



**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 Mammoth Lakes Suite Z, 237 Old Mammoth Rd, Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

**Regular Meeting  
November 21, 2017**

9:03 AM Meeting called to order by Chair Corless.

*Supervisors Present: Corless, Gardner, and Peters.  
Supervisors Absent: Johnston, Stump.*

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Peters.

Supervisor Corless recognized friends in Corning and Tehama County.

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

**Julie Fritcher:**

- Request to place S.1924 on agenda of next board meeting (available in additional documents). In regards to Camp Antelope.

**2. RECOGNITIONS**

**A. Resolution Recognizing Scott Burns for His Years of Service to Mono County**

Departments: Community Development

(Wendy Sugimura) - Presentation of resolution recognizing Scott Burns for his years of public service.

**Action:** Adopt Resolution recognizing Scott Burns for his years of service.

**Gardner moved; Peters seconded**

**Vote: 3 yes; 0 no; 2 absent: Johnston, Stump**  
**M17-225**

**Wendy Sugimura, Analyst:**

- Introduced the item.

**Staff who spoke:**

- Jerry LeFrancois
- Leslie Chapman
- Nate Greenberg
- Nick Criss
- CD Ritter
- Alicia Vennos

**Supervisor Corless**

- Read from the resolution.

**Scott Burns:**

- Thanked everyone.

*Break: 9:27 AM*

*Reconvene: 9:29 AM*

**3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

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

**Leslie Chapman, CAO:**

- Recreation position.
- All Hazards Incident Management team.
- ESCOG.
- Recruitments.

**4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS**

**Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:**

- Update on MOE (Maintenance of Effort).

**Nate Greenberg, IT Director:**

- Radio outage issue, affecting all of the fire departments on the repeaters, other than Conway Summit. Service was inexplicably restored. IT hasn't taken any action, but wanted to make everyone aware of it.
- Actively trying to launch a new website for the County.

**Sheriff Braun:**

- Appreciate the hard work of the IT department on the radio system.
- There was a shooting in a rural community in Tehama County. Causes pause to think, "Are we ready?" Active shooter training available.
- No-shave November. Suspended facial hair policy for the month. Donated to charity: Mammoth Hospitals Cancer Outreach program.

**Karin Humiston, Probation Chief:**

- Prop 63.  
SB 190, Fees.

Moved to Board Reports.

## 5. 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. Performance Contract between Mono County Behavioral Health and the California Department of Health Care Services

Departments: Behavioral Health

Proposed performance contract with California Department of Health Care Services.

**Action:** Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize Robin Roberts or other designated Behavioral Health Staff to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

**Gardner moved; Corless seconded**

**Vote: 3 yes; 0 no; 2 absent: Johnston, Stump**

**M17-226**

### B. Contract with Panorama Environmental, Inc. for Environmental Analysis of Water Leases/Transfers in Walker River Basin

Departments: Community Development

Proposed contract with Panorama Environmental Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$365,961, for California Environmental Quality Act Analysis of Water Leases/Transfers in the Walker River Basin, Mono County.

**Action:** Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize CAO Leslie Chapman to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

**Peters moved; Gardner seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 2 absent: Johnston, Stump**

**M17-227**

**Supervisor Peters:**

- Needs clarification on the timeline.

**Wendy Sugimura:**

- Grant's funding expires before the County can complete proposed scope of work can be completed.
- Have been told that it should not be a problem to extend the time frame.
- Should there be a problem, there is language in the contract that allows to either terminate or adjust.

## 6. 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. SB 190 Letter

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Letter to the Board from multiple groups including the East Bay Community Law Center regarding the implementation of S.B. 190.

**B. Wildlife Conservation Board Letter**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Letter from the California Wildlife Conservation Board on behalf of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) advising of their consideration of acceptance, on DFW's behalf, of a conservation easement on 15+ acres of land within the Town of Mammoth Lakes and 10+ acres of land near Swall Meadows (Wheeler Ridge).

**7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING**

**A. PUBLIC HEARING: Mono County Housing Program Guidelines**

Departments: Finance

(Janet Dutcher) - Public hearing regarding Mono County Housing program guidelines.

**Action:** Adopt Resolution R17-84A, Approving the Mono County First Time Homebuyer Guidelines, Owner Investor Rehabilitation Guidelines, and Occupant Rehabilitation Guidelines.

**Peters moved; Gardner seconded**

**Vote: 3 yes; 0 no; 2 absent: Johnston, Stump**

**R17-84A**

**Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:**

- Introduced item.
- Seeking public input on Mono County Housing Guidelines.
- 3 separate guidelines as items on the agenda – home buyer guidelines.
- 2 guidelines attached for rehabilitation.
- Guidelines are for a new needs-based program.
- Patricia Robertson, from Mammoth Lakes Housing, which is the program administrator.

**Public hearing opened 10:09 AM**

**Patricia Robertson:**

- Gave update on progress of Mammoth Lakes Housing.

**Public Hearing closed: 10:10 AM / Board Discussion**

**B. 2017/2018 CSAC Appointments**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Selection from the Board of Supervisors of a member and alternate to serve on the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Board of Directors for 2017/18.

**Action:** Elect Supervisor Larry Johnston to serve on the CSAC Board of Directors for the 2017/18 Association year beginning on November 28,

2017; also, elect Supervisor Peters as the alternate member.

**Gardner moved; Corless seconded**

**Vote: 3 yes; 0 no; 2 absent: Johnston, Stump**

**M17-228**

**Leslie Chapman:**

- Current appointments: Johnston, lead. Gardner, alternate.

**Supervisor Corless:**

- Want to keep Supervisor Johnston in the first spot should he regain health enough to begin participating again. Supervisor Peters has expressed interest in the alternate position.

**C. Appointments to the Economic Development, Tourism & Film Commission**

Departments: Economic Development

(Alicia Vennos) - Appointment of Wendy Schneider and Sarah Walsh to the Mono County Economic Development, Tourism & Film Commission, to represent District 2 and 3 respectively for a four-year term.

**Action:** Appoint Wendy Schneider and Sarah Walsh to the Mono County Economic Development, Tourism & Film Commission, for a four-year term effective Nov. 21, 2017 to June 30, 2021.

**Gardner moved; Peters seconded**

**Vote: 3 yes; 0 no; 2 absent: Johnston**

**M17-229**

**Alicia Vennos, Economic Development Director:**

- Introduced item. Asked that named applicants be appointed.
- Fills all commission seats.

**Wendy Schneider:**

- Will put the development of Mono County first.

**D. Comment Letter on Proposed National Park Fee Increase, and Resolution in Support of the National Park Service Legacy Act**

Departments: CAO

(Leslie Chapman) - Consider comment letter regarding proposed fee increase in certain National Parks, and Resolution R17-85, A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors in support of the National Park Service Legacy Act of 2017 (S751 and H.R. 2584) to create a reliable, predictable stream of resources to address deferred maintenance needs in America's National Park System.

**Action:** Authorize Chair to sign letter regarding proposed fee increase in certain National Parks, and approve Resolution R17-85, A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors in support of the National Park Service Legacy Act of 2017 (S751 and H.R. 2584) to create a reliable, predictable stream of resources to address deferred maintenance needs in America's National Park System.

**Peters moved; Gardner seconded**

**Vote: 3 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston, Stump**

**R17-85**

**Supervisor Corless:**

- Drafted a new letter that combined the two in the agenda packet (available in additional documents). Asked that this new letter be considered.
- Urgency, as comment period closes on 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Alicia Vennos, Economic Development Director:**

- Believes the new letter is right on the mark.

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

No one spoke.

**9. CLOSED SESSION**

*Began at 10:21 AM*

**A. Closed Session--Human Resources**

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Stacey Simon, Leslie Chapman, Dave Butters, Janet Dutcher, and Anne Larsen. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt). Unrepresented employees: All.

**B. Closed Session -- Exposure to Litigation**

Departments: County Counsel

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: one.

Nothing to report out of closed session.

**THE AFTERNOON SESSION WILL RECONVENE NO EARLIER THAN 1:00 P.M.**

*Reconvened at 1:30 PM*

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

No one spoke.

**11. REGULAR AGENDA – AFTERNOON**

Opportunity for public address – no one spoke.

**A. PUBLIC HEARING: Request to Extend Temporary Moratorium on all Commercial Cannabis Activities in the Unincorporated Area of Mono County for One Year**

Departments: Community Development

(Michael Draper) - Public hearing regarding request for approval of interim ordinance No. 17-15 of the Mono County Board of Supervisors extending the temporary moratorium prohibiting commercial medical and recreational cannabis 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:** Adopt proposed ORD17-15, Extending the temporary moratorium prohibiting commercial medical and recreational cannabis 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.

**Peters moved; Gardner seconded**

**Vote: 3 yes; 0 no; 2 absent: Johnston, Stump**

**ORD17-15**

Supervisor Gardner moved to Bridgeport Board Chambers.

**Michael Draper, Analyst:**

- Introduced item.

**Christy Milovich, Assistant County Counsel:**

- Clarified: If this ordinance is adopted today, it extends to December 2, 2018.

**Public hearing opened at 1:35 PM**

Robert Calvert, Mammoth Lakes Wellness

Eric Edgerton, Tilth Farms

Cory Zila, Plant Products

Jeph Gundzik, Banner Springs Ranch

Mono County Resident, no name provided

John McCallister, Business owner / June Lake resident

Sally Rosen, AV Cannabis Association: submitted a packet of signatures to the Board in support (available in additional documents).

**Public hearing closed / Board Discussion: 1:59 PM**

Roll-call vote:

Peters: Yes

Corless: Yes

Gardner: Yes

**12. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

The Board may, if time permits, take Board Reports at any time during the meeting and not at a specific time.

**Supervisor Corless:**

- Attended a workshop with the Town Planning Commission and Board of Mammoth Lakes Housing; presentation of the Community Action Housing Plan. Plan available at [www.housemammothlakes.com](http://www.housemammothlakes.com). Recommendations by consultants for the Town to add housing capacity within its own staff. Considering the plan December 6.
- NACo Gateway Community Conference Call.
- Hosted Community Conversation with Mayor Wentworth and Councilman Fernie. Thanked the Eatery and Mammoth Brewing Company for providing a great venue.
- Seeking re-election in 2018.
- Will be at CSAC conference next week in Sacramento.

**Supervisor Gardner:**

- CAC Meeting in June Lake to discuss Free Summer ESTA bus shuttle.
- Conference call with NACo Resorts Tourism Gateway County Caucus.
- ESTA Board meeting. Provided annual reports to the Board.
- Asked that an item be added to the agenda: consideration of a letter to Representative Cook objecting to his support of the tax-reform bill that was approved by the House recently.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Absent.

**Supervisor Peters:**

- 14<sup>th</sup> AV Chamber – Geo Cache Event in, Kite Festival Out
- 15<sup>th</sup> Coffee with CAO
- 15<sup>th</sup> Mono County Recreation Position Meeting Leslie and Tony Noteworthy Jeremy Marshall moving on
- 16<sup>th</sup> State Bureau of Cannabis Control 1<sup>st</sup> Advisory Committee Meeting
- 17<sup>th</sup> AV Senior Center Farewell Lunch Moises Cornejo
- Chris Fire Update Sheriff's Dept. and CERT
- Cal Trans Road Updates
- **Upcoming:** CSAC Annual Conference

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Absent.

Moved to Item 5: Consent Agenda.

**ADJOURNED at 2:16 PM**

**ATTEST**

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**STACY CORLESS  
CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

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**SCHEEREN DEDMAN  
SR. DEPUTY CLERK**