

# Glenn County Management Team

## Minutes

**Tuesday, January 13, 2009**

Glenn Medical Center, Willows

1. **Convene Meeting**

Introductions were made and Chairman Scott Gruendl convened the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

2. **Continuing Education Program offered by California State Association of Counties' Institute for Excellence in County Government**

County Administrative Officer David Shoemaker reviewed the program and advised that management positions can earn credentials and encouraged department heads to review the material for future training and education for their employees and that it is an opportunity to train employees in a particular area in relation to their position.

Supervisor Viegas reviewed his discussions during the CSAC Annual conference relating to the New Supervisors Institute and the continuing education program.

3. **Sharing of innovative ideas for the economic future of Glenn County**

Supervisor Murray advised that he has heard good ideas from the new Board Members and suggested holding a work session for the Board and departments to share all ideas.

Supervisor McDaniel reviewed his ideas regarding economic enhancements and improvements for the overall economy of Glenn County, and stated that one of the principal issues is "water", as the County's needs are based on water. Other areas are reliable energy, reduction of gas house emissions and renewable energy and would like to see Glenn County explore these areas. In addition, Supervisor McDaniel suggested the possibility powering County buildings, cost sharing with the schools, wind and solar energy around the County Landfill and/or Airports, and explore retention dams and hydro electric power plants.

Human Resource Agency Director Kim Gaghagen spoke of the 2008/09 Glenn County Priority Projects through the CDBG Reuse Committee which is included in the Tri-County Economic Development District's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, which the Board of Supervisors approve each year and lists priorities. He stated that there is grant funding for certain projects, and advised that he will forward the document for review. Further discussion was held on how to bring additional businesses to Glenn County.

Planning & Public Works Agency Director Dan Obermeyer advised that approximately six months ago County buildings were assessed for energy savings, and it was found that the County is already saving where able.

David Shoemaker stated that we would need to go through a process to request exemptions for rural/small counties rather than change regulations, and recommended that we have the involvement of Regional Council of Rural Counties.

Supervisor Viegas stated that the issue of energy was discussed at the CSAC Annual conference and another issue was methane gas and how Glenn County has the potential to use the dairy

industry as alternative energy, and that it's a regional issue and will need buy in from surrounding counties.

David advised that departments will be submitting their 2008 Accomplishments & 2009 Goals, where the Board can set priorities, the vision for Glenn County, identify how to implement certain goals, and discuss various ways in which to move forward.

4. **General Discussion regarding State and County Budgets**

Don Santoro spoke of the State's intentions to defer and stated that it would affect current programs; advised that at the first meeting in February he will come to the Board with a Mid-Year review of the 08/09 County budget and will discuss the budgeting process for next year; also stated that if the State takes the Williamson Act and the Rural County Sheriff's monies, it would result in a 10% reduction to the General Fund. Don also advised that he will be meeting with Butte County and talk about an "IOU" process that both counties can follow should the need arise due to the State discussing the same.

5. **Announcements and Reports**

County Administrative Officer David Shoemaker

Director of Finance Don Santoro

County Counsel Thomas Agin advised of progress made with various Court Appeals.

Human Resource Agency Director Kim Gaghagen

Agricultural Commissioner Mark Black

Cooperative Extension Director Bill Krueger

Planning & Public Works Agency Director Dan Obermeyer

Sheriff Larry Jones

Golden State Risk Management Agency Representative Dan Berry

Agricultural Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_

Personnel Director John Greco

County Administrative Officer David Shoemaker

Health Services Agency Director Scott Gruendl

6. **Unscheduled Matters & Public Comment –**

7. **Next Meeting Date** – February 10, 2009 at Glenn Medical Center.

6. Meeting adjourned at 1:17 pm.