



**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: Mono Lake Room, 1st Fl., County Civic Center, 1290 Tavern Rd., Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

**Regular Meeting
May 21, 2024**

9:00 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 Salcido.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

2. RECOGNITIONS - NONE

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Sandra Moberly, County Administrative Officer:

- Update on the Bridgeport Post Office and the visit from Congressman Kiley and Senator Alvarado-Gil.
- Discussion on Mule Days Celebration.
- Congressman Kiley recognized Stacey Simon and there is a video that will be provided.
- Working with SCE to bring an update to the Board

4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director:

- Update on the California Land and Transportation Commission approved \$38.3 million dollars in funding.
- Rush Creek staff working group update on the licensing process.

Emily Janoff, Epidemiologist and Tom Boo, Public Health Officer:

- Provided an update on community health assessment and improvement plan process.

Supervisor Salcido:

- Community Wellness survey questions.

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 Board minutes from the 2024, April regular meetings.

Action: Approved the Board minutes from the April 2, 2024, regular meeting.

Approve the Board minutes from the April 9, 2024, regular meeting. Approved the Board minutes from the April 16, 2024, regular meeting.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-090

B. Consolidation of Elections - Municipal

Departments: Elections

The Mammoth Lakes Town Council has requested that the General Municipal Election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election, and that the Mono County Elections Division conduct the election and canvass the returns.

Action: Adopted Resolution R24-091, Consolidating the General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election on November 5, 2024, and directing the Mono County Elections Division to conduct the election and canvass the returns.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

R24-051

C. Appointment to the Mono County Assessment Appeals Board

Departments: Clerk of the Assessment Appeals Board

Appointment of one regular member to the Mono County Assessment Appeals Board (AAB).

Action: Appointed Jarrett Patrick as a regular member of the Mono County Assessment Appeals Board, for a term which ends September 1, 2024.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-091

D. 2021-2026 System Improvement Plan for Mono County's Health Human Services Social Services Employment and Eligibility Division, CalWORKs program

Departments: Health and Human Services

Pursuant to SB 89, Mono County Department of Health and Human Services, Social Services Employment and Eligibility Division has established a continuous quality improvement and review process for its CalWORKs program, in alignment with CalWORKs Outcomes and Accountability Review. The Department seeks approval of its 2021 - 2026 System Improvement Plan.

Action: Approved the Eligibility Division's 2021 2026 System Improvement Plan and authorized the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-092

E. American Red Cross Memorandum of Understanding

Departments: Health and Human Services

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the American Red Cross and Mono County to define a working relationship in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from disasters. This MOU provides the framework for cooperation and support between the Red Cross and Mono County in assisting individuals, families and communities who have been or could be impacted by disaster or an emergency.

Action: Approved County entry into proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the period July 30, 2024, through July 30, 2029, and authorized the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute said MOU on behalf of the County.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-093

F. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding Behavioral Health Programs, Activities and Crisis Response at School Sites

Departments: Behavioral Health

Proposed MOU with various school sites throughout Mono County which are operated by Mammoth Unified School District, Eastern Sierra Unified School District, and the Mono County Office of Education, pertaining to behavioral health services.

Action: Approved, and authorized Behavioral Health Director to sign, contract with Mammoth Unified School District, Eastern Sierra Unified School District, and the Mono County Office of Education for behavioral health services for the period of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-094

G. FY23/24 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Road Funding Agreement

Departments: Public Works - Road Department

Approval of annual funding through the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) apportionment. This repeating annual agreement authorizes the exchange of federal highway funds for state highway funds thereby providing the Road Fund with a more flexible funding source.

Action: Approved and authorized Chair's signature on the FY23/24 Federal Exchange and State Match Agreement for allocation of Federal Surface Transportation Program Funds through the State's Regional Surface Transportation Program

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-095

H. Eastside Lane Rehabilitation Project Phase 2 - Program Supplement Agreement

Departments: Public Works

Proposed resolution "A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors, State of California, Approving Program Supplement Agreement No. F020 Under Administering Agency – State Agreement No. 09-5947F15 for the Eastside Lane Rehabilitation Project Phase 2".

Action: Adopted Resolution R24-052, Approving Program Supplement Agreement No. F020 Under Administering Agency – State Agreement No. 09-5947F15 for the Eastside Lane Rehabilitation Project Phase 2.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

R24-052

I. Mono County Jail Site Work Bid Package Authorization

Departments: Public Works

Authorization to Bid and Award Project 9646-4 Site Preparation in support of the Bridgeport Jail Project.

Action: 1. Approved the attached bid package and authorized the Public Works Department to advertise the project for bids. Authorized the Public Works Director to execute the contract contained in the attached bid package with the lowest responsible bidder in an amount equal or less than the estimated cost, plus 15 percent contingency, and issue change orders from time to time as necessary. 2. Authorized the Public Works Director to reject all bids if no bid is received that is less than the estimated cost, plus 15 percent contingency.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

M24-096

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

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

A. Letter of Opposition to the Governor's May Revision Budget Proposal

Letter to Senator Menjivar and Assembly Member Weber regarding the opposition of the Governor's May revision budget proposal to eliminate the entire \$300 million ongoing General Fund Future of Public Health investment, including \$200 million dedicated to local health department workforce and infrastructure. We also express opposition to the elimination of \$52.5 million in Future of Public Health funds in the current fiscal year.

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Inyo National Forest Pre-Seasonal Update

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Lesley Yen, Forest Supervisor; Todd McDivitt, Deputy Forest Fire Chief; Lance Rosen, Assistant District Fire Management Officer and Chris Small Comb, NOAA/National Weather Service) - Presentation by the Inyo National Forest and Bishop Field Office BLM Leadership teams regarding the 2023 Wildfire Seasonal Review, 2024 Wildfire Seasonal Review, and the Inyo National Forest and Bishop BLM Fire program overview.

Action: None.

Lesley Yen, Forest Supervisor:

- Introduced item.

Lance Rosen, Assistant District Fire Management Officer:

- Presented item.
- Discussed staffing/hiring challenges.

Chris Smallcomb, Meteorologist in Charge NOAA/National Weather Service:

- Presented item.

Break: 10:10 AM

Reconvened: 10:13 AM

B. Mono County Childcare Workshop

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Stacey Adler, Mono County Superintendent of Schools; Molly DesBaillets, First 5 Mono Executive Director) - Presentation by Stacey Adler, Mono County Superintendent of Schools and Molly DesBaillet, Executive Director of First 5 Mono regarding the Mono County Childcare Update.

Action: None.

Stacey Adler, Mono County Superintendent of Schools:

- Introduced/presented item.

Molly DesBaillets, First 5 Mono Executive Director:

- Presented item.

C. Housing Update

Departments: County Administrative Office

(Tyrone Grandstrand, Housing Opportunities Manager) - Mono County staff will provide an update on the housing work program.

Action: None.

Tyrone Grandstrand, Housing Opportunities Manager:

- Presented item.

D. Terms and Conditions of Employment for Children's Services Manager

Departments: Health and Human Services

(Michelle Raust, Health Human Services Deputy Director) - The Health and Human Services (HHS) Department has selected Leslie Gaunt, ACSW/J.D., as its Children's Services Manager. Ms. Gaunt currently works for the county as a Staff Services Analyst III within the Social Services Division of HHS. This item seeks Board approval of an Agreement regarding the terms and condition of employment for Ms. Gaunt in this new role.

Action: Announced Fiscal Impact. Adopted Resolution R24-053, Approving an agreement regarding the terms and conditions of employment of Leslie Gaunt as Children's Services Manager. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said agreement on behalf of the County.

Fiscal Impact: This item increases spending for the remainder of this fiscal year by \$20,389, of which \$14,301 is salary and \$6,088 is benefits. If this item is

approved, the annual cost will be \$176,703, of which \$123,941 is salary and \$52,762 is benefits. The fiscal impact of this item is included in the Health and Human Services FY 2023-24 adopted budget.

Salcido moved; Kreitz seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

R24-053

Michelle Raust, Health Human Services Deputy Director:

- Presented item.

E. Terms and Conditions of Employment for Parks and Facilities Superintendent

Departments: Public Works

(Karyn Spears, Public Works Assistant Director) - Proposed resolution approving a contract with Eric Eilts as Parks and Facilities Superintendent, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment.

Action: Announced Fiscal Impact. Adopted Resolution R24-054, Approving an agreement with Eric Eilts as Parks and Facilities Superintendent, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment. Authorized the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

Fiscal Impact: The estimated cost of this position for the remainder of this fiscal year is \$22,728 of which \$16,299 is salary and \$6,429 is benefits. If approved, the annual cost will be \$172,829 of which \$123,941 is salary and \$48,888 is benefits. The fiscal impact of this item is included in the Public Works FY 2023-24 adopted budgets.

Duggan moved; Salcido seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

R24-054

Karyn Spears, Public Works Assistant Director:

- Presented item.

F. Terms and Conditions of Employment for Animal Services Manager

Departments: County Administrative Office

(Christine Bouchard, Assistant County Administrative Officer) - Agreement regarding Terms and Conditions of Employment for Brittany Pratt as the Animal Services Manager, an at-will position, at Range 111, Step A.

Action: Announced fiscal impact. Adopted Resolution R24-055, Approving an agreement regarding the terms and conditions of employment for Brittany Pratt as Animal Services Manager for Mono County, an at-will position, at Range 111, Step A.

Fiscal Impact: The estimated cost of this position for the remainder of the fiscal year is \$11,600, of which \$7,964 is salary and \$3,636 is benefits. The total cost of salary and benefits for an entire fiscal year is approximately \$128,294, of

which \$88,082 is salary and \$40,212 is benefits. This is included in the Department's FY 2023/24 adopted budget.

Kreitz moved; Duggan seconded

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

R24-055

Christine Bouchard, Assistant County Administrative Officer:

- Presented item.

Moved to Board Reports.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session: 11:27 AM

Reconvened: 12:22 PM

No reportable action.

A. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Sandra Moberly, Mary Booher, Christopher Beck, 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.

B. Closed Session - Exposure to Litigation

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.

C. Closed Session - Existing Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of cases: County of Mono v. Amerisourcebergen Drug Corporation; Cardinal Health, Inc.; McKesson Corporation; Purdue Pharma L.P.; Purdue Pharma, Inc., et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:18-cv-01149-MCE-KJN.

D. Closed Session - Existing Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of

case: *County of Mono, et al v. Liberty Utilities, LLC, et al.*, Case No: 2:21-cv-00834-DAD-KJN, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California.

9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Duggan:

- Highlights shared from the RCRC meeting:
 1. https://www.rcrcnet.org/sites/default/files/useruploads/Meetings/Board_of_Directors/2024/May_17_2024/RCRC_BOD_Highlights_May_17_2024_FINAL.pdf
 2. https://www.rcrcnet.org/sites/default/files/useruploads/Meetings/Board_of_Directors/2024/May_17_2024/GSFA_BOD_Highlights_May_17_2024_FINAL.pdf
 3. https://www.rcrcnet.org/sites/default/files/useruploads/Meetings/Board_of_Directors/2024/May_17_2024/GSCA_BOD_Highlights_May_17_2024_FINAL.pdf

Supervisor Gardner:

- No report.

Chair Peters:

- Update on the Bridgeport Banner Project.

Supervisor Kreitz:

- No report.

Supervisor Salcido:

- April 18, CSAC Legislative session in Sacramento. Updates and information on each of the key areas within CSAC, opportunities to work with the legislative analysts from each sector and prepare for the now published CA budget cuts.
- April 24, ESCOG. Regular meeting to approve the final budget, program updates and approval of two contracts to assist with administrative work, including grant writing and oversight.
- April 25-26, Sierra Jobs First, Truckee, CA. Two day working session towards a final strategic plan, review and understanding of next steps and working besides other Counties in our region to identify common projects, challenges, and strengths. Good energy, interest, and participation. Next steps include SBC coming around to update each Board of Supervisors and Community meetings in each county.
- May 2, GBUACD, Bridgeport. Final budget approval, work plan review, update on ongoing litigation with LADWP, and a recognition of Grace Holder for her years of hard work and advocacy.
- May 3. Town County Liaison Committee, set agenda for the Town/County joint meeting to be held later this month.
- May 6. ESSRP. Lively meeting with multiple partners such as LADWP, NPS, Inyo USFS, BLM, HT USFS, ESCOG, Inyo County, Town of Mammoth Lakes, Mono County, Town of Bishop, White Bark, Caltrans, and more, reporting on activities and initiatives in our region.
- May 8. Pioneer Home Care Board, regular quarterly meeting to review service, financials, and service plans.
- May 9, Sierra Jobs First Community Outreach, Bridgeport. Six community members, including the Bridgeport Fire Chief, attended this meeting, pizza was served, and a lively conversation occurred around ideas and the challenges of job development in the Bridgeport area. This meeting was facilitated by Erica Harvey and Magnolia Bara from SBC, along with Elaine Kabala from ESCOG and Jeff Simpson, Business Development and Tourism Director, Mono County.
- On May 11 I attended the Mono County Sustainability Fair at Mammoth Library.

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- May 13, ESWST. Discussed funding opportunities, the CalTrans project at Sonora Junction, northern Mono County, using two large pipes to assist wildlife in crossing HWY 395, and holding a workshop on the crossing at Mammoth Airport to review design and next steps for the southern project.

Moved to Closed Session.

ADJOURNED AT 12:24 PM.

ATTEST


John Peters (Aug 13, 2024 13:12 PDT)

JOHN PETERS
CHAIR OF THE BOARD



DANIELLE PATRICK
SENIOR DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD