



**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.

Meeting Location: Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St., Bridgeport, CA 93517

**Regular Meeting  
July 2, 2024**

**Chair Peters:**

- Read the Tribal Land Acknowledgment.

**TRIBAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

*In respect to the Indigenous People and Tribal Elders, past, and present, the Bridgeport Indian Colony, Mono Lake Kutzadika Tribe, and Utu Utu Gwaitu Tribe are the indigenous People who live within this, their ancestral homeland from time immemorial to the present and have been the caretakers of these lands, waters, and all natural resources for the benefit of the environment and of all living things. We who live in Mono County offer this land acknowledgment with a spirit of mutual respect and collaboration.*

9:00 AM Meeting called to Order by Chair Peters.

*Supervisors Present: Duggan, Gardner, Kreitz, Peters, and Salcido. (All members were present in-person or participated via teleconference in compliance with rules established by the Ralph M. Brown Act).*

Supervisors Absent: None.

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<http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/meetings>

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Salcido.

**1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

- No one spoke.

**2. RECOGNITIONS - NONE**

**3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

**Christine Bouchard, Assistant County Administrative Officer:**

- Recognized that June was PTSD recognition month.
- Attended the CSAC meeting regarding AI with IT Director Mike Martinez.

**4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS**

**Kim Bunn, Assistant Finance Director:**

- Discussion on the 2024 Fiscal Summer Camp.

**Barry Beck, Assessor:**

- Update on the Assessment Roll.

**Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director:**

- Update on Public Comment (Sage Grouse)
- Update on Public Comment (Rush Creek Dam Project)

**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

Approval of Board minutes from the 2024, May regular meetings. Approval of Board minutes from the 2024, June regular meetings. Approval of Board minutes from the 2024, May special meeting. Approval of Board minutes from the 2024, June special meeting.

**Action:** Approved the Board minutes from the May 14, 2024, regular meeting. Approved the Board minutes from the May 21, 2024, regular meeting. Approved the Board minutes from the June 4, 2024, regular meeting. Approved the Board minutes from the June 11, 2024, regular meeting. Approved the Board minutes from the June 18, 2024, regular meeting. Approved the Board minutes from the May 16, 2024, special meeting. Approved of Board minutes from the June 11, 2024, special meeting

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-125**

**B. Reappointment - Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission**

Departments: Economic Development

Reappointment of Michael Vanderhurst (District 1) to the Mono County Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission (EDTFC) for a 4-year term ending June 30, 2028.

**Action:** Reappointed Michael Vanderhurst (District 1) to the Mono County Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission (EDTFC) for a 4-year term ending June 30, 2028.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-126**

**C. Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) Appointment**

Departments: Community Development

Consider the applications of Kim Murcia and Nick Way for appointment to the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC).

**Action:** Appointed Kim Murcia and Nick Way to the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-127**

**D. Grant Funding for Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH)**

Departments: Behavioral Health

This item seeks Board of Supervisor authorization for Mono County Behavioral Health (MCBH) to pursue grant funding through the Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) grant program operated through the Department of Health Care Services.

**Action:** Authorized MCBH to apply for BHBH grant funding.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-128**

**E. Contract with Anne Sippi Clinic for Social Rehabilitation Services**

Departments: Behavioral Health

Proposed contract with Anne Sippi Treatment Group, pertaining to provision of Social Rehabilitation Services.

**Action:** Approved, and authorized **Chair**, to sign, contract with Anne Sippi Treatment Group for provision of Social Rehabilitation Services for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, and a not-to-exceed amount of \$94,781.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-129**

**F. Contract for Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update**

Departments: Community Development

Consider contract award based on an evaluation of Requests for Proposals for the County/Town of Mammoth Lakes Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan update.

**Action:** Approved and authorized the **Chair** to sign the contract with IEM International, Inc. (IEM) for the provision of hazard mitigation planning services for a not-to-exceed cost of \$179,982 for the period June 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-130**

**G. Proposed Ordinance Adding Chapter 1.14 (Administrative Subpoenas) to the Mono County Code**

Departments: County Counsel and Code Enforcement

Proposed ordinance amending the Mono County Code to authorize county staff to issue administrative subpoenas in connection with county investigations of alleged violations of county regulations.

**Action:** Adopted Ordinance ORD24-006, Amending the Mono County Code to authorize county staff to issue administrative subpoenas in connection with county investigations of alleged violations of county regulations.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**ORD24-006**

**H. Signature Authorization for Purchase of 5 Kodiak Blowers and Accessories**

Departments: Public Works - Fleet

Kodiak Blower signatory authorization to Public Works Director for the purchase of 5 snow blowers Kodiak blowers and accessories as shown in staff report attachment.

**Action:** Authorized Public Works Director to sign PO with required options along with all other paperwork required for purchases and payment of invoices.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-131**

**I. Ratify and Approve Submission of Best Practices Digital Equity Learning Community Grant**

Departments: Information Technology

Ratify and approve submission of Best Practice Digital Equity Learning Community Grant.

**Action:** Ratified and approved submission of Best Practice Digital Equity Learning Community Grant.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-132**

**J. Monthly Treasury Transaction Report**

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 5/31/2024.

**Action:** Approved the Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 5/31/2024.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-133**

**K. Application for the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Community Development Initiative Grant**

Departments: County Counsel

Approve Application for the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Community Development Initiative Grant.

**Action:** Approved and Authorized Application for the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Community Development Initiative Grant.

**Duggan moved; Salcido seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-134**

## **6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

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

### **A. Governor's Proclamation for the November 5, 2024, General Election**

A proclamation by the Governor of the State of California that the General Election will be held throughout the state on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

### **B. Email from Mark Langner regarding North County Utilities**

Email from a Coleville resident (Mark Langner) regarding the electric utilities in north county.

**Chair Peters:**

- Mark is a longtime resident in Coleville.

### **C. Assembly Bill 2797 - Opposition Letter**

Letter to Assembly Member McKinnor regarding the opposition of Assembly Bill 2797.

**Supervisor Duggan:**

- Discussion on the notification that Assembly Bill 2797 and will not be moving forward this year.

### **D. Letter of Support - Secure Rural Schools Reauthorization Act of 2023 (S. 2581)**

Letter of support sent to Senator Padilla and Senator Butler regarding the Secure Rural Schools Reauthorization Act of 2023 (S. 2581).

## **7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING**

### **A. Introduction of Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Supervisor and Update on Forest Activities**

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Supervisor, Jon Stansfield; Bridgeport District Ranger, Aaron Coogan) - Introduction of Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Supervisor Jon Stansfield and update on Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest activities.

**Action:** None.

**Jon Stansfield, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Supervisor:**

- Presented item.

**Bridgeport District Ranger, Aaron Coogan:**

- Introduced himself to the Board.

*Break: 9:39 AM*

*Reconvened: 9:45 AM*

## **B. Prescribed Burns Update from Inyo National Forest and Bureau of Land Management**

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Lesley Yen, INF Supervisor and Chance Traub, INF Fire Management Specialist) - Update from Inyo National Forest and Bureau of Land Management on prescribed burns in Mono County.

**Action:** None.

**Lesley Yen, INF Supervisor:**

- Introduced item.

**Chance Traub, INF Fire Management Specialist**

- Presented item.

## **C. Four Tribes' Request for Letter of Support**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

(Joseph A. Sam, Chairman, Bridgeport Indian Colony) - Mono County support for tribal request for protection on the high volcanic tableland in the Bodie Hills.

**Action:** Approved the support letter and approved Chair Peters to sign on behalf of the County.

**Salcido moved; Duggan seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-135**

**Joseph A. Sam, Chairman, Bridgeport Indian Colony:**

- Presented item.

**Chair Peters:**

- Discussion on future item – rebuilding the Toiyabe Clinic.
- Discussion on the Bridgeport General Store is now open.

**Public Comment:**

**Marty Meaden, Mono Lake resident:**

- Asks for Board for approval of resolution/letter for the four tribal nations.
- Discussion on the resources that are of importance to the native community and the importance of the protection of the land.

**Kris Hohag, Sierra Club:**

- In support of the letter of support.

**Allsion Webber, Forest and Water Policy Director for Friends of the Inyo:**

- In support.

*Break: 10:45 AM*

*Reconvened: 10:56 AM*

**D. Interpretation of Mono County Code Section 5.60.140.N.6, regarding the Prohibition of the Retail Sale of Cannabis-Infused Beverages**

Departments: Community Development

(Rob Makoske, Planning Analyst) - Consider interpreting Mono County Code Section 5.60.140.N.6. to allow pre-mixed cannabis beverages regulated by the State of California. Concentrates that are beverages, powders, or gels would continue to be prohibited.

**Action:** Approved Option 1 by interpreting the prohibition in the code language to apply to cannabis concentrates only and not pre-mixed cannabis-infused beverages, which would allow for the immediate sale of cannabis-infused beverages, and then directed staff to amend the code for clarity and consistency with this interpretation as workflow allows.

**Salcido moved; Gardner seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**M24-136**

**Rob Makoske, Planning Analyst:**

- Presented item.

**Brett Calaway, Assistant Community Development Director:**

- Discussion on the issue with delivery within the County Code.

**Supervisor Kreitz:**

- Supports Option 1.

**Supervisor Gardner:**

- Supports the recommendation.

**Cory Zila, Owner Tioga Green:**

- Thanked the Board and showed the safety features on the cannabis drinks.

**Supervisor Salcido:**

- Discussion on delivery in Mono County vs Inyo County.

**Chair Peters:**

- In support.



**E. Agreement and First Amendment to the Employment Agreement of Elizabeth Grans as Economic Development Manager/Film Commissioner for Mono County Recognizing Ms. Grans' Appointment as Interim Economic Development Director**

Departments: County Administrative Office

(Christine Bouchard, Assistant County Administrative Officer) - Proposed resolution approving an employment agreement with Elizabeth Grans as Interim Economic Development Director, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

**Action:** Announced Fiscal Impact. Approved Resolution R24-070, Approving an employment agreement with Elizabeth Grans as Interim Economic Development Director, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment. Authorized the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

**Fiscal Impact:** This item increases costs for each pay cycle the additional duties are performed by an estimated \$458, of which \$387 is salary and \$72 is benefits. The annual cost of this position currently before the amendment is \$155,407, of which \$107,065 is salary and \$48,342 is benefits.

**Duggan moved; Kreitz seconded**

**Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No**

**R24-070**

**Christine Bouchard, Assistant County Administrative Officer:**

- Presented item.

**F. Fleet Operations Update**

Departments: Public Works - Fleet

(Paul Roten, Public Works Director) - Presentation by Paul Roten and Karyn Spears regarding Mono Fleet Operations.

**Action:** None.

**Paul Roten, Public Works Director:**

- Presented item.

**G. Mono County Jail Update**

Departments: Public Works

(Paul Roten, Public Works Director) - Mono County Jail Update.

**Action:** None.

**Paul Roten, Public Works Director:**

- Presented item.

Moved to Board Reports.

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

*Closed Session: 11:43 AM  
Reconvened: 12:15 PM*

No reportable action out of Closed Session.

**A. Closed Session - Existing Litigation**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION.  
Subdivision (a) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case:  
Workers' Compensation Claim of Ricci Reigle.

**B. 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 v. Amerisourcebergen Drug Corporation;  
Cardinal Health, Inc.; McKesson Corporation; Purdue Pharma L.P.; Purdue  
Pharma, Inc., et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of  
California, Case No. 2:18-cv-01149-MCE-KJN.

**C. 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: two

**D. 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.

**E. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations**

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section  
54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Sandra Moberly, Oliver Yee,  
Christopher Beck, Janet Dutcher, and Christine Bouchard. 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  
Correctional Deputy Sheriffs' Association. Unrepresented employees: All.

**9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

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### **Supervisor Duggan:**

- 6/20 Attended via zoom the ESJPA meeting.
- 6/25 Met with CSA #1 and discussed the projects that were already approved.
- 6/26 Broadband Prioritization call with Scott Armstrong.
- 6/28 Attended the quarterly ILG Board meeting. Working on a rebranding of the website.

### **Supervisor Gardner:**

- No report.

### **Supervisor Kreitz:**

- June 20th – I attended the CSAC Insurance Working Group meeting.
- June 21st – I participated in a call with ESCH staff, a few fellow ESCH Board members and HCD staff on the grants and loans for the Access Apartments.
- June 25th- I participated in the NACo and the Pew Charitable Trusts conversation on Housing Impacts
- June 26th – I participated in a special IMACA Board meeting where the board approved a contract with outside fiscal consulting services upon the retirement of the controller and lack of qualifying applicants to the position recruitment.
- July 1st – I attended the CSAC Caucus briefing in preparation for next week's NACo Annual Conference. Later that day, I participated in the Eastern Sierra Community Housing board meeting. The Board reviewed draft guidelines for the use of one-time funds, received updates on the Innsbruck Lodge and Access Apartments. The Board approved an amendment to the CDBG subrecipient agreement with the Town for the Access Apartments and the Regulatory Agreement between the Town and Access Apartments Affordable Housing LLC.

### **Supervisor Peters:**

- 6/20 Attended the I attended the CSAC Insurance Working Group meeting.
- 6/20 Meeting with Lynn Bolten, Sierra Club.
- 6/28 Attended the WIR meeting.
- 7/1 Attended the California Caucus briefing meeting.
- Shout out to Mono County Public Works and the Chambers for all planning for the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities.
- Bridgeport General Store is now open.

### **Supervisor Salcido:**

- 6/19 Attended the Eastend Sierra Transit Authority meeting.
- 6/19 Participated via zoom with other state Supervisors regarding the potential climate building.
- 6/20 Attended a meeting at the Eastern Sierra Wildlife Sustainability Task Force regarding the wildlife crossing overpass on Highway 395.
- 6/20 Attended the WRAF meeting.
- 6/20 Attended the Governor's Council for the Sierra's First Project.
- 6/21 Met with Scott Armstrong regarding Broadband future plans.
- 6/22 Attended the ESCOG meeting.

Moved to Closed Session.

**ADJOURNED AT 12:16 P.M.**

**ATTEST**

*John Peters*  

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John Peters (Aug 12, 2024 12:23 PDT)

**JOHN PETERS  
CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

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**DANIELLE PATRICK  
SENIOR DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD**