

**Mono Basin RPAC  
Regional Planning Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, December 11, 2019, 6:30 pm, Lee Vining Community Center**

**Members present:** Duncan King, Lisa Cutting, Bartshe Miller, Chris Lizza, Ilene Mandelbaum and Kristie Nelson

**Public Attendees and Presenters:** Bob Gardner, Elin Ljung, Lynn Boulton, Bentley Regehr, Dennis Domaille, Gerry Le Francois, and Paul Ashby

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** 6:31 pm.

1. **Public Comment:** None

2. **Approve Minutes: November 13, 2019.** Kristie Nelson moved and Bartshe Miller seconded that the minutes be approved with two changes – Add Kelly Karl to public attendees and 6a. line 1, change ‘KJGHFXGGFX to ‘working on draft Mitigation Negative Declaration of Stream Restoration Agreement for the Grant Lake outlet’– Motion approved 4-0 with Chris and Ilene abstaining.

4. **Supervisor’s Report:** Bob Gardner - The VC to Old Marina road is not yet fixed. The Board of Supervisors approved a resolution to restore the full time State Park Ranger position at Mono Lake State Tufa Natural Reserve. The June Lake Chamber of Commerce is actively pursuing Alterra to make improvements at June Mountain – e.g. chair 1 replacement. Mike Reynolds, Yosemite National Park Supervisor, had hoped to attend this RPAC meeting – he will update his replacement on the Lee Vining relationship.

5. **Chairperson Report:** Lisa Cutting – no reply yet received from Inyo National Forest District Ranger Gordon Martin re attending RPAC meetings. Attended Mammoth Town Council ‘Plan The Parcel’ workshop on 12/11/19 – Four phases are being planned for more than 400 units.

6. **Member’s reports:**

- a. Duncan King – Attended the recent FSC meeting.
- b. Bartshe Miller – LADWP have worked on the dock replacing the mooring, apron and decking, and widened the access road causing some resource damage which they say they will remediate. At the recent BOS meeting the Mono Lake Committee submitted the comments it had made on the Tioga Inn SEIR into the public record.
- c. Kristie Nelson – Nothing to report.
- d. Ilene Mandelbaum – Nothing to report.
- e. Chris Lizza – the last Planning Commission meeting approved both the General Plan amendments and Jake Suppa’s broadened application for cannabis distribution.

7. **Fire Safe Council:** Received a copy of the Swall Meadows Parcel based fire plan – have lots of queries for the Forest Service and would like to work with RPAC on this – working on a list of problem campsites – the Cal Fire inspection took place on 11/24-5...trying to get access to the online report – pursuing the Fire Hardening seminar idea – would like to see more public education on fire safety issues – community grant possibilities via the DeChambeau Creek foundation.

**8. Action Item – letter to Lee Vining PUD:** Ilene moved and Chris seconded that the letter be approved as submitted, and sent to Sheila Irons (Mammoth Ranger District, Info National Forest) – approved unanimously.

**9. Discussion on affordable workforce housing:** A huge amount of work was done on this by the RPAC between 2007 and 2009 – this data needs to be recovered and updated. The county also has more recent documentation and reports which will be helpful. Bentley will forward this to the RPAC members. Property owned by the School District, LADWP, Federal government, Caltrans and Private owners should be examined for future use. Rural Development Grants are available. An RPAC sub-committee of Bartshe Miller, Elin Ljung (volunteer) and Chris Lizza will investigate and report back.

**11. Information Items:** Gerry Le Francois – Jake Suppa operations permit has been approved. Tioga Inn – the county has a draft internal report ready for the consultant's comments in January - the public hearing will probably be in March 2020.

**12. Upcoming Agenda items:** Forest Service (Gordon Martin), Fire Safe Council, Workforce housing, SCE discussion, Officer elections.

**13. Adjourn to next meeting, January 8, 2020** – meeting closed at 7:42 pm.

*Prepared by Duncan King (Secretary)*