the hiring freeze, as low level staffing can cause potential safety problems. Motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, to include recommendation by County Counsel. Supervisor Balmain requested the Chairman table motion until County Counsel can examine requirements necessary to meet law of budget. Supervisors Reilly and Pickard objected. (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, table motion until County Counsel can review budget laws. County Counsel advised that the first motion must be met before a new motion could be made/Ayes: Reilly, Stewart, Pickard; Noes: Balmain, Parker. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, direction to staff to being open negotiations with bargaining units relative to furloughs and reduction in salaries. Following further discussion motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, to include verbiage of up to 5% per annually/Ayes: Balmain, Parker; Noes: Reilly, Stewart, Pickard. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, direction to department heads to come
to budget hearings with a 9% reduction in each of their departments/Ayes: Balmain, Parker; Noes: Reilly, Stewart, Pickard.

**12:17 p.m.** Lunch

Supervisor Reilly was excused for the rest of the afternoon.

**2:04 p.m.** Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
   A) Resolution Waiving First Reading and Introducing an Ordinance Amending
   Chapter 19.02 of County Code, “Airport Rules and Regulations”

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held with Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, relative to changes in the proposed ordinance. Mike Edwards responded to questions from the Board. The following individuals provided input: Bill Leidenroth, Ultralight Instructor, advised the Board that there is no such thing as a proficiency review and informed the Board that he feels the following items should be deleted from the proposed ordinance: Under Section 19.02.310-A - numbers 5, 6, and Part C under same section. Roger Kunz expressed his concern with Section 19.02.310, numbers 1 and 5, Section 19.02.250, Item D, Section 10.02.270, and Section 19.02.290, the definition of vehicle. Mike Edwards advised that he would prefer to have Item 5 of Section 19.02.310 deleted and have the word vehicle in Section 19.02.290 deleted as vehicle was meant to define aircraft only. Following further discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-278 adopted waiving first reading and introducing an ordinance amending Chapter 19.02 of County Code, “Airport Rules and Regulations” with corrections to be made in the following sections: 19.02.030, 19.02.310, deletion of Number 5 in Section 19.02.310-A, deletion of the word vehicle from Section 19.02.290, and deletion of typographical error in Paragraph 6 of Exhibit B. Following further discussion relative to proficiency testing Motion amended, agreeable with maker and second, to change wording of Number 3 in Section 19.02.310-A, to read Undergo proficiency review every two years by a USUA BFI or AFI/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker; Noes: Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

**3:35 p.m.** Break

**3:43 p.m.** B) Resolution Approving and Adopting Documentation Related to
Financing of the Government Center/Fleet Maintenance Shop Projects

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, following discussion, Res. 97-273 adopted/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

**MARIPOSA COUNTY PUBLIC FINANCE CORPORATION**

Resolution Approving and Adopting Documentation Related to Financing of the Government Center/Fleet Maintenance Shop Projects (Public Works)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, following discussion with Mike Edwards, Public Works Director and David Oster, Attorney, relative to the bi-laws of the corporation, Public Finance Corporation Res. 97-1 adopted/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

Supervisor Parker advised that the Agenda title page needs to be updated to include the Mariposa County Public Finance Corporation and to delete the Mariposa County Redevelopment Agency.

Board Information and Announcements (No Folder)
   - Supervisor Stewart advised that he and Supervisor Pickard will be attending a meeting in Sacramento on Wednesday with Senator Monteith to discuss funding and other issues concerning the Mineral Exhibit. He further advised that he and Supervisor
Balmain recently met with Merced County Supervisor, Deidre Kelsey relative to issues for the new UC Campus that may impact Mariposa County.

- Supervisor Balmain advised of his meeting with Modesto’s Mayor, Richard ???, Steve Hayes, Visitors Bureau Director, and a local merchant, relative to promoting business along Highway 132 going to Yosemite.

- Supervisor Pickard advised of his meeting with Supervisor Harry Baker and constituents from Mariposa and Madera counties relative to the Highway 140 corridor.

4:10 p.m. CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association, Deputy Sheriff’s Association, and Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (County Counsel)

BOARD ACTION: (M)Pickard, (S)Balmain, closed session was held/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

5:10 p.m. Board reconvened in open session with direction given to staff as a result of closed session.

INFORMATION No action was necessary on the following:
Board Hearing Schedule (Clerk of the Board)

CONSENT AGENDA

CA-1 Resolution Amending Class Specifications for Associate Civil Engineer and Junior Civil Engineer by Deleting the Word “Civil” from their Title (County Counsel); Res. 97-272

CA-2 Appoint Helen B. Fowler to the Mariposa County Historic Sites and Records Preservation Commission to Fill At-Large Vacancy Created by John Greiner’s Resignation (Planning)

CA-3 Resolution Adopting Bid and Specification Documents for the Removal of Three Underground Fuel Tanks at the Hornitos Road Yard, Public Works Project Number PW 91-55, Authorizing Advertisement for Bids, Set a Bid Opening Date for Thursday, July 24, at 2:00 p.m. and authorizing the Public Works Director to Execute a Contract with the Lowest Responsible Bidder (Public Works); Res. 97-274

CA-4 Waive Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance Amending Ordinance 916 Designating One-Way Traffic in a Southerly Direction Along Upper Bullion Street from 9th Street to Sixty Feet North of 8th Street Intersection with that Lower Portion Remaining Two-Way (Public Works); Ord. 923

5:16 p.m. Adjournment in memory of Jeanette Baldwin, Bernice Branson, Luisa Saenger, and Cynthia Renwick.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board

by: RHONDA SCHERF
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CONFORMED AGENDA

JULY 8, 1997

Time Description

9:08 a.m. Meeting Called to Order with Supervisor Reilly excused to attend a transportation meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda

- Leota Striplin thanked everyone for their support of the 4th of July event on behalf of the Kiwanis.
- Supervisor Balmain introduced Teri Steagall and thanked her for her service and dedication as a Planning Commissioner, representing District II, and advised that a formal resolution and County tile plaque will be prepared for presentation; and he noted that there are many citizens who serve on committees and assist their communities and they are to be commended.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;

A) Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the Government Center to the Lowest Responsible Bidder with Bid Opening Scheduled for July 2, 1997 (4/5ths Vote Required)

BOARD ACTION: Mike Edwards advised that the bids received were above the budgeted amount for this project and he requested that the matter be continued to July 15, 1997, to obtain additional information

Approval of Minutes of 6/24/97 Regular Meeting

BOARD ACTION: Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)

BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Balmain pulled item 2, and he requested that item 8 be rescheduled to a later date. Jeff Green, County Counsel, pulled item 7 for discussion with folder 3. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, balance of items were approved/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly. Following discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, item 2 was approved/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

Tom Archer, Interim Housing and Community Development Agency Director;

Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Lease with Almost Like Home, Inc., a California Non-Profit Corporation, for Use of the Woodland Community Building; and Consent Agenda item 7 - Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Lease with Mariposa Preschool Cooperative, a California Non-Profit Corporation, for Use of the Woodland Community Building

BOARD ACTION: Jeff Green, County Counsel, advised of recommended change in the lease agreements to correct conflicting times of use of the facilities. Gussie Kidd, Director for Almost Like Home, introduced Jackie Lee, teacher, and two of their Board members who were present: Dawn Pedersen and Katie Duffin. Children from Almost Like Home presented the Board members with a copy of their cookbook, and Chairman Stewart gave them each a Courthouse pin. (M)Pickard, (S)Parker, Res. 97-285/Almost Like Home and Res. 97-286/Mariposa Preschool Cooperative, adopted with corrections
as recommended by County Counsel/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

Bud Swift, Vice-President Mariposa County Taxpayers Association;
Discussion Relative to their Proposals to Abolish the Electoral College and Altering the Presidential-Election Day (Supervisors Parker & Stewart)
**BOARD ACTION:** Bud Swift read the letter from the Taxpayers Association concerning the proposals. Discussion was held. No action was taken.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
B) Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Director and County Counsel to Execute Grant Agreement for $894,200 of Federal Aviation Administration Funds for Improvements at Mariposa-Yosemite Airport
**BOARD ACTION:** Following discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 97-287 adopted/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

9:42 a.m. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;
Select Consultant and Authorize Planning Director to Execute Contract to Perform Update to Transit Development Plan, Funded by FTA State Planning and Research Grant
**COMMISSION ACTION:** Discussion was held with Ed Johnson, and he advised that only two consultants applied. He recommended that Nelson-Nygård be selected as they have performed similar tasks in the past. (M)Pickard, (S)Stewart, LTC Res. 97-13 adopted/approving recommendation for selection of Nelson-Nygård and authorizing Planning Director to execute a contract/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

9:52 a.m. Ed Johnson presented the Board with a summary prepared by Bruce Daniels of the meetings held in Sacramento relative to the California Mining and Mineral Museum. Supervisors Pickard and Stewart commented on the meetings and advised that they will keep the Board updated as information is received.

9:58 a.m. Recess

10:12 a.m. Steve Hayes, Visitors Bureau Director;
Resolution Approving Existing Contract with the Chamber of Commerce for Operation of the Mariposa County Visitors Center with a Thirty Day Termination Clause Until After Budget Hearings in September, 1997
**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held concerning the request and relative to the requested budget reduction for departments and applying the same reduction to this contract. Jan Mennig, Chamber of Commerce President, advised that they could reduce hours of operation to meet the budget reduction. Supervisor Balmain suggested that member businesses be contacted to help contribute to the projected shortfall. (M)Balmain, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-288 adopted approving extension of existing contract with the Chamber of Commerce for four months as recommended, and with direction to further review potential for increasing revenues or reducing services when the weather and road conditions impact visitation/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Pickard; Noes: Parker; Excused: Reilly.

Discussion and Possible Action to Support Mountain-Valley Emergency Medical Services Agency’s Resolution in Support of a State General Fund Augmentation for Regional Emergency Medical Services Systems (Supervisor Parker)
**BOARD ACTION:** Following discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 97-289 adopted supporting the Agency’s resolution/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

Board Information and Announcements
- Supervisor Pickard further commented on the meetings in Sacramento relative to the Mining and Mineral Museum.
- Supervisor Balmain commented on the success of the 4th of July celebrations held on the Northside.
- Supervisor Stewart noted that when researching history recently, he found that John Adams talked about the use of illuminations from shore to shore when they were celebrating the signing of the Declaration of Independence. He further advised that he has a meeting scheduled with Rita Adair, California Trade and Commerce Agency, on Wednesday relative to economic development.

**10:50 a.m.** CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association, Deputy Sheriff’s Association, and Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (County Counsel)
**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, closed session was held/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Reilly.

**11:04 a.m.** Board reconvened with no action taken as a result of closed session as only information was presented.

**INFORMATION** No Board Action was necessary on the following item:
County Treasurer’s Monthly Report of Investment Transactions per Government Code 53607 (Treasurer)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**CA-1** Resolution Authorizing the Director of Public Works to Sign Agreement for Biological Services in the Amount of$2,300 and Archaeological Services in the Amount of$1,936 for the Restoration of Slides on Greeley Hill, Bull Creek and Old Yosemite Roads (Public Works); Res. 97-279

**CA-2** Resolution Authorizing the Mariposa County Agricultural Commissioner to Sign the 1997/98 Agreement and Approve the Drug-Free Work Place Certification Between the California Department of Agriculture (CDFA) and the County of Mariposa (Ag Commissioner); Res. 97-284

**CA-3** Resolution Authorizing the Mariposa County Agricultural Commissioner to Sign the 1997/98 Nursery Inspection Contract No. 97-0093 with the Department of Food and Agriculture (Ag Commissioner); Res. 97-280

**CA-4** Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Extra-Help Agreement with Conrad J. Castellino, MD, to Provide Services to the Health Department at No Expense to the County (Health); Res. 97-281

**CA-5** Resolution to Accept Restricted Grant from Sara Miller McCune to Provide Ninety-Six Additional Hours of Library Service to the Bassett Memorial Library for the Period July 12 Through September 27, 1997 and
Authorize the County Librarian to Work with Library Staff to Schedule these Hours on Saturdays and Tuesdays and/or Wednesdays ($828) (Library); Res. 97-282

CA-6 Resolution Authorizing the Chairman to Sign Amendment No. A-8 to the Multi-Year Agreement with the State of California Alcohol and Drug Programs for Fiscal Year 1996-97 Reducing the Total Contract Amount by $16,369 (Human Services); Res. 97-283

CA-7 Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Lease with Mariposa Preschool Cooperative, a California Non-Profit Corporation, for Use of the Woodland Community Building (Housing); Res. 97-286, with corrections in the Lease

CA-8 Waive Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance Amending Chapter 19.02 of County Code, “Airport Rules and Regulations” (Public Works); Matter was continued to be rescheduled

11:05 a.m. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CONFORMED AGENDA

JULY 15, 1997

Time Description
9:06 a.m. Meeting Called to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda - none.

Resolution and Tile Plaque Recognizing Linda Berentsen Upon her Retirement from the Mariposa County Municipal Court (Municipal Court)

BOARD ACTION: (M)Pickard, (S)Parker, Res. 97-290 adopted and presented to Linda Berentsen, along with a tile plaque/Ayes: Unanimous.

Approval of Minutes of 7/1/97 Regular Meeting

BOARD ACTION: Approved with direction given to include specific recommendations relative to adoption of the preliminary budget for FY 1997-98 in the wording for the motion. Supervisor Balmain noted that he has discussed additional corrections to the ordinance for the Airport rules and regulations with Public Works and those corrections will be presented when the ordinance is scheduled for adoption.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)

BOARD ACTION: (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, all items were approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

Gary Estep, Assessor-Recorder;
Resolution Waiving Hiring Freeze for Assessment-Recording Clerk

BOARD ACTION: Following discussion with Gary Estep, no action was taken.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;

A) Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Director to Execute Application for Up to $44,700 of State Matching Funds for Improvements at Mariposa-Yosemite Airport

BOARD ACTION: (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 97-295 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

B) Resolution Awarding the Construction Contract for the Government Center to the Lowest Responsible Bidder with Bid Opening Scheduled for July 2, 1997 (4/5ths Vote Required) (Continued from 7/8/97)

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Mike Edwards and Craig Scott, DuPertuis Scott Architects, relative to the bids received and recommendations. Mike advised that he plans to have the Government Center Committee meet weekly and give periodic reports to the Board. (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-296 adopted:

1. awarding contract to Tech Four Construction, Inc., the low bidder, for the base bid of $2,780,000 plus Bid Alternative #2 (a deduction of $48,000 for changing from a metal roof to a composition shingle roof);
2. directing staff to close the loan with RDA as soon as practical;
3. directing staff to work with the contractor in a value engineering process to reduce the cost of construction by as close to $230,000 as possible without sacrificing the basic goals and intent of the project;
4. approving budget action to contribute additional funding available within the Capital Improvement Program budget line items for this project; an amount of $208,845 set aside for payment of the principal and interest against the loan from
RDA, and an amount of $241,796 set aside for land purchases for future government center needs;
5. directing staff to include request for funding in an amount of $130,000 for the Capital Improvement Program budget in the budget process for land purchases for future government center needs;
6. reducing the amount of contingency for this project by $37,359;
7. directing County Counsel, County Administrative Officer, and Public Works Director to keep a very close eye on the value engineering, and if it is not possible to make the recommended reductions in the amount of $230,000, that authorization be given to loan up to $100,000 from the Capital Improvement Program fund with the understanding that the loan would be repaid (and it was noted that the plaza is a very important part of the project);
8. exercising the Board’s discretion with the above actions to award the contract to a contractor who utilizes subcontractors in excess of fifty percent (50%) of the bid price; and
9. refusing Bid Alternative #4, addition of the 11th Street water main extension to the contract, and directing staff to negotiate this construction with the Mariposa Public Utility District as part of their ongoing water main replacement project; and recommending that the Water Agency take separate action to approve an expenditure up to $20,000 for this work.

Further discussion was held and motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, to withdraw the portion of the motion relative to authorizing a loan of $100,000 from the Capital Improvement Program budget. Mike Edwards asked for Board direction relative to scheduling this matter on each week’s agenda for update and for authorizing signature of the contract when it is ready. Motion was further amended, agreeable with maker and second, to withdraw the portion of the motion relative to directing staff to include $130,000 for the Capital Improvement Program budget in the budget process for land purchases for future government center needs; and direction was given for this project to be scheduled on each week’s agenda with the contract documents to be brought back for approval/Ayes: Unanimous.

10:40 a.m. Recess

10:57 a.m. Steve Hayes, Visitors Bureau Director;
Resolution Authorizing the Visitors Bureau Director to Sign Agreement Between the Merced County Association of Governments and the Mariposa County Visitors Bureau to Promote and Sell Advertisement on the Yosemite Area Traveler Information System (YATI)

BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Parker, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-297 adopted, with changes as recommended in the agreement to reflect that the contractor will attempt to sell advertisement versus “shall” and correcting a typographical error/Ayes: Unanimous.

11:00 a.m. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;
Status Report on Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS) Activities

COMMISSION ACTION: Commissioner Reilly provided a report on the meeting she attended in San Francisco last Tuesday relative to transportation issues. She further advised that the Park Service will update staff relative to the status of the Valley Implementation Plan, and advised that Henrietta DeGroot has been assigned to the Park on an interim basis from the Department of Transportation to work on transportation.

11:20 a.m. CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association, Deputy Sheriff’s Association, and Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (County Counsel)
**BOARD ACTION:** Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised that there was no new information to report and that it would not be necessary to hold Closed Session.

Board Information and Announcements:
- Supervisor Stewart advised that he and Supervisor Reilly attended a meeting with Rita Adair on economic development; and that he met with department heads and the County Administrative Officer to put together a package for a workshop being scheduled for August 5, 1997.

**INFORMATION** No action was necessary on the following:
Caltrans and the Federal Highway Administration have Funded the Initial Phase of Replacement for the Bridge, Dogtown Road at Maxwell Creek (Public Works)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

CA-1  Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Personal Services Agreement with Jane Siebeneicher to Provide In-Home Family Preservation Services to At-Risk Families ($7,920) (Human Services); Res. 97-291

CA-2  Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Personal Services Agreement with Jane Siebeneicher for the Provision of Independent Living Skills Training to Teenage Children in Foster Care ($5,940) (Human Services); Res. 97-292

CA-3  Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign a Personal Services Agreement with Kathleen Lozares to Provide Fiscal and Other Support Services for Housing and Community Development Agency Programs ($1,400) (Human Services); Res. 97-293

CA-4  Resolution Authorizing an Encroachment Permit for the Annual Labor Day Parade and Request $750 for the Purchase of Trophies for Parade Participants (Labor Day Parade Committee); Res. 97-294

**11:23 a.m.** Adjournment in memory of Lester Seymour, Gail Matteson, and Genevieve Hanlin.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS,
Clerk of the Board
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CONFORMED AGENDA

JULY 22, 1997

Time Description
9:04 a.m. Meeting Called to Order, with Supervisor Stewart excused to arrive later.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda
- Blaine Shultz, Fire Chief, introduced John Passerello and Paul Calkins from Office of Emergency Services (OES), and advised that they are going to Yosemite to visit the flood damaged areas and meet with people there.

Approval of Minutes of 7/8/97 Regular Meeting

BOARD ACTION: Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)

BOARD ACTION: Item 4 was pulled from the agenda as the schedule for Girl Scouts’ visit from Japan was changed and will not allow a day in Mariposa. (M)Balmain, (S)Pickard, balance of items were approved/Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Stewart.

Jeff Green, County Counsel
Resolution Authorizing the Chairman to Sign an Order of the Board to Reject Claim No. C97-20 for $3,700

BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-301 adopted/Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Stewart.

Don Z. Phillips, Tax Collector;
Resolution Authorizing Tax Collector to Sell Sealed Bid Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Power to Sell, Per Revenue and Taxation, Chapter 7, Part, 6 Division 1

BOARD ACTION: (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-302 adopted/Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Stewart.

Janet Bibby, Paralegal, and Connie Pearce, Statutory Rape Vertical Prosecution Advocate, appeared on behalf of Christine Johnson, District Attorney;
   A) Resolution Ratifying the Submission of the 1997/98 Application for Funding for the Office of Criminal Justice Planning (OCJP) Statutory Rape Vertical Prosecution (SRVP) Program and Authorizing the District Attorney, Program Director, to Execute the Grant Award Agreement, Including any Extensions or Amendments Thereto; and
   B) Resolution Ratifying Modifications to 1996/97 Statutory Rape Vertical Prosecution Grant by Transferring SRVP Grant Revenue and Appropriations ($4,566) Within the SRVP Grant Line Items

BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-303 adopted ratifying submission of the FY 1997/98 grant application, and Res. 97-304 adopted ratifying modifications to the FY 1996/97 grant/Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Stewart.

Jim Moffett, Chief Probation Officer;
Resolution Waiving Hiring Freeze and Authorizing Chief Probation Officer to Fill Open Position of Senior Juvenile Supervisor
BOARD ACTION: Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised that the position is 100% revenue funded and it is exempt from the hiring freeze; thus, no action is necessary. Item was pulled from the agenda.

Jim Eutsler, Community Services Director;
Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Agreement Between Mariposa County and Area 12 Agency on Aging to Provide Older American’s Act Title IIIB (Senior Supportive Services) and Title IIIC (Senior Nutrition Services) in Mariposa County from July 1, 1997 Through June 30, 1998
BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held, and Jim Eutsler advised of changes being made to the agreement. Supervisor Reilly recommended that an executive summary be attached to the future agreements relative to funding and significant information, due to the length of the document. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-305 adopted approving the agreement, with changes as discussed/Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Stewart.

Roger Kunz requested that he be allowed to provide input relative to Claim No. C97-20 which was previously acted on by the Board as he was under the impression that this matter would not be considered until 9:30 a.m. The Board concurred with allowing Mr. Kunz to provide input. Mr. Kunz, claimant, cited section 19.02.250D of the Airport Rules and Regulations relative to vehicle operation and stated he felt the contractor had an obligation to notify the Airport of the damage to his aircraft. He noted that building materials occupied a portion of his parking space and that when the aircraft was damaged, he felt the responsible person should have been aware. Jeff Green, County Counsel, stated he feels that if the subcontractor damaged the aircraft, it would be their responsibility and not the County’s. No further action was taken.

9:40 a.m. Supervisor Stewart was present and advised that the old Catheys Valley Schoolhouse was successfully moved to the Catheys Valley Park this morning.

9:41 a.m. Recess

9:55 a.m. Schedule Workshop to Discuss Economic Development on Tuesday, August 5, 1997, at 6:00 p.m. at the Senior Center (Supervisor Stewart)
BOARD ACTION: Board concurred with scheduling this workshop as requested.

Discussion and Direction Regarding Revenue Loss from the Ackerson-Rogge Fires of 1996 (Supervisor Balmain)
BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Balmain advised that he is still working on this matter with the County Administrative Officer, and he would like to bring this matter back with more information on a future agenda. He advised that they are also reviewing the Timber Yield Tax.

10:00 a.m. Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;
PUBLIC HEARING to Consider Appeal No. 97-4, Marjorie A. Miller Appellant; an Appeal of Conditional Use Permit No. 250; Joe Simon, Applicant
BOARD ACTION: Ed Johnson and Jay Pawlek/Associate Planner, presented staff report and responded to questions from the Board relative to the annual evaluation and the process. Public portion of the hearing was opened and the following input was provided.
Persons speaking in support of the appeal:
Marjorie Miller, appellant, stated they purchased their property which neighbors this project because of the atmosphere and the quiet. She questioned whether they would be required to have liability insurance as her homeowners insurance would not cover any bullet holes, etc. She expressed concern with noise impacts and asked who
they should contact if the noise levels are unacceptable; and she noted that McCay Road is one-lane and is not suitable for additional traffic. She stated that when the applicant was a member of the Town Planning Advisory Committee for Catheys Valley, he wanted development to stay along the Highway in the area. She played a portion of a tape recording of a cannon being fired on the 4th of July at the project site and expressed concerns with its noise impacts. She said she was hoping that something could be worked out such as limiting the hours to 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and asked who would monitor the restriction on the number of allowed hunters. She referred to recent letters from citizens in the newspapers; stated she does not feel they could afford the $350.00 safety instruction cost; stated she feels this project will affect the value of their property and stated she does not feel this project meets the provisions of the Williamson Act or fits with agricultural use; and stated she does not feel this project will offer employment opportunities to locals as outside people have been brought in. She further stated that if the project is approved, that the following issues should be addressed: fencing, sound berms, posting, only allow 22’s, only allow shooting from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and trash from the weekend campers. She stated that if the activities were allowed without approving a project, she does not feel that use would affect her property values. She questioned whether this project was approved by the NRA.

Karl Baumann, Catheys Valley citizen and real estate broker and developer, stated he feels the applicant has rights to his property and he was not going to oppose this project; but after further consideration, he feels this will have a negative impact on Catheys Valley in general. He feels guns are hazardous to everyone, and he feels Catheys Valley is becoming a community and they will have growth and a gun club would not be good. He noted they experienced a loss of a sale of a parcel due to the proposed project. He feels the cannon is a nuisance and this project will have an impact on property values.

Philomene Schultz stated their property goes up Schultz Mountain and neighbors this project. They purchased their property in 1984 and run cattle. She expressed concern that the cattle would be within firing range. She stated she is not anti-gun and she has shot competitively and bullets can kill for up to one and one-half mile away and further. She cited her experiences with various ranges and the types of berms that were used, and she stated that she does not feel that the range being proposed is safe. She feels the sand used to cover the lead will dissipate with rain; and with the allowed number of hunters, up to 60,000 rounds of lead will be allowed per month. She expressed concern with lead impacts on the water. She stated she feels the project will destroy real estate values and result in loss of revenue. She requested that the project be denied. If it is not denied, she requested that a citizen committee be established to watch the project. They would like to be able to enjoy their property.

Persons speaking in support of the applicant:

Joe Simon, applicant, reviewed his handout relative to the project and in response to the concerns presented. He stated the decibels were down to 50 on neighboring properties when they ran sound tests. He stated he would not have approved of the restriction of 10 patrons per week and he wanted to review the materials distributed by Planning, but he was out of town at the time it was prepared and distributed. He stated they will make their revenue from outside people and will not charge locals if they can fit them in cancellation slots, and he will use local labor wherever possible. He responded to questions from the Board relative to the hunting club and shooting range being two different activities -- Planning advised him that he must have a hunting club in order to have a shooting range. He further responded to questions relative to what he will allow to be hunted on the twenty designated acres and his future plans for the range.

Cheri Ridenhour stated she lives across the road from this project and supports it. She feels they would be very careful because the applicants live there with their families. She has not read anything that shows that this would affect property values. There are others in the area who shoot, including unsupervised children. She feels people have to be able to accept changes.
George Luczy stated he moved here from Los Angeles in 1990, and he is a twenty-year veteran of the police department and was assigned to the bomb squad and worked with John Pride. He feels Joe Simon is being penalized with the restrictions by trying to do the responsible thing. He further stated that Mikey (Fowler) and John (Pride) are at the top of their field in the world. John implemented a training program in Los Angeles when they changed their weapons and it has become the standard for the world. He cited his qualifications and noted that he has served as an expert in providing court testimony. He referred to another range that was tested for lead poisoning and none was found after many years of use. He stated he feels it would be an injustice if this project is not approved. If the use is approved conditionally, then it could be suspended at any time.

Bud Swift, neighbor, stated he feels there will be more danger from people hunting in the County with regards to fire and noise impacts than from this project.

John Pride reviewed their plans for the project; stated he has twenty-three years of experience with the police department and three years military experience. He advised that Joe Simon restricts what can be hunted, and he does not allow the deer and rabbits to be hunted. They picked a spot in the middle of the large acreage out of several potential spots that are ballistically sound and there is a mountain in the back. This will be a controlled situation. They will have entry level classes and hunters safety courses. He stated he feels this will bring dollars to the area from the people coming in for the classes. He feels this range is better designed for environment, ballistics and sound than any other range he has seen.

Mikey Fowler advised that he is a resident of the County and owns a ranch on White Rock. He is a professional marksman and is very experienced with handguns and ran a business previously. He feels this range will be very safe. He has ranges on his property and runs cattle and it does not stress them. He feels these are good plans and recommends approval of the project.

Jim Baker, hunter education instructor for the last seven years in the County, referred to the earlier comment that guns are hazardous, and stated he teaches that what is hazardous is untrained people who do not use them properly. The classes give people an opportunity to be well-trained by top professionals of the world. He referred to an area in downtown Los Angeles known as Chavez Ravine which is a shooting range with activity seven days a week and even night shootings. He noted that people all over Mariposa County will hear gun shots from various residences. He stated the facilities are built with catch basins of sand so that the lead can be collected and recycled. In his classes, the youth are not exposed to live fire. There are other ranges being used in the County that are not creating any problems. He feels this could be an internationally recognized firearms training school.

Rachel O’Rourke, neighboring property owner, stated when the applicant first began using his cannon to protect his apple orchard from the birds, he was very considerate and checked with them to make sure that he was not bothering them. She wakes up to hear shooting on other properties. Others do not collect their leads. She feels this project will bring in tourists. When she visited the project site with Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. Miller was excited about the project and Mrs. Miller was “so-so”, but neither were opposed. She has a sixteen-year-old son and wants him to learn how to use firearms properly.

Glenn Binning stated he is friends with both sides of this issue, and he had a Wilderness Unlimited Hunting Club in the past and raised cattle at the same time and there were no problems. This is the same kind of country.

Gloria Palmer stated she lives across the street from the applicant and they have no problem with the project. She noted that Joe Simon tries to help everyone. The cannon firing on the 4th of July did not bother her. When the property was owned by previous owners, it sounded like a war zone during quail and dove season. She referred to her letter to the newspaper and stated she feels the applicant is proceeding in a responsible way.
Connie Salveson stated that she feels that this project seems very safe and a good idea, and she feels it can help with the economy. It does not pollute.

James Warner commented on the noise and safety issues -- he feels the safety issues have been satisfied, and with regards to the noise, he moved here in 1979 and has heard constant gun fire and has gotten used to it.

Rebuttal:

Marjorie Miller noted that there were several people opposing the project who could not be present at the hearing and that several people signed a petition opposing the project. She noted that a shooting range in Monterey was closed due to lead poisoning. She stated she does not want the project to be approved, but they could continue with their activities or use the Fish and Game range for $20.00 per family. She reiterated her request that the liability insurance coverage issue be addressed and that the hours of operation be further restricted if the project is approved. She stated she feels this project should be placed in the Commercial zoning.

Clarification and staff wind-up:

Ed Johnson noted that this project has been in the process for some time. Staff responded to questions from the Board relative to its ability to change the conditions for the project and the applicant’s request for changes; relative to identifying the location of neighboring shooting ranges; zoning for the project site; noticing requirements for the project; changes in the project from the original filing of the application; whether it is a permitted use in the existing land use; private shooting range uses versus public; requirement for a hunting club in order to have a shooting range; clarification relative to the requirements for the berms and landscaping; relative to the annual review; occupancy for the hunting club; location of the Whispering Oaks Subdivision and the neighboring properties in relation to the project site; and clarification relative to the allowed hours of use.

Public portion of the hearing was closed and Board commenced with deliberations. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-306 adopted denying the appeal and upholding the Planning Commission’s determination with all of the mitigating measures/Ayes: Unanimous. Hearing was closed.

12:09 p.m. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;

A) Resolution Approving Co-Composting Project Mixed Solid Waste Request for Proposal (RFP) and Authorizing Submittal to the Previously Selected Potential Vendors

**BOARD ACTION:** Mike Edwards presented the Board with a list of six qualified vendors, and he introduced persons who were present and thanked everyone who has worked on this project. Discussion was held. Supervisor Balmain requested that the water issue be addressed -- Public Works advised that they will prepare an addendum to the RFP to clarify this issue. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-307 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

B) Status Report and Possible Action Relative to Government Center Project

**BOARD ACTION:** Mike Edwards presented a status report and advised that the Committee met on Monday relative to the value engineering process and he will return on August 5th with more detailed information. He presented the Board with a summary of the budget for the project. Discussion was held relative to holding a groundbreaking ceremony on August 5th. Mike requested that the Board members provide him with a list of names of people they felt should be invited. The loan is set to close on July 29th.

CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association, Deputy Sheriff’s Association, and Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised that a closed session was not necessary.
Resolution Authorizing County Counsel to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Sierra National Forest and Stanislaus National Forest Relative to Proposing Joint Projects to Qualify for Grant Funding Pursuant to Watershed Rehabilitation Funded by Proposition 204 (Supervisor Balmain)

BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Balmain initiated discussion concerning this matter and advised that the deadline for submitting requests for the first round of funding is July 28th. Mariposa County will not have any applications ready to meet that deadline, but the State requested that a letter be sent relative to the County’s interest in this matter. Jeff Green, County Counsel, reviewed changes to the MOU requested by the Forest Service. Following discussion, (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-308 adopted approving MOU and authorizing Chairman to sign same, with the changes as requested; and with request that the Water Agency become fully involved in these efforts and that consideration be given to having an agreement between the County and the Water Agency. Motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second following further discussion, giving direction to Public Works staff to send a letter to the State by July 28th as requested/Ayes: Unanimous.

Board Information and Announcements - None.

CONSENT AGENDA

CA-1 Resolution Authorizing the Chairman to Sign the 1997/98 Detection Trapping Contract No. 97-0030 (Agricultural Commissioner); Res. 97-298

CA-2 Resolution Approving Agreement with Roger Stephens Engineering for Light Pole Foundations Design for the Ballfield Lighting at Mariposa High School, Public Works Project Number PW 95-20 and Authorizing the Public Works Director to Sign Agreement (Public Works); Res. 97-299

CA-3 Resolution Commending the Kartner Madrigalchor of Klagenfurt for Entertaining and Enlightening the People of Mariposa County (Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce); Res. 97-300

CA-4 Proclamation Welcoming Girl Scouts from Japan (Supervisor Stewart); Matter was pulled from the agenda


Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS,
Clerk of the Board
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Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda - None.

Resolution and Tile Plaque Recognizing Teri Steagall for Her Service on the Mariposa County Planning Commission (Planning)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Balmain, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-309 adopted and presented, along with a tile plaque to Teri Steagall/Ayes: Unanimous.

Approval of Minutes of 7/15/97 Regular Meeting; and 7/22/97 Regular Meeting

**BOARD ACTION:** Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)

**BOARD ACTION:** Supervisor Reilly pulled item 1 -- action was taken later this date on this matter. (M)Pickard, (S)Reilly, balance of items were approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

9:15 a.m. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
Resolution Authorizing Official Groundbreaking Ceremony for the New Government Center and Inviting Former County Supervisors, Elected Federal Representative and the Public

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-314 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

9:12 a.m. Board recessed and reconvened at Bullion and 11th Streets for the Official Groundbreaking Ceremony for the new Government Center.
- Chairman Stewart welcomed everyone and introduced the Board members and the following guests:
  - Bud Taber, husband of the late Supervisor Gert Taber
  - Gary Estep, Assessor/Recorder
  - Ken Hawkins, Auditor
  - Christine Johnson, District Attorney
  - Roger Matlock, Sheriff
  - Doug Haaland, representing Assemblyman House
  - Mike Bogna, representing Senator Monteith
  - Mary Jane Erickson, wife of former Supervisor Eric Erickson
  - Art Baggett, former Supervisor
  - Mike Coffield, former County Administrative Officer
  - Craig Scott, DuPertuis-Scott, Architect
  - Wes Shipstead, Vice-President of Tech Four Construction, Inc.
  - Richard Brassfield, Regional Rural Development Director

- Mr. Brassfield introduced his colleagues and presented the Board with a symbolic check for the loan amount for this project.
- The following persons broke ground: Board members, Bud Taber, Richard Brassfield and Wes Shipstead.
- Chairman Stewart thanked Sue Mejica/Public Works Executive Secretary, for assisting with coordinating the ceremony, and advised that refreshments were available.

**10:12 a.m. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;

A) PUBLIC HEARING Relative to Unmet Transit Needs for 1997/98

**COMMISSION ACTION:** Ed Johnson presented staff report and responded to questions from the Commission relative to the service hour and per trip costs and fare ratio. Chairman Reilly noted that members of the Transportation Advisory Council were present. Public portion of the hearing was opened. There was no input. Public portion of the hearing was closed and the Commission commenced with deliberations. (M)Stewart, (S)Balmain, LTC Res. 97-14 adopted accepting the Tentative Claim with the understanding that it could change when additional information is available in August, and that it will be reviewed again during the September Final Budget Hearings; and continuing the Hearing until after the report is received in August. Motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, to continue the Hearing to September 9, 1997, at 10:00 a.m./Ayes: Unanimous.

B) 1997/98 Overall Work Program for Transportation Planning

**COMMISSION ACTION:** Discussion was held with Ed Johnson. Board recessed at 10:37 a.m. and reconvened at 10:47 a.m. Following further discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, LTC Res. 97-15 adopted, with suggested corrections/Ayes: Unanimous.

**10:51 a.m.** Don Z. Phillips, Treasurer;

Request to Appoint Patricia M. Dorato to the Treasury Oversight Committee as the Community at Large Person

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Reilly, request was approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;

Resolution Approving Recommended Cost Reductions for the County Government Center Project as a Result of the Value Engineering Process and Authorize the Public Works Director to Execute a Contract Change Order with Tech Four Construction, Inc. Accordingly

**BOARD ACTION:** Craig Scott, DuPertuis Architect, reviewed the recommended cost reductions as a result of the value engineering process. Sean Reeves, Tech Four Construction, Inc., Ron Reese, Tech Four Construction, Inc., and Dave Tucker/PWD-Civil Engineer, provided input and responded to questions. Mike Edwards reviewed recommended action. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-315 adopted approving the recommended cost reductions and authorizing Public Works Director to sign a contract change order with Tech Four Construction, Inc., following review of the document by the Government Center Committee; direction was given for the Committee to prioritize items in terms of which items might be added back to the project if funding allows, and return to the Board with those recommendations; and direction was given to staff to begin work on a use policy for the new Board meeting room for review by the Board/Ayes: Unanimous.

Maurie Hoekstra, Librarian;

Resolution Authorizing Staff to Negotiate an Agreement and for the Chairman to Execute Upon County Counsel Review for DuPertuis-Scott Architects to Perform a Feasibility Study to Evaluate and Determine the Feasibility of Property Purchase and Construction of a New County Library and Approve the Proposed Expenditure of $3,200 for the Study from the Library Building Fund in the Capital Improvement Budget

**BOARD ACTION:** Maurie Hoekstra reviewed the status of the this project and advised that the Friends of the Library agreed at a meeting held on Monday for the expenditure to
be paid from the Library Building Fund for this agreement. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, and Maurie Hoeckstra noted the six potential sites that have been brought to their attention for further review. Discussion was held relative to reviewing these sites and consideration of whether any County property sites were available and other options, and relative to use of the Building Fund. Craig Scott advised that he would be willing to meet with the Committee and look at all six sites to help prioritize four sites for review. (M) Parker, (S) Reilly, Res. 97-316 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous. Further discussion was held concerning expenditures from the Building Fund. Mike Edwards advised of their routine procedures for handling expenses for capital improvement projects, and he advised that there expenses associated with this project during the coordination of the proposed site with the School District. (M) Balmain, (S) Parker, to direct that no funding be disbursed from the Library Fund without Board approval, was withdrawn by maker after second was withdrawn. Direction was given to staff to review the intended use of the Library Building Fund and bring the matter back to the Board for further review.

12:29 p.m. Lunch

2:07 p.m. Consent Agenda item 1 - Discussion was held with Steve Hayes, Visitors Bureau Director, relative to the vacation planner and expenses and options. Steve advised that he hopes to receive the proposals for further consideration to be held during the Final Budget process. (M) Reilly, (S) Parker, item 1 was approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
Resolution Authorizing Staff to Make Offers to Purchase a 30 to 40 Acre Parcel from One of Two Adjacent Landowners for a New Wastewater Treatment Facility for the Don Pedro Sewer Zone

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Mike Edwards, and he advised that there are only two feasible parcels (Parsons and Erickson) and both property owners would not grant a right of entry for an environmental study. The parcel owned by Erickson is listed for sale. Discussion was held relative to being able to assess the property owners in the zone for the costs for the new wastewater treatment facility, whether a moratorium should be considered, and whether LAFCo should be requested to look at annexation of surrounding properties. (M) Balmain, (S) Parker, Res. 97-318 adopted authorizing staff to make offer to purchase the Erickson parcel through the Realtor as recommended by Public Works, with the offer contingent on the following conditions: the County is able to survey the site for archeological and environmental issues, and that the County is able to make a determination that the site is suitable for a waste water treatment facility. Mike Edwards advised that there are sufficient funds in the Capital Improvement Budget for this project for the purchase; however, other funding sources are being explored for the project costs. Following further discussion, motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, that the offer is further contingent upon a successful conclusion of the public hearing process for said purchase/Ayes: Unanimous.

Consideration of Appointment of Skip Skyrud to the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD) to Fill an Existing Vacancy on the Board of Directors (County Administrative Officer)

BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M) Reilly, (S) Pickard, Res. 97-319 adopted approving the appointment of Skip Skyrud as recommended by MCRCD/Ayes: Unanimous.

Chairman Stewart introduced Rita Adair, California State Trade and Commerce Agency, and advised she has been assisting with economic development issues.
Resolution Authorizing Staff to Enter into Negotiations with VIA Adventures, Inc. Regarding Modifications to Transit Services Subsidized by Mariposa County with a Contract Amendment to be Brought Back for Board of Supervisors Consideration and Action Prior to September 1, 1997 (County Administrative Officer)

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-320 adopted. Supervisor Parker suggested that the Board committee of himself and Supervisor Reilly be included in the negotiations and/or notified of the meetings. Ayes: Unanimous.

Supervisor Reilly requested that a letter be sent to the Park Service explaining the situation with the transit service so that their work group dealing with transit issues is kept informed -- Board concurred.

Board Information and Announcements
- Supervisor Pickard reported on the meeting that he, County Administrative Officer and County Counsel attended in Sacramento on July 24th relative to proposed legislation to enable Trinity, Alpine and Mariposa Counties to receive a portion of Motor Vehicles fees and taxes, and he advised that they agreed to drop the city/county incorporation as it does not provide a viable option. Their next step will be to meet with the League of Cities.
- Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised that she will attend a meeting in San Francisco on Friday with federal representatives for the Head Start program. She met with the Parent Policy Council and they are supportive of the County continuing in its present role. She is working with Madera to prepare a response to the audit report. Discussion was held relative to continuing with the program. Janet Hogan advised that she will schedule further discussion on the agenda after her meeting.
- Supervisor Balmain commented on potential problems with the mountain lions in rural areas.
- Supervisor Stewart advised that he attended the Austrian Choir presentation last Tuesday and gave them the Resolution from the Board. He testified in Merced on Wednesday before the Foreign Trade Commission and Customs Agency in support of Merced’s Foreign Trade Zone application, and he noted that there was no negative testimony. He also advised of a meeting with P. G. & E. and others to discuss electric deregulation and power generation.

3:46 p.m. CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with Legal Counsel Relative to Existing Litigation (Contested Workers’ Compensation Claim) (County Counsel); and CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association, Deputy Sheriff’s Association, and Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Pickard, (S)Balmain, Closed Session was held following a short recess/Ayes: Unanimous.

5:12 p.m. Board reconvened in open session with action taken on an existing litigation matter and direction given relative to labor negotiations as a result of closed session.

5:13 p.m. Recess

6:08 p.m. Board reconvened at the Senior Activity Center on Spriggs Lane Workshop to Consider Past, Present, and Future Economic Development Activities

**BOARD ACTION:** Chairman Stewart explained how the workshop would be conducted and Board members and staff were introduced.

Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, explained the purpose of the workshop.
Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director, reviewed the County’s existing assets that make this an attractive place to live and do business, and noted the projects and activities in the County relative to economic development.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, reviewed Capital Improvement Projects relative to economic development.

Ed Johnson reviewed planning projects that are planned for the near future.

Mike Edwards, Visitors Bureau Director, reviewed promotional activities for the County.

Rita Adair, California Trade and Commerce Agency, stated she felt the County has been doing good things to prepare for the future and the permit streamlining process is very important. She reviewed the purpose of their Agency and noted that she has been attending the Economic Development Corporation meetings. She further stated that the preservation of the County’s historic identity is important, it is an unique place and we should play on that. She noted that she was on an evaluation team for the Main Street designations in 1995, and she feels that the idea of employing those kinds of procedures and approaches to developing the downtown area should be revisited, and her office can provide assistance. She expressed hope that in the near future there will be programs and funding available to help develop infrastructure for economic development. She encouraged that the County take advantage of the partnership with P. G. & E. in programs. She advised of the CALED (California Association for Local Economic Development) program. She advised that they are willing to assist in any way possible and that they have reference material available.

Comments from the public were received from the following:

Jan Mennig, President of the Chamber of Commerce, advised that when he travels, he is asked about the County, and he stated he feels we need an adequate amount of land use rules in place that are operational in order to have a good economic development plan. He feels that will attract people to come here for light industrial operations. He stated he feels we need a happy medium between the business community and residents and land use, etc. As industry develops, people will move here to work. He feels there is a good and positive feeling among the County, businesses and residences.

Dave Lapic, member of the Economic Development Corporation and Chamber of Commerce and small business owner in town, advised that Rita Adair has been a valuable resource to the Economic Development Corporation. He noted that Jan Mennig and others have started to revisit the Main Street issues. He agrees with Jan’s comments and he sees a lot of opportunity and noted the many efforts, including the School District which received the Annenberg Challenge Grant. He stated the Chamber of Commerce is struggling at the present time without a Director; however, the Visitors Bureau Director is helping and they are establishing a good relationship. He stated he felt the Economic Development Corporation is struggling as its leadership has other commitments and they do not have staff. He feels staff will be necessary in order for them to organize and develop leadership to develop economic development.

Candy O’Donel-Browne, member of Economic Development Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, Mt. Crisis Board of Directors, and Private Industry Council, stated she feels that most people live here because they want to be spoiled, and if that message gets out, it will bring more people in. She likes everything here except the “poor” part -- salaries are much lower than in other areas. She congratulated the Board on the development of the Tourism Bureau and stated she feels that has been successful -- visitation has been up over the last three weeks and she feels that this is a reflection that the advertising campaign is working. She feels it is great that we are working with the National Park Service and Yosemite Concession Service -- they make dollars here and she would like to see them spend their dollars here and move their headquarters to town. She noted that the Economic Development Corporation is non-profit and that the enthusiasm is high and the meetings are well attended, thanks to Lowell Young. She suggested that they be included in whatever is planned -- that there needs to be a strong partnership between the community leaders and the government. She stated she was
thrilled to hear Rita talk about economic incentives and feels that this should be pursued. She stated that she feels in order to bring people to the County, we need to look at what they want or some alternatives that are attractive -- this will take manpower and she feels an Economic Development Corporation office will be necessary. She suggested that the County employees be surveyed for their ideas for economic development. She stated she has two concerns: 1) immediate -- the businesses have been hit hard recently, and we should look at things that can happen before they do such as welfare reform and its potential impacts; and 2) future -- Highway 140 will be repaired and the UC Merced will be built, and this will mean that good times are coming.

Leota Tucker advised that she was a docent for the Mining and Mineral Museum when it first arrived, and she stated she is against relocating it. She noted that the Museum was up for two years before having a sign on the building and the sign is not visible enough. She feels the Museum has everything for young school students about mining. It would cost too much to move and would require a large parcel. There is plenty of parking at the present location; however, more signs are needed. She suggested that signs could be installed on all highway entrances to the Museum, with mileage indicated, as for other attractions throughout the State.

Mark Luz stated he has heard a lot of good things tonight and he feels this is a good place to live. He feels things are headed in a positive direction, but not all together. He advised that he has acquired funding for a facilitated workshop if the County wants to participate with people from all areas to get a strategic plan and set common goals. He stated he felt the issues today are the same as set out in the 1990 study.

Art Baggett commended the Board for moving forward with the Government Center project and stated he feels it is an important project. He noted that after traveling through small towns recently in foreign countries and speaking with residents of Oakhurst in South France, that people were choosing other areas such as Oakhurst over Mariposa because we do not have the following types of amenities: health club, expanded recreation program and facilities, theater, and we have limited supplies. He stated he does not view economic development as a government job, but feels it is the responsibility of the private sector. The government’s role is infrastructure, roads, sewer/water systems in heavily developed areas, and getting funding for facilities for communities. He asked if the Board could take a more helpful role in assisting with state and federal regulations and permits, and he cited a recent example of an encroachment permit which took six weeks to move the existing encroachment twenty feet.

Jim Evans commended the Board for its involvement with the YARTS program and the General Management Plan process. He referred to the first business he owned in Siskiyou and the rapid changes with the logging industry that affected the businesses; and he further stated that he does not feel it is the Park Service’s responsibility for our economy, it is ours. There are positive things occurring with the new UC Merced and with restoration of Yosemite. He referred to his discussions with Bob Boykin, the former manager of Tenaya Lodge and their studies which reflect that a visitor wants to stay four to five days in the area. He feels this is a tremendous opportunity for us and we need to be able to offer them products that are appealing. He suggested the following ideas: he feels it is important to spend more time complimenting and focusing on the positives such as heritage, the gold rush, and Native American culture, etc.; he feels we should create our own model and economic development structure and enjoy ourselves, and with that effort we will have more ownership.

Rick Prater, a technical writer with his wife, stated they moved here from the Bay area for the quiet. However, in the last two months, they have been hearing the neighbors target practice. He understands that this sports is increasing and feels we need to be thinking about it as it interrupts the peace and quiet. With the development of UC Merced, people will want to live here, and we should look at this noise problem now before it expands. He requested that consideration be given to passing an ordinance to
prohibit target practice. Chairman Stewart requested that he submit his request in writing for further review.

Betty Boykin, Mariposans for Environmentally Responsible Growth (MERG), read their statement into the record. She noted that they are studying “Planning for Prosperity” (Building Successful Communities in the Sierra Nevadas) and requested that the Board use this study as a point of departure in formulating a comprehensive plan for industrial and commercial development, etc., and stated they feel this effort, in concert with an Environmental Impact Report, would provide a way to accomplish our goals by bringing this community together rather than dividing it.

Jan Hamilton, member of County Board of Realtors, Chamber of Commerce, and Economic Development Corporation, stated people are here because they love this town. She appreciates the opportunity to attend and provide input at a workshop such as this. She stated we need to have things balanced. She commended everyone for their efforts in this matter and stated she feels we are moving in the right direction, and we need to continue to work together to get goals identified and implemented. She stated she feels we should take advantage of this quiet period and plan for the future. She noted that in lieu of having dollars available, we have resourceful people.

Steve Fortner, Catheys Valley, stated he is representing a group of people that is trying to do something, and he feels this is refreshing to hear the input this evening versus what he has been hearing in Catheys Valley relative to development. He stated people can conceptually agree on development, but many do not want it in their back yard. He also stated he feels that you need to be a local to not have to fight an uphill battle with development. He feels Highway 140 will be a major corridor to Yosemite Valley and should be considered in its entirety, not just the Town Planning Areas for development. He stated that his clients will only consider moving here with permitted uses and not with conditional uses. He stated he feels the Park is a benefit and a burden and that should all be spread throughout the County. He feels the permit streamlining and Title 17 processes should move faster. He stated he does not feel the County has enough economic diversity, and he feels an economic base can be developed with a lid on the population growth. He feels the County has a history of spot zoning, and the local town planning area committees do not want change. He noted that there has been a lot of concern about past private developments that are impacting the County, such as the Lake Don Pedro subdivision, and he stated that now development is done without financial impact to the County and it is still difficult to do.

**7:40 p.m.** Recess

**7:54 p.m.** Lowell Young commended the Board for moving forward in a positive direction; and stated that as a community he feels we need to develop goals of where we are going, what we want to see, and what we want to happen. He stated he feels we need a road map/set of goals to get to where we are going, otherwise, we will get what we do not want. He feels town planning areas are great, and he noted that a lot of years went into the Bootjack planning. However, he feels it is a tragedy that the Bootjack planning could be changed due to the efforts of one citizen. He agrees with trying to bring the National Park Service and Yosemite Concession Services headquarters here, and he feels the housing should also be relocated to Mariposa. He stated he feels we need to develop a youth activities center and transit system. He suggested that the parking lot behind 5th and 6th Streets be developed to allow through bus access. He suggested that through regular road maintenance efforts that the roads be gradually widened to allow for a riding/walking shoulder.

Bobbe Standen noted that she has been a resident of the County for about 30 years and involved in business here and raised her family here. In 1981, she served as a member of the Town Planning Advisory Committee for Mariposa and worked on the Specific Plan and she thought it would be the plan and framework for the future. She
stated she feels we have our identity by our use permit process and it has been fifteen years since the Specific Plan was put in place and she is still unable, as a Realtor, to tell clients where they can do business. Our health and well-being depends on industry. This is not an industrial revolution age, but a technology/“business park” age. She feels we need to define what we want to be our legacy -- if it is tourism, then destination management should be implemented and appropriate zoning provided; if the downtown district is on the National Register, we could pursue low interest loans and other funding sources to preserve our downtown, etc. She stated she felt the number one priority should be “to get our act together” and allow departments to get the appropriate zoning in place. She advised that she has noted a change in how she is treated by County departments and they are more friendly now than in past years. She would like to have the public hearing process deleted for a use permit, and have the environmental and infrastructure issues taken care of. She noted that Mariposa County has a great environment for people to come and have a second career, but it requires cultural and recreational opportunities.

Karen Clay advised that she has lived here for nine years and works in telecommuting from her home. She feels this kind of work program could be encouraged here. They have different needs than other types of office workers, but those needs could be met by carrying the necessary supplies. She stated she feels it is important to have crisp goals and focus our energy and have some measurables for success. She stated she is very excited about the communication that is going on.

Karl Baumann, Catheys Valley, stated zoning is something that he has worked on for several years and it is needed in Catheys Valley. He stated the support is needed from Planning and the Supervisors to educate the public and the community that we need growth to help the economic base of the County. The benefits need to be brought to their attention, as they only look at negatives.

Janet Hogan reviewed the points that were made, and she initiated discussion relative to the draft policy statement for economic development. Discussion was held relative to prioritizing the policies and further refining the statement. Supervisor Parker noted that the Board has made the open window period zoning applications a number one planning priority. Discussion was held relative to possible location and structure of an economic development program within County government. Supervisor Pickard requested that discussion concerning the Mineral and Mining Museum be scheduled on the Board’s agenda as soon as possible. (M)Reilly, (S)Balmain, Planning Department was assigned as the temporary team leader for economic development activities; direction was given for staff to send a letter to CALED to pursue funding for an economic development assessment in cooperation with P. G. & E.; Supervisors Stewart and Reilly were appointed to act as the Board’s liaison for economic development activities; and direction was given for the formal Economic Development Policy and specific work program to come back following the CALED presentation/Ayes: Unanimous.

INFORMATION  No action was necessary on the following:
   A) Status Report on the Activities of the Public Works Department During the Second Quarter of 1997(Public Works)
   B) Information Relative to the Local Child Care Planning Council and Its Goals (Lee Jorgensen, Child Care Resource & Referral) (Supervisor Reilly)
   C) Board Hearing Schedule (Clerk of the Board)

CONSENT AGENDA

CA-1 Resolution Authorizing the Visitors Bureau Director to Prepare and Release a Request for Proposal for the Development of a Revised Edition of the Mariposa County Vacation Planner (Visitors Bureau); Res. 97-317
CA-2 Resolution Authorizing Contract Between Mariposa County Human Services and U.C. Davis to Provide Training for Fiscal Year 1997/98 (Human Services); Res. 97-310

CA-3 MARIPOSA COUNTY WATER AGENCY Resolution Authorizing Grant of up to $20,000 to Mariposa Public Utility District (MPUD) for Construction of the 11th Street Water Main Extension in the Town of Mariposa from Jones Street to Bullion Street, and Authorize the Public Works Director to Negotiate a Cost and Project Scope with MPUD (4/5ths Vote Required) (Public Works); WA Res. 97-3

CA-4 Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Administrative Match Agreement with Area 12 Agency on Aging for the 1997/98 Fiscal Year (Supervisor Balmain); Res. 97-311

CA-5 Resolution Authorizing the Director of Public Works to Sign an Amendment to the Agreement for Geotechnical Services with Kleinfelder, Inc. for the Government Center, Providing for Special Inspection and Materials Testing Services (Public Works); Res. 97-312

CA-6 Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Fiscal Year 1997/98 Subvention Certificate of Compliance and Medi-Cal Agreement with the California Department of Veterans Affairs (Community Services); Res. 97-313

9:12 p.m. Adjournment in memory of Howard West.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CONFORMED AGENDA

AUGUST 12, 1997

Time          Description
9:07 a.m.    Meeting Called to Order
              Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda
- Dave Lapic, Kiwanis, advised of the receipt of a property tax assessment for the
  Darrah School property and requested waiver or assistance with the taxes. Jeff Green,
  County Counsel, suggested that the Kiwanis meet with the Tax Collector to determine
  whether there is any authority to waive the fees. Board concurred with this suggestion.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)

BOARD ACTION: (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, all items were approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

Supervisor Parker, District IV;
Disposal of County Structure on Lushmeadows Association Property -- Old Fire House
BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Parker initiated discussion relative to the status of the
old fire house structure, and he advised that he and Supervisor Pickard are members of
the Lushmeadows Association. Jeff Green, County Counsel, advised of his discussions
with Public Works Director relative to the agreement with the Association for the
structure and advised that the costs for the County to remove the structure exceed the
value. (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-329 adopted finding that the structure has a value
of less than $500.00 based on information received from Public Works. Jeff Green
advised that he felt there is no conflict of interest for Supervisors Parker and Pickard to
take action with regards to determining the value of the structure; however, there is a
potential conflict with regards to disposal of the structure due to their membership in the
Association. Skip Skyrud, President of the Association, commented on the history of the
structure and its use. Ayes: Unanimous. (M)Reilly, (S)Balmain, direction was given for
the title of the structure to be transferred to the Lushmeadows Association for a price of
$1.00/Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Stewart; Not Voting: Parker, Pickard, due to potential
conflict of interest.

Resolution Increasing Hourly Rate for the Extra-Help Specialized Classes of Kitchen
Aide, Lifeguard I and Work Study Student Trainee/College to $5.15 effective September
1, 1997 and Directing that all Mariposa County Hourly Salary Rates Conform to any
Future Adjustments that may be Made to the Federal Minimum Wage (County Counsel)
BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 97-330
adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

Board Information and Announcements
- Supervisor Pickard advised that prior to scheduling the Mining and Mineral Museum
issues on the agenda, he is researching and will bring back a report as to the status of the
project. Supervisor Parker noted that he would like to discuss the Museum issues during
the public hearing for the CDBG application later this date.
- Supervisor Stewart advised that he and Supervisor Pickard will attend a presentation
by Prudential Insurance for the donation of a defibrillator in Fish Camp this evening.
- Supervisor Reilly advised that she attended a similar presentation in Midpines.
- Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised of her meeting in San
  Francisco last Friday with the officials for the Head Start Program, and she advised that
she will come back with an agenda item later this month to discuss in detail the program
alternatives and extension of the program.

**9:36 a.m.** CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator
Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association, Deputy Sheriff’s Association, and
Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (County Counsel)
**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Balmain, (S)Pickard, closed session was held with a recess to
follow until the 10:00 a.m. scheduled Public Hearing/Ayes: Unanimous.

**9:44 a.m.** Recess

**10:03 a.m.** Board reconvened with no action taken or direction given as a result of the
closed session.

Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;
A) PUBLIC HEARING to Consider Grant Application for $35,000 of Community
Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds for Economic Development
Planning/Technical Assistance
**BOARD ACTION:** Ed Johnson presented staff report, and he advised of correction in
the written material to reflect the actual sales tax revenue of 1.16 million dollars. He also
advised that Bruce Daniels, consultant, was present to assist with questions. Ed
responded to questions from the Board relative to whether the work would be done in-
house or contracted out if the grant is awarded, and relative to in-kind match. Public
portion of the hearing was opened. There was no public input. Staff responded to
additional questions from the Board relative to the planned projects and relative to the
Mining and Mineral Museum location review. Jeff Green, County Counsel, advised that
the Assessor’s Office could be requested to give an estimate of value for a potential
development site near the existing Chamber of Commerce Office for further
consideration for relocation of the Museum. Supervisor Pickard advised that he is
exploring the history of the Museum and suggested that he work with staff to develop a
report for further discussion of what the County’s role should be in this matter. Public
portion of the hearing was closed and Board commenced with deliberations. (M)Pickard,
(S)Parker, Res. 97-331 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous. Hearing was closed.

B) Presentation Relative to the South Shore Club Project; La Ventana Land & Cattle
Company, Project Sponsors
**BOARD ACTION:** Ed Johnson and Sarah Williams/Planning Manager, gave a brief
overview of the proposed project and responded to questions from the Board. Bill Beck,
General Partner in the South Shore Club Project, provided input. Pete Kampa, Lake Don
Pedro Community Services District, gave a presentation relative to the District’s
involvement in the project and the formation of a joint powers authority. Don Pucilowski
asked about the membership of the joint powers authority. Mike Laird, Tuloumne
County Planning Department, commented on their processes and timelines for this
project.

**11:26 a.m.** Recess

**11:35 a.m.** Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
Discussion and Direction on Possibility of Issuing Franchises for Solid Waste Collection
Service Areas within Mariposa County
**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held with Mike Edwards concerning the
recommendation and alternatives, and taking into consideration the co-composting
facility. (M)Pickard, (S)Reilly, Board approved recommendation to direct staff to
negotiate a draft Countywide franchise agreement with Total Waste Systems (TWS), Inc.,
and Fiske Sanitary Disposal Service and return to the Board with recommended agreements and implementing ordinance. Following further discussion, motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, to include direction for the Board’s subcommittee (Supervisors Balmain and Parker) to work with Public Works staff, County Administrative Officer, and County Counsel, on the franchise matter and the phasing out of the transfer stations. Mike Edwards advised that the Solid Waste Advisory Committee will be scheduled to meet to consider these matters. Ayes: Unanimous.

**INFORMATION**  No action was necessary on the following:

A) Notice of Award for the Re-roof of the Courthouse Vault, Public Works Project Number PW 96-01, to Mt. Diablo Flooring Systems, Inc., for $16,447 (Public Works)

B) Notice of Award of Contract for the Removal of Three Underground Fuel Tanks at the Hornitos Road Yard, Public Works Project Number PW 91-55, to Jim Thorpe Oil Company of Lodi, for $7,496 (Public Works)

- Supervisor Stewart asked Mike Edwards about the bids that were received on this matter.

Jeff Green, County Counsel, asked about the status of work on the Government Center site. Mike Edwards advised that Planning is issuing the grading permit and hopefully work will begin this week. He further advised that they are exploring options to deal with the parking situation in the area.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

CA-1 Recommend that the Board of Supervisors Approve and Authorize the Mariposa County Visitors Bureau Director to Sign a Contract with the Mariposa County Arts Council, Inc. (Visitors Bureau); Res. 97-321

CA-2 Resolutions Commending George and Betty Gordo for their Services to the Community (Chamber of Commerce and Chairman Stewart); Res. 97-322 and 97-323

CA-3 Resolution Terminating the Continuation of Call Agreement No. 84-185 Between Mariposa County and Fresno County (Supervisor Parker); Res. 97-324

CA-4 Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign a Personal Services Agreement with Janet K. Stutzman to Continue as Planning Consultant for the 1997/98 Fiscal Year ($8,000) (Human Services); Res. 97-325

CA-5 Resolution Approving Acceptance of Fiscal Year 1997/98 Renewal Application for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Block Grant for All Tribes Counseling Center (Human Services); Res. 97-326

CA-6 Resolution Authorizing Interim Housing and Community Development Director to Sign Professional Services Agreement with Amador Tuolumne Community Action Agency for Contract 97ECF170 and Amendment No. 1 for $6,603.50; and Authorize Interim Director to Execute Additional Amendments and Agreements to this Contract (Human Services/HCD); Res. 97-327
CA-7 Resolution Adopting Lease Agreement for Mariposa-Yosemite Airport Hangars and Authorize Public Works Director to Execute Leases (Public Works); Res. 97-328

12:37 p.m. Adjournment in memory of Virgil Travis, Alex Holder and Anthony Freeman.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CONFORMED AGENDA
AUGUST 19, 1997

Time Description

9:04 a.m. Meeting Called to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda
- Kelly Collins, Grand Jury Foreman, introduced himself and the following Grand Jury
members who were present: Carol Cox, Jan Cathey and Ed Hitchcock. He further
advised that they are available and willing to assist the County.

Approval of Minutes of 8/5/97 Regular Meeting
BOARD ACTION: Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)
BOARD ACTION: (M)Balmain, (S)Reilly, item 1 was approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

Maurie Hoekstra, Librarian;
Direction and Possible Action Regarding Requests by the Friends of the Bassett
Memorial Library in Wawona for Use of the Library During Non-Operational Hours
BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Maurie Hoekstra and Pat Sisco, Friends
of the Bassett Memorial Library in Wawona. (M)Pickard, (S)Parker, Res. 97-332
adopted approving the two specific event requests (evening with artist Bob Duke and
book/bake sale), with direction given for the Librarian to work with County Counsel on
the list of future events/Ayes: Unanimous.

Chris Ebie, Assistant Auditor, appeared on behalf of Ken Hawkins, Auditor;
Resolution Authorizing Budget Appropriation Transfer to Reconcile Fiscal Year 1996/97
Budgeted Insurance Charges ($314,981) (4/5ths Vote Required)
BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 97-333
adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
A) Resolution of Intention to Abandon a Portion of Eleventh Street in the Town of
Mariposa
BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-334
adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

B) Resolution Authorizing Partial Use of Projected Fund Balance from the Hornitos
Lighting District for the Completion of the Lighting Project at Hornitos Park ($5,600)
(4/5ths Vote Required)
BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Parker, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-335
adopted/Ayes: Unanimous. Rich Begley, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director,
recognized Donna Wilkey’s efforts in working with the Patron’s Club on this project.
Donna Wilkey thanked everyone for working on this project, and noted they hope the
project is completed for their Flea Market event on October 5, 1997.
Blaine Shultz, Fire Chief;
Resolution to Accept Donation of Land Located in Ponderosa Basin for a Fire Station Contingent on Environmental Review and the Planning Process; and to Provide Direction to Public Works and Planning Staff

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held and Blaine introduced the following persons who were present and worked on this project: Enefus Parker, Neville Buyense, and Dave Small, and he also recognized the efforts of the Chowchilla Mountain Women’s Club. Enefus Parker responded to questions from the Board relative to the status of the present structure. (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-336 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

Discussion and Direction Regarding Revenue Loss from the Ackerson-Rogge Fires of 1996 (Supervisor Balmain)

**BOARD ACTION:** Supervisor Balmain initiated discussion and advised of changes to the draft letter. He further advised that the sale has been advertised and the bid opening was scheduled for this date for a portion of the burn area. Supervisor Parker requested that consideration be given to inviting the Forest Service representative to discuss this matter with the Board prior to taking action. (M)Balmain, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-337 adopted approving letter to Congressman Radanovich regarding the County’s concern regarding the revenue loss/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Pickard; Noes: Reilly; Abstained: Parker.

Resolution Changing the Location and Time of the Board’s Regularly Scheduled Meeting for October 14, 1997, to be Held at the Bassett Memorial Library in Wawona Commencing at 10:00 a.m. (Supervisor Pickard)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-338 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

Board Information and Announcements
- Chairman Stewart, for the benefit of those in the audience, advised of the purpose of this portion of the agenda.
- Supervisor Parker advised of the receipt of a telephone call from Linda Sinclair, Fairgrounds Manager, relative to the availability of wall space for a County display at the Fair, and asked if there is any interest in pursuing this matter. Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised of her discussion with the Visitors Bureau Director, and noted that the space is large in comparison with any displays the County has available. Board concurred with directing the Clerk of the Board to notify the Fairgrounds that we appreciate their offer; however, the Board respectfully declines due to the size of space and material that is available.
- Supervisor Pickard advised that he will attend the RCRC meeting this week.
- Supervisor Parker asked the Board members and staff if they wish to participate in the Junior Livestock Auction again this year. Board members concurred with contributing to this function.

10:01 a.m. CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association (MSMA), Deputy Sheriff’s Association (DSA), Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (MCMCO), and General Employees (SEIU) (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, closed session was held/Ayes: Unanimous.

10:08 a.m. Board reconvened in open session with information having been presented during closed session and with no action or direction given.
CONSENT AGENDA

CA-1 Accept Resignation of Elvera Bullis from the Coulterville Planning Advisory Committee (Planning)

10:09 a.m. Adjournment in memory of Virginia Bowers, Roscoe Simpson and Eunice Haines.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
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| 9:06 a.m. | Meeting Called to Order

Fire Chief Blaine Shultz led in the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda
- Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, advised of request to approve a Concession Agreement with Enterprise Rent-A-Car to provide rental cars at the Airport. He further advised that this is a matter of urgency in order to have vehicles available for the upcoming Labor Day weekend, and that the Agreement is a result of negotiations. Supervisor Balmain noted that without rental vehicles being available the revenue at the Airport is affected. (M)Balmain, (S)Pickard, Board waived rules requiring 72 hours agenda noticing to consider this matter based on the findings presented/Ayes: Unanimously. Following discussion, (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-339 adopted authorizing Public Works Director to execute the Concession Agreement with Enterprise Rent-A-Car/Ayes: Unanimous.
- Chairman Stewart noted that Leota Striplin was the fastest person being pushed in a wheelchair at a recent Kiwanis charity event. Leota Striplin noted that she was being pushed by the Lt. Governor for the Kiwanis.

Approval of Minutes of 8/12/97 Regular Meeting
**BOARD ACTION:** Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)
**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, all items were approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

Jeff Green, County Counsel;
Resolution Amending Mariposa County Policy for Implementation of Drug and Alcohol Testing and Approving Execution of Amended Carrier Agreement with DrugTech Toxicology Service
**BOARD ACTION:** Jeff Green requested that the matter be continued to September 9, 1997, as he just received comments from the employees’ Union relative to the policy, and he would like an opportunity to discuss this matter with them.

Ken Hawkins, Auditor;
Discussion and Action Relative to Pending Travel Claims and Problems Regarding Pre-Registering for Conferences
**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held with Ken Hawkins relative to clarification of the Board’s previous direction to departments to restrict travel to preserve the County’s General Fund resources, and responsibility for determining which claims are okay for reimbursement. Board reaffirmed its previous direction in the interim with further direction to be considered during the Final Budget Hearings.
Steve Hayes, Visitors Bureau Director;
Resolution Modifying the Tourism Advisory Council and Make Appointments of Members

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held relative to the recommended modifications to the Tourism Advisory Council. (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 97-344 adopted modifying the Tourism Advisory Council as follows:

Ten members:
- A member of the Bed and Breakfast Association to be recommended by the Association to the Board of Supervisors for appointment;
- A member of the Chamber of Commerce to be recommended by the Chamber to the Board of Supervisors for appointment;
- One representative to be recommended by each member of the Board of Supervisors and appointed by the Board of Supervisors;
- A representative of Tenaya Lodge to be recommended by the Lodge to the Board of Supervisors for appointment for a two-year term;
- A representative of Yosemite Concession Services to be recommended by YCS to the Board of Supervisors for appointment for a two-year term; and
- A representative of Yosemite Motels to be recommended by Yosemite Motels to the Board of Supervisors for appointment for a two-year term.

Motion was amended, agreeable with maker and second, to include direction that the five members representing the Board of Supervisors have terms that run with the respective Board member who made the selection, or until replaced.

Further discussion was held. Supervisor Parker withdrew his second to the motion. Supervisor Pickard seconded the motion. Ayes: Unanimous. Board concurred with directing the Visitors Bureau Director to make the modifications to the resolution and scheduling it on the consent agenda for confirmation.

10:31 a.m. Recess

10:49 a.m. Dick Kunstman;
Resolution Opposing Passage of the “Public Land Management Responsibility and Accountability Restoration Account” Proposed by U.S. Senator Larry Craig
**BOARD ACTION:** Matter was continued to September 9, 1997, at 11:00 a.m.

Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer;
Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Execute a Contract Amendment with VIA Adventures, Modifying Transit Services Effective September 1, 1997 (Continued from 8/5/97)
**BOARD ACTION:** Matter was continued to later this date.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
   A) Resolution Appropriating $25,000 Within the Fiscal year 1997/98 Solid Waste Enterprise Budget for a New Water Well and Appurtenances at the County Landfill; Authorize the Public Works Director to Prepare Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents; Advertise for Formal Bids and Award a Contract for Same to the Lowest Responsible Bidder Upon Review by County Counsel (4/5ths Vote Required)
**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held concerning the request and alternatives. Further discussion was continued for the following hearing to be opened.

11:04 a.m. Public Hearing to consider Specific Plan Zoning, Amendment No. 96-1; David Radanovich, et al, applicants, was opened and continued to after the following items.
Further discussion was held concerning the request for a new water well at the Landfill. (M)Reilly, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-345 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous. Supervisor Parker requested that staff begin looking at the process for obtaining MPUD water service at the Landfill.

B) Waive Second Reading and Adopt an Ordinance Amending Chapter 19.02 of County Code, “Airport Rules and Regulations” (Continued from 7/8/97)

**BOARD ACTION:** Mike Edwards reviewed changes to the Ordinance that were suggested after the matter was scheduled on the agenda. Supervisor Pickard expressed concern with the requirement for ultralight operators to have to undergo a proficiency review every two years. (M)Balmain, (S)Reilly, to waive the second reading and adopt the Ordinance with procedural changes, was withdrawn by maker, following further discussion. Supervisor Parker requested that the complete document, with procedural changes, be scheduled on the consent agenda for review and adoption -- Board concurred. (M)Pickard to delete section 19.02.310A, number 3, relative to proficiency review for ultralight operators, died for lack of a second.

11:46 a.m. Recess

11:56 a.m. Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;

A) PUBLIC HEARING to Consider Specific Plan Zoning, Amendment No. 96-1; David Radanovich, et al, Applicants

**BOARD ACTION:** Ed Johnson and Jay Pawlek, Associate Planner, presented staff report, and they responded to questions from the Board relative to the number of parcels in the project. Public portion of the hearing was opened, and input was provided by the following: Dave Radanovich, applicant, was present and stated he did not have anything to add to the staff report. Dan Michael stated he supports this project, and he responded to question from the Board advising that he has a parcel included in the project. Ken Mari, applicant, was present and stated he did not have anything to add to the staff report. Staff responded to additional questions from the Board relative to the existing accesses to the Highway and the creation of an interior loop road. Public portion of the hearing was closed and Board commenced with deliberations. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, a Negative Declaration was adopted for this project; and Res. 97-346 adopted approving Specific Plan/Zoning Amendment No. 96-1 and amending the Specific Plan designation affecting the project site from Professional Office to General Commercial/Ayes: Unanimous. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, first reading was waived and an Ordinance introduced amending the Zoning of the project site from Professional Office to General Commercial/Ayes: Unanimous. Hearing was closed.

B) Clarification on Role of Economic Development Consultant

**BOARD ACTION:** Matter was continued to later this date.

12:09 p.m. Lunch

2:04 p.m. Blaine Shultz, Fire Chief;

Discussion and Direction Relative to Fire Department Responsibilities and Cost Apportionment by CDF

**BOARD ACTION:** Blaine Shultz introduced the following persons who were present for this discussion: Stan Craig, Deputy Chief for California Division of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDFFP) Merced-Mariposa-Madera Ranger Unit; John Robbins, CDFFP; and Jim Wilson, Deputy Chief Mariposa County Fire Department. Discussion was held. Stan Craig provided input relative to cost apportionment issues and State Responsibility Areas
(SRA), and advised that they are working toward establishing a unified command system. No action was necessary.

Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer; Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Execute a Contract Amendment with VIA Adventures, Modifying Transit Services Effective September 1, 1997 (Continued from 8/5/97)

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held and Janet Hogan advised of language changes to the contract amendment. (M)Reilly, (S)Parker, Res. 97-347 adopted approving the Contract with changes as recommended/Ayes: Unanimous. Ed Johnson/Planning Director, advised that he just received a draft of the existing conditions portion of the transit study.

Clarification on Role of Economic Development Consultant

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held with Ed Johnson, Planning Director, and he advised of the status of the tasks and payments for the Personal Services Agreement with Bruce Daniels. Board members shared their concerns and input they received relative to a perceived conflict of interest with Mr. Daniels being under contract with the County and his private business relationship with the National Park Service and Yosemite Concession Services and private individuals relative to housing issues. It was noted that it would be difficult for the public to know which role he is filling at various times. Discussion was held relative to being able to deal with these situations in the future with contractors with a clause in the contract. Board concurred with conveying to Mr. Daniels that between now and September 30, 1997 (when his current contract expires), that it is preferred that he not engage in outside activities within the County; and any further agreement with him would be with the understanding that it would be exclusive with the County with regards to the subjects that fall within the purview of this Board.

4:14 p.m. Recess

4:22 p.m. Consider Information Relative to Management of Head Start Program and Approve Extension of Contract with Madera County Action Committee, Inc. Through 2/28/98 (County Administrative Officer)

**BOARD ACTION:** Janet Hogan introduced Polly Kitchen, Head Start employee, who was present for this matter. Janet updated the Board on her meeting with officials in San Francisco on the program and the result of the quality review and her meetings with the Parent Policy Council. She advised that the Council prefers for the Board to continue as the grantee for the program and with contracting with Madera County Action Committee. (M)Balmain, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-348 adopted approving and authorizing Chairman to sign an amendment to the contract with the Madera County Action Committee, Inc., extending the contract term to February 28, 1998; and authorizing staff to prepare and submit a grant amendment request to the Department of Health and Human Services to reallocate existing grant funds to provide for a contract monitor and related expenses in the approximate amount of $3,800. Further discussion was held relative to the program and the County’s future relationship with the program and options. Polly Kitchen provided input. Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Stewart, Pickard; Noes: Parker.

Resolution Authorizing Mariposa County to Sponsor the Biodiversity Council Regional Leadership Forum in the Amount of $300 (Chairman Stewart)

**BOARD ACTION:** Following discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-349 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous. Janet Hogan advised that the budget action form would be completed to fund this action.
CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association (MSMA), Deputy Sheriff’s Association (DSA), Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (MCMCO), and General Employees (SEIU) (County Counsel)

BOARD ACTION: Janet Hogan advised that a Closed Session was not necessary this date.

Board Information and Announcements
- Supervisor Stewart advised that he is willing to attend the Regional Leadership Forum.
- Supervisor Reilly advised of her attendance at the Flood Award Picnic in Yosemite.
- Supervisor Pickard advised of his attendance at the RCRC meeting and Mountain Counties Air Basin meeting, and advised that he will circulate information received at those meetings.

FORTHCOMING POLICY
Resolution Adopting a Policy Relative to Disseminating Information Regarding Current or Former Employees (Scheduled for Action on 9/2/97) (County Counsel)

INFORMATION
No action was necessary on the following:
County Treasurer’s Monthly Report of Investment Transactions per Government Code 53607 (Treasurer)

CONSENT AGENDA
CA-1 Resolution Authorizing Deferred Compensation Amendment of Contract with Great Western (Auditor); Res. 97-340
CA-2 Resolution Approving and Accepting a Portion of the Common Line Between Mariposa and Tuolumne Counties as Shown on “Record of Survey for Coleman Ranch and South Shore Ranches” and Authorize the Chairman to Sign the Board of Supervisors Statement on the Map (Public Works); Res. 97-341
CA-3 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement for Services Between Mariposa County and Merced County for Striping County-Maintained Roads; Authorizing the Public Works Director to Sign and Execute Annually if Adequate Funding is Available (Public Works); Res. 97-342
CA-4 Appoint Don Pucilowski to the Mariposa County Planning Commission, Representing District II (Planning)
CA-5 Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign a Personal Services Agreement with John Faleski to Teach the Water Tender Drivers/Operator Course ($1,000) (Fire); Res. 97-343
5:00 p.m. Adjournment in memory of Mary Kay Schlageter and Charles Holmes.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS,
Clerk of the Board
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CONFORMED AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 2, 1997

Time Description
9:03 a.m. Meeting Called to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda
- Murrell Boyd noted that a recent New York Times article on National Parks indicated that Yosemite National Park is located in Tuolumne County.
- Supervisor Parker advised of concerns he received relative to the liability insurance coverage requirements for hangars at the Airport, and he requested that County Counsel respond as to the actual requirements and suggested that perhaps a letter could be sent detailing the requirements. Jeff Green, County Counsel, advised that the County’s ordinance calls for $300,000 liability insurance for the hangars, and the County is requiring $500,000 for the County-owned hangars.
- Jeff Green, County Counsel, advised that under Public Works time later in the day, he would like to update the Board on the status of the purchase of property for the Lake Don Pedro sewer project.

Approval of Minutes of 8/19/97 Regular Meeting
BOARD ACTION: Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)
BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Parker pulled item 3 for discussion with Public Works Director later this date. Supervisor Stewart pulled item 1 for discussion with Public Works Director later this date. Supervisor Balmain pulled item 4. (M)Parker, (S)Reilly, balance of items were approved/Ayes: Unanimous.

Don Z. Phillips, Tax Collector;
Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Two Personal Computers for the Tax Collector in the Amount of $4,500, Using Tax Collector’s Cost Fund (4/5ths Vote Required)
BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-351 adopted with a waiver of the formal bid process based on the information presented/Ayes: Balmain, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Noes: Reilly.

Christine Johnson, District Attorney;
A) Resolution Ratifying the Submission of the Application for Funding for the Continuation of the Drug Enforcement Grant Offered by the Office of Criminal Justice Planning (OCJP), and Upon Grant Award, Authorizing the District Attorney, Program Director, to Execute the Grant Award Agreement, Including any Extensions or Amendments Thereto; and
B) Resolution Ratifying the Submission of the Application for Funding for the Continuation of the Mariposa County Victim/Witness Program Grant Offered by the Office of Criminal Justice Planning (OCJP), and Upon the Grant Award, Authorizing the District Attorney, Program Director, to Execute the Grant Award Agreement, Including any Extensions or Amendments Thereto
BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Christine Johnson. Supervisor Balmain noted a discrepancy in the population figures used in the two grant applications. Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, suggested that the population figure of approximately 16,000 used by the Department of Finance would be the appropriate

Tom Archer, Human Services Director; 
Resolution Authorizing Filling Vacant Positions for Eligibility Workers I, II, and III in the Human Services Department ($65,716) 
**BOARD ACTION:** Following discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 97-354 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

Tom Archer responded to Supervisor Pickard’s question relative to the recent welfare reform legislation and what the Department is doing to prepare for its implementation.

Chairman Stewart advised that a swine was purchased by Board members and staff at the Junior Livestock Auction at the Fair.

**9:42 a.m.** Recess

**9:52 a.m.** Mike Edwards, Public Works Director; 
Resolution Authorizing Public Works to Negotiate an Agreement with California Waste Associates to Prepare Environmental Review and Documentation for the County of Mariposa Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE), Household Hazardous Waste Element (HHWE), Countywide Siting Element (CSE) and Summary Plan (SP) and Authorize the Public Works Director to Execute Agreement, Upon Review by County Counsel ($3,167) 
**BOARD ACTION:** Following discussion with Mike Edwards and Tom Starling/PWD-Solid Waste Coordinator, (M)Pickard, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-355 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

Consent Agenda item 1 and 3 - Discussion was held with Mike Edwards, Public Works Director. Action was taken later this date.

Supervisor Balmain initiated discussion relative to the Fee Hearing scheduled for September 18th for the Coulterville Service Area and requested consideration of scheduling the hearing in Coulterville on another date due to requests from the community and the RCRC meeting and dinner which is scheduled for the 18th. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, advised that notice has been mailed to the residents relative to the Fee Hearing, and he suggested that the Board hold the Hearing as scheduled and then the Board could continue the Hearing to a time and date certain in Coulterville for additional input prior to taking action to adopt the fees.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, advised the Board of the status of the County’s offer to purchase the Erickson parcel for the Lake Don Pedro sewer project. Jeff Green, County Counsel, advised of the status of the counter-offers on this matter and the Board concurred with his recommendations. Once agreement is reached on the counter-offers, the matter will be scheduled for hearing to consummate the purchase.

Consent Agenda item 4 - Discussion was held.

(M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Consent Agenda items 1, 3 and 4 were approved/Ayes: Unanimous.
Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;
Request from Planning Commission to Refer the Industrial Open Window Applications
Back to the Planning Commission for Report and Recommendation and Schedule
Discussion with Planning Commission on Code Enforcement

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held. Bob Rudzik, Chairman of the Planning Commission, provided input relative to the Commission’s request. Further discussion was held relative to the process for the Industrial Open Window Period Applications and the recommendation. (M) Pickard, (S) Reilly, Board approved requests from the Planning Commission relative to the applications and agreed with scheduling a discussion with the Commission on Code Enforcement/Ayes: Reilly, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Noes: Balmain.

Resolution Adopting a Policy Relative to Disseminating Information Regarding Current or Former Employees (Continued from Policy on August 26, 1997) (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** Following discussion, (M) Pickard, (S) Parker, Res. 97-359 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association (MSMA), Deputy Sheriff’s Association (DSA), Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (MCMCO), and General Employees (SEIU) (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** Board was advised that a Closed Session was not necessary this date.

Board Information and Announcements
- Supervisor Balmain advised that he attended the Counties Day at State Fair.
- Supervisor Stewart commented on the problems with loose emus in the County. He further advised of the receipt of a letter from Jon Turner, Fair Board Director, challenging the Board members to participate in the Amigo D’Oro Race next year.

**INFORMATION** No action necessary on the following:
Board Hearing Schedule (Clerk of the Board)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

CA-1 Resolution Approving Land Exchange with Sierra Telephone at the Mariposa Landfill (Public Works); Res. 97-356

CA-2 Resolution Adopting Bid and Contract Documents for the Reconstruction of Ben Hur Road, Public Works Project Number PW 96-19, Authorizing Advertisement for Sealed Bids, Set a Bid Opening Date for Thursday, September 25, 1997 at 2:00 p.m., and Authorizing the Public Works Director to Execute a Contract with the Lowest Responsible Bidder (Public Works); Res. 97-350

CA-3 Resolution Authorizing Public Works to Waive Formal Bid Requirements and Seek Informal Bids for the Electrical Components and Light Poles for the Ballfield Lighting Project at Mariposa High School, Public Works Project PW 95-20 (Public Works); Res. 97-357

CA-4 Resolution Authorizing Contract with David M. Griffith to Prepare Claims for State Reimbursement of State Mandated Costs (Auditor); Res. 97-358
11:25 a.m. Adjournment in memory of John E. Callan, Frank Domingues, Vallie Hiatt, Esther Mae Adams, Jack Morris, and Harry Dias.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CONFORMED AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 9, 1997

Time Description
9:02 a.m. Meeting Called to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda
- Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, advised of off-agenda requests for the following construction projects: slide repair at Greeley Hill at Shingle Road, repair of 16 small slides on Old Yosemite and Bull Creek Roads, and change order for additional emergency repairs to Incline Road. He advised that there is a critical time frame involving lead time for getting these projects out to bid and work completed prior to the onset of winter weather. (M)Parker, (S)Reilly, Board waived rules requiring 72 hours agenda noticing to consider these requests, finding they were not known about at the time the agenda was prepared and timely action is necessary for the work to be completed before the winter weather/Ayes: Unanimous. Following discussion, (M)Balmain, (S)Parker, Res. 97-360 adopted approving bid and contract documents for the repair of Greeley Hill Road at Shingle Hill (PW 96-10), authorizing advertisement for sealed bids and authorizing Public Works Director to execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder; and Res. 97-361 adopted approving bid and contract documents for the repair of 16 small slides on Old Yosemite and Bull Creek Roads (PW 96-22 and 23), authorizing advertisement for sealed bids and authorizing Public Works Director to execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder/Ayes: Unanimous. Dave Tucker/PWD-Civil Engineer, provided input relative to the repairs on Incline Road and the County’s portion of costs. Following discussion, (M)Reilly, (S)Parker, Res. 97-362 adopted approving negotiations with Hilton Construction for a change order for additional emergency repairs to Incline Road for an estimated $83,000/Ayes: Unanimous.

Approval of Minutes of 8/26/97 Regular Meeting
BOARD ACTION: Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)
BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Pickard pulled item 7. Supervisor Parker pulled items 6, 8 and 9. (M)Reilly, (S)Pickard, balance of items were approved/Ayes: Unanimous.
- Items 6 and 8: Discussion was held. Steve Hayes, Visitors Bureau Director, provided input relative to the selection of the storage facility. (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, direction was given to Public Works to survey the Departments relative to their needs for storage and their existing use of storage facilities, and to go through an informal bid process to obtain the best price/Ayes: Unanimous.
- Item 7: Discussion was held with Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, relative to the proficiency test requirements for the ultralight operators. Supervisor Parker requested that Public Works review the test requirements in two years to determine if they are working, and he requested that a review be made for consideration of privatizing the airport operations. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, item 7 was approved/Ayes: Reilly, Balmain, Stewart, Parker; Noes: Pickard. Supervisor Balmain commented on the traffic pattern for the ultralights that was established at the Airport.
- Item 9: Discussion was held. Kathie Butler, Mt. Crisis Services Director, provided input relative to their request. (M)Reilly, (S)Pickard, item 9 was approved/Ayes: Unanimous.
Jeff Green, County Counsel;
Resolution Amending Mariposa County Policy for Implementation of Drug and Alcohol Testing and Approving Execution of Amended Carrier Agreement with DrugTech Toxicology Service (Continued from 8/26/97)

**BOARD ACTION:** Jeff Green, County Counsel, advised of the concerns received from SEIU and he reviewed the modifications that he recommended be incorporated in the revised policy. (M)Balmain, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-366 adopted amending the Agreement with the recommended modifications/Ayes: Unanimous.

9:44 a.m. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;

A) Assessment of Regional Transit Alternatives

**COMMISSION ACTION:** Ed Johnson requested that this matter be continued for two weeks for additional information to be provided.

B) Transit Development Plan Update

**COMMISSION ACTION:** Ed Johnson introduced Joey Goldman with Nelson/Nygaard who presented their report. At 10:00 a.m., the matter was continued for the Public Hearing for unmet transit needs to be opened and continued to after this matter. The rest of the report was given, and staff and Mr. Goldman responded to questions from the Commission. Jim Eutsler, Community Services Director, provided input relative to the meditrans program. No action was necessary.

10:20 a.m. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING for Unmet Transit Needs for 1997/98 (Continued from 8/26/97)

**COMMISSION ACTION:** Ed Johnson presented updated staff report and responded to questions from the Commission relative to the status of accepting the Tentative County Claim, reasonableness criteria, the Dial-A-Ride service versus meditrans, and the wording in the draft resolution. Public portion of the hearing was opened and the following persons provided input. Georgene Tarbox, Employment Development Department, stated she works in the job service area with special programs and 75% of her caseload is active GAIN participants and welfare recipients. She referenced her letter relative to ride-share and noted that the new jobs being created in Merced demand that employees be able to meet all shifts, and she urged that funding be allocated to support a public service campaign. Public portion of hearing was closed and Commission commenced with deliberations. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, LTC Res. 97-16 adopted finding there are no new unmet transit needs, and accepting the Tentative County Claim for Transportation Development Act funds/Ayes: Unanimous. Hearing was closed.

10:42 a.m. Board reconvened and recessed

11:03 a.m. Dick Kunstman;
Resolution Opposing Passage of the “Public Land Management Responsibility and Accountability Restoration Account” Proposed by U.S. Senator Larry Craig (Continued from 8/26/97)

**BOARD ACTION:** Dick Kunstman presented a video relative to environmental concerns and in response to a video shown by Supervisor Balmain last year from the California Forestry Association. He noted that he spoke with Supervisor Stewart relative to a request to schedule a lengthy presentation from an educational view, and he was advised that would take the Board’s concurrence. Discussion was held relative to the status of Senator Craig’s bill -- Dick Kunstman advised that it has not been introduced yet and that this request for opposition is based on the draft proposal. Supervisor Parker
suggested that a letter be sent to Congressman Radanovich asking his position and then
the Board could determine whether to take any further action at that time. No action was
taken this date.

Chairman Stewart introduced Ernie Lazlo who represented the County as a member of the
United States team in 1997 World Gold Panning Competition in Vivegano, Italy. Ernie
Lazlo commented on his participation and he noted that 27 countries were represented in
the competition and the United States team placed 13th. He further noted that the 1998
competition will be held in Coloma the first weekend of October during the
Sesquicentennial.

Bob Pickard, District V Supervisor;
Discussion and Possible Direction Relating to the California State Mining and Mineral
Museum
BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Pickard introduced the following persons who were
present for this matter: Ernie Lazlo, Ron Iudice, Leota Tucker, Glenn Sutherland, Joan
Gloor, and Steve Hayes. He advised that the Fair Manager and Department of
Conservation Director were unable to be present. He presented his report relative to the
history of the Mining and Mineral Museum and advised that an extension was received to
keep the exhibit open at the Fairgrounds until February 1998. Supervisor Balmain
requested that Congressman Radanovich be advised of the status of this matter and that
his assistance be requested. Discussion was held relative to the status of financial support
for the Exhibit, promotion, and the current management by the State Department of
Conservation and possible options.

Public input was provided by the following:

Dick Kunstman suggested that everyone keep in mind the cultural and
other values of the exhibit.

Glenn Sutherland, President of the California Mining and Mineral
Association, presented the Association’s views relative to the Museum -- they want to
keep the Museum in the County, but only if it can be made self-supporting; they have
been working on promotional efforts and feel the Museum can be successful if relocated
to town on Highway 140 within walking distance of the motels. He cited disadvantages
to the current location.

Mary Good, resident of El Portal, suggested that perhaps it would be easier
to move the Fairgrounds.

Ernie Lazlo stated he is in agreement with keeping the Museum in
Mariposa and noted that the citizens voted to have it here and to support it. He noted that
he is currently President of the Mariposa Gem and Mineral Club and they will continue to
be supportive.

Leota Tucker stated she would like to see the Board make a decision that
would allow time for issues to be worked out relative to the Museum, and noted that she
will become active again because she feels the Museum needs to stay here.

Steve Hayes, Visitors Bureau Director, stated the Museum is an important
aspect of the County and offered his assistance in maintaining the Museum within the
County. He suggested that portions of the exhibit could be displayed where different
events occur during the Sesquicentennial for promotion of the Museum.

Further discussion was held relative the Museum. Supervisor Pickard requested
authorization to work with the Association on this matter. Supervisor Stewart suggested
that consideration be given to using the County transit buses on Friday and Saturday
evenings to transport tourists from town to the Museum. Supervisor Reilly requested that
the different options be summarized with cost information included; that marketing
efforts be strengthened in the interim, including the exploration of connecting with the
transit system; and that the Visitors Bureau Director be included in this matter.
Joan Gloor noted that they have some ideas about the Museum and will work with the Visitors Bureau Director and the Association.

Board concurred with directing the Visitors Bureau Director to bring back a proposal during the Final Budget hearing process for further consideration; with Supervisors Pickard and Parker working on this matter; and with continuing to pursue contacts with our legislative representatives. Supervisor Balmain suggested that the possible change of administration from Department of Conservation to Parks and Recreation be explored.

12:50 p.m. Recess

1:03 p.m. Resolution Approving Transfer of Ownership Relative to Mercy Medical Transportation, Inc. in Accordance with the Provisions of the Agreement  (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-367 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

Board Information and Announcements
- Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised that with regards to the $300.00 donation previously approved by the Board for the Leadership Forum Conference scheduled for this weekend, that the Conference was postponed. She asked for direction on whether to hold the check until the Conference is rescheduled, etc. She will further research this matter and if the check is for the Conference, the check will be held until it is rescheduled; and if it is for the Forum, the check will be sent at this time.
- Supervisor Parker advised that he will be attending a meeting in Sacramento on Wednesday relative to water issues.
- Supervisor Reilly advised that she will attend the Glacier Point dedication ceremony on Wednesday morning.
- Supervisor Stewart advised that Channel 30 will be in town at 5:30 a.m. on Wednesday for a live broadcast, he will attend the Economic Development Corporation meeting after that, and the Airport meeting in the evening.

1:10 p.m. CLOSED SESSION Regarding Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9  (County Counsel); and CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with Legal Counsel Relative to Existing Litigation (Workers’ Compensation Claim - Steve Lord v. Mariposa County)  (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, closed session was held/Ayes: Unanimous.

1:26 p.m. Board reconvened in open session with direction given to staff as a result of the closed session matters.

CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association (MSMA), Deputy Sheriff’s Association (DSA), Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (MCMCO), and General Employees (SEIU)  (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised the closed session for this matter was not necessary.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

CA-1 Reappoint Jeff Cerioni, Howard Davies, Lester Pacheco, Art Schneider, Joseph Covell and Donn A. Harter to the Fish Camp Community Planning Advisory Committee  (Planning)
CA-2 Accept Resignation of Mike Durr from the Fish Camp Community Planning Advisory Committee (Planning)

CA-3 Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Director to Execute Small Communities Grant Financial Assistance Applications for Planning Allowance, Design Allowance and a Construction Grant up to a Maximum of $520,406 for the Don Pedro Sewer Zone Wastewater Treatment Facility Rehabilitation, Public Works Project PW 91-05 (Public Works); Res. 97-363

CA-4 Resolution Authorizing the Chairman to Sign an Order of the Board to Reject Claim No. C97-22 for $1,500 (County Counsel); Res. 97-364

CA-5 Waive Second Reading and Adopt an Ordinance Amending the Mariposa Town Planning Area Specific Plan Zoning Map for David Radanovich, et al., Applicants (Planning); Ord. 924

CA-6 Resolution Authorizing Human Services Director to Sign Storage Agreement with Mariposa Self-Store to Store Departments Inactive Records (Human Services); Direction was given to staff

CA-7 Waive Second Reading and Adopt an Ordinance Amending Chapter 19.02 of County Code, “Airport Rules and Regulations” (Public Works); Ord. 925

CA-8 Resolution Authorizing Visitors Bureau Director to Sign Storage Lease Agreement with Mariposa Self-Store (Visitors Bureau); Direction was given to staff

CA-9 Resolution Authorizing the Mountain Crisis Center Use the Courthouse Grounds to Conduct a Public Gathering on October 8, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. (Visitors Bureau); Res. 97-365

1:28 p.m. Meeting was recessed in memory of John Clayton, Lewis Ferretti, Jr., Anthony Zalaco, Linda Grunow, and Maurice Heiny and continued for Public Hearing on Final Budget for Fiscal Year 1997/98 to September 15, 1997, at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
9:10 a.m.  Board convened in continued meeting from September 9, 1997.

PUBLIC HEARING on Final Budget for Fiscal Year 1997/98

BOARD ACTION: Ken Hawkins/Auditor, Chris Ebie/Assistant Auditor, and Mary Hodson/Adm.-Executive Secretary, were present for the duration of the hearing, responded to questions, and tracked changes made during the hearing.

Public comment: None.

Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, presented staff report and gave a general overview of the proposed budget. The total budget is 45.2 million dollars with some duplication of figures between the various accounts, 37.8 million dollars without any duplication; and this results in a 1.15 percent increase over the previous budget. There are 279 employee positions with a net change of 2.2 positions over the previous year. She advised that she used one-time funding of $486,000 rolled over from the previous year to balance the proposed budget. There is about $400,000 funding in Risk Management Insurance that could be made available for one-time use in the General Fund -- this could be further discussed later in the hearing. Discussion was held relative to the budget process. Supervisor Parker requested additional information relative to the amount of ongoing expenses that are being recommended to be funded from the one-time funding in this budget -- County Administrative Officer will review and bring back information.

The following budgets were reviewed:

**Board of Supervisors** - Discussion was held with Janet Hogan concerning this budget and additional request for funding a replacement personal computer for the Deputy Clerk of the Board. Supervisor Parker suggested that consideration be given to having a loaner computer available in Data Processing for departments to use in the interim of receiving replacements. (M)Parker, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-369 adopted approving the appropriation of $2,600 from Contingency to the Board budget and approving the purchase of the replacement computer prior to adoption of the Final Budget based on the informal quotes that were obtained/Ayes: Unanimous. The following issues were continued to be considered later in the budget hearing process with the Water Agency budget: RCRC’s request for financial assistance with efforts with the CalFed Bay Delta program and membership in the Mountain Counties Water Resources Association. Chairman Stewart advised of the status of research for replacing Courthouse lapel pins and amigo pins -- additional funding was included in office expense in the recommended budget for these items.

**Auditor** - Discussion was held with Ken Hawkins, Auditor. He noted that $27,000 was saved this past fiscal year with the implementation of the OBRA program whereby extra help employees pay into a retirement account versus Social Security; and he advised there may be unanticipated expenses with the transition of the Bank of America branch to County Bank. No changes were made.
Discussion was held with Don Phillips, Treasurer/Tax Collector, relative to the following budgets:

**Treasurer/Tax Collector** - It was noted that approval was given for purchase of the personal computers on September 9, 1997, prior to adoption of the Final Budget. Board concurred with deleting $3,000 from office expense.

**County Clerk** - No changes were made.

**Elections** - It was noted that changes will occur in this budget each year depending on the elections scheduled. No changes were made.

10:13 a.m. Recess

**10:24 a.m. Assessor/Recorder** - Discussion was held with Gary Estep, Assessor/Recorder, and his recommendation to delete the auditor/appraiser position and move an appraiser II to a III level and add extra help for auditor/appraiser position -- Board concurred with this recommendation. Discussion was held relative to request for additional funding for the purchase of a scanner with the Surveyor to be able to produce full scale maps. Board concurred with budget as recommended.

**County Counsel** - Discussion was held with Jeff Green, County Counsel, relative to request for additional funding for extra help. He noted that with a recommended change in workers compensation insurance carrier, there will be a savings of approximately $20,000. Supervisor Parker requested that consideration be given to consolidating the extra help in the County Counsel/Personnel/Board offices and creating a full-time position. Issue was continued for further review with County Administrative Officer and County Counsel. No changes were made in the recommended budget.

**Personnel** - Discussion was held with Jeff Green, Interim Personnel Officer. No changes were made pending further review of the extra help issue.

**Law Library** - Discussion was held with Jeff Green, County Counsel. No changes were made.

**Data Processing** - Discussion was held with Dennis Patrick, Technical Services Director, relative to request to add a position. It was noted that the Courts have also requested a position to implement their programs. Board concurred with holding this issue for further consideration during the review of the Courts budget. Dennis noted that consideration will need to be given to dealing with the year 2000 issue for the computers. Board concurred with using the Capital Improvement Project (CIP) fund for this issue, and if another project comes up, then funding will be further addressed. Board concurred with directing County Administrative Officer to meet with the Sheriff, Superior Court Judge and Technical Services Director, relative to the request for a new position.

11:24 a.m. Lunch

1:33 p.m. Public Comment: none.

Discussion was held with Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director, relative to the following budgets:

**Air Pollution** - No changes were made.
Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) - No changes were made.

Planning - Ed Johnson presented request for $6,000 for economic development and consultant work in addition to the $3,000 included in the recommended budget ($3,000 in this budget and $3,000 in Transportation Planning). Request was continued for further review later in the budget hearing process. Janet Hogan noted they are reviewing possible changes to the staffing configuration and the class specifications for the department and they will bring recommendations back, and they do not anticipate any financial impact.

Local Transportation Commission (LTC) - No changes were made.

Transportation Planning - Issue relative to billing for the audits and status of payment was referred to the Auditor for review and further consideration later in the budget hearing process.

Building and Permits - Ed Johnson noted that staffing levels will need to be reviewed for this function and that revenues covered expenses this past fiscal year. He further noted that the budget allows for the continuation of the contract for grading services with the Resource Conservation District -- he will schedule the contract for consideration as a separate matter. No changes were made.

Janet Hogan advised that the Airport hangar project, fuel system, and slurry seal budget pages were inadvertently left out of the packages, but the budget includes these projects, and she will present the detailed information in the morning.

2:25 p.m.  Recess

2:44 p.m.  Discussion was held with Jim Eutsler, Community Services Director, relative to the following budgets:

Veterans Services and Senior Services - Discussion was held relative to request for an 80% outreach position versus extra help. Board concurred with not funding the request and with restoring the extra help funding.

Senior Nutrition - Discussion was held relative to the status of revenues from the Area Agency on Aging, U.S.D.A. and donations, and the formula for reimbursement of the meals -- with the change in formula, additional funding is requested from the County General Fund for the program. Supervisor Parker suggested that options be explored to reduce the General Fund contribution, perhaps consideration of combining the northside and southside services. No changes were made.

Transit - It was noted that a depreciation account for replacement of the buses was added to this budget. Supervisor Parker suggested that consideration be given to reviewing the possibility of leasing the vehicles. No changes were made.

Hearing was continued to 1:30 p.m. on September 16, 1997.

3:50 p.m.  ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CONFORMED AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 16, 1997

Time Description
9:04 a.m. Meeting called to order with Supervisor Balmain excused due to illness for the morning portion of the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations: For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda - None.

Approval of Minutes of 9/2/97 Regular Meeting

BOARD ACTION: Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See Minutes from later this date)

BOARD ACTION: (M)Reilly, (S)Pickard, all items were approved/Ayes: Reilly, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Balmain.

Superior Court Judge Richard McMechan;
Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Contract and Grant for Title IV-D, Child Support Enforcement Commissioner (Up to $180,000) and Family Law Facilitators (Up to $48,720) and Authorization to Enter into Tri-County Agreement

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held relative to implementation of these programs. Judge McMechan advised that office space for the Commissioner was made available by the District Attorney upstairs in the Courthouse, and their calendar will be scheduled around the Courts’ calendars. He further advised that they will contract with private attorneys to provide the facilitator services on a rotating six-month basis. (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-372 adopted/Ayes: Reilly, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Balmain.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
9:30 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING to Consider Vacation of a Portion of Eleventh Street in the Town of Mariposa

BOARD ACTION: Mike Edwards presented staff report and responded to questions from the Board relative to clarification of the portion the Street being vacated. Public portion of the hearing was opened. There was no public input. Public portion of the hearing was closed and Board commenced with deliberations. (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-373 adopted vacating a portion of Eleventh Street/Ayes: Reilly, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Balmain. Hearing was closed.

Board Information and Announcements
- Supervisor Parker reported on his attendance at the CalFed meeting last Wednesday and advised that material is available for review from the meeting.
- Supervisor Reilly advised that she, Public Works Director and Civil Engineer met with the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management staff relative to Incline Road and the Merced River Trail project, and they are still working on these projects. She also attended the Glacier Point dedication ceremony and met National Park Director Stanton. She attended a meeting on Yosemite transportation planning efforts, and the Valley Implementation Plan should be released next month.
- Supervisor Stewart advised that he met with Public Works and Caltrans staff relative to the Old Highway and Highway 49 intersection project, and the project will be given further consideration by Caltrans. He also attended the Congressional Hearing on forest management and health care in Sonora.

9:40 a.m. CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association (MSMA), Deputy Sheriff’s Association (DSA), Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (MCMCO), and General Employees (SEIU) (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, closed session was held/Ayes: Reilly, Stewart, Parker, Pickard; Excused: Balmain.

10:13 a.m. Board reconvened in open session with no direction given as a result of closed session.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

CA-1 Resolution Authorizing the Chairman to Sign a Personal Services Agreement with Kathleen Lozares to Provide Fiscal and Other Support Services for Housing and Community Development Programs ($1,400) (Human Services); Res. 97-369

CA-2 Resolution Approving McKinney Homeless-PATH Grant to Provide Services for the Homeless Mentally Ill Dual Diagnosis Residents of Mariposa County for the Fiscal Year 1997-98 (Human Services); Res. 97-370

CA-3 Resolution Authorizing Use of the Mariposa County Courthouse Lawn for a Wedding Scheduled for Saturday, September 20, 1997 (Parks and Recreation/PWD); Res. 97-371

CA-4 Appoint Mary Robinson to the Coulterville Town Planning Advisory Committee (Planning)

10:14 a.m. Recess

1:40 p.m. Board reconvened with all members present.

Continued PUBLIC HEARING on Final Budget for FY 1997/98 (Continued from 9/15/97)

**BOARD ACTION:** Chairman called for public comment -- none was received. Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, presented a re-cap of the prior day’s activities, and presented the information that was requested relative to the budgeting of the one-time funds.

The following budgets were reviewed:

**Grand Jury** - Discussion was held with Judge McMechan, Superior Court, and Mickie Romeike, Administrative Clerk/Jury Commissioner. No changes were made.
**Trial Courts** - Discussion was held with Judge McMechan, Superior Court, and Mickie Romeike, Administrative Clerk/Jury Commissioner. Janet Hogan advised of unanticipated Trial Court Funding revenue and of her meeting with the Sheriff and Technical Services Director relative to adding a position for Data Processing. She further advised that it was determined to have on-going meetings with the criminal justice division departments relative to automation. Discussion was held relative to the Courts’ request for a systems analyst position and additional court clerk positions. Dennis Patrick, Technical Services Director, and Judge McMechan responded to suggestion of retaining a consultant to work on the court automation needs. Board concurred with adding a systems analyst position which will work mostly for the criminal justice departments. Dennis Patrick advised that agreement was also reached whereby he would devote fifty percent of his time for the next few months to the criminal justice departments. Judge McMechan further stated that he would need more information relative to hiring an outside consultant to assist with court automation before agreeing to this option. Board concurred with removing $54,854 from the Courts and placing it in the General Fund Contingency; and if it is determined that additional funding is necessary for assistance, an appropriation could be made to Data Processing.

Discussion was held with Christine Johnson, District Attorney, relative to the following budgets:

**District Attorney/Family Support** - Discussion was held relative to revenues from the excess cash incentives. Board recessed at 2:24 p.m. and reconvened at 2:37 p.m. Further discussion of the revenue issues was continued to later in the budget hearing process.

**District Attorney/Criminal** - Janet Hogan advised of budget adjustments in the amount of $49,144 as a result of increased revenues and expenses. Christine Johnson referred to her previous memo to the Board and the need for automation for their department, and she advised that she would like to be included in the criminal justice automation meetings.

**District Attorney/Victim-Witness** - No changes were made.

**Agricultural Commissioner** - Discussion was held with Don Cripe, Agricultural Commissioner. No changes were made.

Discussion was held with Roger Matlock, Sheriff, and Pelk Richards, Undersheriff, relative to the following budgets:

**Sheriff/Coroner** - It was noted that the $2,800 for a surveillance system requested in this budget is recommended in the Jail budget. Pelk Richards advised that they will need to begin reviewing replacing their existing recording system with a digital system. Supervisor Reilly requested that the line item names in the budget provide a better description of the activity they fund. Pelk Richards advised that they just received information reflecting the actual amount of the SLESF revenue as $36,800 versus $38,000; and he further advised of correction in the Domestic Violence Deputy line item - $2,000 to be moved from salary to training and seminars and $500 from benefits to training and seminars. He further advised of an application for a Technical Assistance grant in the amount of $54,439 to purchase additional laptop computers and complete the video arraignment for the courts. The local match will be met by expenses that were incurred by Data Processing for this program. Approval of the application will be brought up for consideration as an off-agenda item for September 23, 1997.
**Boating Safety** - No changes were made.

**Jail** - Supervisor Pickard acknowledged that his father is the Commander in the Jail and for the record, he does not have a conflict of interest in this matter. Discussion was held relative to request for additional positions and extradition fund. Board concurred with deleting $8,000 in extra help funding and with funding the $3,000 for extradition from within the budget. Pelk Richards advised that they just received information reflecting the actual amount of the SLESF revenue as $6,133.25 versus $6,200. He further advised of addition of $2,000 in revenue to the budget for participation in the Social Security Administration reporting program for inmates. Approval of the program will be scheduled for action by the Board. He presented the annual report of the Inmate Welfare Fund deposits and expenditures.

**Supplemental Law Enforcement** - No changes were made.

3:46 p.m. Recess

4:00 p.m. Discussion was held with Jim Moffett, Chief Probation Officer, relative to the following budgets:

**Juvenile Hall** - No changes were made.

**Probation** - No changes were made.

**Fire** - Discussion was held with Blaine Shultz, Fire Chief. Several Company Chiefs and volunteer firefighters were present for discussion. Discussion was held relative to status of equipment and maintenance and request to purchase additional engines and recommendation for changes to the contract with California Division of Forestry (CDF), and the fire warden issues. Candace Gregory, CDF Ranger Unit Chief, responded to questions from the Board advising that they will support whatever the County feels is right for the County; expressing concern with the incident command level of training with the County resources versus those with CDF; and she stated she felt the County should have an equipment replacement plan -- if five engines are replaced this year on a twelve year loan basis, it may be difficult to replace others in the interim. Discussion was held relative to the effect engine replacement will have on the ISO rating for fire insurance. Bill Bondshu provided input relative to the ISO rating and fire insurance. Board recessed at 5:03 p.m. and reconvened at 5:17 p.m.

The following persons provided input relative to the Fire budget:

Bill Bondshu, Fire Chief for MPUD, stated he has been involved with the Fire Department since 1972 and he was a member of the ad hoc committee that worked on the latest plan; he feels the purchase of new engines is important; he stated he feels the issue of a CDF contract versus the County providing service is a matter of local awareness; he further commented on CDF’s response to incidences; and he stated he felt the County should either provide all of the services through the Fire Department or go back to a contract with CDF for all services.

Jim Wilson, Deputy Chief for the County, stated he felt the only ISO rating that would be affected by the purchase of equipment would be for the Bridgeport area; but he stated he feels there is a greater impact by getting new engines, and with our lower mileage versus other jurisdictions, he feels the engines should last a long time; and with regards to changing the Amador services contract with CDF, he does not feel that it will result in a lower level of service.

Art Laursen, Chief of Volunteer Chiefs Association, stated he has been a member of the County Fire Department for 18 years and cited his experiences in fire fighting; and he
noted that the proposed change in contract services is for the period outside of fire season, and he has never had anyone take incident command from him.

Hal Nolan, Chief Officer of Midpines, stated he started working with fire services in 1947; he feels the five new engines will replace ten existing engines; and he feels the County needs to move forward with updating the existing equipment in the fleet.

Further discussion was held relative to the recommended budget and Fire Department issues. Supervisor Parker requested that more detailed information be presented relative to the financial plan and revenue sources for purchasing the engines. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Board concurred with approving the Fire Department budget as presented; and approved program changes conceptually as discussed, with direction for further review of the details by the Board and Fire Chief of the lease purchase of engines and the contract with CDF, and the mechanism for funding on-going payments to meet the lease purchase obligation. The issue of funding $20,000 for the CDF contract was continued to be further considered later in the budget hearing process. Ayes: Unanimous. Janet Hogan advised that in her conversation with Candace Gregory, CDF will agree to waive the six month noticing requirement in the contract if the County wishes to terminate that portion of the services for winter incident command, but they will need notice by the first to the fifteenth of November 1997, in order to provide notice to her employees. Board concurred with the recommended changes in revenues for this budget.

Chairman Stewart asked if anyone had any concerns or requests for changes in the schedule for the rest of the budget hearing. It was noted that staff is working on arrangements for the Fee Hearing for the Coulterville Service Area to be continued for a meeting in Coulterville.

6:20 p.m. Board continued the Public Hearing on the Final Budget and the meeting to 9:00 a.m. on September 17, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
Continued PUBLIC HEARING on Final Budget for Fiscal Year 1997/98

**BOARD ACTION:** Chairman called for public comment -- none was received. Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, provided a status report on the General Fund Contingency balance and noted it is currently $197,120.

The following budgets were reviewed and discussion was held with Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, and Marty Allan, PWD/Fleet-Fiscal Manager:

- **Facilities Maintenance** - Discussion was held relative to recommendation for two extra help seasonal positions, request for funding for replacing folding tables in the amount of $2,500, and recommendation for staffing ($34,000) and expenses ($20,000) for Courthouse restoration work. Clif Price, PWD/Facility Maintenance Manager, provided input relative to increased utility costs for the facilities. Supervisor Reilly requested that consideration be given to adding $20,000 for repairs and maintenance for this year -- Board concurred with giving further consideration to this request and the request for folding tables later in the budget hearing process.

- **Surveyor** - Discussion was held relative to funding for the other half of the scanner requested in the Assessor/Recorder’s budget and relative to the Tuolumne/Mariposa Counties boundary issue. No changes were made.

- **Public Works Administration** - Discussion was held relative to funding the Safety Plan and Transition Plan required under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Board concurred with funding the Safety Plan from the Liability Insurance Set-aside budget and with funding the Transition Plan with $25,000 to begin the process (increase to Contingency in the amount of $65,000).

10:07 a.m.  Recess

10:23 a.m.  **Airport** - It was noted that the capital improvement projects (CIP) were moved to the CIP budget. Discussion was held relative to consideration of funding a feasibility study for privatizing Airport operations. Supervisor Balmain requested that consideration be given to showing the personal property and possessory interest tax revenues received as a result of the Airport in this budget.

The following persons provided input relative to this budget:

Eric Gourley, Chairman of the Airport Advisory Committee and a pilot, thanked the County for supporting recent projects at the Airport; and stated he wants to be sure that there are
no reductions in the budget; and he further commented on the Committee’s work and goal to make the Airport as self-supporting as possible.

Joe Carbaugh, member of the Airport Advisory Committee, stated he agrees with Eric Gourley.

Klaus Heddergott, a pilot, stated he felt the taxes collected as a result of the Airport operation should be separate and shown as revenue for the Airport. County Administrative Officer will work with the Assessor and Auditor on the feasibility of separating the tax revenues and stated she could add the revenue amount as a footnote to this budget in the future.

Maria Liddle, Airport Manager, stated she was present because of possible budget reductions, and she noted that the fuel price has been lowered and should bring in additional revenue from increased sales.

Bob Albert, a pilot, commented on the Fill-up National Program and the fuel price information they publish so that pilots are aware prior to deciding where to buy fuel of where the current price is set.

No changes were made.

**Airport/Capital Improvement Project** - No changes were made.

**Airport/Hangar Project** - No changes were made.

**Airport/Fuel System** - Discussion was held relative to the fuel prices and profit margins. Board concurred with General Fund support in the amount of $8,442 to this budget. Supervisor Balmain requested that options for bulk purchases be pursued including the possibility of combining orders with other airports. Maria Liddle, Airport Manager, commented on the fuel purchases.

**Airport/Slurry Seal** - No changes were made.

**Special Aviation** - No changes were made.

11:12 a.m.  Recess

11:25 a.m.  **Parks and Recreation** - It was noted that the ICES program has unanticipated revenue from another source this fiscal year, and that they returned a portion of the funds that were allocated for their program last year. No changes were made.

**Road** - Discussion was held relative to the recommended changes in the budget, request to upgrade a maintenance worker II to a senior maintenance worker so that the area work crews would have the same positions, request to add funding for the Darrah Road/Highway 49 intersection project as a County contribution so that Caltrans can bring the project into the minor project list and schedule the project for the next year or two. Janet Hogan noted that there is additional revenue of $2,179 from Local Transportation Funds due to the change back to the extra help position in Community Services Department. Supervisor Stewart requested that the Peg Leg Road intersection be reviewed for possible widening of the Highway shoulder when the
Darrah Road intersection project is planned. Mike Edwards advised of the status of funding for Caltrans’ STIP projects and noted they will request the Old Highway intersection project. Board concurred with funding an additional $100,000 for this budget for the intersection project and other road projects.

Supervisor Reilly was excused for lunch at 11:58 a.m.

Board discussed the hearing schedule for the afternoon.

12:05 p.m. Lunch

1:47 p.m. Board reconvened, with Supervisor Reilly arriving at 1:52 p.m.

Chairman called for general public comment: none was received.

Chairman called for public comment relative to the stage project (Rotary amphitheater project at the Mariposa Park), and the following persons provided input:

Art Baggett commented on Rotary and the committee’s work on this project over the past year with consultants and presented an artist rendition of the proposed project; and he further advised that they have been working with the Arts Council relative to maintenance for the facility.

Roger Stephens, Civil Engineer, commented on the design and proposed construction materials for the facility and stated they hope to break ground in the spring and build the whole building at once at an estimated cost of $70,000.

Lee Stetson, Arts Council Board member and local performer, added his enthusiasm for this project and urged any support possible as this facility will benefit the County.

Tobin White, Arts Council Board member, advised that the Arts Council proposes to manage the facility in terms of maintenance and handling reservations. They plan to develop a committee comprised of representatives of the Arts Council, County staff, and Rotary members and any other interested parties to make decisions relative to promotion, usage, guidelines and fees.

Art Baggett noted that it is proposed that the County maintain the grounds. The $10,000 budgeted for lighting is for materials and they will try to get the labor donated. He and Roger Stephens responded to question from the Board relative to naming of the facility and advised that they would like to see recognition that the facility was donated by Rotary.

Discussion was held concerning funding for this project and relative to reviewing the maintenance proposal in more detail at a later time. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, suggested using the $13,000 in the recommended budget for ground and seating improvements, and suggested that if funding is established for materials for this project, it could be in a separate line item in the CIP budget and his department could oversee disbursements. Rich Begley, PWD/Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, commented on the youth component for this project and suggested that consideration could be given to rotating concessions and clean-up between the youth organizations. Tobin White further commented on the county-wide benefits of this project. Board concurred with further considering funding of $25,000 later in the budget hearing process.
2:47 p.m.  Recess

3:05 p.m.  **Solid Waste** - Mike Edwards requested an additional $10,000 for 1500 feet of piping for the water well, with a total project budget of $35,000. Board concurred with request with funding to be transferred within budget.

**Fleet Maintenance** - No changes were made.

**Vehicle Replacement** - Discussion was held relative to request to authorize purchase of vehicles as recommended at this time without coming back during the year for authorization, and relative to the type of vehicles requested by the Sheriff’s Department. (M)Reilly, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-374 adopted approving the requested purchases and leases of vehicles for the fleet, not to exceed the total amount budgeted, with the exception of the full-size utility vehicles which will come back at a later date for further review and consideration/Ayes:  Unanimous.

**Heavy Equipment Replacement** - Discussion was held relative to requested equipment purchases. No changes were made.

**Water Agency** - It was noted that the recommended funding includes membership in the Mountain Counties Water Resources Association. Discussion was held relative to RCRC’s request for funding to support their participation in the CalFed Bay-Delta project. Staff advised of outstanding loans from the Agency to Don Pedro Sewer in the amount of $8,500 for interim improvements, to Solid Waste budget in the amount of $30,500 to close the septage pond, and to MPUD in the amount of $50,000 for engineering studies for septage disposal. (M)Pickard, (S)Parker, Res. 97-375 adopted approving funding in the amount of $4,000 to RCRC to support their participation in the CalFed Bay-Delta project/Ayes:  Unanimous. With regards to the outstanding loans, Mike Edwards suggested that the matter could be referred to the Water Agency Advisory Board for review and recommendation. Supervisor Parker requested that options be included for the Board’s consideration as well as pay-back mechanisms. Janet Hogan recommended that discussion on the loan issues be continued for further discussion and review at another time. The Board recessed at 4:08 p.m. and reconvened at 4:17 p.m. Janet Hogan advised that a share of costs for the Saxon Creek project in the amount of $22,526 is included in this budget.

**Coulterville Lighting** - No changes were made.

**Coulterville Service Area** - Supervisor Balmain asked about further reviewing this budget as a part of the fee hearing to be scheduled in Coulterville. Janet Hogan advised that the Board needs to adopt this budget with the Final Budget; however, changes could be considered at the meeting in Coulterville. No changes were made.

**Don Pedro 1M** - No changes were made.

**Don Pedro Sewer** - Discussion was held relative to the status of the fund balance and the status of collection of the delinquent fees, and the outstanding loan from the Water Agency. No changes were made.
**Hornitos Lighting** - No changes were made.

**Mariposa Lighting/Rotary Amphitheater Project** - Discussion was held concerning lighting for the Rotary amphitheater project and for the Mariposa tennis courts and grounds. Rich Begley, PWD/Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, commented on the need for lighting for the upper level of the park and the parking lot and this is included in the tennis court project. Board concurred with funding $10,000 in this budget for lighting for the Park (with a total budget of $78,000 for the stage project and lighting as follows: $10,000/FY1996-97 carryover in the CIP budget for the stage; $13,000/in the recommended budget from the General Fund for seating and grounds improvements; $25,000/added to the CIP budget from the General Fund for the stage (this was added later this date during discussions of the CIP budget); $10,000/funded in Mariposa Lighting budget for Park lights; and $20,000/added for stage project lights from the Mariposa Lighting District).

**Mariposa Parking** - Mike Edwards advised that they used $1,000 from the Utility Capital Fund to balance this budget (leaving a balance of $1,869 in the Utility Capital Fund). Discussion was held relative to future funding options for this district. Supervisor Parker requested that the Town Transportation Committee be asked to meet and continue with its review of this matter. No changes were made.

**Mariposa Pines Sewer** - Mike Edwards recommended deletion of the personal services agreement due to the additional monitoring requirements implemented by the State. The deletion of the contract will save approximately $800 this fiscal year. He requested $13,000 from the Utility Capital Fund for monitoring equipment and lift station work. Board concurred with the recommended changes.

**Yosemite West Maintenance** - No changes were made.

5:02 p.m. **Recess**

5:15 p.m. **Capital Improvement Projects** - Board reviewed the recommendations for the following projects and funding: hazmat clean-up to finish paperwork, Mariposa sidewalk tree planting, Hall of Records roofing, Woodland Park well replacement, Mariposa Park restroom vandal proofing, Catheys Valley Park restrooms, Mariposa/Coulterville drainage master plan - Board concurred with transferring funds for this project to the County Engineer budget, Park stage, Mariposa ballfield drainage, youth facilities, land purchase adjacent to the Mariposa cemetery, and Courthouse renovation and maintenance - Marty Allan advised of an outstanding loan balance for the vault re-roof in the amount of $26,929/County Administrative Officer will further review this issue with Public Works. Discussion was held relative to funding the possible purchase of properties adjacent to the Government Center. Janet Hogan noted that there is $50,000 for Data Processing projects which is in this budget. Mike Edwards advised of opportunity to purchase property from Bureau of Land Management for future expansion of the Catheys Valley Park. Rich Begley provided input relative to this matter. Board concurred with funding $14,200 for purchase, survey, easement acquisition, and minor improvements. Mike Edwards advised of request received from the School District for the County to purchase...
materials for a chain link fence along Woodland Drive and the School’s addition in the amount of $3,000. Board concurred with funding this project. Supervisor Parker initiated discussion relative to the youth facilities fund balance and request from the rejuvenated committee, which now includes the skatepark committee, for funding a skatepark for the youth. Board concurred with funding $20,000 in a line item for the skatepark and with leaving the fund balance of $16,000 in youth facilities. Further discussion was held relative to funding for the stage project -- Board concurred with adding $25,000 for this project (this addition was also shown in the minutes for the earlier portion of the hearing this date under discussion of the Mariposa Lighting budget).

6:16 p.m. Board recessed and continued the hearing and meeting to 9:00 a.m. on September 18, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Conformed Agenda
September 18, 1997
(Continued Meeting from September 17, 1997)

9:06 a.m. Board convened in continued meeting from September 17, 1997.

Chairman Stewart introduced Rylee Beth Bibby, newborn daughter of Janet and Joel Bibby, and presented her with a Courthouse pin.

Continued PUBLIC HEARING on Final Budget for Fiscal Year 1997/98

BOARD ACTION: Chairman called for public comment -- none was received.

The following budgets were reviewed:

Library - Discussion was held with Maurie Hoekstra, Librarian, relative to the El Portal Branch Library at the new El Portal school and contributions that were received, and the need for new shelving. She advised that she is willing to withdraw request for the San Joaquin Valley Library System in the amount of $19,200 pending construction of a new library - Board concurred with deleting this request from the budget for this year. Board concurred with adding $9,200 to the materials budget.

Farm Advisor - Discussion was held with Wain Johnson, Farm Advisor. Board concurred with adding $2,500 for replacement of carpet and printer.

9:27 a.m. Recess

9:47 a.m. Visitors Bureau - Discussion was held with Steve Hayes, Visitors Bureau Director, relative to the budget and 9% reduction. Janet Hogan advised that the correct fund balance is $55,574. Supervisor Reilly requested that anticipated revenues not be expended until they are realized. Supervisor Balmain asked about the Courthouse guide program, and he was advised that this is covered with extra help funds. Board concurred with restoring all of the 9% program cuts in this budget, with the exception of transit, for a total change of $13,516. Cathy Collier, Arts Council, thanked the Board for this action.

Supervisor Pickard initiated discussion relative to funding status for the Mining and Mineral Exhibit and the proposal by the Visitors Bureau Director. Glenn Sutherland, Mining and Mineral Exhibit Association, commented on their projected revenue shortfall. Ron Ludice thanked the Board for their consideration of this matter and stated the Association feels they need to try and relocate the Exhibit to the town of Mariposa for it to be successful. Board concurred with funding $25,000 for the lease/rent of the Exhibit, with expenditure of funds to be under the direction of the Visitors Bureau Director, and with the condition that the County is not obligated in this matter; and with direction for Supervisors Parker and Pickard to continue to work with the Association and the State for the benefit of the Exhibit; and further direction was
given for the Visitors Bureau Director to pursue CDBG funding sources.

10:35 a.m.  Recess

10:47 a.m. Health - Discussion was held with Dr. Mosher, Health Officer. Janet Hogan noted that grant funding was received for the perinatal program for this year. (M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-376 adopted approving the shift of $59,000 this fiscal year of Social Services Realignment revenue to this budget. Tom Archer, Human Services Director, concurred with this transfer. Ayes: Unanimous.

Discussion was held with Tom Archer, Human Services Director, relative to the following budgets:

**Mental Health** - No changes were made.

**Social Services Administration** - Discussion was held and Janet Hogan advised that an additional position of social services aide has been included. No changes were made.

**Conservatorship** - No changes were made.

**Social Services/Programs** - No changes were made.

**Community Family Resources** - No changes were made.

Discussion was held with Tom Archer, Human Services Director, and Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, relative to the following budgets:

**Housing and Community Development** - Janet Hogan recommended that this budget unit be deleted when the allocation is determined for transferring the $40,000 fund balance to the originating programs. In addition, there is an outstanding $15,000 loan from the General Fund. She will work with the Auditor and Human Services Director and bring a recommendation back to the Board. Tom Archer commended Kathleen Lozares for her efforts with this budget. No changes were made.

Janet Hogan presented recommendations for streamlining and restructuring the department:

1) Head Start program to remain under the County Administrative Officer with a contract with a program monitor;
2) Community Services/Action Agency programs and Housing Authority Programs to be under the Human Services Director; and
3) CDBG program be consolidated and centralized under the Planning Director. Staffing and job descriptions can be changed in the Planning Department to allow existing staff to handle this program.

Discussion was held relative to the recommendations. Board concurred with scheduling an administrative practice session to further review and discuss the future of the Head Start program prior to consideration of the application for renewing the grant in November 1997. Board
concurred with the recommendations, with the CDBG program to be assigned to Planning on an interim basis and with direction for further discussion to be scheduled relative to the expectation of the CDBG program.

No changes were made in the following budgets: **Housing Administration, Housing Authority Voucher, Housing Authority Certificate, Community Service Block Grant, and Head Start**.

**11:48 a.m.**  Lunch

**2:04 p.m.**  Public comment:  none was received.

**Administration** - Discussion was held with Janet Hogan, and she requested $300.00 be added for the Leadership Forum -- payment was previously approved.  Board concurred with this change.  She advised that she may need to request some of the extra help funding back in the mid-year budget process depending on workload.  Discussion was held relative to the contract with Wagerman & Associates for lobbying services.

**Audit** - Janet Hogan advised that they are working on selecting a new outside auditor as we are in the last year of the contract with Willis and Walsh.  Discussion was held relative to an audit exception in the courts and the one-time payment.  No changes were made.

**Assessment Appeals** - No changes were made.

**Fish and Game** - Supervisor Parker suggested that consideration be given to funding enhancements for signs, etc., for the Merced River to replace those that washed away during the flood.  Supervisor Reilly suggested that consideration be given to funding for the Merced River Trail project.  No changes were made.

**General Purpose Revenue** - No changes were made.

**2:52 p.m.**  Budget Hearing was continued to 9:00 a.m. on September 19, 1997.

**2:53 p.m.**  Recess

**3:05 p.m.**  PUBLIC HEARING to Consider Proposed Fees for Fiscal Year 1997/98  
**BOARD ACTION**:  The following fee requests were considered:  
**Probation/Juvenile Hall** - Jim Moffett, Chief Probation Officer, provided staff report, and responded to questions from the Board relative to the proposed fees and revenue.  He noted that the legislation allows for a CPI adjustment in the fee and requested a $20.00 daily fee versus $15.00 for minors detained in Mariposa County Juvenile Hall.  Janet Hogan advised that no revenue is included in the budget for these fees, and Jim Moffett advised that he will present information for the mid-year report.  Public portion of the hearing was opened.  There was no public input.  Public portion of the hearing was closed and Board commenced with deliberations.  (M)Parker, (S)Reilly, Res. 97-377 adopted establishing a $20.00 daily fee for minors detained in Mariposa County Juvenile Hall; and a $100.00 fee per 24 hour period when a
parent or guardian is informed of the scheduled release of a minor and refuses to pick up the minor or fails to make reasonable effort to do so/Ayes: Unanimous.

**Coulterville County Service Area for Water and Sewer** - Mike Edwards, Public Works Director, and Marty Allan, PWD/Fleet-Fiscal Manager, provided staff report, and advised of request from the citizens for this hearing to be held in Coulterville. Board concurred with taking public input from citizens who were present and then continuing the hearing for a meeting in Coulterville. Staff advised that they are also working on modifications to the County Ordinance dealing with water and sewer. Staff responded to questions from the Board relative to the rate options. Clif Price/PWD-Facilities Manager, responded to question relative to the EDU’s. Public portion of the hearing was opened. Input was provided by the following:

Karl Harla stated he feels the budget numbers are inaccurate, and for several years they have requested a detailed breakdown which has not been provided to their satisfaction -- he requested that detail of the budget, especially with regards to the expenditures in professional services, be provided for the Coulterville meeting.

Karen Fielding, part owner of the Hotel Jeffrey and other establishments in Coulterville, stated she would like to see Coulterville specifically addressed with no reference to other districts at the Coulterville meeting; she feels the budget for the district is a separate issue from the ordinance; the formula for the fees is the issue and it needs to be fair and equitable; and she stated she felt that a fee based on usage and a formula had been agreed upon previously and never implemented.

The Public Hearing for Coulterville County Service Area for water and sewer fees was continued to November 4, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. to be held at the Coulterville Community Center.

**3:56 p.m.** Board recessed and continued the meeting to 9:00 a.m. on September 19, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
9:11 a.m. Board convened in continued meeting from September 18, 1997.

Chairman Stewart advised that he attended the RCRC annual dinner on Thursday evening and was the recipient of a gift basket from Modoc County.

Continued PUBLIC HEARING on Final Budget for Fiscal Year 1997/98

BOARD ACTION: Chairman called for public comment -- none was received.

Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, presented a report on the status of budget adjustments and one-time expenses versus on-going expenses.

The following budgets were reviewed:

Insurance Services - Board concurred with funding workers compensation at $680,000 and liability set aside at $580,000. The balance of $413,779 was added to the General Fund. The Board concurred with the recommended budget that included moving the vacation accrual pay-off fund balance of $90,845 to the General Fund as one-time.

Janet Hogan advised of miscellaneous budget changes recommended in the following departments with funding outside of the General Fund, with a total amount of $66,000: Building/Planning for computers; Transportation Planning for contract services; Visitors Bureau for equipment; Housing and Community Development for professional services; Road Division for rent/leases; Districts for professional services/maintenance of equipment; Courts for office expense; and Community Services Department for senior nutrition services. Board concurred with the recommended changes with the following adjustments: $20,378 in Road Division to be used for weed abatement; and $903 for Visitors Bureau and Community Services Department to be added to the General Fund.

District Attorney/Family Support - Board concurred with returning $42,124 in excess incentive funds to this budget.

Planning - Board concurred with funding the $6,000 requested for economic development and consultant work from the Community Action Agency block grant fund balance.

Data Processing - Further discussion was held relative to funding allocated in this budget for the additional position and relative to funding for the year 2000 project. Board concurred with moving $20,950 (which was allocated for the position in this budget) to the Contingency. The additional position was funded in the Courts budget.
9:47 a.m.  Recess

9:58 a.m.  Facilities Maintenance - Board concurred with adding $20,000 for maintenance and purchase of tables, with the tables not to exceed $3,500.

County Counsel - Further discussion was held relative to the suggestion of sharing a position versus the use of extra help in County Counsel, Administration, Board of Supervisors and Personnel. Due to the difference in the skill levels required and workloads, Board concurred with funding the extra help as requested in these budgets. Janet Hogan advised that $975 was received in unanticipated revenue - Board concurred with adding it to Contingency.

Transportation Planning - Board concurred with adding the $3,000 that was budgeted for audits to the General Fund.

Housing and Community Development Agency - Janet Hogan advised that the staff has requested a shift of funding within the line items in this budget -- Board concurred with request.

Fire - Further discussion was held with Blaine Shultz, Fire Chief, relative to his recommendation to cancel the Amador contract with CDF and the designation of the Chief and others to provide coverage. (M)Balmain, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-378 adopted authorizing the Fire Chief to take over the duties currently contracted for in the Amador Plan with CDF and establish an organization that has the means of providing the staff coverage necessary to perform this function; and further direction was given for CDF to be formally notified of the change of terms of the contract, with authorization given for the Chairman to sign the notification letter. Motion was further amended, agreeable with maker and second, directing that the ordinance be reviewed by staff and be brought back with any necessary changes to implement this change of coverage/Ayes: Unanimous. Discussion was held relative to request to fund lease/purchase for five engines. Board concurred with adding $33,140, so that $150,000 would be available within the budget for the engine lease/purchase, with direction given for the Fire Chief to meet with the Board member liaisons and County Administrative Officer to look at the issue of purchase one engine versus the lease purchase of five engines, and to review other options for acquiring engine(s) and come back to the Board with a proposal for acquisition of fire equipment.

PWD/Road Division - Board concurred with adding $50,000 for road maintenance.

10:53 a.m.  Recess

11:06 a.m.  Interfund Transfers - Janet Hogan reviewed the status of the changes resulting from actions taken during the hearing. Discussion was held relative the obligation to fund the Government Center loan payment reserve to meet the conditions of the loan. Janet Hogan advised that the School Service contribution increased based on the new calculations.

General Fund Contingency - Janet Hogan requested that a minimum of $150,000 be funded. Board concurred with the recommendation; and pending further deliberations, the Board directed that the remaining unbudgeted funds be added to Contingency.
Board members thanked Janet Hogan/County Administrative Officer, Mary Hodson/Adm.-Executive Secretary, Ken Hawkins/Auditor, and Chris Ebie/Assistant Auditor, for their hard work and dedication in preparing the budget information, and the departments for their cooperation. Janet Hogan also thanked everyone for their efforts.

Hearing was continued to September 23, 1997, at 1:30 p.m.

11:28 a.m. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board
Time Description

9:10 a.m.  Meeting Called to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Public Presentations:  For Non-Timed Agenda Items and for Items Not on the Agenda
- Leota Striplin showed the perpetual trophy the Kiwanis received for her winning the
wheelchair race in the iodine deficiency fundraiser program for children; and she advised
that last week was recognition day for POW-MIAs.
- Pelk Richards, Undersheriff, advised of two requests for off-agenda items for the
equipment/technology grant and Social Security Administration program.  (M)Pickard,
(S)Reilly, Board waived rules requiring 72 hours agenda noticing to consider these
matters finding that action is necessary prior to the next meeting to meet the
deadlines/Ayes:  Unanimous.  Discussion was held concerning the requests.  Janet Hogan,
County Administrative Officer, advised the budget portion of these matters was included
in the Final Budget hearing process and will be implemented with adoption of the Budget.
(M)Parker, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-379 adopted authorizing Chairman to sign the
Equipment/Technology grant from the U. S. Department of Justice for the laptop
computer program and video arraignment system; and Res. 97-380 adopted authorizing
Sheriff to sign Agreement with Social Security Administration to facilitate the payment of
funds for information that results in the suspension of supplemental security income
payments to certain confined individuals/Ayes:  Unanimous.
- Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, advised of request for a change order
for the Government Center project to run conduit between 11th Street and Bullion Street
to allow the Health Department to access the AS400 system.  (M)Pickard, (S)Reilly,
Board waived rules requiring 72 hours agenda noticing to consider this request finding
that this is a matter of timeliness to physically incorporate the change at a time when it
can be by the contractor/Ayes:  Unanimous.  (M)Pickard, (S)Parker, Res. 97-381 adopted
approving the requested change order, with action to be taken during the budget hearing
this afternoon to incorporate the $6,226 additional cost/Ayes:  Unanimous.

Approval of Minutes of 9/9/97 Regular Meeting

BOARD ACTION:  Approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda (See End of Minutes)
BOARD ACTION: (M)Pickard, (S)Parker, all items were approved.  Supervisor
Pickard noted corrections to item 3 relative to the number of counties in the State and
changes to reflect new names for AFDC programs.  Ayes:  Unanimous.

Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
Waive First Reading and Introduce an Amendment to County Ordinance Chapter 10.2,
Weight Limits, Repealing Existing 15 - Ton Weight Limit on Harris Cutoff Road and
Harris Road
BOARD ACTION: Following discussion, (M)Pickard, (S)Reilly, Ordinance was
introduced/Ayes:  Unanimous.

9:30 a.m.  Recess

9:45 a.m.  LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Ed Johnson, Planning and Building Director;
Assessment of Regional Transit Alternatives (Continued from 9/9/97)

**COMMISSION ACTION:** Commissioner Reilly advised that these issues are on the YARTS agenda for their October 6th meeting in Groveland, and she requested direction as to the Commission’s feelings on the alternatives. Ed Johnson advised that action needs to be taken at this time to meet the FTA requirements for reimbursement of funds; however, the consultant will continue to work on the report and make any changes requested by the Commission. Discussion was held concerning the alternatives. Commission concurred with submitting the report to the State, with direction for the final report to come back to the Commission.

**11:07 a.m.** Recess

**11:14 a.m.** Resolution Authorizing Auditor to Sign a Modified Renewal Contract with Vision Service Plan, and to Enter into a New Contract with Robert F. Driver Co. Inc. to Provide Identical Dental Plan Benefits with Delta Dental Through CSAC’s Excess Insurance Authority Rather than Through a Renewal Contract Executed Directly with Delta Dental  (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 97-385 adopted/Ayes: Unanimous.

**11:17 a.m.** CLOSED SESSION Regarding Conference with County Labor Negotiator Relative to Sheriff’s Management Association (MSMA), Deputy Sheriff’s Association (DSA), Mariposa County Managerial/Confidential Organization (MCMCO), and General Employees (SEIU)  (County Counsel)

**BOARD ACTION:** (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, closed session was held/Ayes: Unanimous.

**12:10 p.m.** Board reconvened in open session with no action taken as a result of closed session -- an update relative to negotiations was given.

**12:11 p.m.** Lunch

**1:40 p.m.** Continued PUBLIC HEARING on Final Budget for FY 1997/98

**BOARD ACTION:** Chairman Stewart called for public comment: Dan Tucker, Mariposa Gazette, expressed concern with the proposal for the Visitors Bureau to sell advertising for the vacation planner -- he feels that results in the County competing against the private and local enterprises for advertising dollars; and he presented a list of organizations that currently sell advertising. Board members noted that the advertising in the vacation planner is targeted for visitors to encourage them to visit Mariposa and is different than advertising within the County.

Board concurred with transferring $6,226 from Data Processing CIP budget to the Government Center CIP budget for the conduit pursuant to action to approve a change order taken earlier this date.

Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer, presented a list of actions agreed to during the hearing process, along with a list from Public Works reflecting projects that have been funded.

Supervisor Balmain initiated discussion relative to consolidating office space and expenses on the northside and his survey of departments relative to their use of the facilities. He suggested that the northside office space activities could be moved to the old school/community club facilities and that the County contribute $2,000 to assist the Community Club with expenses for the facility. Jeff Green, County Counsel, advised that the annual rent for the northside office facility is $7,620, and notice will need to be given to terminate the month-to-month lease agreement. Board concurred with directing staff to give notice to terminate the existing lease agreement; with making a $2,000 contribution to the Community Club on an annual basis; and with any remaining savings in the lease
costs for this fiscal year to be used for modifications to the community club building to make the space suitable for County operations.

Following discussion, Board concurred with funding Reserve for Contingency with $150,000, and with the balance of $214,505 to be used to finance the loan payment reserve requirements for the Government Center.

Discussion was held relative to the existing hiring freeze, restrictions on extra help and overtime, and out-of-county travel. Janet Hogan advised that she will present quarterly reports relative to the status of revenues being received. Board concurred with scheduling adoption of the Budget on the agenda for October 7, 1997. (M)Reilly, (S)Pickard, Res. 97-386 adopted modifying the hiring freeze to lift the freeze for positions that are not MCMCO and Sheriff Management and excluding positions that are 100% revenue supported; lifting the restrictions for extra help and overtime and for out-of-county travel; providing direction to the County Administrative Officer to present quarterly reports; and authorizing the Auditor to make adjustments to the funds within the budget for balancing the budget/Ayes: Unanimous. Hearing was closed.

Board Information and Announcements
- Janet Hogan advised that she will be on vacation beginning Friday through next week.

CONSENT AGENDA

CA-1 Resolution Authorizing Personal Service Agreement with Jeanne Holl to Provide Technical Training for Housing Authority Staff (Human Services); Res. 97-382

CA-2 Resolution Authorizing Chairman to Sign Agreement Between Regional EMS Agency and Mariposa County (Public Health); Res. 97-383

CA-3 Resolution Approving Children’s Medical Services (CMS) Plan and Budget Justification for Fiscal Year 1997 - 1998 in the Amount of $18,360 for California Children Services (CCS) and $47,290 for Child Health and Disability Program (CHDP) (Public Health); Res. 97-384

2:16 p.m. Adjournment in memory of William Beebe, Jr., Floyd Schelby, Tyrella Mosher, and Marjorie Harmon.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board