



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

May 4, 2010

9:04 AM Call meeting to Order by Chairman Hunt.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Hunt.

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

**Jimmy Little:**

- At Board meeting today as representative for Bridgeport Tourism. They are in support of Mammoth Air Service, Mammoth Airport. .
- Clearing the road to Bodie – It would be great for the county to assist with this service as it promotes tourism. Need to look towards the future and clearing road even earlier as Bodie is a very popular attraction.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

**Supervisor Bauer:**

- 4/21 Lee Vining RPAC
- Sent all Indian tribe information on to Alan Tenille at congressman McKeon's office.
- 4/27 – flew to DC; had meetings/appointments all day; in general no one is interested in talking about increasing the gas tax. Other topics discussed: USDA rural monies, doesn't think we'll ever see it, restoring the partnership of county healthcare in reference to inmates and their health benefits once they are in the jail system; Mandates for Labor Negotiations; Local Jobs for America Act; listened to Bill Clinton; broadband piece, etc.
- Worked on Mt. Andrea piece with Andrea's daughter; Bill was introduced and submitted. Feinstein will be the first co-sponsor.

**Supervisor Farnetti: ABSENT, NOT AT MEETING.**

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- 4/16 – sat in on conference call with Forest Service and RCRC.
- 4/21 – Mammoth Lakes Town Council Meeting, got letters of support.
- 4/22 – regular First 5 Commission Meeting; still dealing with cutbacks (Julie Tiede getting appointed and Catherine Hiatt retiring).
- Town/County liaison meeting – brought up reorganization of MLPD, etc. and the paper “quoted” him.
- 4/28 – Combined Mono County Mental Health/Alcohol Drug Advisory Meeting – updated bylaws, etc.
- 5/3 – candidate’s night at Snowcreek.
- 5/3 – Mammoth Lakes Housing meeting; discussed various projects.
- He will not be at 6/16 board meeting.

**Supervisor Peters:**

- 4/21 – Senior Center in Walker to refresh memory about how it operates; happened to be their April birthday party and State visit. It’s a different place than what it used to be, much better.
- 4/21 evening – Mono Basin RPAC, scheduled candidate forum for 5/12/10.; discussed the Streetscape Project.
- 4/22 – Lee Vining Chamber of Commerce 8:00 a.m.
- Had a discussion with Fish and Wildlife in Reno about getting together for a meeting.
- 4/23 – met with Sheriff Scholl, looked at entire operation; trip to Bodie with Mark Green from State Parks, very productive; Twin Lakes got cleared for fishing opener which had great weather.
- 4/25 - went skiing at Mammoth and the Governor was there.
- 4/26 – IMAAA meeting. Stopped into the Department of Fish and Game office in Bishop.
- Had the chance to talk to Jean Higgins, new Forest Supervisor. She expressed interest in coming to a Board meeting.
- Spoke with Senator Dave Cox regarding Bodie Hills *and* the ATV event in Walker; Senator Cox called Mark at CalTrans in Bishop regarding the ATV event. Supervisor Peters is very impressed with the ATV Plan put together by Public Works.
- Had dinner with the Commanding Officer of the base to discuss common interest in the Marine Corp.
- Received a call on 5/3 from Bernadette Lovato, new field manager of BLM; regarding Big Horn Sheep habitat near Dog Town and Green Creek; public comment on this issue ends June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Supervisor Hazard:**

- 4/20 – 4/25 attended RCRC meeting:
  - They are going to be doing some referrals for populations under 50,000.
  - Williamson Act may get funded this year.
  - Lengthy discussion re: fire truck operators/licensing; could put a lot of liability back on firefighters.
  - Cumulative fees for EMT licensing, modifications.
  - Attended the annual Forest Service planning discussion meeting.
- 4/26 - IMAAA meeting with Supervisor Peters; it was the first normal meeting in

a long time. Contract between IMAAA and Mono County approved. He was proud of our staff and their reports.

- 4/26 (evening) – Benton RPAC meeting. There were only three people there.
- 4/27 – Crowley Lake RPAC. Very well attended. Introduced new 7-person Board (also two alternates).
- 5/1 – met with Tribe; waiting for them to get back to us.
- He had someone contact him about rent control in mobile home parks.
- Received a call from Gladys, with California Emergency Technology Fund – was asked to sit on a panel and speak at their annual meeting.

## COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

- 1) **CAO Report regarding Board Assignments (David Wilbrecht)**  
Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding his activities.

### **Dave Wilbrecht:**

- Continually working on budget.
- Attended meeting on Saturday with Supervisor Hazard to have the Tribe approve the MOU; the Tribe will come back again this Saturday for a vote.
- Regular monthly management meeting tomorrow for Board Members who want to attend.

- 2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**M10-92 ACTION:** Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 13, 2010 as amended with comments below.  
**Hazard/Bauer 4-0; 1 absent: Farnetti**

p. 2 - board reports for Vikki Bauer – YARTS should say she's no longer the "chair" (but she is still on board).

p. 3 – Hap's fifth bullet, date 3/24 should read "will not" impact counties in short term.

p. 8 - board comments: second bullet, Tony Alavero spelled incorrectly; should be Tony Oliveira.

**Closed Session: 9:11 a.m.**

**Break: 10:09 a.m.**

**Reconvene: 10:20 a.m.**

**Break: 11:23 a.m.**

**Reconvene: 11:33 a.m.**

**Break: 12:21 p.m.**

**Reconvene: 12:35 p.m.**

**Lunch: 12:40 p.m.**

**Reconvene: 1:28 p.m.**

**Adjourn: 5:09 p.m.**

## CLOSED SESSION

*Before going into closed session, County Counsel announced that Jim Arkens would be participating as an agency designated representative in the conference with labor negotiators agendaed as item 3(d). The Board had nothing to report out of closed session.*

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 3a) **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.** Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Mary Booher and Jim Arkens. Unrepresented employee(s): Animal Control Director.
- 3b) **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.** Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Mary Booher and Jim Arkens. Unrepresented employee(s): Mental Health Director.
- 3c) **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.** Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Mary Booher, Jim Arkens and Scott Burns. Unrepresented employee(s): Assistant Director of Community Development.
- 3d) **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS.** Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Dave Wilbrecht, Marshall Rudolph, Brian Muir, Mary Booher, and Rita Sherman. Employee Organization(s): Local 39, majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE).
- 3e) **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.** Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: one.

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS/EMERGING ISSUES

(PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO FIVE MINUTES EACH)

### **Sheriff Scholl:**

- Just attended annual Sheriff's conference; met with Corrections individual regarding funding, etc. Suggested that he and Brian Muir meet with this individual sometime in upcoming future.

### **Kelly Garcia**

- Construction starts today on reconstruction of Lee Vining airport. Full time closure until mid-July.
- Distributed hand-out with pictures of replacement equipment for Hilton Creek playground. This was the equipment selected after extensive survey.

**Jody Henning:**

- Finally finished with Assessment Appeals for 08/09 with the exception of Mammoth Mountain. There were 284 applications filed for that tax roll, went to hearing on 8 of those; 200 settled outside of hearing. A lot of the stipulations were still less than what the taxpayer initially wanted.
- For 2009, we have 440 filed; 200 of those being Mammoth Mountain Ski Area.
- Closing tax roll around June 17<sup>th</sup>. There will not be any back log this year.
- Board asked for percentage of reductions for 08/09 and Jody gave explanation about Mammoth Mountain and offered to get the Board additional information.

**Brian Muir:**

- He received email from audit firm; next year they are scheduled to pay \$70,000 for the audit and they are willing to knock \$5,000 off of that amount for the renewal. They do about 22 counties in California.
- Discussed Tax Administration Fees: Tax admin fee will not go down next year; tax revenues are going down but we're spending time in the system.

**Evan Nikirk:**

- Finally able to be in contact with Parks service in Yosemite; interested in having county assist with Snow Removal; has been scheduled for consideration on 5/18/10 agenda. There is about 8-10 feet of snow still up there. Passed out photo. Cal Trans is making good progress on Lee Vining Canyon side of things. Tim Hansen of Lee Vining thinks it's feasible to get to gate by the 18<sup>th</sup>; might need to get this on 5/11 agenda instead.
- Auchoberry Pit – finishing up middle section; hopefully in next couple of weeks. Board Comments: still working with RPAC on the ATV event scheduled.
- Rehabilitation Projects: working on getting as much contact with the public as possible.

**Dan Lyster:**

- Cutthroat trout update; attending meeting.

**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.)

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - PLANNING DIVISION**

4a) **Antelope Valley RPAC Membership** - Request for Board to accept two member resignations, and appoint one new member to Antelope Valley RPAC.

**M10-93 Action:** Accept two member resignations from Diane Evans and Joe Turner and appoint new member, Mike Curti to the Antelope Valley RPAC.

**Peters/Hazard 4-0 ; 1 absent: Farnetti.**

**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 OF THE BOARD**

- 5a) **Andrea Mead Lawrence--Peak Naming** - Agenda item before the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors regarding support for the request to name a local mountain peak (part of which lies in Tuolumne County) in honor of Andrea Mead Lawrence.

**Supervisor Bauer:**

- Bills submitted; Mt. Andrea Mead Lawrence may get named very soon.

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*The Board acknowledged receipt of the correspondence.*

### **FINANCE**

- 6a) **Mono County Cost Allocation Plan - A87** (Brian Muir) - Presentation by Finance Director regarding Mono County Cost Allocation Plan.

**ACTION:** None.

**Brian Muir (full powerpoint kept with agenda folder for 5/4/10):**

- Overview of Mono County's Cost Allocation Plan and How It Affects Departmental Budgets
- Requirements
- Creating the Cost Plan (thirteen components)
- Building Use
- Equipment Use
- Insurance
- Employee Benefits
- Annual Audit
- Auditor/Controller; Treasurer; Building Maintenance; Central Services; Information Technology; Administrative Officer; South County Administration; County Counsel
- Roll Forwards & Proposed Costs
- Applying the Results
- Reasons for Use
- Board Budget Options
  - Increase general fund contribution to a dept. or grant budget; reduce the level of service to a dept. or grant budget; not billing indirect costs is not an option.

**Board Comments:**

- Supervisor Hunt: Overall General Fund contribution – do they get to see it all together? How much is being contributed to overhead costs? All this relates to

our funding structure, etc. (Brian feels he should always be prepared to justify how he and his department are doing business.)

- Supervisor Peters: Other option, examination of outsourcing some of the services – maybe not necessarily doing it but exploring it. Has this been done? (Brian: You can't outsource the auditor or the treasurer. He could conceivably do the cost plan in house, although there is a benefit to having a third party do it.)
- Supervisor Hazard: This is a very complicated issue; A87 costs make the finance dept. look good, but it is an expense to the actual service. He thinks A87 costs need to be lined out in the budget. At budget time, this needs to be brought into public section for discussion.
- Supervisor Bauer: we're dealing with change; while going through process, is the dialogue good? Is there any flexibility in the way things are processed now? The way claims are done? Special Districts?

**Brian Muir:**

- He has an obligation to present fair financial statements. He is providing the maximum information he can to show what programs cost (with A87 costs).
- If you want to cut A87 costs, you can look at all service departments and reduce services where appropriate.
- When looking back at historical information, he's looking back two years.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - PLANNING DIVISION**

- 7a) **Capital Facilities and DIF Study Update** (Scott Burns) - Capital Facilities Plan and Impact Fee Update. **(this item was heard after lunch)**

**Action:** None. To be brought back at a later meeting.

**Scott Burns:**

- Carry over issue; there's a bit of a problem.
- Recommending that the Capital Facilities Plan be updated; financial strategy that would include a \$40,000 study.
- This should maybe go out to the RPACs.
- They would have to refund money per State if not used.
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**Brian Muir:**

- The majority of it would be spent in next fiscal year.
- If Board gives permission, money would be appropriated out of contingency to do it.
- We are obligated to do this update *unless* we give the money back.
- Once study is done, some of the projects we've been collecting for might go away – then money might need to be returned.
- We would have to start from scratch if we refunded money this year.
- November 8, 2010 is drop dead date for study.
- If we drop them, we then get into the business of having to refund the money. Development without infrastructure doesn't work very well.
- Doing it in house: we're capable of it; the problem is one of credibility. If anyone

challenges our DIF it could be a problem.

**Board Comments:**

- Supervisor Hazard: he doesn't want to spend the money now but agrees that plan needs updating. DIFs go to providing direct services, affordable housing does not.
- Supervisor Hunt: How prudent is it to drop DIF's and then resume?
- Supervisor Peters: whatever happens, it needs to go through the RPACs. He doesn't want to lose ground on what's already been done but the needs of the different communities need to be kept in mind.
- Supervisor Bauer: She thinks this is a vicious circle; we need an active property tax base. The government needs to be living on the property tax base. Residents in her district are against this; they think it stifles growth. She doesn't think it is serving our purposes and that we should return the money now while it's still all intact.
- Supervisor Hunt: would need to be very clear as to where the money would alternatively come from; in a situation now where economy is depressed – now is not the time to give up on planning ahead. Key word: flexibility. He supports DIF's, the \$40,000 is another matter.

**Marshall Rudolph:**

- Code Section 66001(d) outlines the requirement to do new findings every five years or refund the money collected.
- Doing the study itself doesn't mean you have to impose fees; it gives you choices.

**Dave Wilbrecht:**

- Thinks this needs to be brought back at a later time; no decision needs to be made right now.
- His opinion is similar to that of Supervisor Bauer.

**Evan Nikirk:**

- Communities have weighed in.

**Tim Fesko:**

- Putting it on RPACs is commendable, but not really fair. They won't benefit from it.

**Tim Hansen:**

- Feels RPAC was betrayed in past, they might be hesitant to be involved.

7b)

**Appeal by DFG of Tentative Parcel Map 32-56 /Mead (Continued public hearing from previous meeting) (Gwen Plummer / Stacey Simon) - Continued public hearing regarding appeal by DFG of Tentative Parcel Map 32-56 / Mead.**

**M10-94**

**Action:** We find and determine that the appeal of Tentative Parcel Map 32-56 (Mead), by the Department of Fish and Game, as originally filed, does not encompass issues under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and is governed solely by the 10-day statute of limitations

applicable to approval of parcel maps under the Subdivision Map Act and the Mono County Code. Furthermore, the Board finds and determines that the attempted amendment of that appeal does not overcome the 10-day statute of limitations. Therefore, the Board finds the appeal untimely and beyond the Board's jurisdiction to consider and, on that basis, the Board hereby denies the appeal. Direct the clerk of the Board (in consultation with County Counsel) to send written notice of the Board's decision to the parties in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

**Hazard/Peters 3 - 1 Bauer; 1 absent: Farnetti**

**Stacey Simon:**

- Procedural issues: the timeliness and the scope filed by Department of Fish and Game. In this instance, the DFG indicated at the Planning Commission hearing and in conversations with staff, that they have an issue with the Environmental Document associated with approval of Parcel Map 32-56. These are CEQA issues arguably subject to the 15 day statute of limitations in the Mono County General Plan. The application was filed on the 15<sup>th</sup> day but it indicates that the action to be appealed is: "Planning Commission's approval of TPM 32-56". An appeal of a decision pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act must be filed within 10 days.
- Two questions: is this appeal timely and what is the scope of the appeal? If it is interpreted as an appeal pursuant to CEQA, it could be construed as timely. As an appeal pursuant to the Map Act, it's untimely. (Passed out copies of correspondence between parties, copies to be kept in meeting folder for 5/4/10.)

**Rick Liebersbach:**

- To procedural issue: this is a jurisdictional issue and DFG has to live by the same laws as everyone else; DFG claims they were misled. If deadlines are not met, the appeal has to be dismissed, denied.
- One other issue: County Code Section 1736.110 indicates that there is nothing that can be introduced in today's hearing that hasn't already been submitted.
- Mr. Liebersbach read from original appeal.

**Department of Fish and Game:**

**Deborah Hawke, Environmental Scientist:**

- It was never their intention to appeal map; they had always intended to appeal the CEQA issue.
- Bruce Kinney, Department of Fish and Game: direction is for CEQA.

**Board Comments:**

- Supervisor Bauer – the merits of the case need to be discussed within the constraints of existing law.
- Supervisor Peters: asked County Counsel about research done on this issue, case history. He thinks he comes down on side of denying appeal due to timeliness.
- Supervisor Hunt: We can look at different parts of this. Feels appeal at this time is not timely and that our Board does not have jurisdiction to make decisions needing to be made, even though he does have strong sensitivity to sage grouse issue.
- Supervisor Hazard: If the Dept. of Fish and Game were an "individual", their

appeal would be denied as untimely. He would agree with Mr. Liebersbach that same rules should apply to Fish and Game; he feels that the original appeal was referring to Parcel Map issue which is untimely. Appeal was changed to include CEQA later; feels they had more than enough opportunity to address this. He's not clear on what DFG is trying to appeal. He's inclined to decline appeal.

**County Counsel:**

- **Stacey Simon:** Board could read the appeal as including a claim pursuant to CEQA, which would appear to be subject to the longer statute of limitations. Although that is not stated in the original appeal. Alternatively, the Board could look to the rules of civil litigation for guidance regarding the amended appeal filed yesterday which does indicate that the action appealed from is the CEQA approval. By analogy to civil litigation, amendments to a complaint filed after the statute of limitations have run are allowed if the amendment relates back to original complaint. In order to relate back, it must flow from the same general set of facts or incident and involve the same defendant. The Board has some discretion here as to how to interpret the complaint, and whether to look to civil litigation rules for guidance.
- **Marshall Rudolph:** It's not all or nothing to all claims alleged. If you find that entire appeal is untimely, nothing is heard, that's the action. If you decide that some portion is timely, then you move to considering the merits as to that issue.

**Public Hearing Closed: 12:21 p.m.**

**Short break taken so that County Counsel could draft appropriate motion.**

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LUNCH

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

*No one spoke.*

**COUNTY COUNSEL**

**Additional Departments:** Public Works

- 8a) **Solid Waste Franchise negotiations (Matt Carter, Stacey Simon) -**  
Consider and potentially designate two members of the Board of Supervisors to participate with staff in negotiations regarding solid waste franchise agreements to take effect January 1, 2011.

- M10-95 Action:** Designate Supervisors Farnetti and Peters to participate with staff in negotiations regarding solid waste franchise agreements to take effect January 1, 2011.

**Bauer/Hazard 4-0; 1 absent: Farnetti**

**Stacey Simon:**

- Two agreements set to expire at the end of this year. New agreements need to commence sometime prior to that date.
- Need two board members to be chosen for the 2010 re-negotiations.
- Previously had one Supervisor in Mammoth and one outside of Mammoth, representing this County program.

**Kevin Brown (D&S Waste Removal):**

- When two people get picked, he asks that county supervisors that do not have Mammoth Lakes as part of their district be chosen; is most beneficial to him.
- Alternatively, he would like all supervisors involved, if possible.

**Board Comments:**

- Supervisor Hazard: feels the Board is going to have to pick Supervisor Farnetti's brain, he has a ton of experience in this.
- Supervisor Peters: would be willing to be a seat filler on this as long as he's useful.
- Supervisor Hunt: making sure this is not a committee.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

9a)

**Consultant Agreement for Solid Waste Program Analysis** (Evan Nikirk) - Receive staff report regarding a proposed agreement with a solid waste consultant for evaluation of the countywide solid waste program and options for meeting long-term disposal needs. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**M10-96**

**Action:** Authorize the Public Works Director (in consultation with County Counsel) to enter into and administer an agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. (Folsom, CA), in an amount not to exceed \$97,900 for the evaluation of the countywide solid waste program and options for meeting long-term disposal needs. This authorization shall include making minor amendments to said agreement from time to time as the Public Works Director may deem necessary, provided such amendments do not substantially alter the scope of work or budget and are approved as to form and legality by County Counsel.

**Bauer/Peters 4-0; 1 absent: Farnetti**

**Evan Nikirk:**

- HDR Engineering, Inc. was selected as consulting firm to do various evaluations.
- The Sage Grouse issue will be part of evaluation equation.
- It's been since 2000 since an evaluation was done.

**Board Comments:**

- Was wondering what land options were going to be available for landfills?
- Methane gas at landfills being used to run things; asked that energy options be included.
- When was last time this type of evaluation was done?

- 9b) **2010 Wood Waste Waiver Program** (Matt Carter) - Receive staff report regarding results of the 2009 wood waste waiver program. Consider and potentially authorize Public Works to continue the program through 2010. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**M10-97 Action:** Authorize Public Works to continue the wood waste waiver program through 2010 and to distribute wood waste waiver coupons through local fire chiefs; finding it is in the public interest to encourage residents to create defensible space around structures. Cost anticipated: \$2350 in gate fees.

**Hazard/Bauer 4-0, 1 absent: Farnetti**

**Matt Carter:**

- Program dealing with defensible space around houses and wood waste waiver coupons
- Program was in place for 2009; looking to continue the program through 2010.
- 896 coupons redeemed in 2009; 234 tons in wood waste.
- Fiscal Impact \$2350.00 through gate fees.
- There has been some abuse with this program; he tries to follow up on this administratively. For the good it does, it's very minimal.

**Board Comments:**

- Has there been any abuse of this?
- Paradise landfill has one bin that's being used.
- It's a very effective program.
- Why did figures go down from 2008? There were probably several heavy loads.

- 9c) **Request for Snow Removal Assistance on Bodie Road** (Evan Nikirk) - Receive staff report regarding a request from the State Department of Parks & Recreation to assist with snow removal to the Bodie State Historic Park. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**M10-98 Action:** Authorize the Public Works Director to utilize Department of Public Works personnel and equipment to assist with snow removal and grading activities on Bodie Road associated with the 2010 Park opening.

**Peters/Bauer 4-0; 1 absent: Farnetti**

**Evan Nikirk:**

- Removing snow on public road (Bodie Road); issue came up last year.
- State Dept. of Parks & Rec. requested assistance to remove snow from the Bodie Road.
- He doesn't think it will take too much effort as the snow needing to be removed is not a lot; just enough to punch a hole through the heaviest snow.

**Board Comments:**

- Thinks road needs to get opened up as fast as possible.
- First snow will be cleared; then road dried out. Park will put materials on the

- road and then it will be graded.
- It may be that we need to try to get Bodie open earlier next year. It would be great to get more “bang for our buck”.

9d) **Proposed Purchase of APN 002-140-033 (Norberg)** (Mary Ellen Halpin) - Receive staff report regarding proposed consummation of purchase of real property described as Assessor's Parcel Number 002-140-033 and commonly known as the Norberg property, located at 106390 Highway 395 at the corner of Eastside Lane in the community of Walker. Consider proposed resolution approving the purchase and authorizing the Public Works Director to sign a certificate of acceptance and take such other actions as may be necessary to close escrow. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**M10-99** **Action:** 1. Approve and authorize the Chairman’s signature on  
**R10-22** Resolution No. R10-22, “A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors Approving the Purchase of Certain Real Property in the Walker Area of the County (APN: 02-140-33) and Authorize the Public Works Director to Sign a Certificate of Acceptance For a Deed Conveying Said Property to the County and to Take Such Other Actions As May be Necessary to Close Escrow.” 2. Authorize the Auditor-Controller to make payment to escrow in the amount of \$190,065.81, to be reimbursed by the California Natural Resources Agency under Mono County’s River Parkway Grant.

**Peters/Hazard 4-0; 1 absent: Farnetti**

**Mary Ellen Halpin:**

- Explained property to be purchased.

#### **Additional Departments: Community Development**

9e) **Road Rehabilitation Project Prioritization** (Garrett Higerd) - Discuss state reduction in local STIP funding for road rehabilitation projects and prioritize County project programming for the 2010 STIP cycle. Consider projects to be funded under alternative sources, including Proposition 1B, ARRA 2, and USFS Forest Highway funding.

**Action:** None.

**Garrett Higerd:**

- They don’t need prioritization today, but wants to open up discussion on project list to make Board members aware.
- Went over list of handouts (kept in folder for 5/4/10 meeting) detailing the project lists currently in place.

**Board Comments:**

- Questions money to be spent on these projects. What about Owens Gorge Road?
- What about recycling asphalt? Evan said that Bodie road is next experiment for trying this next fall.
- Might it eventually be a good idea to have our own road equipment to do road construction to save money?

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**

10a) **Human Resources-County Clerk Contract** (Mary Booher) - Proposed resolution approving an employment agreement with Lynda Roberts and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment.

**R10-23** **Action:** Adopt proposed resolution R10-23, approving an employment agreement with Lynda Roberts and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment.  
**Hazard/Bauer 4-0; 1 absent: Farnetti**

10b) **Human Resources-Vacancy Review** (Mary Booher and Jim Arkens) - Presentation by Mary Booher and Jim Arkens regarding current county vacancies.

**M10-100** **Action:** Move that the available position in the County Counsel's office (FTS I, II, III, part time) be filled at this time.  
**Hazard/Bauer 4-0; 1 absent: Farnetti**

**M10-101** Move that all General Fund positions be frozen; not including positions that don't include General Fund monies, at least until the end of the fiscal year.  
**Hazard/Bauer 4-0; 1 absent: Farnetti**

**Mary Booher:**

- Mary went over the list of vacancies in the County (handout kept with 5/4/10 meeting folder).
- 1.2 million in savings right now; approx. \$456,000 Of that general fund.
- Would like direction on County Counsel position.

**Board Comments:**

- Wondering about freezing all positions at this time?

**Dave Wilbrecht:**

- Strategies for next year – double timetable to fill vacancies which will force more savings.
- Only thinks general fund positions should be frozen, not certain positions in Social Services, etc. that don't rely on General Fund monies.

10c) **Budget Committee Update (Mary Booher and Dave Wilbrecht) -**  
Presentation by the Budget Committee regarding ongoing work to balance the 2010/11 budget.

**Action:** None.

**Dave Wilbrecht:**

- Trying to get county into position to make decisions when the time is right concerning the budget.
- Goal is to balance budget for 2010/2011 but anticipates these strategies will go past this time period.
- As we have fewer employees, the way we work will be different – a two to three year plan.
- If a position vacates, the allocation of duties will most likely change, etc.
- Property adjacent to Shell was considered awhile back. Motivation: non-general fund departments are rent payers. Need to keep considering this and the idea of more players i.e. forest service, BLM, etc.

**Mary Booher (complete powerpoint presentation kept with meeting agenda folder for 5/4/10):**

- Review of budget policy
- Budget Priorities/Principles
- Strategies for future savings
- One suggestion: close old MGH building
- Outside Funding Requests
- Efficiencies/consolidations
- Money Saving Ideas using Technology

**Board Comments:**

- Supervisor Hazard: What about old clinic building as use for office space? An analysis would need to be done. Might it be put back into service? (Dave: that would be an example of a two-year project.)
- Supervisor Peters: Back in 2005, there was a survey of county buildings – the idea of a civic center of some type was discussed; may be a good idea to put back on the table? Maybe include Forest Service, BLM, etc. as players. He would be interested in being a player in these types of discussions.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

11a) **State Budget (Board Members) -** The Board of Supervisors may discuss issues pertaining to the California State budget.

**Action:** None.

11b) **Board of Supervisors' 2010 Evening Meeting Schedule** (Board Members) - Review the 2010 evening meeting schedule.

**Action:** Potentially change or determine evening meeting location sites.

**Board Comments:**

- Ideas for future special meetings?
- Will just leave open for now.
- For 5/18 Benton meeting, Supervisor Hazard asked that the idea of a new Benton Community Center be put onto the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT 5:09 p.m.

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**BYNG HUNT**  
Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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**SHANNON KENDALL**  
Sr. Deputy Clerk of the Board

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