



**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
May 12, 2015**

9:00 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Fesko.

*Supervisors present: Alpers, Corless, Fesko, Johnston and Stump.
Supervisors absent: None.*

*Break: 10:38 a.m.
Reconvene: 10:45 a.m.
Closed Session/Lunch: 1:13 p.m.
Reconvene: 1:56 p.m.
Closed Session: 3:30 p.m.
Adjourn: 4:33 p.m.*

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Alpers.

**1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
Jeph Gundzik:**

- Here to comment on Item #7a – it is scheduled item.
- Chairman Fesko pulled from consent agenda for comment.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE

3. RECOGNITIONS

A. Recognition of County Employees

Departments: County Administrator's Office

Present Certificates of Appreciation to Wendy Sugimura, Nick Criss, Courtney Weiche, Brent Calloway, and Greg Newbry, Gerry LeFrancois and Dr. James Paulus, recognizing their efforts on behalf of Mono County in regards to the Sage Grouse listing.

Action: Approve Certificates of Appreciation for Wendy Sugimura, Nick Criss, Courtney Weiche, Brent Calloway, Greg Newbry, Gerry LeFrancois and Dr. James Paulus.

Stump moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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Supervisor Fesko:

- Mentioned all employees being honored.
- Asked that this be put onto next week's agenda again for presentation purposes.
- Presented Wendy Sugimura's certificate as she was in Bridgeport.

Jim Leddy:

- Explained how item came about.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Expressed gratitude for employees; feels it's important to recognize these individuals for working on Sage Grouse issue.
- Scott Burns, although not being given a certificate, deserves mention.

Wendy Sugimura:

- Appreciates the mention of Scott Burns as he certainly deserves being recognized.
- He deserves a lot of credit.
- Also wanted to recognize Tony Dublino.
- Asked to show quick video.

4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Alpers:

- 5/5 - Attended the June Lake Community Advisory Committee meeting held at the JL Community Center. My special guest for the evening was District 5 Supervisor Stacey Corless. It is important that the CAC members and the residents of JL meet and acquaint themselves with ALL of the Supervisors. Garrett Higerd gave a detailed update on the JL Street Rehabilitation Project. Garrett acknowledged that this project will represent the first time the entire drainage issue for the JL Village will be addressed. Jill Stark made an impassioned argument for completing the trail system in JL and the need for the USFS to step up and be more helpful. It was suggested that the JL Trails Committee be more aggressive in seeking grant funding for projects. Wendy Sugimura distributed copies of the DRAFT June Lake Area Plan for public review. Jim Leddy presented the Mono County Strategic Planning power point presentation. Newly appointed CAC member Jeff Ronci was familiar with the process as it was used in his previous work at Palm Springs Dept. of Parks and Recreation. Paul McCahon reported that Cal Fire will be back in June Lake this coming summer to continue the fuel reduction program and property inspections. John Helm, Executive Director of ESTA, made an appearance inquiring if there were any unmet transportation needs in the JL community. He also reported that the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program is now available. Election of Officers for the coming year: Chairman - Patti Heinrich, Vice-Chairman - Jeff Ronci, Secretary - Ann Tozier.
- 5/8 - Held office hours in June Lake at the Tiger Bar from 11am to 1pm. A number of JL residents stopped by, however the community was consumed with snow removal all that

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- day. The major topic of discussion was the TROD issues coming before the Planning Commission this week.
- 5/9 - Attended the MHS Booster Club "Rock and Bowl" gym floor fundraiser held at the new bowling/golf complex in Mammoth. The event was held from 12 pm to 1am with half of all the business proceeds to be donated to the new gym floor fundraising effort. Including proceeds and private donations, the event raised \$4,923. Very successful indeed!
 - 5/11 - Attended the MHS Booster gym floor committee meeting held at Mammoth High School. To date, the team effort has raised \$126,000 for the new floor. However, additional funds will have to be raised to cover unexpected details that have presented themselves during the fundraising/planning effort. Items such as reinstalling bleachers and backboards, core drilling to set volleyball standards, roll-out protective floor matting, protective door overhangs will be sorted out as to school district or private responsibility. The installation timeline is quite aggressive with materials being delivered to the school beginning on June 12th. The estimated completion date is August 4th. A community floor dedication ceremony is currently being planned by school officials. The public-private team effort working toward this goal has been spectacular. Timeline is: graduation is June 12th, on that day; all materials will be stacked and delivered. 8/4 estimated completion date. Dedication ceremony to be planned by school officials.
 - Thank you to Rebecca Watkins and Jessica Horn of the Lee Vining Chamber of Commerce for their work in creating a professional communication standard with Caltrans District 9 Director Brent Green
 - Regret the passing of Lee Vining resident/businessman Mike Pinizzotto.

Supervisor Corless:

- 5/5 June CAC—strategic planning and trails discussion
- 5/6 Fisheries Commission—cleanup event, working on something for later this summer on Mammoth Creek
- TOML Council meeting, also 5/6: Supervisor Stump gave the best news of the year regarding fireworks funding! Gave presentation with CAO Leddy, focusing on strategic planning again. There was a large crowd at the meeting to hear discussion of the future of Mammoth's ice rink.
- Meeting with Lois Klein, MUSD/MHS good news about academic improvement, invited her to give presentation in June to share some very impressive statistics
- Amanda Kirkeby, MHS senior, named female CIF Scholar-Athlete of the Year award statewide. Amanda's a homegrown, Mammoth kid: Nordic skier, volleyball, runner, great student. Chosen out of 251 applicants. So proud—congratulations!
- More good news: Mammoth named #1 on the list of least polluting ski towns in the US, according to a UC Berkeley study <http://www.tetongravity.com/story/adventure/the-top-10-least-polluting-ski-towns> -- much of the focus was on public transportation, so credit is due to ESTA.

Supervisor Fesko:

- May 5th - 6th Attended the RCRC Executive Committee meeting in Sacramento. Continue to get updates on things as they move through the Legislature. Things are still fluid at this time. Will report back on items of interest as they solidify.
- May 7th Attended the Antelope Valley RPAC:
 - Several people from the public attended to engage in conversation regarding community trails.
 - As Mtn Gate Park phase 2 is nearing completion, discussion is starting to take place on phase 3.
 - Community continues to get behind the idea of a Dog Park in Walker.
 - Special THANK YOU to Gerry LeFrancois for his great support of this RPAC.
- May 11th attended the LTC meeting - Adopted a resolution for a Transit Security Grant. This grant will allow for the installation of several solar powered lights at bus stations.
- Close today's meeting in memory of Don Jones, the creator of "Meadowcliff - The Complete Resort". Don passed away a short time ago at the age of 91. Don leaves

behind his wife, Dorothy (97), along with several children, step children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

- As a child Don and his family would travel from southern Cal to Reno annually. He would drive past a meadow with big cliffs behind. He would say to his mom, "someday I'm going to build a motel at the base of those cliffs". Many years later, in 1958, he purchased the 100 acre "Mile high ranch" and started out designing and building the motel. During construction he met Dorothy who would later become his wife. The motel opened in late November 1959. Don and Dot were married on November 27, 1959. Ironically just over the Sierra, on this exact day, Supervisor Fesko was born in San Jose. Don, Dot and Supervisor Fesko shared a unique bond because they shared this same special day. Don, Dot, and many of the children and grandchildren reunited in 2009 to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary, Meadowcliff's 50th birthday, and Supervisor Fesko's 50th birthday. Don will be missed by everyone that knew him. Don, may you rest in peace and thank you for your small contribution to Mono County.
- Also close meeting in memory of Mike Pinizzotto, long time Lee Vining resident that suddenly passed away.
- Mentioned that today is the last board meeting for Jim Leddy; his efforts will not be forgotten. Wished him well.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Attended the Local Transportation Commission on May 11, 2015:
 - Reviewed and adopted the Unmet Transit Needs resolution
 - Approved the Overall Work Program for 2015-16
 - The Headstart building move was reported on in relation to the reconstruction of the Mammoth Elementary School parking lot
 - Caltrans presented the Strategic Management Plan and the Draft California Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan. The latter Interregional Plan is important in regard to Mono's Memorandum of Agreement with other counties which has leveraged funding from "interregional" funds for the major four lane projects on Hwy 395.

Supervisor Stump:

- Attended LAFCO - Received presentations on the Northern Inyo Hospital District and the Southern Mono Healthcare District orthopedic clinic issue in Bishop. Information only; Received requests for assistance from the Mono City and Lee Vining Fire Protection Districts about the unification process should those two districts choose to do so. LAFCO will send a letter to each district requesting what questions they need answered or what information they need to decide if they wish to pursue unification.
- 5/6: Attended parts of Town Council meeting and to remind Town Council about Fireworks Display monies, approved \$2000 for this July's fireworks. Wanted them to know of local group supporting them.
- 5-7: Attended the management meeting - Announced that Lynda Salcido will be interim CAO. Expressed that the Board was also committed to addressing the HR function. Management wants Board to focus on prioritization and the need for HR services to be addressed.
- 5-8: Worked on EMT issue with Chalfant Fire. No resolution yet.
- 5-11: Attended Local Transportation Commission - Overall work program approved, contains a work element that will for the first time address the issue of community emergency escape routes as a listed, planned activity. Cal Trans Inter-Regional Strategic Plan – recognized Sparks park as being impacted.
- 5-11: Attended a July 4th planning meeting for the Town/Crowley events and fireworks - County will see an event permit package and a resolution to close Sherwin Creek Road from 395 to the old sheriff substation and around to the 203/395 intersection to help control traffic going back to town after the fireworks show.

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

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

Jim Leddy:

- Thanked Board for opportunity to serve as CAO for Mono County.
- May 5th – CAC presented strategic planning.
- May 22nd Strategic Planning Special meeting: everything incorporated. There are 135 ideas at the moment, to be narrowed down.
- Mentioned the roundtables that recently occurred.
- Mentioned Supervisor's training; thanked Sarah for orchestrating it.
- Management meeting last Thursday.

6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Bob Musil:

- Granicus – mentioned streaming of AD Hoc EMS Committee meetings and special meetings. It's possible, but not with software/hardware we currently have.
- Current configuration creating some problems for his department; will be researching this for the future.

Garrett Higerd:

- Update on Road Closure item from last week: Rock Creek. He got notification that they needed to cancel dates of closure; he'll be coming back with amended road closure dates.

Louis Molina:

- CalRecycle – presented Board with "Debris Removal" street sign.
- These signs were used with all homes that signed up for debris removal.
- Project went well.
- Supervisor Stump thanked him for his effort of being there; thank you also to Tony Dublino and Roberta Reed. There was a lot of compassion showed.

Robin Roberts:

- Mental Health Advisory Board – Supervisor Corless has stepped up to be a part of this board which will allow this board to proceed efficiently.
- Supervisor Corless: This committee is a formal board subject to the Brown Act.

7. 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. AB 1826 Organic Waste - Request for Exemption

Departments: Solid Waste Division of Public Works

Proposed resolution exempting Mono County itself, and businesses operating within its jurisdiction, from the mandatory organic recycling requirements of AB 1826.

Action: Approve proposed resolution R15-30, "A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors, Exempting Itself and Businesses Operating Within its Jurisdiction From the Requirements of AB 1826." ()with adding this topic to strategic plan

Alpers moved; Stump seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 1 no: Johnston

R15-30

Pulled for discussion

Jeph Gundzik:

- He doesn't feel an exemption solves the issues.
- This type of policy action by county is negative to the Town of Mammoth Lakes.
- He can't move forward with his projects without support.
- They have had a discussion with Tony Dublino, but not with Task Force.

Supervisor Stump:

- Have you appeared before Mono County Solid Waste Task Force to present ideas? Have you discussed this with our Solid Waste Program Manager?
- Deadline to pass this resolution? How long is exemption good for?

Supervisor Fesko:

- He would rather have this in our hands in dealing with exemption.
- This was discussed with the task force, correct?

Tony Dublino:

- Suggested timing was not right, not that his idea was not right.
- We shouldn't ignore these things; this resolution kicks the can down the road.
- Aids with the transition to organics recycling.
- Political will vs. mandate.
- Despite good ideas out there, the infrastructure currently does not exist.
- June 30th is deadline for resolutions; he's not sure about "un" exempting ourselves.

Stacey Simon:

- The board can rescind exemption at any time; even if board didn't the county could meet these requirements, regardless.

Supervisor Corless:

- Understands that we don't want to be under unnecessary pressure by the state, but does wish to support Mr. Gundzik.
- Can support resolution as long as the Gundzik's concept is moving forward.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Feels we shouldn't take action on this today. Doesn't support resolution today.
- We need to step up and show some leadership here.

Supervisor Alpers:

- Agrees with Supervisors Johnston and Corless about stepping up to the plate, but feels this resolution is needed right now.

B. Solid Waste Task Force Bylaws and Appointments

Departments: Solid Waste Division of Public Works

Consider amended bylaws of Solid Waste Task Force and appointments.

Action: Approve proposed bylaws, as revised to change membership category of representatives Mammoth Disposal and D&S Waste from voting to nonvoting members and making other conforming changes. Approve appointments to the Solid Waste Task Force (as revised), including the appointment of Delinda Briggs (as a public at large member) as recommended.

Stump moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 1 no: Fesko

M15-107

Pulled for Discussion

Supervisor Johnston:

- Concern for Conflict of Interest for members of proposed committee.
- There are two that have a direct financial interest (Mammoth Disposal and DNS Waste).

Doesn't think it's appropriate for them to be on committee.

- He understands it may not be a legal conflict of interest, but feels that recommendations can be tainted.
- When he sat on task force; the commercial enterprises sitting on this board have stated that hauling waste out of the county is the best way to do it.
- He doesn't support the commercial enterprises being on committee, ok with them being non-voting advisory members.

Stacey Simon:

- Conflict of Interest issues arise on a case by case basis.
- In certain instances it can prevent a person taking an action on a specific item.
- 1090 only applies when contract is being invoked.
- Elaborated on list, how voting members are set up.
- Even with non-voting members, if it's determined there's a conflict of interest, they will have to remove themselves from the discussion.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Because it's completely advisory he is ok with committee.
- Taking too much action can grind things to a halt.
- Cannot support amended action.

Supervisor Corless:

- Does 1090 apply?

Tony Dublino:

- He wanted this pulled so he could add Delinda Briggs to committee.
- Reminded Board why we were bringing this as an item today. May make the group unable to make progress. May need to revise again.

Supervisor Stump:

- Article #7 – questions.

C. FY14-15 RSTP Road Funding Agreement

Departments: Public Works - Road

Annual funding through the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) is a major source of revenue for Mono County's road maintenance programs. This exchange agreement allows the State to forward non-federal highway apportionments directly to the Road Fund and the County maintains total control of how the funds are expended.

Action: Approve and authorize Chairman's signature on the FY14-15 Federal Exchange and State Match Agreement for allocation of Federal Surface Transportation Program Funds through the State's regional Surface Transportation Program.

Alpers moved; Corless seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M15-108

D. 2015 Controlled Substance Annual Operating and Financial Plan

Departments: Sheriff's Office

This annual agreement in is support of operations to suppress manufacturing and trafficking of controlled substances on or affecting the administration of National Forest System lands, with an emphasis on identification, apprehension and prosecution of suspects engaged in said activities. This is an annual agreement between the Mono County Sheriff's Office and the USDA Forest

Service, Inyo County. This agreement is for the 2015 period (October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015).

Action: Approve and sign the cooperative law enforcement agreement between the Mono County Sheriff's Office and the USDA Forest Service, Inyo National Forest for the 2015 Controlled Substance Annual Operating and Financial Plan.

Alpers moved; Corless seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M15-109

E. LEA Grant Administration Authority for Environmental Health Director

Departments: Health

Proposed resolution to authorize Louis Molina, Environmental Health Director, to apply for and administer annual LEA Grants through fiscal year 2019/2020.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution R15-31, authorizing Louis Molina, Environmental Health Director, to apply for and administer annual LEA Grants through fiscal year 2019/2020.

Alpers moved; Corless seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

R15-31

F. Help America Vote Act Polling Place Accessibility Training Program

Departments: Elections

The purpose of this agreement is to provide the County of Mono with federal reimbursement funds to assist in implementing HAVA Section 261 (Help America Vote Act). Funds will be used for required training (Polling Place Accessibility Surveyor Training), conducting accessibility surveys of polling places, purchasing mitigation supplies, and possible assistance with upgrades at polling places to meet ADA standards.

Action: Approve entry into an agreement (#14G26124) with the California Secretary of State for receipt of up to \$20,000 to be used for the HAVA Polling Place Accessibility Training Program, and authorize the Mono County Registrar of Voters in consultation with County Counsel to sign said agreement, including future amendments, if any.

Alpers moved; Corless seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M15-110

G. Contract for Audit Services

Departments: Finance

Contract with Gallina, LLP for audit services.

Action: Approve three year contract with Gallina LLP, Certified Public Accountants for Audit Services and authorize the Board Chairperson to sign.

Alpers moved; Stump seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M15-111

Pulled for discussion

Supervisor Fesko:

- How long have these people been members?
- It could be a benefit to having same members for a long time, is there also a potential for not catching things?

Leslie Chapman:

- They've been members a long time.
- This is a large firm; they audit 35 counties; they rotate partners and managers.
- Every year there is a new audit team not familiar with Mono County.
- Neely was chosen in the past to do the Special Districts, at a better price.

Supervisor Stump:

- What happened to Neely?

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL) - NONE

All items listed are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board, and are available for review.

9. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Review of Local Emergencies

(Jim Leddy) - Review state of local emergencies, which were proclaimed by the Sheriff as Director Emergency Services on February 6, 2015, and ratified by the Board on February 10, 2015 and the second local emergency proclaimed by the Mono County Health Officer on February 11, 2015 and ratified by the Board on February 17, 2015.

Action: Approve Resolution # R15-32, terminating the state of local emergencies.

Stump moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

R15-32

Jim Leddy:

- In front of the Board today: the option to terminate the resolution.
- County counsel has prepared a resolution to terminate the state of emergency.

Marshall Rudolph:

- Handed out resolution which references both emergencies.
- You don't have to have a resolution but he figured having one would keep things consistent.

Supervisor Stump:

- Expressed his sincere appreciation for the work done on this by everyone involved.

B. Supplemental Funding for Ebola Preparedness and Response

Departments: Public Health

(Dr. Rick Johnson) - The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have released one-time funds to the states in the name of Ebola Viral Disease (EVD) preparedness and response. California has solicited applications from the local jurisdictions in order to build local public health capacity and capability for response to infectious diseases, with a focus on EVD, addressing the capabilities as stated in the PHEP Supplemental for Ebola Preparedness and

Response Activities grant guidance. Priorities that we are addressing in our application include: Community Preparedness; Responder Safety and Health; Emergency Public Information and Warning/Information Sharing; and Medical Surge. These funds are one-time funds, for use during a period of 18 months beginning April 1, 2015. They are in addition to our other Emergency Preparedness grants (Public Health Emergency Preparedness – PHEP, Hospital Preparedness Program – HPP, and Pandemic Influenza – PF). All indications are that these other grants will continue to be sustained with level funding into the foreseeable future.

Action: The Board of Supervisors (1) Approve and authorize the Chair's signature on the NON-SUPPLANTATION CERTIFICATION FORM for the AGREEMENT outlined below, and (2) Authorize the Public Health Director to sign the AGREEMENT ALLOCATING FUNDS, NUMBER 15-10369, Supplemental Funding for Ebola Preparedness and Response, and any additional contract amendments, and (3) Authorize the Public Health Director to sign the CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING (Exhibit F, Attachment 1), and (4) Authorize the Public Health Director to sign the LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE.

Corless moved; Fesko seconded

5 yes; 0 no

M15-112

Dr. Rick Johnson:

- Gave history/explanation of item.
- Discussion about funding and how it will be allocated.
- Goal is to identify, isolate and protect workers and community.
- All this came as a result of meetings he had in Atlanta. We are getting approximately \$65,296.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Proves that being in front of the right people at the right time is effective.

C. Fish & Wildlife Presentation on Bear Funding

Departments: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

(Jonathon Fusaro) - Update on \$5,000 grant from the Board of Supervisors in 2010 for the Eastern Sierra Black Bear Project.

Action: None.

Jonathan Fusaro (California Department of Fish and Wildlife):

- Here to give update on previously awarded \$5,000 grant by the Board.
- Tim Taylor couldn't be here today.

Powerpoint (Eastern Sierra Black Bear Project):

- Goals
- Objectives
- What happened to \$5,000 given the Department in 2010?
 - Mammoth Lakes Black Bear Survey (2010-2012)
 - Developed DNA-based sampling techniques
 - Obtain abundance estimates and compare densities
- Results
- Bear Preparation Policy
 - Category I: No harm, no foul

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- Category 2: Habituated to humans, nuisance bear
- Category 3: Caused real property damage
- CDFW Staff
- CDFW Plans
- They need Mono County's help!
- Resources
- Questions/Comments/Suggestions?

Further Discussion:

- He has gone to the Fisheries Commission.
- He is also working on bobcat study. Preparing a presentation to public in late June/early July.

Supervisor Stump:

- Asked him to go back to Fisheries Commission and ask them about the Fish and Game Fish fine fund.
- Explained all areas in county where we have budgetary shortfalls.
- He appreciates his ideas; he doesn't see that the board can do this fiscally. He'd be happy to support the Fisheries Commission taking monies from their fund.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Thanked Jonathan; very important work.
- He encourages him going back to Fisheries Commission.
- Will be looking at budget in the future, if he came back with specific ideas that cost less money, might be able to look at it.

Supervisor Corless:

- She has bears visit her all the time in Old Mammoth.
- Agrees that the board should support the Fisheries Commission donating funds.
- Is he also working on Bobcat study?

Supervisor Alpers:

- Education is key to keeping bears from escalating categories.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Thanked him for coming; suggested he be more specific if he comes in future but agrees that Fisheries Commission is one avenue.

D. Workshop - Combined Use Highway Designation

Departments: Community Development; County Counsel

(John-Carl Vallejo) - Presentation by John-Carl Vallejo & Scott Burns regarding the potential for designating county highways as combined use highways.

Action: None.

John Vallejo:

- Introduced item; explained history, gave reading and explanation of various code sections.
- Explained what constitutes "combined use".
- Explained what constitutes an off-highway use/recreational use areas and facilities.
- What are scopes of impacts we'll have if Board approves something like this?
- Private roads are not part of the county system?
- All based off of registration requirements of vehicles; it's the ones not registered as vehicles that becomes Off-Highway.

Scott Burns:

- He has contacted members in departments, other counties - biggest issue is environmental – estimated cost of \$300,000 for EIR.
- Discussed Inyo Counties off road trails.
- They are required to report back to state in 2016, monitoring how it's going.
- It was suggested that we get early buy off from agencies and to start small.

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- Can't piecemeal project, need to put forth whole project.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Question has been what's the scope of CEQA? Still not clear on impact?
- Gave information about colors on maps.
- OHV's have to be registered with a green or red sticker so the "registration" terminology is a bit misleading.
- This comes down to an economic development thing.

Supervisor Stump:

- Asked question about maps; asked for clarification of colors.
- Private roads in county – are they available if not maintained by the county?

Supervisor Alpers:

- Sees major problems being with dirt bikes. How are the dirt bikes addressed with this?
- We'll spend a lot of money doing studies, etc. but will still have potential damage occurring.
- Asked about trailering OHV's.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Why can't OHV's just be registered to be on the highway?

Public Comments

Mike Booher:

- We need totality of outside thinking to keep communities alive and houses on the market.
- Need to keep opportunities open to try something new and think outside box.

Dave Robbins:

- Mentioned that he's taking his ATV with him on a future vacation because the location offers 700 miles of trails.
- Feels the ATV Jamboree in Walker is the biggest fundraiser they have.

Dan Love:

- He lives here and has used his Ranger in the area almost exclusively.
- At his age he doesn't hike, he and his wife appreciate being able to get on a Ranger and enjoy the area.
- Right now he uses the roads illegally to get from point A to point B and the local law enforcement haven't done anything but it would be much better if it were legal.

Pam Hennick:

- The ATV event brings people back to the area for other reasons.
- We need this combined use highway designation.

Bob Peters:

- ATV business is booming elsewhere due to the open ATV trails.
- This represents economic development and brings business here.
- This means job and wage birth. Increased TOT tax.
- Gave an example of potential numbers to be generated. He feels the monies to be generated more than covers the cost of the EIR.
- Spoke about how the ATV event in Walker has surpassed

Gene Kinum:

- Moved to Bridgeport not too long ago.
- Is concerned about all businesses closing down in Bridgeport.
- Gave Mammoth Motocross as example of OHV vehicles being all around and it working.
- It's important that the Board entertain this.

Carla (Walker Country Store):

- ATV event brings people back to the area.
- Creates a lot of income for the community.
- Thinks the ATVs are safer than the normal traffic that is allowed.
- Asks the board to support this.

Mrs. Robbins:

- We have a great opportunity here to improve our economic stability.

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- Feels we need to take advantage of this opportunity.
- We need to look at the future, down the road to all the potential benefits.
- Asked for support.

Ken Reynolds:

- Feels there are more law abiding riders than not.
- Looking for access on county roads from homes, hotels, to the trails.
- Asks for support.

ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION:

Supervisor Fesko:

- What would be next step to move forward?

Scott Burns:

- Direct staff to come back with a work program.
- We don't really have funding to take this on right now.

Supervisor Stump:

- Appreciates all comments about economic development.
- Went over areas he's concerned with, namely coming up with funding.
- Wants to keep it alive but feels it should be wrapped into the strategic planning module. Then we'd need a determination how much resource, if any, county can contribute.
- The strategic plan will be discussed at 5/22.
- Suggests a group begin collecting a green sticker fund.
- Explained funding for road projects (STIP money that isn't general fund money).

Supervisor Corless:

- Supports economic development in our county.
- Key in short term may be in special events through road closures, not changing roads to combined use.
- Feels strategic planning is the place to bring this forward.
- The Federal Land Management agencies have to be addressed, not to mention the monies for all the studies.
- Feels too many steps are being asked for today; feels we need to go through proper channels and see how it fits into bigger picture for the county.
- We need to wait and see what we can learn from Inyo.
- 5/22 strategic plan meeting: strategic planning vs. tactics to get strategies accomplished.

Supervisor Alpers:

- He supports concept; thinks that the quads should have as many rights as all other "vehicles" that frequent roads.
- He agrees with Supervisors Corless and Stump and approaching it in an organized fashion.

Supervisor Johnston:

- He attended the hearing for Inyo County trails; there is a whole other side not being addressed that is a huge wall.
- He agrees that this needs to be incorporated into the strategic plan; even so, it will have a lot of controversy.
- He stands on the side of remaining an "unmotorized" county.
- Is there a misunderstanding about what the strategic planning meeting is about?

Supervisor Fesko:

- He's in support of this, feels it's a priority.
- Budget comes down to prioritizing but there will always be controversy.
- Feels Bridgeport and Walker should be next in line to be a priority for projects.
- He will fight for what his communities need.
- Gave information out about strategic plan special meeting on 5/22 at the Lee Vining Community Center from 8-11 a.m.

Jim Leddy:

- Strategic Planning meeting on 5/22: to narrow projects after all public feedback.

- It's about choices.

E. Quarterly Investment Report

Departments: Finance

(Joanne K. Werthwein) - Quarterly Investment Report for Quarter Ended: March 31, 2015 (Transaction Summary Reports for the months of February and March 2015 included)

Action: None.

Joanne Werthwein:

- Explained item.
- Presented report.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Serves on Oversight Committee; mentioned that Joanne does a great job.
- He invited ESTA to join, doesn't know if they will.

10. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

11. CLOSED SESSION

- *It was reported that Lynda Salcido will serve as the Interim CAO, while a replacement is found for Jim Leddy.*

A. Closed Session - Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, and Jim Leddy. 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 - Public Employment

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Administrator.

C. Closed Session - Public Employment

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: HR Manager

D. Closed Session - Conference With Legal Counsel

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: two. Facts and circumstances: personnel complaint.

E. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel

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.

F. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel

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.

REGULAR AFTERNOON SESSION COMMENCES AT 1:30 P.M.

12. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

13. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

A. Mono County Emergency Action Plan

Departments: Risk Management

(Sarah Messerlian) - Mono County Emergency Action Plan.

Action: Adopt Mono County Emergency Action Plan with minor modifications as requested and/or needed.

Alpers moved; Corless seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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Sarah Messerlian:

- Explained item and why it's important to have in place, this is the first plan of its type.
- Next phase is to have employees and department heads go over plan and then come up with future ideas i.e. fire drills, etc.
- Workplace Violence section discussed.
- Intent of this document focuses on our employees; the other piece, the EOP is the responsibility of the Sheriff.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Asked about evacuating animals (as in last fire) – is this different policy?
- Do we do fire drills with employees?
- What about a shooter from outside coming in? Is there a lockdown procedure?
- The Workplace Violence portion doesn't really cover the outside shooter thoroughly enough.
- Asked about an active shooter coming to door, we need a drill to cover this.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Asked what symbols were on document; suggested a legend.
- Asked about fire ladders.

Supervisor Stump:

- Is this an update to an existing plan or a new plan?

Supervisor Corless:

- Asked about committees that may be associated with this.

Sheriff Braun:

- Has a good training video from Los Angeles regarding shooting.

Jim Leddy:

- Need to discuss with Trindel what's in place. Sarah to follow up with them on other counties existing plans.

B. Board of Supervisors Ad Hoc Emergency Medical Services Committee

(Rob DeForrest, EMS Manager) - The Board of Supervisors will discuss and potentially take action with respect to the recommended committee member, Brent Peterson, and alternate member, Mike Geary, from the Paramedic Association.

Action: Appoint Mike Geary as committee member and Mike Sharrar as alternate member to the Ad Hoc Emergency Medical Services Committee, with exception that the discussion of Lynda Salcido and any potential conflict with her membership on the committee will be on next week's agenda.

Alpers moved; Stump seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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Rob DeForrest:

- Here to get approval for the last member of the Ad Hoc EMS Committee.
- The Paramedic Association recommends Brent Peterson with Mike Geary as the alternate.

Supervisor Stump:

- Worried about conflict of interest, even the appearance of a conflict of interest.
- Worries that having Brent on the committee will be an unnecessary distraction.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Is conflict with the MOU?
- Brent's statements have given him some pause.
- Agendize at next meeting – position of Lynda Salcido and potential conflict of interest in relation to her as interim CAO and serving on this committee.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Is there something wrong with Mr. Geary? Not sure why there even is an issue.
- Secondary issue is that Lynda Salcido shouldn't be on committee since she's acting CAO.

Brent Peterson:

- He feels with his experience that he brings specific knowledge and understanding to the table. He does understand the conflict of interest issue.
- He's chair of MLFPD – has advised all parties about his selection to the committee. They are ok with him serving, keeping in mind conflicts of interest and acting accordingly.
- For these reasons, he would appreciate board's consideration.

Supervisor Alpers:

- He thought this issue was resolved; that the board made it clear that they felt the suggested alternate would be a better fit.
- He is confused as to why this is before the board again, offering same candidates for appointment?

Supervisor Corless:

- The appearance is there that there is a conflict of interest. She agrees with Supervisor Stump.

C. Conway Ranch Update and Emerging Opportunities

Departments: Public Works

(Tony Dublino) - Presentation by Tony Dublino, update and emerging information relating to aquaculture opportunities at Conway Ranch.

Action: None.

Tony Dublino:

- Has been slowly and surely compiling data.
- Also mentioned annual report which has since been revised.
- New information on sustainable agriculture and education.
- Topic of re-circulating aquaculture?
- He received call from Sue Barak regarding re-circulating aquaculture.
- There is some money in the Conway ranch budget.
- Water collection discussion.

Supervisor Alpers:

- Received call from owners of Desert Springs – they had gone to international trade show.
- A lot of these discussions are strategic planning issues.
- Have Tony continue to gather all information at ranch and no RFP yet, that will depend on the strategic plan.

Supervisor Johnston:

- He has been advocating that this land use should be vetted through the Planning Commission, they should be the lead.
- Good timing for the Planning Commission as they aren't overloaded right now.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Not sure vision should be driven by the Planning Commission; should stay with the Board.

Supervisor Stump:

- The county will be fronting the project and putting itself through the planning process.
- Need a current level of awareness.

Marshall Rudolph:

- There is currently a plan in the works that will do away with the golf course; housekeeping matter that are being worked on.
- What is the consensus to staff? Status quo? Work on RFP?

Supervisor Corless:

- All components being discussed are in the operating plan; we're all agreeing.
- Glad to see that Russian Thistle will be dealt with.
- What about funding?

ADJOURN at 4:33 p.m. in memory of Don Jones, recently passed away friend of Supervisor Fesko and in memory of Mike Pinizzoto, recently passed away resident of Lee Vining.

ATTEST

TIMOTHY E. FESKO
CHAIRMAN

SHANNON KENDALL
ASSISTANT CLERK OF THE BOARD