



MODOC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY

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**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**October 1, 2024**

**Board Members Present**

Kathie Rhoads, Vice Chair  
Mark Moriarity  
Paul Minchella  
Jodie Larranaga  
Elizabeth Cavasso

Board of Supervisors, District III, Modoc County  
County At-Large Member  
Councilmember, City of Alturas  
Councilmember, City of Alturas  
Board of Supervisors, District IV, Modoc County

**Board Members Absent**

John Dederick, Chair  
Ned Coe (Alternate)  
Brain Cox (Alternate)

Representative, City of Alturas  
Board of Supervisors, District I, Modoc County  
Councilmember, City of Alturas

**Staff Present**

Debbie Pedersen  
Michelle Cox  
Kathy Tiffie

Executive Director  
Accountant 1  
Assistant Secretary 2

**Public Present**

Kathy Grah  
Azeddine Bahloul  
Skip Clark  
Debbie Petersen  
Ciara Babcock  
Mitch Crosby

Caltrans District 2, Community & Regional Planning Chief  
Caltrans District 2, Modoc Project Manager  
Caltrans District 2, Regional Planning Liaison  
Caltrans, Right of Way Agent  
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Modoc County Road Commissioner

1. **Call to Order** – Chair Dederick called the meeting to order at 1:48 p.m. in the Sage Stage Conference Room, 108 S. Main Street, Alturas, CA.
2. **Public Forum** –There were no public comments.
3. **Confirm Agenda** – Motion by Board Member Moriarity to Confirm Agenda, seconded by Board Member Cavasso. All Ayes; motion carried.
4. **Consent Agenda-**
  - a. Approve minutes from August 6, 2024, MTA Regular Meeting.
  - b. Approve minutes from September 5, 2024, MTA Special Meeting.
  - c. Approve the financial transactions from July 1, 2024, through August 31, 2024.
  - d. Approve Year to Date Expenditures.

e. Sage Stage Operation Statistics.

Motion by Board Member Cavasso to approve Consent Agenda, seconded by Board Member Minchella. All Ayes; motion carried.

**5. Regular Business**

- a. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a Temporary Construction Easement with Caltrans for the Alturas Project.

Executive Director, Debbie Pedersen reported the handicap ramp located on the corner of East 1<sup>st</sup> Street and South Main Street at the Sage Stage Plaza will be under construction in 2026 during the Caltrans Alturas CAPM Project and requires MTA to sign a Temporary Construction Easement.

Motion by Board Member Larranaga to authorize the Executive Director to sign a Temporary Construction Easement with Caltrans for the Alturas Project, seconded by Board Member Minchella. All Ayes; motion carried.

**6. System Update, Communications, and Calendar**

- a. Staff Update

MTA is waiting to hear from CHP to set the date for the annual Terminal Inspection.

T-22 is at Completely Custom having the front end repaired after the deer hit that occurred in August.

T-23 is scheduled to arrive at A-Z Bus in Sacramento on November 11, 2024. We are projecting to have the bus completed and delivered to Alturas around Christmas 2024.

- b. Calendar – consider future dates and events of interest:

11/28/24 Thanksgiving Day Holiday; Office Closed- No Bus Service

11/29/24 Day after Thanksgiving Holiday; Office Closed- No Bus Service

12/03/24 MTA Meeting following the MCTC Meeting

**7. Closed Session**

- a. Closed Session – Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 One potential case.

A Closed Session – Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 convened at 1:52 p.m. in the Sage Stage Conference Room. No action was taken. The regular meeting resumed at 1:58 p.m.

**8. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Board Member Minchella at 1:59 p.m. seconded by Board Member Moriarity. All Ayes, motion carried. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, December 3, 2024, in the Sage Stage Conference Room, 108 S. Main Street, Alturas at 1:50 p.m. or soon thereafter.

Submitted by,

Michelle Cox  
Accountant 1