



**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Regular Meetings: The First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified just below.

MEETING LOCATION Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St., Bridgeport, CA 93517

**Regular Meeting
September 5, 2017**

9:01 AM Meeting called to order by Chair Corless

*Supervisors Present: Corless, Gardner, Peters, and Stump.
Supervisors Absent: Johnston.*

*Break: 10:35 AM
Reconvene: 10:40 AM
Closed Session: 12:00 PM
Reconvene: 1:11 PM
Break: 1:16 PM
Reconvene: 1:19 PM
Break: 2:16 PM
Reconvene: 2:24 PM
Adjourn: 3:14 PM*

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Gardner

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Christine Harrison Larson, Coleville resident:

- Expressed her concern regarding the activities at Camp Antelope.

Jiselle Kenny, Wild Iris:

- Provided policy updates, including SB 331, AB 557, and AB 1250.

2. RECOGNITIONS

A. Resolution of Appreciation for Rick Williams

Departments: Clerk of the Board

(Supervisor Fred Stump) - Proposed resolution honoring Rick Williams for his contributions and service to the citizens of Mono County.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution honoring Rick Williams for his contributions and service to the citizens of Mono County.

Stump moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

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Supervisor Stump:

- Did not read the resolution, as he wanted it to remain a surprise until it was presented to Mr. Williams.
- Supervisor Corless asked that Supervisor Stump extend the Board's gratitude to Mr. Williams.

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding work activities.

Leslie Chapman, CAO:

- Thanks to firefighters, Sheriff's team, Social Services, CERT and other emergency responders.
- 8/16 – Met with union representatives of the Public Safety Officers union to begin negotiations. It was a preliminary meeting to introduce ourselves and discuss the rules of engagement.
- 8/17 – Toured the Owens River Road, looked at the ranches, met with owners and talked about the area, road maintenance and snow removal in the area.
- 8/24 – Attended a CSAC Class about the State Budget.
- 8/29 – EMS Chief interviews – there were some good candidates and there will be more information on that soon.
- 9/1 - Completed and published the County Budget in preparation for next week's budget hearings.
- 9/2 – Attended a town hall meeting in Virginia Lakes.

4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Sheriff Braun:

- Provided updates about Camp Antelope, the Slinkard Fire, DACA, and an incident in Crowley Lake.

Karin Humiston, Chief of Probation:

- Discussed the Tri-County fair.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

A. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Action: Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 15, 2017.
Gardner moved; Peters seconded
Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston
M17-178

B. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Action: Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 8, 2017.
Gardner moved; Peters seconded
Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston
M17-179

C. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Action: Approve minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 15, 2017.
Gardner moved; Peters seconded
Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston
M17-180

D. 2017-18 Property Tax Rates

Departments: Finance

Proposed resolution establishing the 2017-18 tax rates on the secured roll.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution R17-68, Establishing the 2017-18 tax rates on the secured roll.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded
Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston
R17-68

E. 2017-18 Appropriations Limit

Departments: Finance

Proposed resolution establishing the 2017-18 Appropriations Limit.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution #R17-69, Establishing the 2017-18 Appropriations Limit and making other necessary determinations for the County and for those special districts governed by the Board of Supervisors that are required to establish appropriation limits.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded
Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston
R17-69

F. Monthly Treasury Transaction Report

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 7/31/2017.

Action: Approve the Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 7/31/2017.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

M17-181

G. WIC Budget Amendment

Departments: Public Health

Proposed Standard Agreement Amendment with California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program pertaining to Contract #15-10093 A02.

Action: Approve County entry into proposed contract amendment and authorize Board Chair, Stacy Corless, to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

M17-182

H. CALPERS DSA Contract Amendment Ordinance - Adoption

Departments: Finance

Proposed ordinance No. ORD17-13, An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, County of Mono, Authorizing an Amendment to the Contract Between the Board of Supervisors, County of Mono, and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees Retirement System.

Action: Adopt proposed ordinance No. ORD17-13, An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, County of Mono, Authorizing an Amendment to the Contract Between the Board of Supervisors, County of Mono, and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees Retirement System.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

ORD17-13

I. Intermittent Road Closures for the Eastern Sierra ATV Jamboree

Departments: Public Works - Road

Proposed Resolution Authorizing the Intermittent Closure of County Roads in the Bridgeport and Antelope Valley Areas for the 2017 Eastern Sierra ATV & UTV Jamboree.

Action: Consider and potentially adopt Resolution No. R17-70, A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors Authorizing Intermittent Closure of County Roads in the Bridgeport and Antelope Valley areas for the 2017 Eastern Sierra ATV & UTV Jamboree.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

R17-70

J. Intermittent Road Closures for the Sierra Safari Special Event

Departments: Public Works - Road

Proposed Resolution Authorizing the Intermittent Closure of County Roads in the Bridgeport Area for the 2017 Sierra Safari Special Event.

Action: Consider and potentially adopt Resolution No. R17-71, A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors Authorizing Intermittent Closure of County Roads in the Bridgeport area for the 2017 Sierra Safari.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

R17-71

K. County Access to the Association of Administrators of the Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance (AAICAMA) Database

Departments: Social Services

Approval of a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the California Department of Social Services and the California Department of Health Care Services and Mono County for the purpose of authorizing Mono County access to the Association of Administrators of the Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance (AAICAMA) database. This proposed MOU would authorize Mono County to facilitate the transfer of information between states for establishment of medical benefits for children with adoption assistance agreements through the AAICAMA database.

Action: Approve a new MOU with the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) and the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to provide Mono County with access to the Association of Administrators of the Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance (AAICAMA database), and authorize the Board Chair to sign the MOU Agreement.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

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6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

All items listed are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board, and are available for review. Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

A. Letter from White Mountain Fire Chief

Departments: Clerk of the Board

A letter to Ray McGrale, Mono County Paramedic, from Dave Doonan, White Mountain Fire Department Chief, giving thanks for help with an EMT class for White Mountain Fire.

B. BLM Letter

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Letter from the Bureau of Land Management Bishop Field Office discussing their intent to develop site specific project plans for proposed sagebrush habitat restoration units in the Bodie Hills.

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Economic Development Presentation

Departments: Economic Development

(Alicia Vennos/Jeff Simpson) - Presentation by Alicia Vennos and Jeff Simpson regarding Economic Development, Tourism, Film Commission and Fisheries initiatives, highlights and strategic directions.

Action: None (informational only). Provide any desired direction to staff.

Alicia Vennos, Economic Development Director:

- Went through presentation.
- Distributed the Mammoth Lakes / Mono County Business Guide (a physical copy is available in the Mono County Clerk-Recorder Office).

Jeff Simpson, Economic Development:

- Continued presentation.

Moved to item 7F next.

B. Tobacco Control Policy Update and Amendments to Chapter 7.92 of the Mono County Code

Departments: Public Health

(Nancy Mahannah, Sandra Pearce) - Presentation by Nancy Mahannah on Tobacco Control Policy Update and Amendments to Chapter 7.92 of the Mono County Code

Action: 1. Receive presentation on tobacco control policies and statistics as well as proposed amendments to Mono County Code (MCC) Chapter 7.92, including suggested changes to tobacco policies related to smoke-free zones, multi-unit housing, sale of flavored tobacco, and enforcement and prohibitions. 2. Following discussion of the proposed amendments to MCC Chapter 7.92, provide feedback on any additional changes and any further staff direction.

Nancy Mahannah Program Manager:

- Gave presentation.

C. Review of Need for Continuation of Local Emergency - Severe Winter Storms

(Leslie Chapman, Ingrid Braun) - On January 31, 2017 the Mono County Sheriff declared a state of local emergency as a result of extreme winter weather. The Board of Supervisors ratified this declaration on February 7, 2017, and further declared a continuing state of emergency. Mono County Code Section 2.60.080 requires that the Board of Supervisors review the

need for continuing the local emergency every 14 days, and Government Code section 8630 requires that the Board review the need at least every 30 days until it is terminated. This item is provided for that purpose.

Action: Review need for continuing the local emergency. If Board determines that need no longer exists, direct staff to prepare a declaration terminating local emergency.

Leslie Chapman, CAO:

- Discussed both items 7C and 7D.
- Stated that the local emergency needs to continue until funding is resolved.
- Board approved continuation of local emergency.

D. Review of Need for Continuation of Local Emergency - Snowmelt and Runoff

(Leslie Chapman, Ingrid Braun) - On March 20, 2017 the Mono County Sheriff declared a state of local emergency as a result of continuing snowmelt and runoff from severe winter storms beginning in January 2017. The Board of Supervisors ratified this declaration on March 21, 2017, and further declared a continuing state of emergency. Mono County Code Section 2.60.080 requires that the Board of Supervisors review the need for continuing the local emergency every 14 days, and Government Code section 8630 requires that the Board review the need at least every 30 days until it is terminated. This item is provided for that purpose.

Action: Review need for continuing the local emergency. If Board determines that need no longer exists, direct staff to prepare a declaration terminating local emergency.

E. Emergency Road Repairs - Upper Summers Meadow Road Bridge

Departments: Public Works - Engineering

(Garrett Higerd) - Update on Upper Summers Meadow Road emergency bridge project and finding of continued emergency.

Action: 1. As established by Public Contract Code Division 2, Part 3, Chapter 2.5 "Emergency Contracting Procedures", review the emergency action taken on August 1, 2017 and make a finding, based on substantial evidence set forth in this staff report and at the meeting, that the emergency continues to exist, and that continuation of the action to replace the washed-out bridge on that road is necessary to respond to the emergency (A 4/5 vote is required). 2. Direct the County Engineer to continue procuring the necessary equipment, services, and supplies to make emergency repairs to Upper Summers Meadow Road, without giving notice for bids to let contracts.

Peters moved; Stump seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

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Garrett Higerd, Engineer:

- Provided update.

F. Treasury loan to White Mountain Fire Protection District in anticipation of grant funding

Departments: Finance

(Janet Dutcher, Gerald Frank) - Subject to satisfaction of specified conditions, make a grant anticipation loan to White Mountain Fire Protection District in the amount of \$23,457.89 for the purchase of essential radio equipment. Repayment of the loan will be made from a CalFire Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant in the amount of \$11,728.94 and matching funds contributed by the Mono County Fire Chief's Association (MCFCA) in the amount of \$11,728.95.

Action: Approve, and authorize the Finance Director to sign a Treasury Loan Agreement in the amount of \$23,457.89 to White Mountain Fire Protection District upon her receipt of evidence of delegated authority from the District for Dave Doonan, Chief, to sign the loan agreement obligating the District and a copy of the fully executed grant agreement from CalFire.

Stump moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston

M17-186

Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:

- Presented item.

Moved to items 7C and 7D next.

8. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

9. CLOSED SESSION

A. Closed Session - Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Stacey Simon, Leslie Chapman, Dave Butters, Janet Dutcher, and Anne Larsen. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt). Unrepresented employees: All.

B. Closed Session - Exposure to Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: one.

C. Closed Session - Existing Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION.
Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: Appeal by Larry and Mary Smith of Administrative Citation issued for violations on real property identified by APN No. 015-270-011, and located at 70 Leonard Ave., June Lake, CA 93529; appeal by Stephanian Living Trust of Administrative Citation issued for violations on real property identified by APN No. 015-270-005, and located at 27 Carson View Dr., June Lake, CA 93529; appeal by Schreiber Family Trust of Administrative Citation issued for violations on real property identified by APN No. 015-270-003, and located at 184 Leonard Ave., June Lake, CA 93529.

D. Closed Session - Public Employment: Public Works Director

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: Public Works Director.

Nothing to report out of Closed Session.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION WILL RECONVENE NO EARLIER THAN 1:00 P.M.

10. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

11. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

A. Mono County Recreation - Workshop and Recommendation of the Mono County Recreation Task Force

Departments: CAO

(Tony Dublino) - Presentation by Tony Dublino regarding recreation issues, opportunities and investments in in Mono County, including recommendation to Board from the Mono County Recreation Task Force.

Action: None (informational only). Provide any desired direction to staff.

Tony Dublino, Asst. CAO:

- Gave presentation.
- Task force members Danna Stroud and Mayor Wentworth also spoke.

B. Solid Waste Program Update

Departments: Public Works, Solid Waste Division

(Justin Nalder, Solid Waste Superintendent) - Presentation by Justin Nalder, updating the Board on the current status of significant projects within the Solid Waste Division.

Action: None (informational only). Provide any desired direction to staff.

Justin Nalder, Solid Waste Superintendent:

- Gave department update.

12. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

The Board may, if time permits, take Board Reports at any time during the meeting and not at a specific time.

Supervisor Corless:

- No Board report.

Supervisor Gardner:

- No Board report.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Absent.

Supervisor Peters:

- 16th RCRC
- 17th Tour Upper Owens Archelarius Ranch Tim Alpers CAO Chapman
- 18th Bishop Hospice Kathy Peterson, Patti Hamic-Christensen(AV), with Pat West Pioneer Home Health Care
- 22nd Met with Jeff Walters
- 22nd Cal Fire Conference Call
- 31st Rec Task Force Meeting Dublino, Wentworth, Stroud
- Labor Day – Founders Day Events Dinners, Rodeo and successful Walk a Bout
- Friday Fire Visits
- Saturday – Virginia Lakes Homeowners Town Hall – Trespassing issues, Parking Concerns (permits), Road Plowing
- Slinkard Fire 9,000 Acres 74% Contained Over 600 personnel Multiple Agency's Unified Command included MCSO, AV Fire, Bishop BLM
- Liberty Energy
- Frontier
- Request for Adjourned meeting in AV
- Request for a Tour of the Courthouse
- Upcoming
- BP RPAC
- NMCC
- Birding
- Kite Festival
- ATV Jamboree

Supervisor Stump:

- 8-16 : Attended the Tri Valley Water Commission - Commission waiting for the first Meeting of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency; Joint Powers Authority - The Commission had questions about imposing fees or enacting taxes - Thank you to Jason Canger for attending and answering or researching Commission questions.
- 8-17 : Met with the Benton Tribal Chair, Tina Braithwaite - Discussed SCE power issues for the Tribe and cannabis.
- 8-19 : Attended the rededication of the Historic Benton Hot Springs Cemetery - There is a non-profit preservation group that will be doing further work to preserve the cemetery,

including locating all old graves - The cemetery is still open to burials of family members of those already interred. Robert Morrison of Mt. Morrison fame is buried there. Thank you to Economic Development for granting \$1000 to the non-profit to install two new grave markers, one for Robert Morrison as his original disappeared over time, and a marker of rededication at the cemetery entrance.

- 8-22 : Attended CSA 1 - Skate park project is under construction and CSA 1 will continue to hold fundraisers to support both the building and ongoing maintenance of the park - Representatives of CSA 2 attended to discuss common over air TV broadcast issues that both CSAs face. Both CSAs will probably be distributing surveys within their service areas to determine if there is still a need for these TV services in the age of satellite TV and streaming.
- 8-29 : Telephone conference call with Mr. John DaMassa, Mr. Ping Di, and Mr. Dar Nims of the California Air Resources Board - Meteorological Section. The topic was smoke. The ARB Meteorological Section is responsible for monitoring smoke emissions from wildfires and prescribed burns. Three take aways from the conversation:
- The ARB will be attempting to get every west side National Forest, and Yosemite NP, to participate in joint evaluation meetings in order to manage smoke as an aggregate output rather than just from single sources. Could require a prioritization of occurrence management strategies to try and control overall emissions and transport. The first meeting with the National Forests to discuss this was supposed to occur last Tuesday afternoon. I requested to be kept in the loop.
- All prescribed burning has been suspended at the moment due to other sources of smoke.
- The representatives listed above acknowledged that the ARB has communications issues it needs to address.
- 8-29 : Met with Cindy Nelson of the California Public Utilities Commission. Cindy is one of the new Local Government Liaisons from the recently established Sacramento PUC News and Outreach Office. We spent most of the meeting discussing landline telephone issues, cell service, and internet issues in the Tri Valley with a particular emphasis on Hammil. I was told that:
- The PUC has been directed by the Governor to become less isolated and conduct more public outreach. That is the reason that the new office was opened in Sacramento.
- Cindy said she will also try and arrange for a senior PUC staff member and perhaps a Commissioner to visit Mono and Inyo Counties and hold meetings to receive public input on local issues.
- 8-29 : Met with CAO Chapman to discuss the upcoming budget.
- 8-31 : Met with Jennifer Halferty of Mammoth Housing - We discussed the amount of affordable/workforce housing available in the Crowley area, currently more units available than in Mammoth, and the lack of infrastructure in the County to support large projects. We also discussed County land use policies which encourage accessory housing development - I want to thank Jennifer for her time and for her frank appraisal of the amount of real action on behalf of the Town in addressing the housing issue. Collaboration means being willing to let go of past grievances and perceptions in order to have conversations about moving forward. Unfortunately there are decision makers in the Town who wish to cling to the past.
- 9-2 : Attended a house warming in Swall Meadows for a house destroyed by the Round Fire. The event turned out to be a celebration of all the rebuilding within the Community with a large number of residents present. Swall Meadows has turned the recovery corner and is moving forward with the construction of a high speed internet project and an aggressive Community Wildfire Protection Plan being coordinated by the Wheeler Crest Fire Safe Council to help mitigate future fire occurrences. I felt I was representing all County staff that have worked, and continue to do so, so hard to help Swall Meadows recover. Although I attended the event I am fully aware that it is the County Staff that has done the real work.

Leslie Chapman, CAO:

- Discussed Senate Bill 2.

ADJOURNED at 3:14 p.m

ATTEST

**STACY CORLESS
CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

**SCHEEREEN DEDMAN
SENIOR DEPUTY CLERK**