



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

Regular Meetings: The
First, Second, And Third
Tuesday of each month

Regular Meeting

County Courthouse,
Bridgeport, CA 93517

April 6, 2010

9:01 AM Call meeting to Order led by Chairman Hunt.
Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Vikki Bauer

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1a) Supervisor District 4 (Board Members) - Welcome Robert Peters, who was appointed by the Governor on March 19, 2010, to the Mono County Board of Supervisors to represent District 4. Discuss issues pertaining to District 4, and discuss duties, including appointments to committees and commissions. Mr. Peters will serve until a new supervisor is elected at either the June 2010 Primary Election, or in the case of a run-off election, the November 2010 General Election.

Action: None.

Supervisor Hunt: Supervisor Bob Peters was welcomed. Explained he's the interim Supervisor for District 4 until the June election- could go into November. Bob Peters to be appointed to the following committees: Central Sierra Conservation Resource Council, Bodie Hills Coordinating Resource Management Planning Steering Committee, Conway Ranch Task Force, Local Transportation Commission (Mono County) and IMAAA. Supervisor Peters will also attend meetings regarding all the water issues.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Bauer:

- Will have a solution to an amendment to the Wilderness Bill regarding snowmobile crossing twice instead of once.
- YARTS and ESTA got grants for busses.

Supervisor Hazard:

- Budget issues: RCRC budget deficit at 20 billion dollars, big issue is cash flow.
- Gas tax has two provisions: counties will be made whole and emergency response initiative would be a surcharge, may or may not go.
- RCRC had 20 votes to oppose prop 16, only 3 in support of it.
- Cash flow issues for state have been addressed for this year; no reforms or budgetary structural changes this year; they are going to try to get through the primary election without upsetting the apple cart.
- June CSAC and legislative conference will be focused on budget.

Supervisor Hunt: Deferred.

Supervisor Farnetti: Deferred.

Supervisor Peters: Deferred.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

2)

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments (David Wilbrecht)

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

David Wilbrecht:

- Julie Tiede is taking over as Director for Social Services since Ed Zylman and Kathy Watkins have retired.
- Bridgeport Tribe MOU negotiations are ongoing.
- HR Director has been selected: James Arkens – will be here May 3rd.
- He has done several budget presentations.
- Thinks there is money through Social Services to fund School Resource Officer.
- Met with Town of Mammoth Lakes and MMSA Rep; also he and Lynda Roberts met with the Town on Elections.
- Joe Parrino is still out in community pushing for use of Mammoth Motocross Track.

3)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M10-54

ACTION: Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 9, 2010.
Hazard/Farnetti 3-0; Abstain: Bauer, Peters

M10-55

ACTION: Approve minutes of the Special Meeting held March 16, 2010, 9:00 a.m.
Farnetti/Hazard 4-0; Peters abstain

M10-56

ACTION: Approve minutes of the Special Meeting held March 16, 2010, 6:00 p.m.
Hazard-Farnetti 4-0; Peters abstain

Closed Session: 9:05 a.m.

Break: 9:45 a.m.

Reconvene: 10:02 a.m.

Break: 11:03 a.m.

Reconvene: 11:15 a.m.

Lunch: 12:26 p.m.
Reconvene: 1:35 p.m.
Break: 3:14 p.m.
Reconvene: 3:28 p.m.
Adjourn: 6:11 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board had nothing to report out of closed session.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 4a) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS** - Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Dave Wilbrecht, Brian Muir, Marshall Rudolph, Mark Mikulicich, and Rita Sherman. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association.
- 4b) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** - Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: one.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS/EMERGING ISSUES

(PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO FIVE MINUTES EACH)

Lynda Roberts:

- Ads have been placed for upcoming elections re: key dates, registration, etc. Encourages voters to call if they have questions.
- Official Canvass and Certification of Election – these both are required to be completed within 28 days of election (or July 6th); Town officials have had concerns with this date, she has sent a memo explaining this and met with Town Mgr., she has provided them with copies of the code section.
- The Canvass requires 1% manual count – one precinct, including vote by mail – also have to count all races not included in random draw. Could take until July 6th to canvass and certify.

Brian Muir:

- Uncollectable accounts: goes back 8-9 years, paramedics, etc. – collection rate 65%; part of problem was billing agent procedures, over last 3 months, \$25,000 collected; he's written off \$303,000 (approx.) because they are beyond the statute; collection efforts will continue.
- For future uncollectable accounts, the sooner he gets them, the better chance to collect. When you are up against the statute, it is very hard to collect.

Evan Nikirk:

- Fuel Management System: last week, received 11 bids between \$45,000 - \$95,000. Having repeated problems with existing system. Staff evaluating bids now, hope to have new system installed in May which will solve problems.
- They have been working with a Solid Waste Consultant.
- Jeff Walters and Joe Blanchard have Avalanche experience and did training with his staff.

Dan Lyster:

- Fish Stocking Issue: situation is stocking permit applied for (for 17 waters) due to current EIR required,
- Certain waters are on hold for stocking certain fish; as of last Friday, Fish and Game sent good news that waters in Walker Basin will continue to be stocked as usual.

- Encouraging news has been coming out of Sacramento, as literature searches are done, waters will be cleared from list.
- All fish placed in waters last fall that didn't die will be in the waters for this year's fishing opener; he's more concerned with access to waters being constrained by weather (i.e. ice).
- Further communications with Sacramento would be advisable.
- Supervisor Bauer – commended Dan for getting on this so quickly and counteracting negativity; she has copy of EIR; overall the decision went in our favor, fish hatcheries NOT closed down.
- Supervisor Hazard – issue is ongoing and goes back three years.

Scott Burns:

- Sage Grouse update – invited Fish and Wildlife Service to join the team; will revise MOU to reflect this.
- Environmental Assessment for Commissary – thought they'd have more public input. Community meetings will be held regarding this.

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.)

ELECTIONS

- 5a) Consolidated General Municipal Election--Measure M** - Proposed resolution to include Measure M as part of the General Municipal Election that was consolidated with the June 8, 2010, Statewide Primary Election.
- R10-15 Action:** Adopt the proposed resolution to include Measure M, which pertains to medical marijuana cooperatives, as part of the General Municipal Election that was consolidated with the June 8, 2010, Statewide Primary Election by Resolution R10-05 adopted by the Mono County Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting of February 9, 2010.
- 5b) Consolidated General Municipal Election--Measure U** - Proposed resolution to include Measure U as part of the General Municipal Election that was consolidated with the June 8, 2010, Statewide Primary Election.
- R10-16 Action:** Adopt the proposed resolution to include Measure U, which pertains to extension of the utility users' tax, as part of the General Municipal Election that was consolidated with the June 8, 2010, Statewide Primary Election by Resolution R10-05 adopted by the Mono County Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting of February 9, 2010.
- 5c) Polling Place Accessibility Training Program** - Agreement with California Secretary of State for receipt of up to \$2,500 to be used for the HAVA Polling Place Accessibility Training Program.
- M10-57 Action:** Approve entry into an agreement (#09G26129) with the California Secretary of State for receipt of up to \$2,500 to be used for the HAVA Polling Place Accessibility Training Program, and authorize the Mono County Registrar

in consultation with County Counsel to sign said agreement, including future amendments, if any.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

6a) Safety Seat Checkup Week - Proclamation declaring April 11-17, 2010, as Safety Seat Checkup Week.

M10-58 Action: Approve proclamation declaring April 11-17, 2010, as Safety Seat Checkup Week.

FINANCE

7a) Tax-Defaulted Property - Receipt of notice and request dated March 15, 2010, by Tax Collector for approval to sell certain tax-defaulted property subject to the power of sale.

M10-59 Action: Grant approval for said sale, and direct the Tax Collector to sell the property described in said Notice pursuant to applicable provisions of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - PLANNING DIVISION

8a) Appointment of five members to the Long Valley Regional Advisory Committee - Appointment of RPAC members.

M10-60 Action: Appoint Fred Stump, Peter DeGeorge, Ron Glende, John M. Gallagher, and Ron Day as members to the Long Valley RPAC. These are two year terms and expire on 04/06/12.

8b) Wheeler Crest Re-Appointment/Appointment of Design Review Committee Members (Hap Hazard) - Appointment and renewal of Wheeler Crest Design Review Committee Members.

M10-61 Action: Re-appointment of two existing members, Steve Peterson and Allison Jensen, and appointment of one new member, Judy Beard, to the Wheeler Crest Design Review Committee. These are all two year terms that expire 04/06/12.

8c) Land Tenure Contract - Proposed contract with Sierra Business Council for Land Tenure Planning.

M10-62 Action: Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

REGULAR AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

(INFORMATIONAL)

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

CLERK-RECORDER

- 9a) **Fish and Wildlife Service** - Letter signed by Diane Noda, Field Supervisor, regarding coordination between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Mono County.
- 9b) **Letter from Kathy Watkins** - Thanking the Board of Supervisors for the retirement resolution they presented to her on March 16, 2010.
- 9c) **Mono Basin RPAC** - Letter signed by Chris Lizza, Chairman, regarding a draft ordinance pertaining to bicycle racing events.
- 9d) **Mono County Fisheries Commission** - Letter from Raymond Robles, Chairman, addressed to Mr. Carlson (cc: Mono County Board of Supervisors) regarding support for the proposed "Wounded Warrior" Bridgeport area project.

Board Comments:

- Brought Supervisor Peters up to speed.
- Have been working with Albert from Albert's Meat Market to get this program up and running.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the correspondence.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

- 10a) **Child Abuse Prevention Month** (Representative from Wild Iris) - Proclamation designating April 2010 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

M10-63 **Action:** Approve proclamation designating April 2010 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.
Hazard/Bauer 5-0

Susie Bains

- Wild Iris, serves Mono County;
- Brought along Inyo County coordinator.
- Asked that Board proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

- 10b) **Sexual Assault Awareness Month** (Representative from Wild Iris) - Proclamation designating April 2010 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

M10-64 **Action:** Approve proclamation designating April, 2010 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month (as amended by eliminating "Whereas 6" of original proclamation).
Hazard/Farnetti 5-0

Susie Bains

- Wild Iris, serves Mono County.

- Asks again that Board designate April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Supervisor Hazard:

- Objected to "Whereas 6" of proclamation; thinks it's inaccurate. Asked that it be eliminated.

MENTAL HEALTH

11a) Contract With Mar-Ric LLC (Ann Gimpel, Ph.D.) - Proposed contract with Mar-Ric, LLC pertaining to residential care for the mentally ill.

M10-65 Action: Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.
Bauer/Farnetti 5-0

Ann Gimpel (appearing from Mammoth):

- Board and Care Facility Contract – has been in place since 2003, near Modesto, CA. Used as a step down unit.
- Current contract goes through June 30th of this year but now she has two people staying there so the contract needs renewing now.
- Funds not usually exhausted but with two individuals there, the funding has gone quickly.

11b) Contract With Vitality Unlimited (Ann Gimpel, Ph.D.) - Proposed contract with Vitality Unlimited pertaining to residential alcohol and drug treatment services.

M10-66 Action: Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.
Farnetti/Bauer 5-0

Ann Gimpel (appearing from Mammoth):

- Funnel money both to Alcohol and Drug Program and Probation.
- We had an existing contract with Sierra Recovery Center in Tahoe, but one year ago Mono County stopped sending people there; now that we have funds again, we need a new contract. Will span the length of project (27 months) in amount of \$45,000.
- The courts and probation make the decision of when to send someone out of county to these facilities.

SHERIFF CORONER

12a) Mono County Jail Needs Assessment Report (Peter Rich) - Presentation by Peter Rich regarding the Mono County Jail Needs Assessment Report. In May 2009, Mono County entered into an agreement with the consulting firm 'Kitchell' for a Jail Assessment Needs Project. This project was to review various aspects of the Mono County Jail: ie. physical plant, current and future capacities, future construction possibilities and costs, funding sources, etc. This project was to assist County Administrators in the determination of how to proceed in any type of expansion of the current Jail Facility, either now or in the future. The Final Report has been completed by Kitchell, and they would like to present their

findings to the Board of Supervisors.

Action: None.

Peter Rich (Kitchell):

Power Point Presentation – Mono County Jail Needs Assessment

- Overview
- Scope of Work
- Planning Assumptions
- Existing Conditions – VERY clean but parts are insufficient:
 - Administration
 - Vehicular Sally Port
 - Booking/Intake/Release
 - Computer Servers/Networking
 - Inmate Property Storage
 - Inmate Court Appearances
 - Records
 - Visitation
 - Master Control/911 Center
 - Inmate Programs
 - Food Service
 - Laundry Services
 - Healthcare
 - Recreation
 - Inmate Housing
- Historical Data
- Inmate Profile
- County Population
- Inmate Population Projections
- Current Inmate Housing
- Future Bed Capacity Requirements
- Physical Plant Analysis
- Crowley Sub Station
- Expansion Options:
 - Do nothing
 - Expand Existing Bridgeport Jail – not much you can do with current space.
 - Construct New Bridgeport Jail – old hospital site?
 - Construct Jail Annex in Mammoth/Crowley – near hospital? Substation location?
 - Construct Justice Center in Mammoth/Crowley
- Diagram of New 48-Bed Jail:
 - Increase staff but with as much efficiency as possible
 - Drive-thru Sally Port
 - Old Jail really should be used for 72 hour holds, not a long term facility
 - State is talking about increasing maximum jail stays from 1-3 years
 - Mammoth Lakes still a major possibility due to population, etc.
- Diagram of New Crowley Sub Station
 - New Justice Center
 - 15.7 million for stand alone facility
 - 17.45 million to add sub station
- Jail Staff Deployment Plan
- Past/Current Operational Budget – would go up significantly
- Potential Funding Sources – State Grant and Non-State funding

QUESTIONS:

Board Comments:

- Is there correlation between increase in population and increase in incarcerated people?
- Biggest factor is going to be the increase in salaries/benefits. Feels strongly that ONE facility is sufficient, two will be too expensive to run.
- Financing: private funding? How many communities have been able to get this?
- A lot of people in Mammoth are very against having a jail facility in such a small resort town. Is a rural location preferred?
- An observer type jail really isn't an option; you need more than one guy.
- Not supportive of jail in Crowley Lake.
- Dispatch needs to be pulled out of jail facility soon.
- Need a bigger picture of where Mono County is going.
- If Administration were moved out then all of that space could theoretically be used to expand existing jail.
- Jail operation is a product of inmate count only.
- Unknown factor – dealing with State and its budget
- Sheriff and his staff commended for the job they do. Projected growth is there and can't be ignored. What's liability of too little beds?
- There was a discussion re: a government center in Bridgeport many years ago; that is an idea to get back on the table for the big picture discussion.
- Suggested a workshop in the near future.

Brian Muir:

- Bonding to build a new jail doesn't work – not in current budget situation.
- Only way is to take advantage of State money.
- Cost of operating a second facility trumps everything.
- Makes sense to build ONTO existing jail.
- Need to determine what is truly feasible with financing, we are very limited.

Marshall Rudolph:

- It is an existing mandate that the Sheriff operate a jail, and that jail must comply with all applicable state laws and regulations.

Sheriff Scholl:

- Jails are not popular in any community.
- He feels in his heart it should stay here in Bridgeport but intellectually it makes sense to have it in Mammoth. However, moving the jail out of Bridgeport would be devastating to the community.
- Future growth needs to be taken into account.
- A lot of inmates don't even live in Mono County.

LUNCH

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Tim Hansen:

- County entering into business agreement with Conway Ranch with taxpayers money.
- Thinks any testing should be postponed until later.

COUNTY COUNSEL

Additional Departments: Economic Development

13a)

Conway Ranch Foundation Report, Resolution, and Agreement Amendment (Representatives of Conway Ranch Foundation and/or Inland Aquaculture Group, Dan Lyster, and Marshall Rudolph) - Receive report by representatives of Conway Ranch Foundation (CRF) and Inland Aquaculture Group (IAG) regarding activities during the past year on Conway Ranch. Consider proposed Resolution Extending the Expiration Date of Resolution R09-17, Pertaining to Certain Activities of the Conway Ranch Foundation on the Conway Ranch Property. Consider proposed Agreement and First Amendment to Conway Ranch Foundation Permission Agreement, which would extend the term of said Agreement for one year. Consider and discuss concepts for future master planning and related issues.

R10-17
M10-67

Action: Adopt Proposed Resolution. Approve County entry into proposed Agreement and First Amendment, and authorize the County Administrator to sign said document on behalf of the County
Farnetti/Hazard 5-0

Marshall Rudolph:

- Several elements to this item.
- Desire of Conway Ranch Foundation and Inland Aquaculture to extend the Board resolution and permission agreement that pertain to the Conway Ranch Foundation's activities for another year.
- Item will include an update on the Conway Ranch Foundation's activities.
- Item will also include a discussion of some ideas for a conceptual master plan, which would be helpful in dealing with granting agencies regarding modifications of any grant restrictions. Better to go to granting agencies one time with all requests, and not on a piecemeal basis.

Dan Lyster:

- Ongoing discussion with Conway Ranch; it has so much potential, now is the time to realize and discuss this potential.

Tim Alpers (Inland Aquaculture Group):

- Conway Ranch
- Next 5-10 years, this facility is going to have to be ready to step up in case something happens with all fish hatcheries.

POWERPOINT

IAG:

- Concepts – putting a master plan together
- Conway Ranch – will be ranch that produces generic fish (rainbows and browns)
- Mattley Ranch – would produce diverse species (cutthroat, tiger trout, brook trout)
- Basic things they'll need: storage, small garages, incubation station, etc.
- On Conway Ranch, they are Whorley Disease positive – it exists everywhere – so they are under a compliance agreement regarding this. He hopes this can be lifted.
- Letter to the Board
- Improvements on B Raceway Series
- Infrastructure Goals
- Economic Development
- 2009 Import/Export

CONWAY RANCH FOUNDATION:

- Improvements
- Kiosk, pond, etc.
- Will dedicate to late Supervisor Bill Reid.
- Financial Report
- 2010 Goals

Board Comments:

- How many pounds of fish could be raised? (Alpers thinks they could cover everything Fish and Game is currently covering.)

- 13b) Walker River Basin (Stacey Simon) - Update on Walker River Basin lease and acquisition programs.**

ACTION: No update at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS

- 14a) Mono City Emergency Access Road (Evan Nikirk) - Receive staff report regarding the proposed improvement of an existing dirt road to provide an emergency exit route from the community of Mono City. Consider and potentially authorize the Public Works Director to prepare and submit an application and related documents for BLM permission to construct an emergency access road on federal lands.**

- M10-68 ACTION:** Authorize the Public Works Director to prepare and submit an application and related documents for BLM permission to construct an emergency access road on federal lands.
Peters/Bauer 5-0

Evan Nikirk:

- Explained history on this project.
- Mono City looking for emergency exit route.
- Here to take initial step towards getting project started; will require various agencies working together.
- Approximate cost: \$75,000 - \$100,000.

Randy DesBaillets:

- This is a major fire safety issue; there is not enough mutual aid response now without the emergency exit road. None of the other volunteer fire departments are willing to go in there.

Board Comments:

- Parallels between this and Swall Meadows issue is very much the same. It's imperative that the communities step up to obtain funding.
- Overall, the Board supports getting this project off the ground.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - PLANNING DIVISION

- 15a) Integrated Regional Water Management (Tony Dublino, Assistant Planner/Courtney Weiche, Assistant Planner) - At the March 16th special**

meeting, Board directed this item to be placed on the next agenda for action.

M10-69 **ACTION:** 1) Sign existing November 2008 MOU; 2) Direct administrative staff to identify the appropriate staff member(s) to represent County at IRWM meetings, and establish a protocol to assure Board involvement with the process; 3) Direct departments to suggest projects specific to Mono County. Bauer/Farnetti 4-1; Hazard: no.

Tony Dublino:

- Had workshop on March 16, 2010.
- Very time sensitive nature; there was meeting yesterday of IRWM committee.

Board Comments:

- If consensus not reached, returns to entire IRWM group and nothing proceeds without consensus.
- Does committee need a liaison?
- The way MOUs are set up – same type of configuration seen in IMAAA.
- Under Pros/Cons of IRWM: need language that states any action under IRWM that affects waterways in Mono County, need to come before Board.
- Would like someone named in MOU as a responsible financial person.
- Why is San Bernardino and Kern part of this?

Marshall Rudolph:

- The issue before the Board today is whether or not to sign onto the 2008 MOU. The 2008 MOU can't be changed without concurrence of the other parties to the MOU.
- There is a new MOU on the table for February 2010; we might be able to influence this one

15b) **Use Permit 31-02-08 Naymik Appeal Hearing Continuation** (Nick Criss)
Continued public hearing to consider amending Use Permit 31-02-08 or uphold the Planning Commission's previous decision to have the use permit revoked.

M10-70 **ACTION:** Uphold the Planning Commission's decision to have Use Permit 31-02-08 revoked; direct staff to begin necessary legal action.
Hazard/Farnetti 5-0

Nick Criss:

- Went over history of Naymik dog issue.
- This has been a long process; appeal hearing held March 9, 2010 where Naymik's attorney asked that use permit be amended to remove the six dogs that were causing problems.
- Informed the Board that Attorney Tim Sanford had represented Ms. Naymik during the March 9, 2010 appeal, but had withdrawn his representation prior to this continued public hearing.
- The day after appeal hearing, her dogs were running loose again.
- On April 1, 2010 he and Animal Control went there – there are 13 dogs still on the property. Three other dogs at a neighboring yard – she currently owns 16 dogs.
- Inspected property again yesterday – there are still 13 dogs on the property.

Board Comments:

- Doesn't seem like the idea of an amended permit has worked.
- Supports Planning Commission decision to have Use Permit revoked.

Mark Magit:

- They will move forward as quickly as possible with Code Enforcement and legal actions, etc.
- This could take weeks or months.

Public Hearing called to order: 3:38 p.m.

Nancy Boardman:

- She spoke with Mrs. Naymik yesterday and she appears very confused. Ms. Naymik thinks she still has a year to comply with restrictions, etc.
- The sooner we can move things along, the better.
- She's like to sit down with her and evaluate some of her dogs. Maybe preliminarily Ms. Naymik will be willing to release 4-6 dogs that Animal Control can place.

Public hearing closed: 3:41 p.m.

Board Comments:

- This needs to be resolved; needs to be made right with the community with the full extent of county's resources.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Additional Departments: Community Development, Public Health

16a)

Human Resources-Job Description Approvals (Rita Sherman) - Presentation by Rita Sherman regarding updated job descriptions.

M10-71

Action: Approve new job descriptions for Environmental Health Technician and Community Development Analyst.
Bauer/Hazard 5-0

Rita Sherman:

- Went over job descriptions for Environmental Health Technician, Community Development Analysis

Brian Muir:

- There is still a cost associated with this to the overall budget.

Scott Burns:

- Explained positions and how flexibility of these positions will be beneficial in the long run.

16b)

Human Resources Allocation Update (Rita Sherman) - Proposed resolution authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County of Mono List of Allocated Positions to reflect the changes made in the 2009-10 budget and midyear budget review processes.

R10-18

Action: Adopt proposed resolution R10-18 authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County of Mono List of Allocated Positions to reflect the changes made in the 2009-2010 budget and midyear budget review process.
Hazard/Bauer 5-0

Rita Sherman:

- List showing allocated positions for County of Mono.

Board Comments:

- Overall, there is a downward trend of allocated positions. Our norm runs 340-360 county positions; we are down a bit from that.

Dave Wilbrecht:

- Since September, County Counsel has been running a part time temp person. We have invested time in a person that is not long term. The Board needs to consider allocating the higher position originally approved for County Counsel.

16c) Human Resources-Vacancy Review (Rita Sherman) - Presentation by Rita Sherman regarding vacancy review update.

Action: None.

Rita Sherman:

- Handout showing vacancies.
- Need to fill position in County Counsel's office; would like permission to fill that position.
- Public Works will keep their position vacant for now.

Marshall Rudolph:

- Concerned because temp has no investment in his office; person could leave at any time.
- There has been a hiring freeze but other departments are still hiring. Why?
- May need a closed session discussion.

Board Comments:

- Bauer - would like to agendize for future discussion.
- Hazard – thinks this position is not going to be eliminated anyway, it needs to be filled.
- Peters – thinks legal profession needs that support person.
- Farnetti – doesn't want to make decisions under pressure.

Brian Muir:

- Not a question of a freeze because this position is being filled, just by a temp.
- It makes economic sense to fill this position.

16d) Budget Committee Report (Dave Wilbrecht) - Presentation by David Wilbrecht regarding Budget Committee Report.

Action: None.

BUDGET COMMITTEE WORKSHOP

Dave Wilbrecht (Powerpoint):

- Budget Committee Report:
- Review and update Budget Policy
- Budget Priorities/Guiding Principles
- Strategies for future savings (does not require meet/confer)
- Strategies for future savings (may/will require meet and confer)

- Next steps

Board Comments:

- Need to look at how we operate ourselves, not at how other counties operate.
- Zero based budgeting?
- Salary surveys are very beneficial.
- Would like a list of mandated positions/costs.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 17a) Board of Supervisors' 2010 Evening Meeting Schedule (Board Members) -**
Review the 2010 evening meeting schedule.

Action:

Lynda Roberts:

- April 20, 2010 agenda evening meeting: no items have come forward yet. Maybe we can move Walker to a different date.
- May 18th – Benton.
- June 15th – Crowley, requested by Supervisor Hazard.
- July 20th – Paradise, requested by Supervisor Hazard.
- How important are the evening meetings? They are important, especially when communities have issue to discuss.
- Make sure that the April 20th board meeting ends by 4:00 p.m. in Mammoth so everyone can drive to Walker for evening meeting.

Additional Departments: Clerk, IT, CAO

- 17b) Board of Supervisors--Third meeting of each month in Mammoth Lakes** (Lynda Roberts, Clay Neely, David Wilbrecht) - Review and discuss the pilot program of holding the third meeting of each month as a special meeting in Mammoth Lakes with teleconferencing to Bridgeport. This pilot program began with the meeting of January 19, 2010.

- M10-72 Action:** Move that special evening meetings continue on an as-needed basis in Mammoth Lakes; Continue video conferencing for staff and public for all regular meetings between Mammoth and Bridgeport; Discontinue third daytime meeting each month in Mammoth Lakes after April 20, 2010; Reestablish all regular meetings the first three Tuesdays of each month in Bridgeport.
Hazard/Farnetti 3-2 Bauer and Hunt: No.

Lynda Roberts (PowerPoint):

- Observations and Feedback (went over list).
- Options to consider.

Clay Neely:

- Looking at locking cabinets so individuals can't change settings on sound system.
- Technical problems are being addressed.
- When the meeting is held here, it's only 15 minutes to set things up; when it's in Mammoth, it does require additional IT time.

Board Comments:

- Supervisor Bauer – she loves it, wants to continue for another 3 months. We should not spend anymore money than necessary right now; maybe wait to spend money on signs, etc.
- Supervisor Hunt – feels IT issues are going to keep getting better. His greatest concern is making sure his constituents have availability to the Board. He has had positive feedback from people due to having the 3rd meeting in Mammoth. He agrees with giving it another three months.
- Supervisor Farnetti – feels Mammoth people are not really interested in County government; he thinks meetings do need to be held there periodically, maybe not every 3rd meeting. Only time people show up are when there are those “hot button” issues. People from South County can take advantage of the teleconferencing; it doesn’t mean the Board members need to be in Mammoth too.
- Supervisor Peters – there’s an interest in tradition. We have a very long history of holding meetings in Bridgeport; he thinks that the history of tradition is very powerful; it’s something the public can rely on. This should not preclude taking the Board to communities for special meetings, this has been very successful. District 4 individuals are concerned about loss of jobs when you move stuff to Mammoth. He’s very opposed to this change and feels all his constituents would agree. He would like the 3rd meeting in Mammoth to cease as soon as possible. He still supports the evening meetings.
- Supervisor Hazard - doesn’t think the issues he was concerned about have been resolved. He doesn’t think the situation has worked out well; it’s not a good place to conduct business. Video conferencing should be available to those who want it. Problems with video conferencing in the past has led to one of the appeals coming up on April 20th. Most people who have to travel receive a stipend to do so; it’s not that much of an inconvenience.

Renn Nolan:

- Over time, little pieces of the county seat have moved south. There is a perception that the county seat IS moving south, even though it’s only a perception.
- She feels that part of this communities charm is the history and tradition.
- She doesn’t think the third meeting each month should be held in Mammoth.

Tim Fesko:

- Voiced that Supervisor Reid was very against having these meetings in Mammoth; this is neutral ground.
- He thinks it’s important that people understand exactly where they can go to for government purposes.
- He strongly believes meetings need to be here.

Steve Noble:

- Appreciates the Board.
- A lot to be said about the history and tradition.
- He’s in favor of the special evening meetings but disagrees with having a regular meeting, that’s called a special meeting, every month in Mammoth.

17c)

State Budget (Board Members) - The Board of Supervisors may discuss issues pertaining to the California State budget.

Action: None.

ADJOURNMENT 6:11 p.m. in memory of William Melton and Nancy Bennett

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Chairman

ATTEST:

SHANNON KENDALL
Sr. Deputy Clerk of the Board

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