



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

Regular Meetings: First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified below.
Teleconference Only - No Physical Location

**Regular Meeting
May 4, 2021**

9:00 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chair Kreitz.

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

Supervisors Absent: None.

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Peters.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None.

2. RECOGNITIONS

A. Proclamation Designating the Month of May 2021 as Mental Health Month

Departments: Behavioral Health

(Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director) - Each year millions of Americans face the reality of living with a mental illness. In designating May 2021 as Mental Health Month, Mono County joins the national movement to raise awareness about mental health and to provide education and reduce stigma around mental health. Mono County Behavioral Health has planned activities and events to recognize Mental Health Month.

Action: Approve proclamation designating May 2021 as Mental Health Month, hear report on activities planned to recognize Mental Health Month.

Corless motion. Peters seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-99

Supervisor Kreitz:

- Read proclamation

Supervisors acknowledged and expressed thanks to Behavioral Health Department staff.

Amanda Greenberg, Program Manager:

- Presented May Mental Health Awareness Month activities

Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director:

- Expressed gratitude to Behavioral Health staff

Staff Comments:

- Nate Greenberg
- Sheriff Braun

B. Retirement Recognition of Steve Connett for His Years of Service with Mono County

Departments: Information Technology

(Nate Greenberg, IT Director) - Steve Connett has been an employee of Mono County for more than 26 years, dating back to 1979. After serving in a number of different roles, he will be retiring from the position of GIS Technician in the Department of Information Technology on May 14, 2021.

Action: Adopt Resolution recognizing Steve Connett for his years of service with Mono County.

Corless motion. Gardner seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-100

Supervisor Kreitz:

- Read resolution

Nate Greenberg, IT Director:

- Recognized Steve Connett

Staff comments:

- Kirk Hartstrom
- Joel Hickok
- Olivia Hollenhorst

Public Comment:

- Fred Stump

Supervisors acknowledged and expressed thanks to Steve Connett.

Steve Connett, GIS Technician:

- Thanks to the Board and Nate for having the faith in him to wrap up his career with Mono County as he has.

C. Retirement Recognition of Rick Williams for His Years of Service with Mono County

Departments: Social Services

(Krista Cooper, Michelle Raust, Kathy Peterson, Dept of Social Services) - Proposed resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors recognizing Rick Williams for his years of service to Mono County and the Department of Social Services.

Action: Adopt Resolution recognizing Rick Williams for his years of service with Mono County.

Duggan motion. Gardner seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-101

Supervisor Duggan:

- Read resolution

Kathy Peterson, Krista Cooper, Michelle Raust, Pat Espinosa, Social Services Staff:

- Recognized Rick Williams

Gordon Greene:

- On behalf of self and Mono County, thank you for military and civilian service

Public Comment:

- Fred Stump

Supervisors acknowledged and expressed thanks to Rick Williams.

Rick Williams, Senior Services Site Attendant:

- Thank you to everyone

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

Bob Lawton, CAO:

- Attending meetings of the JEDI Working Group, Workforce Wellbeing Committee
- Preparations for the upcoming County Budget
- Saw about 50% of District 2 with Supervisor Duggan
- Participated in panel for CSAC Legislative Conference – response to COVID as a workplace
- Continue working on defining our classification and compensation study for at-will employees
- Mono County Jail – Sheriff and Public Works
- Broadband opportunity workshop

4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Ingrid Braun, Mono County Sheriff:

- Fishmas update

Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:

- Upcoming finance items

Justin Nalder, Solid Waste Superintendent:

- On April 22, in coordination with High Sierra Energy, hosted a hands-on workshop for the schoolchildren of Lee Vining Elementary.

Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director:

- Mental Health Awareness activities
- Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce Awards - Kasandra Montes was awarded the Hidden Hero Award

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 6, 2021

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the Board Minutes from the Regular Meeting on April 6, 2021.

Action: Approve the Board Minutes from the Regular Meeting on April 6, 2021.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-102

B. Letter of Support for Inyo County Request for Funds for SBDC

Departments: Board of Supervisors, sponsored by Supervisor Gardner

Letter in support of Inyo County's request for funds towards the establishment of a regional small business development center (SBDC).

Action: Approve letter as presented and authorize Board chair to sign.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-103

C. Amending Mono County Code Title 9 - Animals

Departments: CAO, County Counsel, Animal Services

The Department of Animal Control has operated for several decades, caring for animals throughout Mono County and sheltering and caring for them. To better align the functions of the department, we are requesting to change the name of the department.

Action: Approve Ordinance ORD21-03, Amending Mono County Code Title 9 to Change the Name of the Mono County Department of Animal Control to the Mono County Department of Animal Services and Change the Method by which Dogs are Licensed.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

ORD21-03

**D. Mono Basin Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC)
Appointments**

Departments: Community Development

Consider appointments of Ronda Kauk and Kevin Brown to the Mono Basin RPAC for four-year terms.

Action: Appoint Ronda Kauk and Kevin Brown to the Mono Basin RPAC for four-year terms as recommended by Supervisor Gardner.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-104

E. Monthly Treasury Transaction Report

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 3/31/2021.

Action: Approve the Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 3/31/2021.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-105

F. Quarterly Investment Report

Departments: Finance

Investment Report for the Quarter ending 3/31/2021.

Action: Approve the Investment Report for the Quarter ending 3/31/2021.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-106

G. Allocation List Amendment - Information Technology Lead Developer

Departments: Information Technology

This item will create a new Lead Developer position in the Information Technology Department which will help better serve the needs of the organization and our constituents as we continue to push forward initiatives aimed at improving transparency, accessing government resources online, and streamlining business operations.

This request is to amend the Mono County Allocation List to add one new

Lead Developer position to the IT Department and remove one GIS Technician III position for a net-zero change in FTEs.

The individual currently serving in the GIS Specialist III will move into the new Lead Developer position. Behind this move will be the promotion of existing staff.

Action: Adopt Resolution R21-30 modifying the Mono County Allocation List as indicated.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R21-30

H. Allocation List Amendment - Social Services Department

Departments: Social Services

Proposed changes to the Mono County list of allocated positions serving the Social Services Department in order to consolidate span of control, and increase decision-making autonomy within the Staff Services Analyst group.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County of Mono list of allocated positions to delete one 1.0 FTE Staff Services Analyst I/II and add one 1.0 FTE Supervising Staff Services Analyst.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R21-31

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. Letter from Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) re: Sierra Nevada Aquatic Research Laboratory (SNARL) Facilities Enhancement

The Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB), in addition to other responsibilities, carries out a program that includes granting funds to the University of California's Natural Reserve System for the construction and development of facilities. WCB proposes to consider the allocation of funds for a grant to complete facilities enhancements at the Sierra Nevada Aquatic Research Laboratory (SNARL) in Mono County.

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Southern California Edison (SCE) Customer Service Re-Platform Project

Departments: Board of Supervisors, sponsored by Supervisor Kreitz
(Southern California Edison Staff: Calvin Rossi, Lori Blackwell, Sandy Gabriel) - Southern California Edison (SCE) staff will provide an update on their new Customer Service Re-Platform Project.

Action: None.

Calvin Rossi, Lori Blackwell, SCE staff:

- Presentation – reviewed new customer information and billing system, customer benefits, changes, and new help center

B. Letter to Inyo National Forest Regarding Kore USA Ltd.'s Long Valley Exploration Drilling Project

Departments: Community Development

(Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director) - Proposed comment letter to the Inyo National Forest regarding the Kore USA Ltd.'s Long Valley Exploration Drilling Project. The Inyo National Forest initiated a 30-day scoping period on April 7, 2021 and comments are due May 6, 2021 via the project's website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59294>.

Action: Approve and authorize the Chair to sign the final letter as updated by Board direction and discussion for submittal by the May 6 deadline.

Gardner motion. Corless seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-107

Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director:

- Reviewed letter

Gordon Martin, Inyo National Forest District Ranger:

- Addressed process for further public engagement and comment
- Information is being released as it becomes available for release – currently early in the process
- Surveys by EnviroMINE to conduct environmental analysis for mining operation

Marc Leduc, Kore USA Ltd.:

- The approval of the plan doesn't grant any right to move ahead with building a mine
- Any additional proposed work would need to be approved by the US Forest Service, and in the case of the proposed mining project, that would include complete NEPA EIS and CEQA EIR
- Small project – planning on disturbing less than 1 acre

Public Comment:

- Jora Fogg, Friends of the Inyo
- Lynn Boulton, Range of Light Group
- Chris Bubser

Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- If this project gets to the phase where actual mining extraction is proposed, Mono County would be a permitting agency.
- Not only does the Board potentially have a role in reviewing the permitting applications and determining whether the analysis and information provided is acceptable, but also in imposing mitigations, conditions to protect local environmental habitat.

Supervisor Corless:

- Direction to staff on follow up letter regarding providing more analysis of draft operations plan

Break: 11:30 AM

Reconvened: 11:35 AM

C. Inyo National Forest Presentation on Prescribed Fire Management Program and Plans for Managing Recreation

Departments: Board of Supervisors, sponsored by Supervisor Duggan

(Inyo National Forest Staff: Forest Supervisor Lesley Yen, District Ranger Gordon Martin, Fire Chief 1 Taro Pusina, District Ranger Megan Mullowney) - Inyo National Forest staff will present prescribed fire plans for this and future seasons as well as discuss how the approval process works, what mitigations are in place, etc. Additionally, staff will discuss plans for managing recreation this summer.

Action: None.

Lesley Yen, Forest Supervisor:

- Introduced item
- Comments: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/contactus/inyo/about-forest/contactus>

Taro Pusina, Fire Chief 1:

- Wildland fire and fuels management PPT presentation (can be found under Supporting Documents on the meeting webpage: <https://monocounty.ca.gov/bos/page/board-supervisors-115>) – background, human and lightning caused fires, wildland fire response criterion, fire desired conditions, fire goals, strategic fire management zones, community wildfire protection zone, general wildfire protection zone, wildfire restoration zone, wildfire maintenance zone, prescribed fire, mechanical and timber treatments, 2021 fuels treatments
- Grant Lake fire risk

Megan Mullowney, District Ranger:

- Reviewed operations at Mono Lake
- Public information and education will be first and foremost
- Staffing gaps

Gordon Martin, District Ranger:

- Working in cooperation with the Town of Mammoth Lakes – plowing roads in Lakes Basin
- Mammoth Lakes Visitor Center

Public Comment:

- Sarah Walsh – Grant Lake usage
- Amanda Mascia – education

8. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None.

*Break: 12:58 PM
Reconvened: 1:05 PM*

Moved to Item 11.

9. CLOSED SESSION

*Closed Session: 3:01 PM
Reconvened: 3:44 PM*

No action to report out of Closed Session.

A. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Bob Lawton, Stacey Simon, Janet Dutcher, and Dave Wilbrecht. 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 Employee Evaluation

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

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

10. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None.

11. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

A. PUBLIC HEARING: Short-Term Rental Activity Permit (STR 21-001/Stone)

Departments: Community Development - Planning

(Kelly Karl, Associate Planner) - Public hearing regarding Short-Term Rental (STR) Activity Permit 21-001/Stone, an owner-occupied short-term rental use of an attached one-bedroom unit at 116 Crowley Lake Drive (APN 060-030-018) in Long Valley. The Land Use Designation (LUD) is Estate Residential (ER). Maximum occupancy is two people and one vehicle.

Action:

- 1) Hold a public hearing, receive testimony, deliberate, and make any desired changes;
- 2) Find that the project qualifies as a Categorical Exemption under CEQA guidelines 15301 and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption;
- 3) Make the required findings as contained in the project staff report; and
- 4) Approve STR Activity Permit 21-001 subject to the findings and conditions as recommended or with desired modifications.

Public Hearing Opened: 1:10 PM

Kelly Karl, Associate Planner:

- Presented item

Public Comment:

- Amanda Stone – project proponent

Public Hearing Closed: 1:29 PM

Duggan motion. Corless seconded.

Vote: 4 yes, 1 no

M21-108

B. Housing Element Annual Progress Report

Departments: Community Development

(Bentley Regehr, Planning Analyst) - Presentation by Bentley Regehr regarding the Housing Element Annual Progress Report.

Action: None.

Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director:

- Reviewed permits issued in 2020
- On track to meet RHNA allocations

C. Employment Agreement - Acting HR Director

Departments: CAO

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO) - Proposed resolution approving a contract with Ryan Roe as Acting Human Resources Director and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

Action: Announce Fiscal Impact. Approve Resolution R21-32, approving a contract with Ryan Roe as Acting Human Resources Director and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

Fiscal Impact: The incremental cost increase is \$4,238 per month, of which \$3,660 is salary and \$578 is benefits. There is sufficient budget to cover this increase.

Peters motion. Corless seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R21-32

Bob Lawton, CAO:

- Presented item

D. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Departments: Public Health

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO, Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director) - 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.

Action: None.

Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director:

- PPT presentation (can be found under Supporting Documents on the meeting webpage: <https://monocounty.ca.gov/bos/page/board-supervisors-115>) – 7-day metrics, Blueprint for a Safer Economy, CDC recommendation to resume use of J&J vaccine, CDC issues public health recommendations for fully vaccinated people, Walk-in vaccination clinic schedule, testing

E. Mountain View Fire Update and Review of Emergency Declarations

Departments: Mountain View Fire Emergency Operations Center

(Justin Nalder, EOC Director) - Review of continuing need for Board of Supervisor's November 17, 2020, Declaration of Local Emergency of and

Mono County Health Officer's November 19, 2020, Declaration of Local Health Emergency for the Mountain View Fire.

Action: Find that there is a need to continue the local state of emergency declared on November 17, 2020 and/or the local health emergency declared on November 19, 2020 (ratified by the Board on November 24, 2020).

Kreitz motion. Peters seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M21-109

Justin Nalder, EOC Director:

- Well into Stage 3 of recovery
- Approximately 75% through remediation efforts
- Issues with potential hazardous debris in irrigation ditch – alternative plans
- Intermediate housing – working with City of LA to procure trailers. Finalizing agreement for 36 trailers.
- Nevada Resiliency Project workshop on May 15

F. Solid Waste Parcel Fee Program, FY21-22; Solid Waste Fee Agreement with the Town of Mammoth Lakes

Departments: Public Works - Solid Waste

(Justin Nalder, Solid Waste Superintendent) - Extension, without increase, of Mono County Solid Waste Fee Program for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and accompanying agreement with the Town of Mammoth Lakes to continue to implement the fee within the Town for one or two years (depending on a determination to be made by the Town).

Action:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair's signature on Resolution R21-33, Authorizing Implementation of a Solid Waste Fee Agreement with the Town of Mammoth Lakes for the Period of July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 [or 2023]
- 2) Approve and authorize the Chair's signature on Resolution R21-34, Extending and Re-Establishing the Mono County Solid Waste Fee Program for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Gardner motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R21-33, R21-34

Justin Nalder, Solid Waste Superintendent:

- Presented item

12. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Corless:

- April 20-25
 - CSAC Legislative Conference April 21-22
 - Yosemite Area Gateway Coordination Team meetings (also week of April)
 - Town Council April 21, presentation by Suddenlink, encourage county and town engaging in broadband access planning and solutions.
 - Forest Management Workforce webinar
 - RCRC staff visit to Mono to plan June meeting, thanks to new CEO Pat Blacklock
 - On behalf of NACo, National Forest Foundation/USFS listening session on the Great American Outdoors Act, good opportunity to provide county feedback on this effort to address forest infrastructure issues.
- April 16-May 2
 - Planning meeting for new Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force, May 20 is first meeting
 - RCRC Board Meeting—highlights document here: https://www.rcrcnet.org/sites/default/files/useruploads/Meetings/Board_of_Directors/2021/April_28_2021/BoardMeeting_Highlights_April_28_2021_FINAL.pdf
 - Question on county engagement
 - California Chronic Disease Prevention Leadership Team Meeting: invited to participate in a panel on county efforts to recognize racism as a public health crisis, appreciated the discussion and learn more about the public health perspective and other counties' efforts.
 - CA Natural Resources Agency 30 by 30 regional listening session for Sierra Nevada: <https://resources.ca.gov/Initiatives/Expanding-Nature-Based-Solutions>
 - Collaborative Planning Team meeting; said goodbye to Bridgeport District Ranger Jan Cutts, many thanks to her for her service.
 - RCRC broadband opportunity workshop, exploring opportunities for open access broadband and possible RCRC investment (see more about RCRC's broad ba
 - As new Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District member, toured dust mitigation projects on Owens Lake with Air Pollution Control Officer Phill Kiddoo
 - Dispersed camping planning, MLT community coffee, also discussion/correspondence from constituent concerned about need for safe parking/camping and respecting unhoused residents who use the forest legally.
 - California Biodiversity Council meeting, discussing 30 by 30
 - Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership Meeting: look for full climate assessment presentation at Town Council/Planning Ec. Development Commission May 12.

Supervisor Duggan:

- 04/21/21 – CSAC Annual Legislative Conference
 - Policy Committee Meeting – AENR - The Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources (AENR) Policy Committee is responsible for the review of state budget items and ballot measures, and state/federal legislative and regulatory proposals that affect agriculture, the environment, and natural resources.

- Policy Committee Meeting – HLT - The Housing, Land Use and Transportation (HLT) Policy Committee is responsible for reviewing state and federal legislative proposals, state budget items, ballot measures, and regulatory proposals focused on housing, land use, transportation, and tribal and intergovernmental relations.
- Resiliency Advisory Board Meeting – CSAC Legislative Representative Catherine Freeman discussed the recent Board of Forestry Wildfire Building regulation changes and how CSAC is working towards more clarity and less restrictions for building.
- Policy Committee Meeting – AOJ - The Administration of Justice (AOJ) Policy Committee has responsibility for a broad array of justice-related issues that includes juvenile justice; probation; courts; local law enforcement; adult and juvenile detention; and all county functions connected to the civil 5 and criminal justice systems. The committee has primary responsibility for the development of policies relating to the administration and financing of the various county programs under its purview.
- Policy Committee Meeting – GFA - The Government Finance and Administration (GFA) Policy Committee is responsible for all issues relating to finance, general government operations, and employee relations. An area of discussion was upcoming changes to the Brown Act regarding in person and virtual meeting rules.
- CSAC – Rural Caucus Meeting – Attended with my other supervisors. It was an opportunity to share ongoing challenges and success from the past year.
- CSAC Networking Event: Virtual Mingler – I participated with Supervisor Peters in various breakouts that allowed us to get to other county representatives.
- 4/22/21 - CSAC Annual Legislative Conference
 - Workshop: Understanding the Basics for Housing is Financed and Built – This workshop provided counties with an overview of how affordable housing is created and financed. and will include a discussion on the creative financing strategies key players often use to make housing projects come together by combining multiple funding sources.
 - Workshop: Reimagining the World of Work – Our own CAO Lawton was a presenter at a discussion on resilience and readiness to anticipate our new world and its productive workplace.
 - Women’s Leadership Forum – I participated in the roundtable discussions focused on communicating with constituents, mental health, and childcare.
 - District 2 Tour with Inyo Mono Veterans Affairs Officer Gordon Greene – I met with Gordon and gave him a driving tour of northern District 2. We were able to see the Long Valley Fire Station (and meet with Former Supervisor Fred Stump,) see the Crowley Lake Community Center, stopped at Crowley Lake Marina, Tom’s Place Resort, Rock Creek Canyon, Sunny Slopes. Gordon was able to meet constituents with resource to help him with his community outreach.
- 4/23/21 – District 2 Tour with CAO Lawton – I was able to repeat many stops on yesterday’s tour with CAO Lawton, adding a stop at Hot Creek Resort. I want to thank both Gordon and Bob for meeting with our folks in District 2 and look forward to familiarizing them with the rest of district on our next adventure.
- 4/27/21 –
 - Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission – I attended the Commission where there were recaps of the weekend’s fishing events

and visitation. There was also a discussion of new funding resources and CDBG grants and financial assistance programs for small business.

- MLCC Pandemic Awards – I attended the virtual award ceremony honoring those Chamber members who exceeded the limits of what all believed was possible last year to persevere. The participate list was long and inclusive and as always, it was an honor to be nominated. Congratulations to the winners and honorees.
- 4/27/21 –
 - LAFCO – I participated in the Local Agency Formation Commission with Chair Kreitz on the discussion of LAFCO's role as an agency, pending property tax updates for MMSA and the Snowcreek Annexation, and reviewed the preliminary budget.
 - CSA1 – I attended the CSA1 meeting where the discussion included their Community Improvement Projects and Program and the need for an updated work schedule.
 - TGMD – I attended the Tri-Valley Groundwater Management District meeting where there was discussion of next steps for regaining their GSA status and district boundary issues. They are scheduling a workshop for June to include planning of district activities, financing, advisory board appointees, and other topics.
- 4/28/21 – IMACA –
 - I met with the ED and staff at IMACA to review upcoming programs and focus of the organization.
 - I visited business in the TriValley area to see how they were faring with lifting of restrictions and moving through tiers of opening.
- 4/29/21 – MLCC Community Coffee – I attended a webinar hosted by MLT/MLCC that featured a presentation from Paul McFarland on the Dispersed Camping Committee. It was great to see all the work, organization, and tools that are being developed to educate and inform users and I look forward to sharing with these resources.

Supervisor Gardner:

- On Wednesday April 21 I participated in several meetings. These included:
 - Two CSAC Conference meetings, the Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee, and the Housing, Land Use and Transportation Committee.
 - The weekly meeting of the County Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Working Group. This group is continuing to focus on building an action plan for carrying out the County's goals in this area.
 - The first meeting of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council. This purpose of this meeting was to get this new group organized as required by recent state legislation.
 - A brief presentation about the Dispersed Camping project at an Earth Week event in Mammoth.
 - The monthly meeting of the Mono Basin Fire Safe Council. We discussed further work on potential grant applications and moving forward on some projects for the summer.
- On Thursday April 22 I participated in an Earth Day event in Lee Vining with several residents and children from Lee Vining Elementary School. It was great to see the children having fun on a field trip.
- On Friday April 23 I joined a Zoom meeting with several Mono Basin residents and public lands officials to talk about the possibility of purchasing a mobile trailer for use at the Visitor Centers and other venues. This would provide the

opportunity to get information to visitors by going to selected locations around the Eastern Sierra with a mobile presence.

- Also, on Friday April 23 I participated in an ESSRP Partners meeting to discuss criteria and other factors that will be considered is assessing the 183 improvement projects identified in the ESSRP process last year.
- On Tuesday April 27 I made a brief public comment at the LA Department of Water and Power Board of Commissioners meeting in support of the Mono Basin Restoration Project. This project will improve the Rush Creek, Parker Creek, Walker Creek, and Lee Vining Creek ecosystems, and was approved by the Board at this meeting.
- On Tuesday April 28 I listened to a presentation hosted by NACO and the White House about the Biden Administration's American Families Plan. This proposed legislation if enacted, has the potential of providing significant education, childcare, and economic assistance for residents of Mono County.
- On Thursday April 29 I participated with Supervisor Corless in the Collaborative Planning Team meeting. We heard several interesting updates from the various attendees at the meeting.
- Yesterday I attended with Supervisor Corless the monthly ESSRP meeting. In addition to the regular updates from each of the participants, we heard an interesting presentation about the economic impact of climate change in the Eastern Sierra. The point made was that the economic impact in our region goes far beyond simply our own area because of watershed and wildfire concerns.
- Finally, last night I participated in an interesting presentation hosted by Mammoth Voices from a professor at UCSB. Her topic was misinformation and fake news, how it spreads, and what can be done about it.

Supervisor Kreitz:

- April 21 -22 I attended the CSAC Legislative Conference, including the general session, the Housing, Land-use and Transportation Committee meeting, Women in Leadership Forum, the housing development workshop and the CSAC Board meeting.
- May 3rd I participated in the CCRH Legislative Committee meeting. We discussed the momentum of the Governor's May Revise Budget including an estimated \$3B for clearing the backlog of shovel ready affordable housing developments that have already received HCD funding, but are waiting on LIHTCs to round out their financing. We discussed the state's Emergency Rental Assistance Program, and received an update on AB880 the disasters bridge funding proposal.
- MLH had it's regular, monthly board meeting the evening of May 3. The Board appointed Heidi Steenstra to the Board, approved the MLH 3rd quarter financials, reviewed the draft 2021-22 budget, received an informational presentation on the Town's 2002 Measure A fund allocations and determined we will need a special meeting prior to our June regular meeting to address the LISC contract, carry-over fund allocation, and the Sierra Housing Advocates 3rd quarter financials.

Supervisor Peters:

- Attended two days of CSAC Legislative Conference on the 21st and 22nd – highlights included policy committees, resiliency working group, rural caucus, broadband updates, presentation by Alex Padilla
- 23rd: met with RCRC president Pat Blacklock
- 28th: RCRC meeting, Human Services and Education meeting with NACo. Infrastructure related to higher level of child care. Later that day, attended COVID Rural Working Group with Dr. Ghaly.
- 29th: NACo Broadband Taskforce meeting – continued to coordinate and organize to create a policy document. Next meeting will be next week.

- Last night, Mountain View Fire #8 Community Workshop

Moved to Item 9.

ADJOURNED AT 3:45 PM.

ATTEST

**JENNIFER KREITZ
CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

**QUEENIE BARNARD
SENIOR DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD**