



**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Regular Meetings: First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified below.

Meeting Location: Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St., Bridgeport, CA 93517

**Regular Meeting
March 12, 2024**

9:05 AM Meeting called to order by Chair Peters.

Supervisors Present: Duggan, Gardner, Kreitz, Salcido, and Peters. (All members were present in-person or participated via teleconference in compliance with rules established by the Ralph M. Brown Act).

Supervisors Absent: None.

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Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Kreitz.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

2. RECOGNITIONS - NONE

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Sandra Moberly, County Administrative Officer:

- Bridgeport Post Office update.

4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Queenie Barnard, Registrar of Voters:

- Elections Update.

Jay Sloan, Risk Management:

- Update on Employee Covid Prevention Plan.

Krista Cooper, Health and Human Services:

- Update on the upgrades to the Antelope Valley Senior Center.

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. Ordinance Memorializing Transition of Department of Animal Services into Division of Animal Services

Departments: County Administrative Office

Proposed ordinance amending Chapters 2.05 and 9.08 of the Mono County Code to memorialize the transition of the Department of Animal Services into the Division of Animal Services.

Action: Adopted Ordinance ORD24-004, Amending Chapters 2.05 and 9.08 of the Mono County Code to memorialize the transition of the Department of Animal Services into the Division of Animal Services.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

ORD24-004

B. Sustainable Outdoors and Recreation Budget Transfer and Appropriation for Vehicle and Equipment Purchases

Departments: Public Works - Recreation

This item is a request for an adjustment to the Sustainable Outdoors and Recreation Division of Public Works. The Appropriation Transfer Request is for use of Geothermal Royalties to purchase 3/4-ton pickup plus a lumber rack and toolbox, a small pickup plus a bed cover, and a utility trailer plus toolbox, work bench and power to execute Sustainable Outdoors and Recreation in Mono County.

Action: Approved Appropriation Transfer Request for an increase in appropriations in the Sustainable Outdoors and Recreation budget unit as well as the Fleet budget unit in Public Works. (requires 4/5ths vote).

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-050

Moved to Item #7b.

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED - NONE

Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Avalanche Program Update

Departments: Clerk of the Board, Sponsored by Supervisor Duggan

(Sue Burak, Forecaster) - Sue Burak will present an update of the Mono County Avalanche Forecasting Program for County Roads. The program began in the winter of 2015-2016. The winters of 2017, 2019, 2021 and 2023 have presented complex avalanche forecasting challenges as storms associated with atmospheric rivers have become more powerful. Close collaboration between the forecaster, Mono County Road Department and Public Works will be highlighted during this presentation.

Action: None.

Sue Burak, Forecaster:

- Presented item.

Public Comment:

Walt Lehmann:

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Break: 10:28 AM

Reconvened: 10:40 AM

Moved to Item #7c.

B. Cannabis Operation Permit 23-002 High Sierra June Lake

Departments: Community Development

(Rob Makoske, Analyst) - Presentation by Rob Makoske regarding Cannabis Operation Permit 23-002 / High Sierra June Lake for a microbusiness consisting of retail, non-volatile manufacturing, and distribution.

Action: Approved Subject to Conditions as Recommended: 1. Found that the project qualifies as a Categorical Exemption under CEQA guideline 15301 and filed a Notice of Exemption. 2. Approved Cannabis Operation Permit 23-002 subject to the conditions recommended or with desired modifications.

Gardner moved; Kreitz seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-051

Rob Makoske, Analyst:

- Presented item.

Moved back to item #7a.

C. Funding Request from Bridgeport Fire Protection District

Departments: County Administrative Office

(Sandra Moberly, County Administrative Officer) - Bridgeport Fire Protection District Funding Request

Action: Staff recommended that the Board consider the request from BFPD and provided direction to staff regarding an increase in the monthly payment made to BFPD. Staff will bring a resolution and agreement back to the Board reflecting

Board direction.

Sandra Moberly, County Administrative Officer:

- Presented item.

Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:

- Clarifies the allocation of the Prop 13 and AB8 rate.

Nick Way, Bridgeport Fire Protection District:

- Discussion on the County owned property and the need to protect Bridgeport.
- Thanked the County staff for their time and efforts on this project.

Supervisor Gardner:

- Discussed the LAFCO study of Special Districts.

D. Legal Services Agreement for Representation of the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District by Mono County Counsel

Departments: County Counsel

(Stacey Simon, County Counsel) - Proposed legal services agreement with the Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District (MLFPD) to receive limited legal services from Mono County Counsel.

Action: Approved and authorized County Counsel to sign and contract with MLFPD for limited legal services for the period March 5, 2024, through June 30, 2025, with automatic 1-year renewals until either party decides to terminate the agreement, as amended.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-052

Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- Introduced item.

Jeff Hughes, Deputy CC:

- Presented item.

Supervisor Krietz:

- Update to include the CC staff names and titles.

Moved to the Board Reports.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- Pulled item #8a, item was added to agenda in error.

Closed Session: 11:24 AM

Reconvened: 12:35 PM

Chair Peters:

Report out of Closed Session:

1. Item #8d - Authorized the County to enter an agreement with Garth Moore and Moore Storage located at 264 Highway 182, Bridgeport CA of \$1.25 million closing date on 10/15/2024 with a 60-day contingency and closing condition.

Moved to Adjournment.

A. 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.

B. Closed Session - Existing Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: Claim for damages filed by Leonel Acero.

C. Closed Session – Existing Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: Mono v. KR Property et al. Case number: CV200081

D. Closed Session – Real Property Negotiation

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR. Government Code section 54956.8. Property Address: 264 Highway 182, Bridgeport, CA. County Negotiator: Mary Booher Negotiating Parties: Garth Moore and Mono County Under Negotiation: Price, terms, and conditions.

E. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Sandra Moberly, Mary Booher, Stacey Simon, Janet Dutcher, and Christine Bouchard. 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 Correctional Deputy Sheriffs' Association. Unrepresented employees: All.

F. Closed Session - Public Employee Evaluation

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Administrative Officer.

9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Duggan:

- 3/7 I participated in the GBUAPCD meeting along with Commissioner Salcido. I was elected Commission Chair for this year and Commissioner John Wentworth representing Mammoth Lakes was elected Vice Chair. We had the first Public Meeting for the FY 24-25 Operational Budget. Staff have been having productive meetings with the new leadership at LADWP and recommend an Advisory Committee be formed to work and meeting with staff and LADWP to improve local relations. The members of the committee are Commissioner Kingsley from Inyo County, Chair Duggan from Mono County, and Vice Chair Wentworth. Commissioner David Griffiths from Alpine County was appointed Alternate.
- 3/11 I participated in RCRC Roadway Infrastructure Ad Hoc Committee Meeting where we had a presentation by Kiana Valentine, Executive Directro of Transportation California on SP1, VMT and pending legislation to watch.

Supervisor Gardner:

- No report.

Supervisor Kreitz:

- Feb. 21 – I attended the CCP General Committee meeting. We reviewed the 10-year data since realignment. The number of probationers back in 2013 was 330 and in 2023 it was 73. Prop 47 impacted the probation population. The pandemic also played a role in the probation population. We received an update on pretrial services and the behavioral health service coordinator some information on her work. Over the course of three years, she has assisted 206 individuals. The probation department has begun using a satisfaction survey that came from UC Berkley. It is available in both English and Spanish.
- IMACA held a special board meeting to discuss the CSAC sponsored legislation SB1023 as it relates to IMACA's Valley Apartments.
- The Southeast Subregion of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy met to review the March 8th board meeting agenda. There were no projects in Mono County included in the agenda.
- Feb 27 – The LTC held a special meeting. LTC – Reds Meadow Road update - \$30mm for reconstruction and is administered by the federal government and the Town takes over the road after the construction. No public access until after June 7. Open Thursday through Sunday and a little longer for the two summer holidays and the campgrounds will remain closed. And the national monument will be open all summer. All info in on their website. Bobby Tanner, owner, and operator of the Reds Meadow Resort has received a letter for the USFS Fred Wong with contradictory information from what's on the USFS website.
- OWP draft review and recommendation for submittal to Caltrans by March 1, 2024.
- The special subcommittee of the COC met to discuss HHAP 5 proposals for the application budget. The committee recommended homelessness prevention and intervention.
- March 11 – Eastern Sierra CoC meeting – bringing forth an MOU between Inyo, Mono and the CoC for the HHAP 5 application due on March 27th.
- I attended the Mono Basin Housing Working Group meeting. There was discussion of the County's STR Report, planning for upcoming community engagement events, similar to the ones held this past fall.

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Chair Peters:

- 3/7 – CSAC Board of Directors meeting.
- Attended the Antelope Valley RPAC meeting.
- Attended the Public Lands Steering Committee meeting.

Supervisor Salcido:

- March 6 – Attended the Mono County Unified Command Meeting.
- March 7 – Attended the Great Basin Air Quality District Meeting.

Moved to Closed Session.

ADJOURNED AT 12:37 PM.

ATTEST

John Peters

John Peters (Apr 24, 2024 12:48 PDT)

**JOHN PETERS
CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

D. Patrick

**DANIELLE PATRICK
SENIOR DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD**