



**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
October 11, 2016**

9:03 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Stump.

*Supervisors Present: Alpers, Corless, Fesko, Johnston, and Stump.
Supervisors Absent: None.*

*Break: 9:18 a.m.
Reconvene: 9:23 a.m.
Closed Session: 10:10 a.m.
Reconvene: 12:06 p.m.
Adjourn: 12:08 p.m.*

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Angelle Nolan.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Ron Day:

- Starting to work on equine rescue plan with the Sheriff Department, excited to get this off the ground because of Swall Meadow fire. Will be bringing more on this to the Board in the future.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE

3. RECOGNITIONS - NONE

4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Alpers:

- 10/6 - Field trip with SCE staff regarding arcing on transmission line between Lundy power plant to Lee Vining. Supervisor Stump, Stacey Simon, Bartshe Miller (MBRPAC) and John Ijung (Mono City) attended along with SCE transmission and distribution staff. After 3 hours of discussion and touring, the bottom line is that help is needed by permitting agencies (USFA, BLM, CPUC and private landowners, etc.) to allow SCE to make necessary upgrades to prevent future problems. Also, professional help is needed to determine exactly why problems are occurring on this stretch of transmission line. SCE officials will be presenting their maintenance and upgrade plan to the MBRPAC on Wednesday, 10/12.

Supervisor Corless:

- Homicide in Mammoth early Sunday morning at Azimuth and Chateau Rds, very sad and disturbing news, my thoughts are with the victim's family, hoping for arrests/some resolution soon.
- Mammoth Lakes Broadband task force met last Friday. Council approved \$35,000 toward outreach/awareness and a public wifi project, hoping funding for broadband consortium will be approved later this month.
- Fire Safe Council tonight, 5pm
- Looking forward to staff training tomorrow morning in Lee Vining!
- Behavioral Health Advisory Board 10/17

Supervisor Fesko:

- Oct 6th – Met with District Ranger Jeremy Marshall to discuss future projects in Humboldt-Toiyabe. Discussion of Pinon removal and leaving stands of Pinon for Native Americans. Discussed Sage Grouse habitat projects.
- Oct 6th – Antelope Valley RPAC
 - Last month, the RPAC agreed to recruit a high school senior (like what was done 10 years ago) to be part of the RPAC and allow a “younger” viewpoint to be heard. This month, I received an application from Jordyn Pinochi, a senior and the school class president. This application will be coming forward to our Board soon.
 - The RPAC continues to talk about future plans for the Mountain Gate park area. Trails to the north, connecting to the town of Walker, and a trail up canyon along the river was agreed upon. The public was involved in the discussion and all input was heard, mulled over, and incorporated into the agreed upon idea.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Have sent a CSAC bulletin to Leslie Chapman for potential distribution; it summarizes legislation passed this year and what the governor signed into law. Also noted that the transportation special session of the legislature will continue through November. CSAC indicates there is hope that this session will result in a transportation funding option that can move forward this year. It ranges from about 3 billion to over 7 billion in funding.

Supervisor Stump:

- 10-5 : Met with the volunteer group that maintains part of Mt. Morrison Cemetery - They have two requests, First if some weed clean up could happen prior to Veterans Day so that flags could be placed on the graves of the several vets interred there without folks having to walk through weeds and, Second a status update on the long promised Ordinance regulating County Cemeteries - A 2016 draft is about finished.
- 10-6 : Attended the Mono Basin SCE Power line tour
- 10-7 : Had a one hour meeting with the owner of Peak/Valley Construction (building the Race system in Crowley Lake) about construction status. Also requested that he spread the word about possible wireless opportunities for Hammil Valley, Long Valley, McGee Creek, the

uncovered area between Crowley and Toms Place, Lee Vining and Coleville

- 10-7 : Attended Ed Parkinson's birthday party in Benton and presented the Board passed resolution - It was appreciated.

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Leslie Chapman:

- Had an email conversation with Dan Holler for a joint meeting, set calendars for November 16th from 2-5, please email her with items for that agenda.
- Wednesday and Thursday, attended the California Broadband Commission, moving into more of a business model, very informative. Mammoth Fire Department also attended, interested in how to get broadband to the smaller fire districts.
- Will be gone Thurs - Mon, Dave Butters will be acting CAO.
- Training tomorrow called Drama in the Boardroom.
- Wednesday night at the RPAC meeting, SCE will be there to field questions.

6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Bob Musil:

- General Election is 4 weeks from today. The Vote by Mail (VBM) ballots will all be at the post office today. Of the 6224 registered voters, 3586 will receive a VBM ballot so far. SB 450 was signed by Brown last month, allows smaller counties to go to all VBM with two voting centers. Pilot program, 12-15 counties that will be able to participate if they wish. Earliest Mono could opt in would be 2020. Will be watching the pilot counties to see if we wish to participate in the future.
- Cyber security in elections: the Secretary of State's office and IT have sent us information regarding hacks, we are confident that our statewide voter registration database is secure. Our machines we use here have a good deal of security in place to prevent hacking. Our elections computer is isolated from the State computer to prevent access from the internet.
- Deadline to register to vote is Oct 24th, deadline to request a VBM ballot is Nov 1. A ballot box is being delivered to community development so people can drop off their VBM ballots. One voting location at Mammoth Lakes High School will be utilized again this election.

Garrett Higerd:

- Stock Drive realignment project is complete today. There is still some potential for funding legislation to be passed after the election.

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. Hiring Policy Variance Request - Maintenance Worker at B Step

Departments: Public Works

An existing Road Maintenance Worker III vacancy in Benton resulted in several applicant interviews. The most qualified applicant has extensive equipment operation and road maintenance experience warranting hiring at a B Step.

Action: Approve variance of Mono County Personnel System, Section 080 - Salary Upon Hire, policy to allow the Public Works Department to hire one qualified

Maintenance Worker III Range 57, Step B.

Johnston moved; Corless seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M16-211

B. Letter to John Laird, CA Secretary of Natural Resources

Departments: CAO

Proposed letter to Secretary of Natural Resources asking him to correct the omission of Liberty Utilities from Senate Bill 1122

Action: Approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign a letter to Secretary Laird asking him to add Liberty Utilities/California Pacific Electric Co. as an Investor Owned Utility under SB 1122. The inclusion of Liberty Utilities/California Pacific Electric Co. in SB 1122 and related legislation would provide a better opportunity to pursue the benefits associated with a biomass-to-bioenergy facility including improved forest and watershed health, reduced risk due to catastrophic wildfire, and a stronger sustainable local economy.

Johnston moved; Corless seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M16-212

C. Planning Commission Meeting Schedule Change

Departments: Community Development

Adopt proposed ordinance amending section 2.36.040 A of the Mono County Code, pertaining to regular meetings of the planning commission. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Action: Adopt proposed ordinance amending section 2.36.040 A of the Mono County Code, pertaining to regular meetings of the planning commission.

Johnston moved; Corless seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

ORD16-09

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

All items listed are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board, and are available for review. Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

A. Letter from Best Friends Animal Society re: AB1825, Vicious Dog Ord.

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence dated September 22, 2016 regarding AB 1825, redefining California's definition of a "vicious dog".

Angelle Nolan:

- Went over the new recommended law, almost verbatim is the same verbiage as before. Doesn't see it will affect Mono County. The new law only excludes "all" pit bulls from the definition.

B. Letter from USDA re: Mammoth Lakes Basin Fuels Reduction Project

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence dated September 22, 2016 regarding the Mammoth Lakes Basin Fuels Reduction Project.

C. October 2016 Update from Inyo/Mono Agricultural Commissioner

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Monthly update from the Counties of Inyo and Mono Agricultural Commissioner's Office.

D. Letter to CalTrans re: ORD16-04; Sonora Pass

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence from Helene T. Frakes to the California State Transportation Agency regarding Mono County Ordinance 16-04, recommending the prohibition of vehicles and combination vehicles with an overall length greater than 38 feet kingpin-to-rear-axle on an easterly segment of State Route 108.

E. Letter to Inyo National Forest from LVPUD re: Special Use Permit

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence from the Lee Vining Public Utility District to Ed Armenta, Inyo National Forest, regarding additional information on Lee Vining Special Use Permit Proposal as requested by Supervisor Alpers.

Supervisor Alpers:

- Will be meeting with Paul McFarland and Jon Regelbrugge on PUD's application, will make sure all components are complied with in the reapplication. Will keep Board posted. PUD is supplying water to thousands of forest users.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Feels this is a well-crafted letter, tied the water supply in to the forest service very well.
- Perhaps should be brought up to the CPT?

9. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. MOUs with Bridgeport Indian Colony

Departments: Public Works, Animal Control

(Stacey Simon) - Proposed MOUs with Bridgeport Indian Colony pertaining to use

of the Bridgeport Cemetery and utilization of Animal Control services by the Colony.

Action: Approve County entry into proposed MOUs and authorize Chair to execute said MOUs on behalf of the County.

Fesko moved; Alpers seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M16-213

Stacey Simon:

- County Counsel has been working for a while with the Tribe to get MOU in place to reflect our current state of affairs with regard to the cemetery and animal control. Both MOUs were approved by the Tribe back in May.

Angelle Nolan:

- The tribe is not requesting very much from us, occasionally they have had issues with aggressive dogs. Agreement allows Animal Control to go remove a dog at the cost of the owner. This is not for patrolling or licensing, only for assistance in the case of needing to control a problem animal.

Peter Chapman:

- The Indian colony has their own section within the county cemetery that they maintain. This allows them to continue to maintain and manage their own section, we have asked them to maintain records similar to ours for record keeping purposes.
- Wants to bring a workshop to the Board in the future.

B. Information Technology Restructure and Allocation List Changes

Departments: Information Technology; Human Resources

(Nate Greenberg) - The structure and position titles for the 11 member IT Department has remained unchanged since it was incepted in 2000 and no longer supports the current needs of the department. The proposed restructure addresses allocated positions (addressing position titles, job descriptions, and career pathways), and overall department structure (moving from a flat organization to three business focused divisions).

Action: Approve proposed restructure of the Information Technology Department by adopting proposed resolution Authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County List of Allocated Positions to add a Communications Manager, Two System Administrators, Four IT Specialist I/II/III, a GIS Specialist III, and a Cadastral Analyst and remove a Cadastral Mapper, GIS Specialist I, IT Specialist I, IT Specialist II, and IT Specialist III in the Information Technology Department.

Corless moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

R16-72

Nate Greenberg:

- Special thanks to Leslie Chapman, Janet Dutcher, Stacey Simon, and Dave Butters for all their help.
- Looked at many other counties' job descriptions and structures of depts, several positions have either been vacated or will be vacated soon, hopes to fill some positions soon.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Thinks some of the security officer funding should also come from Town of Mammoth Lakes

and Transportation Commission, since it touches all aspects of the county. Great job with this.

Janet Dutcher:

- Funding streams: the costs in the dept are not directly reimbursed from the TOML, or Social Services, or Behavioral Health, etc; remaining costs in the general fund is billed out, left over costs are somewhere reimbursed through depts.

Supervisor Stump:

- This makes sense for a better organized dept.

Leslie Chapman:

- All new job descriptions have been submitted to union, will not move forward until all approvals have come back. Does not anticipate any issues.

C. Planning Commission Appointment

Departments: Community Development

(Scott Burns, Chairman Stump) - Appoint Roberta Lagomarsini to fill the remainder of the District 2 four-year term on the Mono County Planning Commission.

Action: Appoint Roberta Lagomarsini to fill the remainder of the District 2 four-year term on the Mono County Planning Commission, expiring March 1, 2017, as recommended by Chairman Stump.

Stump moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M16-214

10. **OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**
No one spoke.

11. **CLOSED SESSION**

A. Closed Session--Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Stacey Simon, Leslie Chapman, and Dave Butters. 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 - 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: Three.

Stacey Simon:

- Two cases will be heard, will delay hearing the third.

C. Closed Session - Performance Evaluation - CAO

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. Government Code section 54957. Title: CAO.

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.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION:

- A. Nothing to report
- B. Nothing to report
- C. Nothing to report
- D. The Board approved an agreement with Raymond Tams related to Mr. Tams' separation from County service and retirement due to industrial disability

ADJOURN 12:08 p.m.

ATTEST

**FRED STUMP
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

**HELEN NUNN
SR. DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD**