Meeting of
July 14, 2020
5:00 P.M.

As authorized by Gov. Newsom’s Executive Orders, N-25-20 and N-29-20, the meeting will be accessible remotely by livecast with Members attending from separate remote locations. The public shall have the right to observe and offer public comment. There is no physical meeting location. This altered format is in observance of recent recommendations by local officials that certain precautions be taken, including social distancing, to address the threat of COVID-19.

ACTION MINUTES

Members present: Steve Noble, Brianna Brown, Jimmy Little, Justin Nalder, Jeff Hunewill

Presenters & County staff present: Wendy Sugimura, April Sall, John Peters, Doug Power, Ward Gulley, John Peters, Jan Cutts, Sara Manley, Sherri Lisius

Public present: Sherry Sorensen

1. Call to Order by Jimmy Little at 5:13 pm. Pledge of Allegiance skipped due to lack of flag.

2. Public comment (for items not listed on agenda): No public comment

3. Action Items:
   a. Minutes: Approve the minutes of meeting held June 6, 2020
      i. Motion: Justin Nalder Second: Jeff Hunewill Ayes: 5 Noes: 0

4. Discussion Items:
   a. Exploratory discussion of Travertine Hot Springs Access - Sherri Lisius - Presentation about current travertine access - plan presentation about updating and creating better signage and trail distinction - discussion about what RPAC could do to help and asking for further investigation into options;
   b. Report on Status of RPAC Survey - Brianna Brown - update on responses - going to put additional copies on post office - Repost online;
   c. Discussion on RPAC annual calendar -Travertine continue - OHV updates;

5. Informational Items:
a. **Supervisor’s report:** John Peters - new director of Public Health Linda Salcido - New CAO Bob Lawton - Update on new bills in Legislature that could help get funding - Current Covid relief package has a chance to pass and should hear in July - County should be reimbursed for expenses due to Covid;

b. **MWTC update:** Doug Power - update given about what is happening at base - Change of Command happened last Friday - New Colonel Wittman - Unit training during June - Next training unit in August;

c. **USFS update:** Jan Cutts - update on Forest Service - thanks to Mono County to help get popular bathrooms open prior to rec staff being on - agency is slowing down opening due to Covid so offices are still closed to staff and staff is teleworking - front desks are closed to public but window is open for walkup window for wilderness permits open 7 days a week - field personnel that are mission critical; wilderness rangers, recreation tech, OHV program, fire fighters; are working both in the field and in units;

d. **Planning update:** April Sall - Update on Governors new orders closing down indoor dining, bars and breweries - BOS did decide on policy on hemp to ban program in Mono County for 1 year unless updates to state program - E7 proposal for new cannabis shop in Walker - pre-application for proposed campground in Twin Lakes area and is a pre-application only and nothing is moving ahead at this point - Tioga Inn discussion has been tabled by BOS for further Board Deliberation;

e. **RPAC member reports:** Steve Noble - CSA wrapping up year and developing new budget for next year; Brianna Brown - 4th of July update; Jimmy Little - thanks for everyone’s hard work with everything we are all going through; Justin Nalder - update on Conway Ranch that a cattle grazing lease is still moving forward with putting in front of board in August - Solid waste update on plans still moving forward with plan for Benton crossing facility; Jeff Hunewill - July 3rd cattle being moved up Aurora canyon and lots of campers in area;

6. **Future agenda items**
   a. Sidewalk operations during winter (specifically school street);
   b. Follow-up recreational opportunities with Matt Paruol;
   c. North County Water Transaction study update;
   d. Travertine Hot Springs access (walking vs. driving)
   e. PUD update

7. **Adjourn** at 6:45 p.m. By: Jimmy Little
   a. motion: Brianna Brown   second: Jimmy Little Ayes: 5   Noes: 0