EASTERN SIERRA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

MINUTES

Friday – September 16, 2016
Mammoth Lakes Council Chambers – 8:45 a.m.
437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite Z
Mammoth, California

ESCOG Members
Mono County Supervisor Stacy Corless – Chair
Mono County Supervisor Larry Johnston
Town of Mammoth Lakes Councilmember Shields Richardson
Town of Mammoth Lakes Councilmember John Wentworth

Inyo County Supervisor Jeff Griffiths
Inyo County Supervisor Mark Tillemans
City of Bishop Councilmember Joe Pecsi
City of Bishop Councilmember Karen Schwartz – Vice Chair

Called to Order: 8:49

Present: Pecsi, Tillemans, Corless, Wentworth, Richardson, Johnston, Griffith

Not Present: Schwarz

Stacy Corless left at 11:00

1. Introductions

2. Pledge of Allegiance Tillemans

3. Public Comment - None

4. Board Member and Staff Reports –

    Pecsi-no
    Tillemans-no
    John Wentworth – Day long Lakes Basin Meeting November 10, 10:00 am
5. Inyo County Juvenile Hall Update (Discussion) – Inyo County Supervisor Jeff Griffiths  
   Discussion of changes to juvenile facility operating model, new plan goes live in September (keep on agenda)

6. Inyo National Forest Plan Revision (Discussion) – Town of Mammoth Lakes Councilmember John Wentworth – Follow-up discussion regarding forest plan comments

   Discussion of letters from local government bodies regarding forest revision plan and need to improve and increase communication with federal agencies and representatives

   Add to next meeting – Advocacy efforts for next year – talking points and representation

7. Regional Air Service Update (Discussion & Possible Action) – Receive updates from airports in Inyo County and Town of Mammoth Lakes, consider adding committee assignments

   Grady Dutton recapped meeting with FAA, Alaska Airlines change to minimum clearances.

   Fred Stump lead discussion of airport safety concerns, possible joint response options.

   Joe Pecsi discussed Inyo County emergency plan.

   Stephen Kalish, Swall Meadows resident. Disagrees that Town should have no safety concerns. Numerous identified safety deficiencies at airport.

   Jeff Griffiths gave update on plans for Inyo airport.

8. Eastern Sierra Broadband (Discussion) – Nate Greenberg, Mono County/Mammoth Lakes Director of Information Technology – Receive update regarding Broadband Consortium application to CPUC/CASF, Town of Mammoth Lakes Broadband Taskforce work plans

   Nate Greenberg discussed CPUC funding for consortia, Mammoth Lakes broadband plans to improve economic vitality in town, outreach efforts, public branded Wi-Fi efforts.

   Jeff Griffiths gave update on Inyo County IT efforts.

9. ESCOG Organizational Capacity and Administration Issues (Discussion and Possible Action) – Mono County Supervisor Stacy Corless – Review and finalize meeting schedule for 16/17; discuss an consider giving staff direction regarding ESCOG web presence, recording/archiving meetings online, and other issues around ESCOG capacity and administration
Discussion of Web site/online presence.

Next meeting 8:45 on Friday, November 18 in Mammoth. Staff will have list of proposed 2017 dates.

10. Call for Agenda Items for Next Meeting
   - Broadband
   - Airport
   - Juvenile Hall
   - Eastern Sierra Recreation
   - Water Discussion
   - Waste Disposal

11. Adjournment to Next Meeting 11:33

Stacy Corless, Chair

Approved: 4/21/2017