

# 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 at far right.

**Regular Meeting** 

MEETING LOCATION County Courthouse, Bridgeport, CA 93517

January 8, 2013

9:00 AM Meeting Called to Order by Lynda Roberts, Clerk of the Board

- Supervisors present: Alpers, Fesko, Hunt, Johnston, and Stump
  - Supervisors absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Byng Hunt

Ceremonial Swearing in of Newly Elected Supervisors

Judge Eller administered the oath of office to District 2 Supervisor, Fred Stump; District 3 Supervisor, Tim Alpers; and District 4 Supervisor, Tim Fesko.

Comments:

- **Supervisor Alpers**: It is a tremendous honor to be back with Mono County and working with this talented and enthusiastic team; his goal is to meet every employee. Believes that government is most effective at the local level, since employees can better focus on the citizens.
- **Supervisor Stump**: This board has a unique opportunity to start with a clean slate and accomplish many things. He is committed to being a team player, listening to others' ideas, and keeping a connection with the citizens. He looks forward to communicating with the constituents.
- **Supervisor Fesko**: Today represents a fresh start and all stakeholders will prevail in confronting the challenges facing Mono County. He looks forward to the communities stepping up, and invited people to call him.
- **Supervisor Johnston**: Congratulated the new supervisors. He is pleased to be working with the three new supervisors to address the challenges the board will tackle.
- **Supervisor Hunt**: Looks forward to having good discussions with the new board and looks forward to an exciting year.

Break for reception at Memorial Hall. Break: 9:15 a.m. Reconvened: 10:05 a.m. Clerk of the Board called for nominations to elect the Chair of the Board for

# **M13-01** 2013.

Action: Elect Supervisor Byng Hunt to serve as Chair for 2013. Johnston moved; Fesko seconded Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

• Supervisor Johnston nominated Supervisor Hunt to serve as Chair of the Board for 2013. There were no other nominations.

#### M13-02

Newly-elected Board Chair, Byng Hunt, called for nominations to elect the Vice Chair of the Board for 2013.

# Action: Elect Supervisor Larry Johnston to serve as Vice Chair for 2013. Stump moved; Alpers seconded

- Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No
  - Supervisor Alpers nominated Supervisor Johnston to serve as Vice Chair for 2013. There were no other nominations.

# **OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

- Benny Romeo, property owner in Bridgeport: Welcomed the new supervisors. Asked the new board to bring the people into the process as much as possible so they can be part of the decision-making team. One way to do this is to hold town hall meetings. Asked the board to avoid misuse of taxpayer money by being as productive as possible.
- Hank Brown, LAFCO and Long Valley Fire Board: Thanked Supervisor Stump for his years of service on the Long Valley Fire Board. Stump's enthusiasm will benefit the Board of Supervisors.
- Roberta Reed, Finance Department: Working on the mid-year budget review, tentatively scheduled for February 19. She will provide a booklet the week prior to the meeting. Reed is available at any time to answer questions the Board may have.
   Supervisor Johnston: Would like details about revenue trends.

Closed Session: 10:18 a.m. Break: 11:05 a.m. Reconvened: 11:08 a.m. Break: 12:28 p.m. Reconvened: 12:30 p.m. Break: 1:12 p.m. Reconvened: 1:18 p.m. Closed Session: 1:18 p.m. Reconvened: 2:32 p.m.

# CLOSED SESSION

Adjourned: 2:32 p.m.

## The Board had nothing to report from either morning or afternoon Closed Session.

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1a) Closed Session--Human Resources - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph and Jim Arkens. 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.

# **OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD** No one spoke.

- 2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- **M13-03** A. Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 11, 2012; approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 18, 2012, as corrected.

# Johnston moved; Hunt seconded Vote: 4 Yes; 0 No; 1 Abstain (Fesko)

• Supervisor Johnston: Minutes of December 18, 2012, Board Member Reports, Johnston's report item #3, change to read, "Johnston thought of holding a **Supervisors'** snow sculpture contest in June Lake".

Marshall Rudolph, County Counsel: Clarified that the new board can approve a prior board's minutes as long as they feel comfortable doing so; nothing in the law prohibits this.

# 3) BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

#### Supervisor Alpers

# 1. No report.

# Supervisor Fesko

1. Honored to be serving on the Board of Supervisors. Solid waste is a big issue and is one of his top priorities. Urged other members to have a one-on-one conversation with Tony Dublino about the solid waste issues; he is very knowledgeable.

#### Supervisor Hunt

- 1. December 20: Attended a special Town/County Liaison meeting; they discussed solid waste issues. The Board of Supervisors will address this issue in the coming months.
  - a. The board agreed to agendize a closed session item for next week to discuss solid waste.
- 2. Attended a meeting to discuss the sharing of services with Alpine County by hiring a joint executive director for First 5.
- 3. Hunt has agendized a strategic planning workshop for an upcoming meeting.

#### **Supervisor Johnston**

1. Update about the LA Department of Water and Power/Great Basin Air Pollution Control District lawsuit. The GBAPCD won a judgment of over \$1 million that the City of Los Angeles has to pay.

#### Supervisor Stump

1. Since his election, he has visited with most department heads. He also visited the jail, and has attended RPAC meetings, water board meetings, and CSA meetings in District 2.

# COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments (Jim Arkens)

ACTION: Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding his activities.

• Jim Arkens, CAO, was not present due to business out of county.

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# DEPARTMENT REPORTS/EMERGING ISSUES

- Sheriff Obenberger: 1) Will be in touch with the supervisors to meet and discuss issues pertaining to his department. 2) Revisions to the Emergency Operating Procedural manual will be agendized for an upcoming meeting; the manual is online for review. 3) Since Obenberger became Sheriff on December 21, 2012, Lt. Weber has been promoted to Undersheriff; Phil West has been promoted to Lieutenant; and Rick Hahn will be promoted to Sergeant. The department has two vacant positions, currently budgeted, that he is planning to fill.
  - Supervisor Stump: Impressed by how clean the jail facility is, and how well it is being operated. Encouraged Obenberger to start saving money for future infrastructure needs.
  - o Obenberger: He is currently gathering information about this issue.
- Alicia Vennos, Tourism Department, asked Ralph Lockhart to provide an update about the June Lake revitalization: 1) During the Holidays, most businesses were doing better than last year; there was spillover from Mammoth and several hotels were full. 2) Shuttle service to and from Mammoth was a great success, and the 4:00 p.m. bus was generally full with standing-room only. 3) Double Eagle Lodge has a cross-country skiing trail at Silver Lake, and the Forest Service has granted a permit to groom a trail on their land. 4) Upcoming events: January 19, Saturday night music; February 1-3, June Lake winter fest and triathlon, which will include a family fun zone, snowman camp, mini sled hill for small children, Olympic-type snow games, and Village snow stroll sponsored by businesses. 5) Mono County Tourism has done a fantastic job with promotional efforts; many of the people are first-time visitors to June Lake.
   Supervisor Alpers: Mono funding to June Lake has been a good investment.
- John Vallejo, Deputy County Counsel: With the new board members in place, the board will need to update the emergency stand-by official list. Vallejo will agendize this item for the third meeting in January. Supervisors can nominate up to three people; Supervisors Hunt and Johnston can update their stand-by appointments or leave them as is.

## 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.)

#### CLERK OF THE BOARD

- 5a) Board of Supervisors' January 2013 Meeting Dates Revise the January 2013 Board of Supervisors' meeting schedule due to the New Year's Day holiday that was on Tuesday, January 1, 2013.
- R13-01 Action: Adopt Resolution R13-01 changing the location of the January 15, 2013, board meeting, and calling for a special board meeting on January 22, 2013.
   Johnston moved; Stump seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

#### COUNTY COUNSEL

6a) June Lake Public Utility District- Amendment of Conflict of Interest Code - On November 14, 2012, the June Lake Public Utility District Board of Directors passed Resolution No. 2012-04 to approve and adopt, subject to the approval of the Mono County Board of Supervisors, a 2012 version of its Conflict of Interest Code pursuant to the Political Reform Act, which requires public agencies to conduct a biennial review, and if necessary an update, of its conflict of interest code. The June Lake Public Utility District's new Conflict of Interest Code is now being brought before the code-reviewing body, which is the Mono County Board of Supervisors, for approval.

M13-04 Action: Approve the new Conflict of Interest Code adopted by the June Lake Public Utility District on November 14, 2012, and direct the Clerk to notify the District's counsel of the Board's action. Johnston moved; Stump seconded

Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

FINANCE

- 7a) Monthly Treasury Transaction Report Monthly Treasury Pool transaction report.
- M13-05 Action: Accept the Monthly Treasury Transaction Report. Johnston moved; Stump seconded Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

# **REGULAR AGENDA**

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL) All items listed are available for review and are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board

CLERK OF THE BOARD

8a) No Correspondence

SOCIAL SERVICES

Additional Departments: Mono County Child Abuse Prevention Council

- 9a) Program proposal submitted by the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Mono County pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code section 18967 (Julie Tiede) - Request by the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Mono County for approval to fund program from the County Children's Trust Fund in Fiscal Year 12-13 in an amount not to exceed nine hundred and sixty dollars (\$960.00).
- M13-06 Action: Approve expending funds from the County Children's Trust Fund in Fiscal Year 12-13 in an amount not to exceed nine hundred and sixty dollars (\$960.00) for the Strengthening Families Program recommended by the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Mono County.

# Johnston moved; Stump seconded

## Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

• Julie Tiede, Social Services: Requesting board approval of \$960 from the trust account established in 2001. This fund entitles the County to get certain allocations and fees. The Child Abuse Prevention Council is composed of members of the community who are familiar with children's issues. This Council makes recommendations about expenditures, and has approved this request to help strengthen the program for struggling families.

## HUMAN RESOURCES

## Additional Departments: County Counsel, Sheriff

- 10a) Employment Contract With Robert Weber (Jim Arkens) Proposed resolution approving a 2-year employment contract with Robert Weber.
- **R13-02** Action: Adopt Resolution R13-02 approving a 2-year employment contract with Robert Weber to serve as Mono County Undersheriff effective December 21, 2012, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment. Including uniform allowance.

## Alpers moved; Johnston seconded

# Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

- Marshall Rudolph, County Counsel: This is an at-will agreement (standard contract) for the undersheriff position to which Weber was appointed last month. The board was apprised in closed session about certain changes, so needs to consider whether or not to authorize a uniform allowance of \$1,000 per year. If the board includes this allowance, the standard language will be added to the contract.
- Supervisor Stump: The only bothersome aspect is that the contract is coming to the board after the appointment was already made. In the future, contracts need to come forward prior to or at the same time as the appointment. He supports the uniform allowance.
- Supervisor Fesko: Reiterated Stump's comment about approving the contract before a promotion occurs.
- Undersheriff Weber: He looks forward to working as a team.

# PUBLIC WORKS - ENGINEERING DIVISION

Additional Departments: Public Works - Road Division, Community Development

11a) Report on State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Projects (Garrett Higerd) - Status update on programmed road rehabilitation projects and potential future projects.

#### Action: None

Garrett Higerd, Public Works: Reviewed the information provided in the board packet, which is the quarterly update he gave at the Local Transportation Commission.

- There are a variety of state and federal funds that come to the County for road projects.
- The spreadsheet lists current and future projects.
- Programming cycles occur every two years and the Local Transportation Commission will be going through the STIP cycle this year; the projects listed are already in the funding queue. The Board of Supervisors will have many opportunities to discuss projects.
- Reviewed the various projects on the list.
- The Rock Creek Road Rehab project will require a match, but the County may have funding sources other than the general fund.
- Timing of future projects will be staggered.
- The Board packet also includes information about road maintenance, specifically CalTrans' projects on 395. A small investment in a road will extend the life of that road, and is cheaper than waiting until the road requires major repairs. Mono County may want to consider this model of road maintenance since a pavement management system will be a good economic move.

- The information presented today has been distributed to the RPACs.
- Invited the Supervisors to contact him for more information.

#### Board Comments

- Supervisor Johnston: LTC will be holding discussions about this issue. They will also discuss the shortfall in funding sources over the next 10 years and potential new funding sources.
- Supervisor Hunt: Expressed concern about the future of state funding.
- 11b) Report on 2013 Airport Capital Improvement Plans (ACIPs) for Lee Vining Airport and Bryant Field Airport (Garrett Higerd) - Annual Airport Capital Improvement Plans prioritize projects for FAA funding at Mono County airports.
- **M13-07** Action: Approve submittal of 2013 ACIPs for Lee Vining Airport and Bryant Field.

### Johnston moved; Fesko seconded Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

Garrett Higerd, Public Works, reviewed the following:

- Reconstruction of Lee Vining and Bryant Field Airports.
- ACIP is the annual plan developed with input from the FAA and approved by FAA; this plan is the basis for receiving FAA grants, which require a 10% local match.
- Reviewed future projects list. Each project will have a separate grant to be approved by the Board.
- For the next year, he will be catching up on paperwork/mapping associated with the Lee Vining and Bryant Field Airports.
  - Will consider land acquisition next to Bryant Field, and make additional improvements to Lee Vining (adding a weather station).
  - The FAA wants perimeter fences.
  - The aviation community is interested in hangars.
- Today's action is just approval of the plan; there are no fiscal obligations at this point. The Board will have the opportunity to revisit projects.

## CLERK OF THE BOARD

- 12a) Board of Supervisors Meetings--location change of third monthly meeting (Lynda Roberts) - Location of the Board of Supervisors' third regular meeting of each month.
- **R13-03** Action: Adopt Resolution No. R13-03 changing the location of the third regular board meeting of each month for a 12-month period.

# Johnston moved; Alpers seconded

#### Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No

Lynda Roberts, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors: Reviewed the information contained in the board packet. Exhibits 1 and 2 show attendance at meetings in Bridgeport and Mammoth, but attendance is really determined by the item being discussed and not the location of the meeting. Because of this, attendance numbers can be somewhat misleading.

• The board agreed that the Clerk of the Board no longer needs to keep track of attendance.

**Board Discussion** 

• **Supervisor Johnston**: One meeting a month in Mammoth has been successful, and there is enough evidence to make this permanent unless changed by the board in the future. The video works well, and the set-up cost is probably less than \$1,200 per year

since this figure does not account for money saved by department heads not driving to Bridgeport.

- **Supervisor Stump**: Supports holding the third meeting in Mammoth so residents in South County have the opportunity to attend, which they deserve. He supports making this a permanent arrangement, but can also support the annual review.
- **Supervisor Fesko**: The vast majority of his district is in North County and many people feel strongly about holding all the meetings in Bridgeport; people attend a meeting for a particular topic regardless of location. During his campaign, he found that people in Mammoth tend to identify with the Town and not the County. If the board maintains the annual review of this item, he can support holding the third meeting in Mammoth, and suggested scheduling items pertinent to South County on the third monthly agenda.
- **Supervisor Hunt**: His entire district is in Mammoth Lakes, and it is necessary for his constituency to have the opportunity to address the board face to face. Recognizes that Bridgeport is the county seat, but supports having one regular meeting in Mammoth and agendizing South County items for that meeting. Would like this to be a permanent arrangement until brought up for discussion again.
- **Supervisor Alpers**: About 70% of his district is in Mammoth, and there is much interest about County issues given the Town's financial situation. Can support reviewing this issue annually, or making the change permanent unless agendized for future discussion.
- 12b) Supervisors' Appointments to Boards, Commissions, and Committees (Lynda Roberts) - Mono County Supervisors serve on various boards, commissions, and committees for one-year terms that expire on December 31st. Each January, the Board of Supervisors makes appointments for the upcoming year.

### **NO** Action: Appoint Supervisors to boards, commissions, and committees for 2013. Board Comments

- Supervisor Hunt: Appointments are not necessarily district specific.
- **Supervisor Stump**: Currently attends RPAC and community group meetings, and the water group meeting, so he has seven commitments in place.

Appointments as follows:

- Airport Land Use Commission
  - o Byng Hunt, Fred Stump, Larry Johnston (alternate)
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Scott Burns reviewed upcoming issues.
- Alcohol, Drug, Mental Health Combined Advisory Board
  - Byng Hunt, Larry Johnston (alternate)
- Bodie Hills Coordinating Resource Management Planning Steering Committee
   o Tim Fesko
- BLM Land Tenure Committee
  - o Byng Hunt
  - Issues are usually addressed at the Collaborative Planning Team meeting
  - Central Nevada Regional Water Authority (CNRWA)
    - o Tim Fesko
- Central Sierra Conservation Resource Development Council
   Tim Alpers
- California State Association of Counties (CSAC)
  - Larry Johnston, Tim Fesko (alternate)
- Conway Ranch Task Force
  - Tim Fesko, Larry Johnston (alternate)
- Coalition for Unified Recreation in the Eastern Sierra

   Byng Hunt, Tim Alpers (alternate)
- Collaborative Planning Team, Mono County
  - Byng Hunt, Larry Johnston (alternate)

- Eastern Sierra Child Support Regional Oversight Committee
   O Larry Johnston, Byng Hunt (alternate)
- Eastern Sierra Community College Committee
   O Tim Alpers
- Eastern Sierra Council of Governmental Entities

   Byng Hunt, Larry Johnston, Tim Alpers (alternate)
  - Eastern Sierra Transit Authority (ESTA)
    - Byng Hunt, Tim Alpers
- Emergency Services Council, Mono County
  - Fred Stump (ex officio chair), Byng Hunt, Tim Alpers (alternate)
  - Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District
    - Larry Johnston, Byng Hunt, Fred Stump (alternate)
- Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 Independent Hearing Panel for Local Enforcement Agency
  - Byng Hunt (term 11/3/2009—11/3/2013)
- Inter-Agency Visitors' Center Board of Directors
   O Byng Hunt
- Law Library, Mono County
  - Byng Hunt
- Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)
   Fred Stump, Burge Hunt, Tim Algere (alternative)
  - Fred Stump, Byng Hunt, Tim Alpers (alternate)
- Local Transportation Commission, Mono County
  - Tim Fesko, Larry Johnston, Fred Stump
- Long Valley Hydrologic Advisory Committee
   O Larry Johnston
- Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce

   Byng Hunt (ex officio member to serve as liaison)
- Mammoth Lakes Housing
  - Larry Johnston, Byng Hunt (alternate)
- Mammoth Mountain Ski Area Liaison Committee
  - o Larry Johnston, Tim Alpers, Byng Hunt (alternate)
- Mono County Children & Families Commission
  - Byng Hunt, Larry Johnston (alternate)
- Mono County Senior Citizen Program
  - Tim Fesko, Fred Stump
- National Association of Counties
  - Tim Alpers, Tim Fesko (alternate)
- Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC)/CRHMFA Homebuyers Fund

   Tim Alpers, Tim Fesko (alternate), Byng Hunt (2<sup>nd</sup> alternate)
- Sierra Nevada Conservancy
  - o Byng Hunt
- Solid Waste Task Force
  - Supervisors no longer sit on this committee
- Town-County Liaison Committee
  - Byng Hunt, Fred Stump, Larry Johnston (alternate)
- YARTS JPA
  - Tim Alpers, Byng Hunt, Larry Johnston (alternate)

ADJOURN: 2:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

BYNG HUNT CHAIR

LYNDA ROBERTS CLERK OF THE BOARD

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