



Tuolumne County Commission on Homelessness

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Minutes Thursday, November 4th, 2021 9:00 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.

<u>2021 TCCOH</u> <u>Membership</u>	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Christina Welch (Chair)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Dana Baker (Vice Chair, Dist 4)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Kelsey Stone (Secretary)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Jaron Brandon (BOS, Dist 5)	✓	✓	✓	✓	E							
Kathleen Haff (BOS, Dist 4)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Rick Breeze-Martin (Dist 1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Wittney Hawkins (Dist 2)	✓	✓	✓	A	✓							
Tom Crosby (Dist 3)	E	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Jeannette Lambert (Dist 5)	✓	✓	A	✓	✓							
Cathie Peacock	✓	✓	A	✓	✓							
Leeann Hatton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Colette Such	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Mary Rose Rutikanga	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Nathan Levering	✓	✓	✓	✓	A							
Nancy Scott	✓	E	A	A	✓							
Shelley Muniz or Mark Dyken	✓	✓	A	✓	E							
Lori Severson	✓	✓	A	✓	✓							
Joe Bors	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Hazel or Dick Mitchell	✓	E	✓	A	✓							

Present = ✓ Absent = A Excused = E

19 TCHAC Members

Minutes for 11/04/2021

- I. Call to Order at 9:00AM
- II. Motion made to meet in person made by Rick Breeze Martin 8 in favor Motion passed. Motion made to have the meeting virtually by Joe Bors Seconded by Colette Such 6 in favor Motion Failed.
- III. Roll Call :Christina Welch, Dana Baker, Kelsey Stone, Supervisor Kathleen Haff, Rick Breeze-Martin, Jeannette Lambert ,Cathie Peacock, Tom Crosby, Leeann Hatton, Colette Such, Mary Rose Rutikanga, Lori Severson, Wittney Hawkins Joe Bors : Fourteen present Quorum is eleven.
- IV. Approval of October 14th, 2021 Minutes- With the corrections of his attendance purposed by Joe Bors on attendance: Supervisor Kathleen Haff Motioned Joe Bors 2nd, Unanimous Vote passed on Nov,4th ,2021
- V. Public comment –
 - Eric Earhart Deputy Director assistant county Coordinator states the Project Home Key is not an easy process it is a very complex process to even get the application completed and ready to apply for the funds. The deadline is Jan 31st of 2022 if we do not meet the dead line the money goes back into the state and we can apply in May. At this time, Project Home Key is not active or available. Any of the housing must be within a mile of services, which then means it would be within city limits. If the topic is agenized correctly we can come back, present, and answer questions. Leanne Hatton requested to document having them come back in January.
 - Breanna Carter from Matheson Clinic wanted to share her position as an outreach coordinator and that the clinic helps with substance use and has walk-in and free medical care. 209-984-2058
 - Greg Popovich – Wanted to thank Leeann Hatton for giving him more information on homelessness he would like to reach out and get the community and everyone on the same page and to come together so we can talk and start taking action rather than being against each other. 209-988-8898

REPORTS

Chair: *Tina Welch*

- I. Proposed process to vet applicants for vacant Commission positions
for recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. Two vacant slots the Board of Supervisors choose fill that position. Tina is purposing that we ask the applicant to appear in the speakers portion of the meeting to introduce them self and see if the follow the by-laws and if they fit. Cathie Peacock suggested having them attend two meeting to see what the meeting are about. Dana Baker said there are several applicant's we should invite them to the December meeting. Tina will have a more formal proposal for December's meeting.
- II. Reminders: agenda items need to be to Chair 10 days before meeting; less than 60 min/meeting has discretion for topics. All agenda items MUST be in 10 days prior to the meeting or it will go on the agenda.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

- I. Housing Committee: The TCCoH Housing Committee held its second meeting Thursday, November 18th. The meeting was held at the ATCAA Sonora Offices meeting room from 1 pm to 3 pm. The November meeting minutes are being prepared and will be provided after Housing Committee approval. The approved meeting Minutes for the Committee's October 2021 meeting are attached for your information. The committee plans to go over the continuum of care.

AD-HOC COMMITTEES:

- I. Navigation Center Committee, Supervisor Kathleen Haff – Our next meeting is Friday the 19th of November from 9am at the city council chambers you can come in through the back so you do not have to go up the stairs. They will be putting together a survey to add appropriate question to the pit count or create a separate survey to fit these needs.
- II. Orientation Manual Committee: Supervisor Jaron Brandon states that the binder has been completed and is available digital on google drive for easy access to provide services to assist our homeless population. He is requesting to closing out the committee at this time. Committee is absolved.
- III. Outdoor shelter committee: Dana our update is we listen to all the feed back from the committee and have continued to formalize the letter and conceptualize the plan which we will go over later on an agenda item.
- IV. Resource and Funding Committee: Rick Breeze Martin shared that the committee the committee is working on putting together a draft next week for resources organization's who's doing what and hoping to bring it back in January.

SPEAKERS

- I. Tuolumne County Homeless Services Program Coordinator, Interviews will be held Nov, 5th 2021 for the position.
- II. [5 min/](*Tina Welch for Rebecca Espino*)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- I. Outdoor Shelter Ad Hoc Committee Proposal to approve written letter to the Board of Supervisors seeking direction Dana states we are back with the proposal again, in hopes to move forward of meeting the needs of everyone here. Dana motioned to make some changes to the letter addressing it to just the board, wording to seeking acceptance in third paragraph, and lastly change the wording to accept TC CHO tasks. No Motion needed to make the changes to the letter. The Document is now open for discussion, Supervisor Haff brought up including the city as they partake in providing the emergency services in cases of fire or other services. Dana motioned Christina 2ond with corrections for the letter to go out to the BOS 13 in favor 3 abstinent. Rick Breeze Martin made a motion for a similar letter to go out to tribes and city, Supervisor Kathleen Haff seconded unanimous.
- II. Review and consideration of proposals to establish these Standing Committees: -Support Services; -Liaisons & Relations; -Communications; -Data and Information Systems. (1-2 discussions and/or motions this day as time allows) Rick would like to purpose community homeless support services committee – This committee would asses which working resources are happening in our county and link homeless to services. Open for discussion. Supervisor Kathleen Haff Brought up duplication of committees and the amount of work that goes into a standing committee. As it requires more county staff to meet the requirement for a standing committee. The group has agreed that a standing committee is not suitable but by order of the chair, we can create an ad hoc committee however, Tina was not comfortable and wanted to get clarification from Sarah Carrillo first. Tina is unclear of what the AD Hoc committee's purpose is. Ad- Hoc Committee was established to linking services with people who need it members are Nancy Scott, Wittney Hawkins, and Cathie Peacock.

NEW BUSINESS-

- I. Discussion on Commission goals for 2022, The Commission expanded on the recommendations proposed in 2019 *Draft Plan to Combat Homelessness* in the July, August, and September meetings, and weighed in on which items were the most important to tackle first. Most of these initial, foundational actions have been accomplished in the early months: creation of committees to assess housing, shelter locations, resources and funding streams available; creation of by-laws and compiling an orientation manual. “Homelessness” issues seem to have three separate solutions: 1.) Sites for sheltering (tents, vehicles); 2. Constructed shelters for short-term residency; 3.) Affordable housing. Support for the people trying to find and utilize these sites also is critical to provide.
- II. *Discussion Goals For 2022*
 - Establishment of a Navigation Center (ad hoc committee doing pre-work; if this item is set as a goal, it alerts other agencies of potential needed support if/when funding becomes available)
 - Identification of sites that replace Camp Hope for sheltering (tents, vehicles) (being worked on by a current ad hoc committee).
 - Apply for Project Home key grants; work with County staff to develop and submit Requests for Proposals for both property acquisitions as well as for property management.
 - Create a 5-year plan of action for the Commission by up-dating the 2019 County of Tuolumne Plan to Combat Homelessness and incorporating the work of sub-committees such as the Housing Committee into it.
 - Pursue the lack of affordable housing.

ANNOUNCEMENT- **None at this time**

ADJOURNMENT

Tina Welch adjourned meeting at 11:17 am

The Board of Supervisors Commission on Homelessness serves as an advisory group to the Board of Supervisors for matters related to homelessness.

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