



**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.
Teleconference Only - No Physical Location

**Regular Meeting
June 9, 2020**

9:01 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chair Corless.

Supervisors Present: Corless, Gardner, Kreitz, Peters, and Stump (all attended via teleconference).

Supervisors Absent: None.

All votes were conducted by roll call.

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Kreitz.

Supervisor Stump:

- Quote from "markandangel": No book is one chapter long; No chapter tells the whole story; No mistake defines who we are; Keep turning the pages that need to be turned.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Carolyn Balliet, Chair of Behavioral Health Advisory Board:

- Discussed support for Behavioral Health.

Ann Tozier:

- SCE Tree (letter available in additional documents).

Greg Bock:

- SCE Tree Removal.

John Reilly:

- SCE Tree Removal (letter available in additional documents).

David Rosky:

- SCE Tree Removal (letter available in additional documents).

Kevin Peterson:

- Unincorporated Mono County allowed to open this Friday? Alteration of the County Guidelines.

Supervisor Gardner:

- Asked that SCE issue be put on a future agenda.

Urgent item:

The Board determined that there is a need to take immediate action with respect to the proposed agenda item, that the need for action came to the County's attention subsequent to the agenda being posted and therefore, that the Board add the item to the agenda.

Authority: Govt. Code §54954.2(b)(2). Note that urgency items may only be added to the agendas of regular meetings, not special meetings.

Gardner moved; Stump Seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-113

Justin Walsh, June Lake Brewing:

- Covid.

URGENCY ITEM: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON TREE REMOVAL

Supervisor Gardner:

- Criteria for removing the trees.
- Contactor indicated that citizens had authority to refuse removal.
- SCE is having a wildfire mitigation meeting.

David Rosky:

- Residential vs USFS – differentiate.

Returned to item after Board Reports:

Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- Presented draft letter.

Approve letter to Southern California Edison and authorize Board chair to sign.

Gardner Moved, Kreitz Seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 No

M20-113A

(letter available in additional documents)

2. RECOGNITIONS - NONE

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

Bob Lawton, CAO:

- Move to the Civic Center.
- Attending various meetings.

4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Frank Frievalt, EOC Chief:

- EOC Update.

Sheriff Braun:

- Peaceful Protest in Mammoth Lakes, around 200-300 people.

Chair Corless on behalf Robin Roberts:

- Community conversation tomorrow, Wed., June 10 .

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 - April 21, 2020

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the Board minutes for the Regular meeting on April 21, 2020.

Action: Approve the Board minutes for the Regular meeting on April 21, 2020.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-114

B. Board Minutes - April 28, 2020

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the Board Minutes of the Special meeting on April 28, 2020.

Action: Approve the Board Minutes of the Special meeting on April 28, 2020.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-115

C. Board Minutes - April 30, 2020

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the Board Minutes of the Special meeting on April 30, 2020.

Action: Approve the Board Minutes of the Special meeting on April 30, 2020, as amended.

Kreitz moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-116

Supervisor Kreitz

- Correction: Pledge led by Chair Corless.

D. Board Minutes - May 5, 2020

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the Board Minutes of the Board of Supervisors Regular meeting on May 5, 2020.

Action: Approve Board Minutes of the Board of Supervisors Regular meeting on May 5, 2020.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-117

E. Board Minutes - May 8, 2020

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the Board Minutes of the Board of Supervisors Special meeting on May 8.

Action: Approve Board Minutes of the Board of Supervisors Special Meeting on May 8, 2020.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-118

F. Board Minutes - May 14, 2020

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of Board Minutes of the Board of Supervisors first Special Meeting on May 14, 2020.

Action: Approve Board Minutes of the Board of Supervisors first Special Meeting on May 14, 2020, as amended.

Kreitz moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-119

Supervisor Kreitz

- Correction: Pledge led by Chair Corless.

G. Board Minutes - May 14, 2020 (Special)

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of Board Minutes of the Board of Supervisors second Special Meeting on May 14, 2020.

Action: Approve Board Minutes of the Board of Supervisors second Special Meeting on May 14, 2020.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-120

H. Easement Deed to Mammoth Community Water District for Civic Center Water and Sewer Infrastructure; Relinquishment and Elimination of Old Easement

Departments: Public Works

Approval of deed granting to Mammoth Community Water District an easement for Mono County Civic Center water and sewer infrastructure and facilities

maintenance; and authorize Public Works Director to accept and record a quitclaim deed from Mammoth Community Water District relinquishing and eliminating a portion of an unused existing easement on the Civic Center property.

Action: Approved and authorized County Administrator to execute an easement deed for water and sewer infrastructure to Mammoth Community Water District (MCWD) for the Mono County Civic Center substantially in the form shown in the attached documents.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-121

Adopted Resolution R20-59, Authorizing the Public Works Director to accept and record a quitclaim deed that will relinquish and eliminate a 15-foot wide portion of a MCWD waterline easement over the Mono County Civic Center property that was previously granted to MCWD by the Southern Mono Healthcare District but is no longer needed by MCWD.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R20-59

I. Mono County Statement of Investment Policy

Departments: Finance

This is a request for a minor revision to the Mono County Statement of Investment Policy increasing the Local Area Investment Fund (LAIF) investment maximum balance from \$65 million to \$75 million. Change is necessary to accommodate the anticipated receipt of MUSD general obligation bond proceeds of \$27 million later in June 2020 into the Mono County Investment Pool.

Action: Approved the Mono County Statement of Investment Policy, as presented.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-122

J. Monthly Treasury Transaction Report

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 4/30/2020.

Action: Approved the Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 4/30/2020.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-123

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the correspondence.

A. Friends of the Inyo Comments on Draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan for Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Basin

Friends of the Inyo (FOI) comments on the draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan for Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Basin.

Supervisor Stump:

- Asked FOI to send to Long Valley Groundwater Authority.

B. Letter to Board re: Mono County Law Enforcement Policies, Training, and Budget

A letter from Claire Landowski regarding law enforcement policies, training, and budget in Mono County, including a recent social media post, and a list of suggestions she hopes to be considered.

Supervisor Corless:

- Scheduling an item next week on the topic.

Sheriff Braun:

- Eightcantwait.org – proposed changes
- Post on Facebook. Noteworthy or out of the ordinary arrests.

Supervisor Stump:

- Asked Chief Davis (TOML) to join. Sheriff Braun confirmed she will also invite CHP Commander.

Supervisor Gardner:

- Wants to discuss economic inequality when the item is discussed at the next Board meeting.

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. First 5 FY 2018-19 Evaluation Report

Departments: First 5

(Molly DesBaillets, Executive Director) - Evaluation of services provided to families and children prenatal to five years old in Mono County for Fiscal Year 2018-19.

Action: None.

Molly Desbaillets:

- Introduced item.

Break: 10:43 AM

Reconvene: 10:55 AM

B. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Departments: CAO

(Bob Lawton, CAO) - Update on Countywide response and planning related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including reports from the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), Unified Command (UC), and the various branches of the EOC, including Community Support and Economic Recovery, Joint Information Center (JIC), and Public Health. Specific topics include, but are not limited to: (1) Public Health Update; (2) Update and discussion regarding campgrounds and lodging. (3) Recreation.

Action: None.

Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Nurse:

- Testing update.

Grant Oepkes:

- Asked about the confidentiality of test results.

Bob Lawton:

- Provided update of what will be opening in the unincorporated part of the county.

Gordon Martin, Inyo National Forest District Ranger:

- Hoping to make an announcement this afternoon about what will open.

Jan Cutts, HT DR

- Permit holders were given COVID guidance issued by the state and instructed to develop response and submit to the Forest Service. Once reviewed and received and approved, permit holders will be allowed to open.

Public Comment:

Dirk
Grant Oepkes
Janet Hunt
Ron Day
Jennifer Roeser

C. Loan Agreement with Affordable Housing Alliance II, Inc. (dba Integrity Housing) for Development of Permanent Supportive/Affordable Housing Project

Departments: Behavioral Health

(Amanda Greenberg) - Presentation Regarding and Approval of Predevelopment Loan Agreement with Affordable Housing Alliance II, Inc. (dba Integrity Housing) for Development of Permanent Supportive and Affordable Housing Project

Action: Approved, and authorized the County Administrative Officer to execute, in conjunction with the Mono County Counsel's Office and the Mono County Risk Manager, a loan agreement substantially in the same form and that the agreement include a term and condition restricting the disbursement of loan funds on the County's selection of a feasible site.

Kreitz moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M20-124

Amanda Greenberg, Behavioral Health

- Introduced item.

Jason Canger, Assistant County Counsel

Moved to item 7e.

D. Confirmation of Public Hearing Date and Location for Tioga Inn Specific Plan Amendment #3 and Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (FSEIR)

Departments: Community Development

(Wendy Sugimura) - Determination of dates and location for the Tioga Inn Specific Plan Amendment #3 and Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report public hearing before the Board of Supervisors.

Action: None.

Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director:

- Tioga Inn meetings will be held June 29 and June 30.

Moved to item 8.

E. Employment Agreement - Robert (Bob) Lawton

Departments: Board of Supervisors

Proposed resolution approving a contract with Bob Lawton as County Administrative Officer and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

Action: Announce Fiscal Impact. Approve Resolution #R20-60, approving a contract with Robert Lawton as County Administrative Officer and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R20-60

Stacey Simon:

- Introduced item.

Fiscal impact announced by Chair Corless.

Moved to item 7d.

8. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

Closed Session: 12:35 PM

Reconvene: 2:55 PM

Nothing to report out of Closed Session.

9. CLOSED SESSION

A. Closed Session - Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Bob Lawton, Stacey Simon, Dave Butters, Janet Dutcher, and Anne Frievalt. 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). Unrepresented employees: All.

B. Closed Session - Public Employment

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Administrative Officer.

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: *County of Mono and Sierra Club v. Los Angeles Dept. of Water and Power et al.* (Alameda Superior Court Case No. RG18923377).

D. Closed Session - Initiation of Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: one.

10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Corless:

- May 27: CSAC committee meetings, Yosemite Gateway Area Coordination Team
- May 28: CalRec Vision partnership--statewide focus on aligning sustainable recreation efforts.
- 6/1 Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership
- 6/4: Sierra Nevada Conservancy Board Meeting (funding approved for Buckeye Hotsprings project), Wildlife Stewardship Team/395 wildlife crossing meeting--Caltrans reapplying for Prop 68 funding, looking for other funding
- 6/8: Forest Health Task Force meetings; YARTS--service will start 6/22 with reduced capacity.
- Behavioral Health Advisory Board meeting

Supervisor Gardner:

- Wednesday evening May 27 I participated in a June Lake Chamber of Commerce meeting. I provided information on the County's COVID-19 reopening status and listened to comments from the Chamber Board.
- Monday June 1 Chair Corless and I participated in a meeting of the Eastern Sierra Sustainable Partnership. There were COVID-19 updates from all the member

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agencies including the status of closures and openings. We also heard that the ESSRP effort with the Inyo National Forest to obtain a \$150,000 grant for planning improvements to campground infrastructure was approved.

- On Wednesday June 3 I participated in the meeting of the June Lake Citizens Advisory Committee. Most of the meeting was consumed with an update about the status of COVID-19.
- Yesterday Chair Corless and I participated in a meeting of the YARTS Board of Directors. The Board approved staff recommendations to initiate bus service using limited capacity and routes but adjusting as ridership demand increases. We also heard Yosemite will open on a limited reservation basis this Thursday June 11, and the Tioga Road will open next Monday, June 15.

Supervisor Kreitz:

- I attended the quarterly Treasury Oversight Committee on May, 26th.
- On May 27th I participated in the CSAC Housing and Transportation Committee meeting. We received an update on transportation funding and Housing bills moving through both the state senate and the assembly.
- Later that day I attended the MLH Housing Programs and Development Committee meeting where we discussed ADU development within the Town and the County. MLH applied for CalHome funding in the spring and the states scoring of that application looks promising - this application includes \$500,000 for the creation of ADUs in Inyo, Mono, and Alpine counties.
- On June 1st, I attended the Continuum of Care Point in Time Count subcommittee meeting. The committee discussed the 2020 count outcomes and the use of an app in this year's count and its use in the future year's count and the cost of that app. The 2020 count was down about 15% from last year. A press release will be out shortly. It was noted that roughly 64% of our region's homeless live in their cars. I'd like to have the CoC provide an update to the board on the Count at an upcoming meeting.
- In the evening of June, 1, I attended the MLH Board meeting. The Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion committee arranged for a presentation from Jose Gonzalez. For me, the presentation shed light on language and concepts that I hadn't fully grasped before, such as the difference between equality and equity. The Board adopted the 2020-2021 fiscal year budget.
- June 8th was the monthly Mono County Local Transportation Commission meeting. ESTA announced they plan to begin services in the Lakes Basin beginning June 15th with trolley and bike shuttle options. ESTA is also working with the Town on new stops to service the County's new Civic Center. The Commission held a public hearing and approved a resolution to address unmet transit needs. The ESTA Board will consider the recommendation to move the Walker community dial a ride services on Tuesdays to a southern route into Mammoth stopping along the communities including June Lake.

Supervisor Peters:

- No report.

Supervisor Stump:

- 5-26: Attended the CSA 1 meeting = Budget submitted to the County - Permission given for Community Gardening beds to be used with mitigations
- 5-28 : Attended the Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging - Draft four year plan reviewed, Inyo County BOS approves - Agency staff reported that Covid has made the problems of isolation and poverty worse for the senior population, especially in the rural areas of both Counties. Both Counties seeing a big jump in home delivered meals since all senior centers are closed with no potential reopening date. Staff doing their best to do outreach to check on at least the most vulnerable - The budget had to include several assumptions due to uncertainty. Some relief funding will be made available but there remains some uncertainty as to restrictions on the use of those funds. The team seems committed to doing all possible to meet the needs in both Counties.
- 5-28: Attended the Local Agency Formation Commission - Draft budget was approved for the upcoming year, final budget hearing next meeting - Only outstanding LAFCO issue is a boundary modification for the Wheeler Crest Community Services District.
- 5-28: Attended a community virtual meeting in Crowley - Lots of Covid related questions
- 6-1: Attended Board Covid Plan Briefing
- 6-8: Attended the Local Transportation Commission Meeting - Approved Budgets for the Local Transportation Fund and State Transit Assistance - Public Hearing on Unmet Transit needs and approved resolution certifying this year's reasonable to meet needs. Those are weekly service to Mammoth from both Lee Vining and June Lake - Overall Work Program also approved.

Returned to urgency item.

ADJOURNED at 3:50 PM.

ATTEST

STACY CORLESS
CHAIR OF THE BOARD

SCHEEREEN DEDMAN
SR. DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD