

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 Suite Z, 2nd Floor Minaret Mall, 437 Old Mammoth Rd., Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

Regular Meeting January 17, 2017

9:02 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chairwoman Corless.

Supervisors present: Corless, Gardner, Johnston, Peters and Stump

Supervisors absent: None

Break: 10:20 a.m. Reconvene: 10:30 a.m. Closed Session: 12:30 p.m. Reconvene: 1:47 p.m. Break: 2:53 p.m. Reconvene: 3:02 p.m. Adjourn: 3:36 p.m.

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Stump.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD Eric Swab (Camp Antelope):

- \$800,000 for buildings?
- Where is OVIA paperwork for receivership?
- Speaking about not being able to downgrade something that they're not responsible for.
- County need to be care with what they are doing.

Paul Rudder:

• Handed out letter that will pertain to closed session this afternoon. Clerk received a copy that will be posted to the web.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE

3. RECOGNITIONS - NONE

4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Corless:

- Request to board members to submit written report to clerk for minutes.
- Gray Line Bus Service Issue: some board colleagues might have gotten emails regarding the termination of bus service along Old Mammoth Rd in District 5. Council heard a presentation from ESTA Director John Helm and heard from many residents in the area about how the service disruption has negatively impacted them. Council asked town staff to work with ESTA to develop possible ways to restore service to the area. Thank you to council members, John Helm and ESTA board members for listening to our constituents' concerns and working to provide public transportation to District 5.
- Conway Ranch Grazing Issues: looks like this issue will come back to our board on Feb 21, want to clarify plans. Tony Dublino is planning an item around terms of a potential grazing request for proposals. If US and CA Fish and Wildlife agencies would like to give a presentation on status of bighorn sheep, she'd like to receive this information, rather than have this information presented as public comment during the RFP item.
- Ormat CDIV Monitoring Plan released by BLM, requested presentation at 1/26 CPT.
- NACo Public Lands Steering Committee Call: talked about possible changes to public lands policy in new administration, proposing NACo policy resolution to be considered during legislative conference.
- Storm/emergency response: detailed information and updates were excellent and much appreciated, looking forward to hearing from Sheriff, public works.
- Winter trails grooming started—thank you Inyo National Forest, MLR.
- George Shirk memorial, 2/4, 5pm at Canyon Lodge.

Supervisor Gardner:

- The June Lake CAC did not meet in January.
- Attended June Lake Trails Committee meeting: Plans are moving ahead with design for the Down Canyon trail. There will be presentations on the trail to the JL CAC and at two town hall meetings to obtain public input. Private fund-raising will be critical for this project. The consultants are doing good work on this project.
- Attended the ESTA meeting on January 5. The agenda and minutes are on the ESTA website.
- He's been working on several citizen concerns.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Attended the Jan. 3 Mammoth Lakes Housing Meeting Provided a handout for Board members. Noted there would be a presentation today on our agenda.
- Noted several meetings were cancelled due to the weather: Local Transportation Commission, the Air Pollution Control District and our own Board meeting.
- Attended by phone the Ca Association of Counties Executive Board meetings held on the 12th. Provided handouts for other Board members.
- Met with Chair Corless and CAO Chapman to go over draft revisions to our legislative platform.
- Provided a handout of a detailed analysis from CSAC regarding the Governor's proposed budget. The budget is constrained. There will be a "May Revise" later this year.

Supervisor Peters:

- Lots of cancelled meetings including LTC and Antelope Valley RPAC, Bridgeport CSA and the Board meeting last week.
- Met with Finance director, CAO and HR Director.
- Met with a couple of new business owners (Jim and Rose) of Big Meadow Brewing to discuss concerns they have regarding planning and building compliance.

- Discussed Public Safety Workers During the Flood Event of January 8th.
- Had the opportunity to ride along with BVFD Chief Mike Booher.
- PSO's, Bridgeport and Antelope Volunteer Fire Departments and Sheriff's Department all hardworking, no complaining even thought they were wet, cold and working late into the night. The evacuation center was opened and used and there was a power outage in Bridgeport.
- Attended celebration of Life for both Albert Pegorare and Lynn Katusich very well attended.
- NOAA briefings by their representative were informative and very accurate.

Supervisor Stump:

- 1-12 : Participated in a conference call with Inyo County, several Inyo CSDs, and Tri Valley Water Commission about Groundwater Sustainability Agency formation. Workshop was led by a consultant. The Inyo CAO came up with a potential new approach during the meeting that was different to the preferred alternative of the Inyo County Water Department. That new approach was one GSA to cover the entire Basin. Not sure how it will sort out.
- Thanked all the County Staff for the hard work and due diligence during the recent storm cycle. Also wanted to thank Joe Hall and Jon Lum with SCE for moving extra resources into the area to deal with power issues. There were 5 repair crews available instead of the usual 2 and 3 tree crews available instead of the usual 1.

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

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

Leslie Chapman:

- Staff meeting about Jail Proposal there's been a few things that have happened on that will be reported on later during agenda item.
- EMS Workshop coming up; asked that BOS get out calendars to choose a date for special meeting.
- Meeting with Assessor to discuss appeals, etc. learned some new things.
- Attended Groundwater Management with Supervisor Stump. Very complicated issue. There is work to do on that. Will need to collaborate with Inyo.
- Meeting about Legislative Platform coming to board on 2/7/17.
- Storm she asked Dave Butters to give a report on this, she was very pleased with his coverage as Acting CAO; also very pleased with everyone's performances during this storm. Everyone crossed over to assist others (Sheriff's Dept., Inmates, Road Dept., EMS standing by, etc.).
- Supervisor Corless recommended a letter be written to SCE (including names mentioned by Supervisor) commending them for service.

6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Jeff Walters:

- Gave brief synopsis of storm and what took place. Discussion of major concern areas and types of response given:
 - Sunday evening, 9:30 p.m. drainages at Aurora Canyon were at capacity but then receded.
 - Had to suspend snow removal at minimal occasions until safe (due to Avalanche dangers).
 - Feels that Public Works response was great.
- Supervisor Stump: discrepancy between Sheriff's Code Red message and what avalanche person recommended. Sheriff's message mentioned some extra items that caused confusion in Swall Meadows. Jeff will speak to Sheriff to clear up issue. Supervisor Stump would prefer not causing undue panic.

- Supervisor Gardner: asked for reminder about who deals with which roads.
- Supervisor Johnston: asked about June Lake Loop and the North Shore Drive.

Dave Butters:

- Gave perspective on storm and what happened:
 - Felt that we were alerted at least a week prior to the storm.
 - Listened to National Weather service discussions.
 - Mentioned Sheriff, Public Works and Social Services major players with the storm.
 - Impressed with the spirit of cooperation communication was good between county staff.
 - o Although the floods of 1997 did not repeat itself, everyone was focused on that.
- Supervisor Corless: thanked him for keeping board up to date so they could inform their constituents.

Tony Dublino:

- Update on Sierra Center Mall response letter out last week; awaiting a response:
 - Comparative Analysis will occur, to be heard at 2/21 board meeting.
 - Still feels there's merit in discussing the McFlex option it's a lot to wrap your head around.
 - He will wait for additional board direction.
 - He is prepared to present on McFlex option now as all the work has been done on the financial piece.

Janet Dutcher:

- Informed Board that external auditors will be here next week.
- Started mid-year budget evaluation process. Will keep board informed on when this will be agendized.
- She is not aware of any budget issues due to storm. A fund had been set up, credit card limits raised in case of emergency, had discussed capturing overtime and additional time expenses. To her knowledge county did not incur expense above and beyond.

Leslie Chapman:

- Discussion about the need to have a special meeting for EMS workshop and the Cemeteries item; asked Board to look at their calendars.
- Supervisor Corless: February, correct?
- Supervisor Johnston: 2/1, 2/6, 2/15 work for him.
- Bob Rooks: 2/15 would be ok; requested a workshop style meeting with tables.
- DATE FOR SPECIAL MEETING FEBRUARY 15TH IN MAMMOTH AT 9:00 A.M.
- Shannon to arrange for the reservation of Suite Z for this meeting.

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. Allocation from Fish and Game Fine Fund to Eastern Sierra Wildlife Care

Departments: Economic Development

On Wednesday, July 6, 2016, the Mono County Fisheries Commission recommended a \$3,500.00 expenditure over the next three years for a total expenditure of \$10,500 from the Fish and Game Fine Fund to support Eastern Sierra Wildlife Care.

Action: Approve the recommendation by the Mono County Fisheries Commission to allocate an annual sum of \$3,500.00 (Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) over the next three years for a total sum of \$10,500.00 (Ten Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) from the Fish and Game Fine Fund to support Eastern Sierra

Wildlife Care. Stump moved; Gardner seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M17-16</u>

B. Appointment to Treasury Oversight Committee

Departments: Finance

Appoint Mary (Mollie) Nugent to the Mono County Treasury Oversight Committee.

Action: Appoint Mary (Mollie) Nugent to the Mono County Treasury Oversight Committee.

Stump moved; Gardner seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M17-17</u>

C. Appointments in Lieu of Election

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Appointment of Directors of Special Districts in Lieu of Election. The following Special District has two vacancies to be filled: Chalfant Valley Fire Protection/Community Services District. This Special District has submitted names for appointment/reappointment, as outlined in staff report. These terms will expire on 11/30/2020. The Board of Supervisors is the governing body under Elections Code Section 10515 to make these appointments.

Action: Make appointments to Chalfant Valley Fire/Community Services District, as recommended, to fill special district board vacancies.

Stump moved; Gardner seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M17-18</u>

D. Antelope Valley RPAC Bylaws Ratification

Departments: CDD

The Antelope Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (AVRPAC) bylaws have been amended to conform to Board of Supervisor's RPAC Purpose and Procedures.

Action: Ratify the revised AVRPAC bylaws. Stump moved; Gardner seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M17-19</u>

E. Behavioral Health Advisory Board Updated Bylaws

Departments: Board of Supervisors

The Behavioral Health Advisory Board's Bylaws were updated and approved by the Advisory Board at their August 2016 meeting.

Action: Approve the updated Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws. Stump moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M17-20</u>

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. Mono County Fisheries Commission

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence dated December, 2016 from Gaye Mueller, Chairperson of the Mono County Fisheries Commission, regarding concerns about the wild trout populations in the Eastern Sierra and in support of the Slinkard Creek Project. **Pulled by Supervisor Peters:**

- Concern about impact; monies.
- Has heard from constituents in area about brook trout; he'd like more information.
- He'll come to next Fisheries Commission meeting.

Jeff Simpson:

- Gave some information about brook trout in streams.
- He'll work to get more information on the next Fisheries Commission meeting.
- B. Letter from CA Water Boards

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Letter dated January 3, 2017 to Louis Molina of the Mono County Health Department regarding drinking water. The Board was cc'd on this correspondence.

C. Carle Letter Regarding Sanctuary Status for Mono County

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Email correspondence dated January 12, 2017 from Ryan Carle of Lee Vining regarding the Board's consideration of "Sanctuary Status" for Mono County. **Supervisor Corless**:

- Asked Board if there was interest in this?
- She'd be prepared to prepare a resolution as a symbolic gesture.
- Can wait but would like it revisited.

Supervisor Johnston:

- He answered this letter expressing desire to wait on this.
- Explained there are some mitigating circumstances in Inyo.
- Supervisor Stump:
 - Agrees with Supervisor Johnston to wait.

Supervisor Gardner:

- Issue of Immigration has a lot of rhetoric around it; need to not get too caught up in that.
- Need to be clear about what behaviors we're expecting to change.
- It's a conversation we need to have, but would like to do more research on how it affects Mono County.

Leslie Chapman:

• Received three letters (Sheriff, Chief Probation Officer and Social Services) – they felt

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resolution was not necessary at this point. She will forward letters to board.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the correspondence.

9. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Workshop: Implementation of Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Departments: County Counsel

(Stacey Simon) - Presentation by County Counsel Stacey Simon regarding implementation of Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), including discussion of SGMA requirements as applied to Mono County; of Mono County's options regarding designation of one or more Groundwater Sustainability Agencies within the Owens Valley Groundwater Basin; and related issues.

Action: None.

Due to the complexity and nature of this item, it is recommended that readers listen to the Granicus video for complete discussion on this item: <u>http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/meetings</u>

Stacey Simon:

- There has been a change in message being received from Inyo County.
- Gave some background information; suggested further meeting and discussion with new board members at a separate time.
- Map put onto screen Owens Valley Basin.
- State Laws set deadlines for compliance.
- In Tri-Valley area they have priority they can be the sustainable groundwater agency unless they opt out.
- Groundwater Sustainability Agencies can form two (one for Mono, one for Inyo) or more, or only one by agreement.
- Mono County can elect to be one of these agencies.
- Based on Thursday's phone call, it is now Staff's recommendation to defer decision making past 2/7 to collaborate and discuss with Inyo.
- Priorities re-evaluated every 10 years but a re-evaluation will be coming up.
- Meeting coming up; we have to work together regardless of how we are structured. Either need one GSA plan or coordinating plans.
- Recommendation: we need to start now building relationships of trust to make this as seamless as possible.
- If we don't do locally, state will come in and do it for us.
- There's no scenario where there isn't a local fee.
- Possible Prop 218 issue with a local fee that state is not subject to. We do our calculations, come up with fee and then we're looking at local approval process ultimately. Could still fail.
- If Tri Valley doesn't opt in, doesn't mean Mono and Inyo can't collaborate.
- To execute a JPA by June 30th could be difficult. Dates in April have been discussed.
- What Swall and Paradise has already is more than most; might be a simple as incorporating what's already going on into big plan. State signs off and nothing changes for them.
- She has a power point she's happy to share with Glenn.
- Explained various possibilities of how JPAs could be formed. Still feels public hearing needs to be delayed that was scheduled for 2/7?

Supervisor Peters:

• How often do they re-evaluate priorities?

• Asked about JPA and how it might be formed.

Supervisor Stump:

- Points applied, greater the points, higher the risk.
- It's clear that they'd like to fund only one plan, whether there's one or two GSAs.
- Impacts on surface water fish slough included at moment.
- Taken aback by Inyo CAO's reversal; we've been working on this for 18 months.
- Tri-Valley water board he sits on isn't as impressive as it sounds.
- If State takes over, they will impose fees and we lose all control locally.
- Should be handled locally. He's convinced that local empowerment would be beneficial here.

• Recommends we continue working with Inyo if it appears that Tri-Valley wants to be a GSA. **Supervisor Johnston**

- What would be wrong if State came in and did this?
- Who is paying for the plan if done locally?

Supervisor Gardner:

- Asked about what happens with Tri-Valley and their arrangement with L.A. if one agency is formed?
- Monitor and regulate groundwater whole purpose of act.

Supervisor Corless:

- What is deadline to determine going all in together?
- Is there board consensus to delay 2/7 hearing?

Public Comment:

Glenn Innouye:

- Concern for Swall very small area. Fees could be an issue. Asked that this be kept in mind; his little water district is a tiny cause but gets subject to all these bigger regulations.
- He's open to asking questions, but needs to know what questions to ask.
- B. Resolution Restoring Three Positions to the County Administration Office

Departments: CAO

(Leslie Chapman) - 1. Proposed resolution to modify the Personnel Allocation List and restore three positions to the County Administrator's office. 2. Budget amendment to allocate contingencies or Economic Stabilization funds for two of the positions.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution #R17-03, Authorizing the County Administrative Officer to add three positions to the Personnel Allocation List: Assistant County Administrative Officer, Deputy CAO – Director of Communications and Human Resources Generalist

Gardner moved; Stump seconded Vote: 4 yes; 1 no: Johnston <u>R17-03</u>

Action: Approve budget amendment to use contingencies and/or economic stabilization funds to fund the Assistant County Administrator and the Human Resources Generalist positions. (4/5 vote required.)

Peters moved; Corless seconded MOTION WITHDRAWN BY PETERS

Leslie Chapman:

- Gave history and background on item; explained this item has been one year in the making.
- Comes at the tail end after a long period of time where county has been in a back spin.

- She should have brought this to board six months ago; CAO's office has been in need of extra help for a while now.
- Intends to walk Board through history of CAO's office and how things have changed. There has been a lot of instability for approximately 6 years.
- She wanted to go back and look at when her office was most stable this would've been during Dave Wilbrecht's time as CAO.
- New position: Director of Communications.
- Under the Jim Arkens structure, the wheels were falling off of the administration.
- Next came the time when Jim Leddy came aboard. No positions were able to be added during this time. People became disgruntled and were leaving. Ended up with a very small staff.
- Which brings us to now with Leslie as the County CAO. Dave Butters was brought in and has been Acting CAO in necessary times; brought in Risk Manager (Jay moved from administration to Risk Manager after having the retired annuitant do the job for a while).
- Asking for Assistant CAO, a HR Generalist and the potential for a Deputy CAO/Communications Director.
- Gave examples of ongoing big projects that having an Assistant CAO would address. There are things needing to be done requiring time and people that she doesn't have. A lot of things on the backburner.
- HR Generalist: critical in helping with new recruitments and to free up HR Director for higher level projects. Can't push salary survey forward without dedicating a staff member to assist.
- Deputy CAO/Communications Director: didn't realize the importance of this position. Counties see this as critical because constituents are demanding much more information from County. Not to mention internal communications which are desperately needed, team building, etc. Not asking for funding today, wants to make sure that full budget is taken into account. Just wanted to introduce this today.
- In looking at other counties Inyo: they have a CAO, an Asst. CAO and then two Sr. Deputy CAOs (Risk Mgr. and HR) and several other positions.
- Also looked at various other counties with similar structures to what she's suggesting for her office.
- Gave history about her time here, beginning with her time in Finance Department. She feels that there is money in budget to cover these; not approving these positions will not allow what needs to get done to be done.
- Explained that the Assistant CAO is going to be extremely high level and heavily recruited.
- There was money put into the Economic Stabilization Fund to restore positions.
- This is the management unit for the entire county.

Supervisor Stump:

- Even though she listed a lot of projects; is she fairly confident that there will continue to be enough to warrant these positions?
- How could Leslie do recruitments without approvals?
- Agrees that Leslie needs help.
- He appreciates holding off on Communications Director position but he's comfortable with supporting the action to establish all the positions. If they have to be filled after mid-year he's ok with that but supports recruitment now.

Supervisor Gardner:

- What is timing of mid-year budget?
- Concerned about demands on the budget.
- He thinks positions should be approved but is concerned with timing.

Supervisor Peters:

- He supports the restructure and the Assistant CAO and the HR Generalist.
- In his opinion, this issue exists outside of mid-year budget.
- CAO needs help.

Supervisor Johnston:

• Agrees that Leslie need help but there are a few things he's concerned with.

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- Gave some historical information.
- Uncomfortable with Communications position.
- Agrees with Supervisor Gardner that this should be discussed during mid-year budget.
- Flow chart not complete. Doesn't address Public Works, etc.
- Needs clarification.
- Feels this is out of context with the rest of the budget.
- Asked if amount needed for three positions (ongoing) is \$440,000?

Supervisor Corless:

- She supports moving ahead with Allocation List and she'd also move ahead with budget amendment.
- This has to be done now; what Leslie has been doing isn't sustainable. Help is needed.
- She also supports the Communications Director the County has never had something like this and it's desperately needed.
- If budget amendment motion fails, this will have to be brought back as a motion to reconsider this same recommended action.

Stacey Simon:

• There's no legal issue to reject applications if we find funding is not available.

Janet Dutcher:

- Funding needs to be found in order to move forward in a non-crisis management speed.
- Organizational chart doesn't show that when analysis for projects need to be done, sometimes other department heads need to get involved which takes them away from their jobs.
- She feels that funding can be found in the budget.
- Believes part of Economic Stabilization Fund will be recurring money.
- All restructures that have come before the board have been successful.

C. 2% Cost of Living Adjustment for County Administrative Officer

Departments: County Counsel, Finance

(Stacey Simon and Janet Dutcher) - Proposed resolution adjusting base compensation for County Administrative Officer to provide 2% COLA.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution R17-04, establishing and adjusting the 2017 base compensation for the County Administrative Officer to implement the same 2% cost of living adjustment provided to other county employees. (Fiscal impact was read aloud by Chairwoman Corless.)

Johnston moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

<u>R17-04</u>

Stacey Simon:

- Leslie excluded herself from original At-Will item giving managers a 2% increase in salaries.
- She's here to include CAO in what everyone else has already been approved for.
- Explained that fiscal impact has to be orally read into the record.

Supervisor Stump:

• Supports this; it's equitable.

Supervisor Gardner:

- Supports; parity is needed.
- Supervisor Peters:
 - Supports.
 - He thinks that doing this as a separate item is important.

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- 10. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD No one spoke
- 11. CLOSED SESSION There was nothing to report out of closed session.
- A. Closed Session Real Property Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Property: Sierra Center Mall, Mammoth Lakes. Agency negotiators: Leslie Chapman, Janet Dutcher, Tony Dublino, Stacey Simon. Negotiating parties: Mono County and Highmark Mammoth Investments, LLC. Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

B. 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.

C. 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: One.

D. Closed Session - Public Employment

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: Public Health Director.

E. Closed Session - Public Employment

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Clerk/Recorder.

F. 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. Administrative Citation - Czeschin.

THE REGULAR AGENDA WILL RECONVENE NO EARLIER THAN 1:00 P.M.

12. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD No one spoke.

13. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

A. HOME Investment Partnership Program

Departments: Finance

(Jennifer Halferty) - Approve Resolution authorizing the submittal of an application to the California State Department of Housing and Community Development Department for funding under the Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and if selected the execution of a Standard Agreement and amendments thereto and of any related documents necessary to participate in the HOME Investment Partnerships Program to fund the Mono County First Time Homebuyer Program.

Action: Approve Resolution #R17-05, authorizing the submittal of an application to the California State Department of Housing and Community Development Department for funding under the Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and if selected the execution of a Standard Agreement and amendments thereto and of any related documents necessary to participate in the HOME Investment Partnerships Program to fund the Mono County First Time Homebuyer Program.

Johnston moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

<u>R17-05</u>

Janet Dutcher:

- Gave some history and background on this item/program.
- Mono County contracts with Mammoth Lakes Housing on this program; they're the experts.
- We've contracted with Jennifer Halferty.
- This item will approve a resolution for the application submittal.

Jennifer Halferty (Mammoth Lakes Housing):

- It's a pleasure to help families buy affordable homes.
- The County has gotten funds over multiple years. While not all funds are spent, some has been spent.
- She thinks it's worth continuing to apply for these funds.
- Resolution can't be more than you're asking for, you generally pad what you're asking for. We should be getting close to \$800,000.

Supervisor Stump:

- Asked about amount being applied for?
- B. Reclassification of Social Services Employees to Align with State Analysis

Departments: Social Services

(Kathryn Peterson) - Reclassification of Eligibility Workers and Integrated Caseworkers to conform to Job Analysis/Worker Classification Study performed by the CPS HR Consulting (Merit System Services).

Action: Adopt Resolution R17-07, authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County of Mono list of allocated positions to add three Eligibility Specialist Trainee/I/II, one Eligibility Specialist III, one Eligibility Specialist Supervisor, three Integrated Caseworker I/II, one Integrated Caseworker III, one

Supervising Caseworker and delete three Eligibility Worker I/II, one Eligibility Worker III, one Eligibility Worker Supervisor, one Integrated Caseworker I/II, one Integrated Caseworker III, and one Supervising Integrated Caseworker.

Stump moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

<u>R17-07</u>

Kathy Peterson:

- Here to ask for approval to reclassify and amend the allocation list.
- The State Analysis showed different classifications and more experience required overall.
- She met with Dave Butters to come up with new allocation list.
- Went over proposed changes to positions in her office and how they are being classified.
- Correction to what was submitted: she doesn't need a mid-year budget adjustment. Additionally, in future years, there should not be General Fund contribution.
- The old fashioned Medi-Cal monies should continue to be available.
- County needs to adopt to new specifications from State.

Supervisor Stump:

• Verified that what state report says coincides with what she's recommending.

Supervisor Johnston:

Asked how her people compare to what Inyo is making?

C. Public Works Restructure - Road

Departments: Public Works - Road

(Jeff Walters) - Restructure to restore parity in the Public Works Superintendent positions. The proposed restructure would establish parity between the Supervisor and Superintendent positions within Public Works.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution R17-06, Authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County List of Allocated Positions to Eliminate one Road Operations Supervisor and to Add one Road Operations Superintendent in the Public Works Department.

Gardner moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

<u>R17-06</u>

Jeff Walters:

- Gave history and background on item.
- There is a parity issue at the moment within Public Works. Discussion about salaries and inequities.
- Gave information regarding different sources that road funding comes from.
- Elaborated on different duties/tasks the person in question performs.

Supervisor Gardner:

- Asked how road fund works.
- Supervisor Stump:
 - Asked about the other duties the individual in question performs?
- D. Update on Status of Jail Renovation/Replacement Project

Departments: Public Works, Sheriff, CAO, Finance

(Garrett Higerd) - Update on status of efforts to secure site adjacent to existing jail facility for construction of jail annex and on issues related to the preparation of a grant proposal for funds to construct that annex or, alternatively, to construct a new facility on the site of the old County hospital on Twin Lakes Road.

Action: None.

Garrett Higerd:

- Here to give update to the last item on this topic.
- Went over alternatives: 1. Construct new facility at hospital site on Twin Lakes Road; 2. Construct annex on Frontier site.
- Board initially gave direction that option 2 be followed unless Frontier site was not available. If not, then go with option 1.
- What has occurred: He's been in contact with Frontier who has conveyed that they need their property and that it is NOT available to the county
- Consequently, he has proceeded on pursuing option 1 and getting application in for funding.
- Counties with populations of less than 200,000 (our county) get a much reduced match.
- State Fire Marshall Fee and State Audit fees will have to be covered by our county.
- Cautioned about overall price tag. They are working with consultants to drill down into the numbers right now. Now entering the phase of due diligence, looking at soft costs and what can qualify as our match (using own staff).
- Proposing we continue to work on our budget narrative.
- Application is due the end of February; anything final before the board on 2/21.
- Having Mike Booher on board will be very beneficial due to his extensive experience.
- He'd like to have old building structure analyzed and determine whether the county crews can demolish, etc.
- He will be back asking for new resolution of support from Board.
- Asked Board to follow up with him if there are any issues; questions.

Supervisor Gardner:

- With Frontier off table, we're focused on new facility.
- Asked about county's potential reduced match.
- County contribution could be \$2 million?

• Supports moving this forward, but wants capital budget review during mid-year budget.

Leslie Chapman:

- Spoke about the \$27 million amount that was presented but that didn't really take into account our county's unique specifications. Identified several areas where our own staff time can be used which will reduce costs.
- The funding awards will be made in November and we don't want to spend any monies prior to that.
- When 17-18 budget is adopted, either this is included or not.
- Went over various decisions board will be making. She'll keep board apprised of situation.

Supervisor Corless:

- More funding/budget discussion.
- Questions about programming/anti-recidivism.
- Building new jail is the best way to provide what's required?

Supervisor Johnston:

- Is it possible for county crews to demolish a structure?
- This will be the single largest project the county has done in a long time.
- It's almost total General Fund budget.
- If this is a one-time thing (as far as grant monies), we need to go for it.

Supervisor Peters:

- Asked for clarity on what Garrett needs from the board.
- Is new resolution needed now?
- Although it is a jail, it has a potential for public use as well.

Supervisor Stump:

• Glad to hear about potential cost up front to county; the idea of putting \$2 million into inmates bothers him when there are so many other costs (no paramedic in his district) but he knows it needs to go forward.

E. Resolution for Exception to 180-day Wait Period under PERS Laws

Departments: County Counsel, Public Works, Sheriff, Finance, CAO

(Stacey Simon and Garrett Higerd) - Proposed resolution certifying critical need for appointment of Mono County retiree Mike Booher to part-time, limited term, non-benefitted position of Jail Operations/Needs Specialist.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution R17-08, providing necessary certifications for exception to the 180-day wait period under Government Code sections 7522.56 & 21224 for the limited term, part-time employment of PERS retiree Glenn Michael Booher as Jail Operations/Needs Specialist.

Peters moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

<u>R17-08</u>

Stacey Simon:

- She put this item together and she is presenting it.
- This flows out of what Garrett inferred in his presentation; due to short time frame, we need a competitive application. No reason to apply and go forward without being competitive.
- Suggestion is to bring Mike Booher back from retirement; because he just retired from PERS there is normally a 180 day wait period.
- PERS requires that the Board make some certifications before he can be brought back prior to the 180 days.
- Went over requirements to do this and have PERS approve.
- F. Extension of Temporary Moratorium on Commercial Cannabis Activities

Departments: Community Development

(Michael Draper) - Public hearing pertaining to request for approval of interim ordinance No. 17_ of the Mono County Board of Supervisors extending the temporary moratorium prohibiting commercial medical and recreational marijuana activities, including commercial cultivation, distribution, transportation, delivery, storage, manufacturing, processing, provision or sale of cannabis products in the unincorporated area of Mono County established by Mono County Ordinance 16-11.

Action: Following public hearing adopt proposed ordinance No. 17-02, extending the temporary moratorium prohibiting commercial medical and recreational marijuana activities, including commercial cultivation, distribution, transportation, delivery, storage, manufacturing, processing, provision or sale of cannabis products in the unincorporated area of Mono County established by Mono County Ordinance 16-11.

Stump moved; Johnston seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>ORD17-02</u>

Public Hearing opened: 3:02 p.m.

Wendy Sugimura:

- Here today on behalf of department.
- With last election Prop 64 legalized marijuana activities in California.
- Licenses available by January 1, 2018.
- First Cannabis Task Force meeting occurred on January 9, 2017. Well attended. Staff there

from 14 departments.

- Handed out brief summary of issues that were discussed and gave a bit of detail to those (to be posted to web page).
- This was just an initial brush, breadth and scope of potential marijuana activities and issues to consider.
- Public outreach in each phase can take about two months, including policy development work.
- Given how time consuming this could be, she's here asking board to continue moratorium to December, 2017.
- If work gets completed sooner, board could lift moratorium. Or it could get extended.
- Task force is asking for direction on what gets researched and discussed; they'd appreciate any direction.

Supervisor Corless:

• Might need a separate agenda item soon to give detailed direction to Task force as it's not really part of this agenda item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tom Reegan (San Diego resident):

- He understands why a moratorium is in place although not required.
- He does have an interest in starting a cannabis business here (small craft farm).
- Feels that his target audience would be people that enjoy recreation as well as cannabis.
- Feels the sales of cannabis could really help Mono County economically.
- He volunteers any input to task force, he's an attorney.

Supervisor Stump:

 Mentioned that Calaveras wants to ban all sales of cannabis; will probably have a special election.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED: 3:18 P.M.

Supervisor Stump:

- He's in support of the ordinance; mentioned this does not affect tribal land.
- We do need to coordinate with tribal land regarding future of deliveries, etc.
- Happy to see that everyone is concerned with the workload possibly associated with this.
- We need breathing space to determine what, if any, regulations our County might need to place.

Supervisor Johnston:

- He's in support of Ordinance.
- Noted that Task Force is heavily weighted with regulators; feels we need a cross-section of all types, including people that want to grow or have grown or are using medical marijuana.
- Feels we should do this jointly with the Town who are the biggest potential market.
- Doesn't want to see Mono County as the Cannabis capitol of the world just to generate TOT. Doesn't feel it's a basis for an economy.

Supervisor Gardner:

• We need to get into the details.

Supervisor Peters:

- Asked whether or not the Town was invited to Task Force table?
- Wants to know how public outreach is going to occur.

Supervisor Corless:

- There has to be expertise at the state level; we can hopefully tweak something already done. Look into what's happening statewide, not necessarily at the "state level".
- Requested a future agenda item.

District Attorney Kendall:

- Addressed the public.
- Once parties are identified, hoping for more input from other players.

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- As far as Town in concerned, the county will have different interests. Feels county will have broader proposals, and certain things applying to County vs. Town.
- There are permits at State level and licensing at local level that will address transporting, etc.
- Possibly a consultant to be hired?

Leslie Chapman:

- She has copy of agenda item and contract Inyo just approved that she'll review.
- May have a presentation coming to the board.

Nate Reade (Agricultural Commissioner):

- He appreciates looking to see what other counties are doing.
- As far as state goes, state is going to be right on edge with licensing and deadlines.
- He doesn't suggest waiting for the state.

Stacey Simon:

 Mentioned that the meeting everyone is headed to in Sacramento today will have lots of collaborative ideas.

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