

# 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 Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St., Bridgeport, CA 93517

# Regular Meeting August 7, 2018

9:04 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chair Gardner. Supervisors Present: Corless, Gardner, Halferty, Peters, and Stump.

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Halferty.

# 1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Phil Kiddoo, Air Pollution Control Officer, Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District:

- Provided update on smoke conditions in Mono County.
- Advised people to go to the website to see hourly conditions https://www.gbuapcd.org.
- Encouraged Board to send constituents to the GBUAPCD office if they have concerns.

## 2. **RECOGNITIONS - NONE**

## 3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

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

Leslie Chapman, CAO:

- A committee has been formed to study medicine-assisted treatment in our jails. Trying to be more sensitive towards mental illness in our jails. Going to Sacramento next Tuesday, to get more information, to become more educated on the topic to see what Mono County can do.
- Talked to the Economic Development Director about the smoke and its impacts to the local economy. Looking into outreach and other solutions.

- Looking into SBA Loans loans available for businesses that have had a loss of revenue. Need the gov to make a statewide emergency declaration.
- Working on the budget asked Board to email all requests as soon as possible.

#### Tony Dublino, Assistant CAO:

- Flood in Chalfant on 7/19. Coordinated with LADWP to make repairs.
- Rock slides in Lundy Canyon. Coordinated with USFS. Disaster meeting cancelled because it was determined that it could be handled with available resources.
- Fires worked with Chief Frievalt to get information to the Board.
- Assigned staff to Incident Management Team Dustlyne Beavers, Public Health, stepped up to help.
- McFlex Parcel moving forward.
- Grand Jury response drafted.
- Working on the Capital Improvement Program.
- Recreation June Lake pavers project; Lee Vining trail.
- Reviewing the more than 80 applications received for the Eastern Sierra Recreation Coordinator position.
- Grazing management plan for Conway Ranch; Fatal accident on 395, ended up on Conway Ranch.
- State has issued draft permanent regulations on cannabis. Comment period is now open, closes at end of August, last opportunity for Board to supply comment is 8/21 meeting. State has moved to allow deliveries state-wide – contrast our regulations. RCRC has drafted a letter in opposition to this position specifically.

## 4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

#### Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:

• Open.gov will be in the County next Thursday, Training scheduled. Morning session in Bridgeport, afternoon in Mammoth.

#### Sheriff Braun:

- Update of Search and Rescue incidents.
- Saturday, Shop with a Cop.
- Supervisor Stump: Thanked her for attending Larry Johnston's celebration, former-Deputy March's memorial

#### Amber Hise, WIC Director:

- Breastfeeding Week, August 1-7; August is Breastfeeding Awareness Month.
- Upcoming wellness relay.

## 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. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the minutes from the regular Board meeting on July 3, 2018.

Action: Approve the minutes from the regular Board meeting on July 3, 2018. Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

# <u>M18-155</u>

# **B. Board Minutes**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the minutes from the regular Board meeting on July 10, 2018.

Action: Approve the minutes from the regular Board meeting on July 10, 2018. Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-156</u>

# C. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the minutes from the regular Board meeting on July 17, 2018.

Action: Approve the minutes from the regular Board meeting on July 17, 2018. Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-157</u>

# D. Quarterly Investment Report

**Departments: Finance** 

Investment Report for the Quarter ending 6/30/2018.

Action: Approve the Investment Report for the Quarter ending 6/30/2018. Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-158</u>

## E. Monthly Treasury Transaction Report

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 6/30/2018

**Action:** Approve the Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 6/30/2018.

Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no M18-159

# F. 2018 WIC Contract Amendment #15-10093 A03

Departments: Public Health

Proposed Standard Agreement Amendment with California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program pertaining to Contract #15-10093 A03.

**Action:** Approve County entry into proposed contract amendment and authorize Board Chairman to execute said contract on behalf of the County by signing the following: 2 copies of Standard Agreement Amendment (STD 213A); 1 copy of California Civil Rights Laws Attachment (DGS OLS 04).

Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no M18-160

## G. Agreement for Legal Services for Mono County Childcare Council

Departments: County Counsel

Proposed contract with Mono County Childcare Council pertaining to the provision of legal services by the Office of the County Counsel.

Action: Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no M18-161

## H. Amendment and Extension of Contract with Willdan Engineering-Interim Director of Public Works

Departments: CAO

Proposed contract with Willdan Engineering pertaining to Interim Director of Public Works services.

**Action:** Approve entry and authorize CAO to extend contract with Doug Wilson of Willdan Consulting, for the provision of Interim Director of Public Works Services.

Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-162</u>

# I. Approval of Two New Positions in the Behavioral Health Department

Departments: Behavioral Health

Proposed resolution amending the County List of Allocated Positions to include 2 new positions in the Behavioral Health Department.

**Action:** Consider and potentially adopt R18-43, A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County of Mono List of Allocated Positions to add one (1) .60 Case Manager I Position, and one (1) Office Assistant I/II Position, in the Behavioral MEETING MINUTES August 7, 2018 Page 5 of 15

### Health Department. **Stump moved; Halferty seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no** <u>R18-43</u> Supervisor Stump:

• Asked that the item be pulled.

Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director:

• No general fund monies.

## J. Consolidation of Elections - Antelope Valley Fire Protection District

**Departments: Elections** 

The Antelope Valley Fire Protection District has requested that its Special Election on the imposition of a special tax on each parcel of land within the boundaries of the District to pay for fire protection services be consolidated with the 2018 Statewide General Election on November 6, 2018, and that the Mono County Elections Division conduct the election and canvass the returns.

**Action:** Adopt Resolution R18-44, Approving the Antelope Valley Fire Protection District's Request to Consolidate its Special Election with the November 6, 2018 Statewide General Election.

Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>R18-44</u>

## K. New Hire for Public Safety Officer I at C Step

Departments: Sheriff

On July 2, 2018, a new employee was hired as a PSO I. This employee has three years of experience as a Police Officer in the state of Nevada and possesses a Nevada Basic POST Certificate. The combination of law enforcement experience and training make this employee overqualified for the entry level, and therefore we are requesting a starting salary at Step C.

Action: Approve moving New Public Safety Officer from Step A to Step C. Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-163</u>

## L. Appointment of Supervisor Halferty to Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Appointment of Supervisor Halferty to the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board of Directors, to replace Kirk Stapp.

Action: Appoint Supervisor Halferty to the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board of Directors. Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-164</u>

## M. Sierra Center Mall Estoppel Certificate

Departments: CAO, County Counsel

Tenant estoppel certificate for Sierra Center Mall.

Action: Authorize Board Chair to sign estoppel certificates.

## Corless moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

## M18-165

## Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- Explained item. Requesting the estoppel in conjunction with refinance of the building. There are two different certificates. Requesting Board to approve the one in the packet and the new one that came in on Friday.
- Amendments as exhibits (additional documents).

# N. Reclassification of Vacant Administrative Services Specialist to Fiscal and Administrative Services Officer

Departments: Public Works

Proposed resolution authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County of Mono list of allocated positions to add one fiscal and administrative services officer and delete one Administrative Services Specialist in the Department of Public Works.

**Action:** Adopt proposed resolution R18-45, Authorizing the County Administrative Officer to amend the County of Mono list of allocated positions to add one fiscal and administrative services officer and delete one Administrative Services Specialist in the Department of Public Works.

Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>R18-45</u>

# 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. California Secretary of State Thank You Letter

**Departments: Elections** 

A letter from the California Secretary of State thanking Shannon Kendall, Mono County Registrar of Voters, for a successful June Primary Election and participating in the Election Observation Program.

# B. Agricultural Commissioner's Office Department Update August 2018

Departments: Clerk of the Board

August 2018 department update from the Counties of Inyo and Mono Agricultural Commissioner's Office.

Supervisor Stump:

- First part of report has to do with irrigation issue being discussed today.
- Would like to cross reference the first part of the report into item 7c available in additional documents for item 7c.

# 7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

## A. Employment Agreement for Community Development Director

Departments: Human Resources

(Dave Butters) - Proposed resolution approving a contract with Wendy Sugimura as Community Development Director, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

**Action:** Announce Fiscal Impact. Approve Resolution #R18-46, Approving a contract with Wendy Sugimura as Community Development Director, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

**Fiscal Impact:** The cost for this position for the remainder of FY 2018-2019 (August 6, 2018 through June 30, 2019) is approximately \$184,672 of which \$109,000 is salary, and \$75,672 is the cost of the benefits and was included in the approved budget.

Stump moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>R18-46</u>

Dave Butters, Human Resources Director:

• Introduced item.

Fiscal impact announced by Chair Gardner.

## B. Resolution for Sale of 71 Davison, Mammoth Lakes, CA

Departments: Behavioral Health

Proposed resolution declaring the County's intention to sell property located at 71 Davison Road in Mammoth Lakes, California.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution R18-47, Declaring its intention to sell certain county-owned surplus real property (APN 031-070-011) and specifying the

terms and conditions of the sale, as amended. **Stump moved; Halferty seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no R18-47** 

#### Amanda Greenberg, Mental Health Services Act Coordinator:

• Introduced item, went through presentation (available in additional documents).

#### Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- September 4 date, there is a conflict between provisions that authorize the County to sell property and provisions that requires the County to give notice to developers of low-income affordable housing. The County must provide notice for three weeks in a newspaper of general circulation and post it for the same period. Developers have 60 days to notify the County.
- Recommends a revision to put the date out to October 9, to put the County past the 60day window.
- Reduced price to \$150,000.
- Moves forward with the for market sale but contains language that states that the County will also entertain bids pursuant to a government code that allows the County to sell at below-market rates for affordable housing to qualified proposers.

#### Leslie Chapman, CAO:

• Where the proceeds go will need to be discussed as a separate agenda item, recommends after the sale.

#### Supervisor Halferty:

• Davison Road, not Davison Street.

Break: 9:59 AM Reconvene: 10:12 AM

# C. Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Removal of Water from Little Round and Long Valleys

**Departments: Various** 

(Staff) -

**Item 1**: Staff presentation on the County's attempts to work collaboratively with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to address negative impacts to environmental, aesthetic, recreational, agricultural, economic and other resources in Mono County resulting from LADWP's reduction in water to approximately 6,400 acres of wetland and meadow habitat in Long Valley and Little Round Valley this summer. Proposed letters to LADWP Board of Commissioners President Mel Levine and Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti regarding same.

**Item 2**: Staff presentation and public comment on current conditions in the Long Valley and Little Round Valley areas, discussion of next steps and direction to staff.

#### Action: Item 1:

**1A.** Approve proposed letter to LADWP Commission President Mel Levine correcting inaccurate information contained in various communications regarding this issue; provide any desired direction to staff.

**1B.** Approve proposed letter to Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti thanking him for his attempts to encourage a negotiated solution with LADWP but informing him that the negotiations between the County and LADWP have ended without Mono County's concerns having been addressed; provide any desired direction to staff.

## Item 2:

**2A.** Continue outreach to elected officials, agencies and others to further a political/collaborative solution;

**2B.** Continue participation with interested parties including environmental organizations, recreational groups, wildlife agencies, state and federal representatives, ranchers and others to coordinate efforts in response to LADWP's actions;

2C. Pursue state and/or federal legislation restraining LADWP's actions in Mono County to protect the natural environment and related Eastern Sierra values;
2D. Pursue the development of a long-term water management plan for Long Valley and Little Round Valley which is based on sound science and protects environmental and other Eastern Sierra values; and/or

**2E.** File litigation against LADWP to restrain LADWP's actions this year and prevent further harm.

### Peters moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-166</u> Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

Introduced item.

Break: 10:17 AM Reconvene: 10:18 AM

## Wendy Sugimura, Interim Community Development Director:

• The date LADWP will turn off water is August 14.

## **Public Comment:**

Jeff Dozier, Friends of the Inyo Deborah Lurie, Friends of the Inyo Elizabeth Dobbs, McGee Creek Clarence Martin, LADWP Aqueduct Manager Gary Nelson, Mono City Patti Novak-Echenique, Joe Echenique Livestock, Cain Ranch presentation (available in additional documents) Matt Kemp, Inyo / Mono Lessee Chris Long, Economic Development, Tourism, and Film Commission Kay Ogden, Eastern Sierra Land Trust Lisa Cutting, Mono Lake Committee April Sall, Bodie Hills Conservation Partnership Mark Lacey, Lacey Livestock Dieter Fiebiger MEETING MINUTES August 7, 2018 Page 10 of 15

> Break: 11:43 AM Reconvene: 11:52 AM

Phillip Kiddoo, Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District Air Pollution Control Officer Lynn Boulton, Range of Light Group, Sierra Club Chris Bumbar, Business Owner Jillian Filkey, Irvine CA Sharon Grike – Westerbly, Bridgeport Mary Roper, Owens Valley Committee Matt McClain, Town of Mammoth Lakes Recreation Executive Director Fran Hunt, Sierra Club Steve Nelson, BLM

Ron Day, Long valley, RPAC, Fire Commissioner Pam Kobylarz, Assistant Town Manager Tina Braithwaite, Chair Benton Paiute Tribe Tony Taylor, Passport President Eastern Sierra Land Trust David McMullen, Berkeley

Break 1:10 PM Reconvene: 1:18 PM

# 8. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

## 9. CLOSED SESSION at 1:19 PM

## 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 -- Anticipated 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.

## C. Closed Session -- Workers' Compensation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION. Subdivision (a) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: Workers' compensation claim of Arturo Torres.

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

Reconvene at 2:11 PM

Nothing to report out of Closed Session.

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

No one spoke.

## 11. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

## A. Budget Allocation Transfer

Departments: Sheriff

(Ingrid Braun) - Request a budget allocation transfer of \$178,000 from the Jail Budget and appropriate \$172,000 from General Fund carryover to fund the Sheriff's Office anticipated excess appropriations of \$350,000 for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

**Action:** Approve transfer of \$217,000 in appropriations from the Jail Budget and \$100,000 from General Fund carryover to the Sheriff's Office budget for fiscal year 2017-2018.

### Stump moved; Halferty seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-167</u> Sheriff Braun:

- Introduced item.
- Updated amount: \$217,000 from Jail Budget. \$100,000 from General Fund.

## B. Approve Contract with Price, Paige & Company for Audit Services

Departments: Finance

(Janet Dutcher) - Proposed contract with Price Paige & Company pertaining to audit services from August 1, 2018 to March 31, 2023, for a total amount not to exceed \$403,015.

**Action:** Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

Stump moved; Peters seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>M18-168</u> Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:

• Introduced item.

## C. Approval of Contract with Roebbelen Construction for the Design-Build Construction of a Civic Center on the McFlex Property

Departments: CAO

(Tony Dublino) - Proposed contract with Roebbelen Contracting, pertaining to the Design-Build of a Mono County Civic Center building in Mammoth Lakes.

Action: Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

## Corless moved; Halferty seconded

# Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

## <u>M18-169</u>

## Tony Dublino, Assistant CAO:

• Introduced item.

## Bryan Todd, Vice President, Roebbelen Construction:

• Answered questions regarding the project.

# D. Resolution Declaring County's Intent to Reimburse Itself for Capital Costs

Departments: Finance, CAO, County Counsel

(Janet Dutcher) - Proposed resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Mono County Declaring Its Official Intent to Reimburse Itself for Certain Capital Costs from the Proceeds of Long-Term Debt.

**Action:** Adopt proposed resolution #R18-48, Declaring Its Official Intent to Reimburse Itself for Certain Capital Costs from the Proceeds of Long-Term Debt. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Halferty moved; Corless seconded Vote: 5 yes; 0 no <u>R18-48</u> Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:

Introduced item.

## 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:

- YARTS—hosted meeting and agency staff in Mammoth but no quorum, will continue the meeting. Looking to implement fare increase.
- Collaborative Planning Team—Filled in for Supervisor Gardner, discussion of DWP Long Valley issue, agency updates, introduction of Jan Cutts, new Bridgeport District Ranger.
- Lions Fire Community Meeting/Ongoing Fire Discussions: Fielding many questions from concerned residents, would like to consider holding a future meeting with Forest Service fire managers/decision makers in order to better understand decision-making (when there is room for such management decisions and consideration of management for resource benefit), where local government input fits in, especially regarding public health impacts.

- Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee—budget recommendations made, including funding for jail project.
- Mammoth Lakes Housing: Discussion of Executive Director position, staff recommendation to appoint Patricia Robertson as permanent ED—board decided to consider this recommendation further at a special meeting. Also appointed members to a nomination committee for two open board positions.

#### **Supervisor Halferty:**

- Attended Lions Fire update at Mammoth lakes forest service auditorium. Forest Service did a great job of having a multitude of people to address concerns. Fire was at about \$5 million at that point, containment has fluctuated. Really appreciate Forest Service doing those type of public outreach events. I feel like we put the fire fighters on defense, want to step back and say thank you to them.
- Mammoth Lakes Housing Board member, encouraging the Board to find some permanent staffing solutions.
- Plan to continue on with the California Coalition for Rural Housing. Term up in October of this year, spoken to the Board and believe they will have me continue on.

#### Supervisor Gardner:

- On July 20 I attended a meeting of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board. We have hired an interim Executive Director while we continue to seek a permanent ED. ESTA is struggling with driver shortages, especially in Mammoth, and has addressed this with reduced service in some areas. We are also increasing benefits for drivers to boost recruitment and retention.
- On July 20 I also attended another meeting with the TOML about the joint recreation position. We have numerous applicants for this position and will be selecting a candidate soon. We also have finalized the agreement with the USFS for partnership activities in the future.
- On July 31 I participated in the Economic Development and Tourism Commission meeting with Supervisor Peters. There were several important topics discussed, including the LADWP dewatering issue and the Mono County budget.
- On Aug. 1 I attended the Fish Commission meeting, again with Supervisor Peters. There was a spirited discussion about fish stocking and the County budget.

#### **Supervisor Peters:**

- **18**<sup>th</sup> BCOC
- 19<sup>th</sup> IMACA
- 31<sup>st</sup> Tourism Commission
- Topaz Appreciation Dinner
- 1<sup>st</sup> Fisheries Commission
- 2<sup>nd</sup> AV RPAC
- 6<sup>th</sup> Jan Cutts, Bridgeport District Ranger on the HT
- Donnel Fire
- Clear Messaging/Forecasting tools to provide to the public and local Chambers
- Phill Kiddoo Great Basin Air Pollution control Officer Deploying PM Monitors
- Tony Dublino/Brett McCurry Response to BLM's Steve Nelson's request at 7pm Friday Evening 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Brent Green on messaging signage. Truck travel on County Roads with private contractors
- Justin Nalder Working with Walker Recycle Center to help prevent the closure
- Garret Higerd Updates on Airport issues and traffic issues related to the Fog Sealing
- Upcoming:

- Working with Sarah Jenkins Founders Day Coordinator to tour the courthouse and take photos as Hank the Founders Day Mascot
- 14<sup>th</sup> Northern Mono Chamber
- Hospice Fundraiser Luau Dinner Saturday Night 11th

#### Supervisor Stump:

- 7-18 Attended the Tri Valley Water Commission meeting. Legislation amending the Commission was signed by the Governor and will go into effect in 2019. Great work by Jason Canger to make this happen.
- 7-19 Flash flood issues in the North-east side of Chalfant. The area has experience flooding before. One house had to be evacuated which is better than last time. Perhaps after the Hazard Mitigation Plan is finalized some grant money can be made available to fund raising homes in the flood plane area to the level that is required for new construction. This would be much less expensive than developing a flood control system which would require, among other things, raising the level of Hwy 6 in certain sections. A thank you to Tony Dublino for his follow up with DWP since the water flooding the community was coming off their land. It starts on Forest Service land, transitions to BLM, and then to DWP. All these agencies say it is not their problem.
- 7-21 Attended the memorial for Larry Johnston. Nice tributes to Larry. He was truly remarkable and his skill set is a loss to the entire area. Thank you to Supervisor Corless for obtaining and reading a resolution in Larry's honor from the California legislature. Thank you also to former Supervisor Alpers for attending and speaking. Sheriff Braun also attended. Larry, although he represented a District entirely in the Town, understood all County issues and was genuinely concerned for all County residents.
- 7-24 Attended the first portion to the Environmental Group Roundtable to discuss the DWP dewatering in Long Valley issue. Made some opening comments. Thank you to Stacy Simon and Jason Canger for also attending.
- 7-24 Met with the a representative of the new Auditing Company conducting audits of the Special Districts. Gave me an opportunity to advise the new firm that if information is required from small special districts the key to success is to ask for the information early.
- 7-24 Attended the CSA 1 meeting. As the CSA transitions away from focus on the Skate Park the Board has adopted a " lets maintain what we have" philosophy. This will include repairs needed to the Crowley Community Center building and grounds. Public Works has prepared a list of what those projects are. There is an opening on the CSA Board if someone is interested.
- 7-31 Assisted with the fire response to the two lightning fires that occurred on the North side of Crowley Lake
- Many thank yous this week:
- Supervisor Corless for her partnership on smoke issues.
- Garrett Higerd and Brent McCurry for help with road issues including concerns by those effected by the "fog seal and stripe project".
- Angelle Nolan for help with multiple dog issues.
- Sheriff Braun and Lt. West for attending the memorial of former Deputy March.
- To all the Mono, Inyo County, and City of Bishop staff that are working to support the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority. As Chair of that Board I appreciate all the help making this work.
- Wendy Sugimura and Gerry LeFrancois for their work on an issue involving the Historic Benton Hot Springs.
- Cal Trans, via Garrett Higerd, for all the information about the 395 project in the area of Lower Rock Creek Road so that the Swall and Paradise residents who use that intersection could be advised of lane and access restrictions.

• Thank you to John Rutkowski, former Mono Sheriff Department Detective for over 30 years, for his 24 years of service as a Long Valley Fire Protection District Commissioner. John's last meeting as a Fire Board member was their July meeting. In small communities people often need to wear multiple hats to keep things working. As the older generation cycles out of doing that I hope that enough younger folks put themselves forward to do the same.

# ADJOURNED at 3:44 PM

ATTEST

BOB GARDNER CHAIR OF THE BOARD

SCHEEREEN DEDMAN SR. DEPUTY CLERK