



**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 Mammoth Lakes BOS Meeting Room, 3rd Fl. Sierra Center Mall, Suite 307, 452 Old Mammoth Rd., Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

**Regular Meeting  
February 18, 2014**

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9:02 AM Meeting Called to Order by Vice Chairman Fesko.

*Supervisors present: Alpers, Fesko, Hunt and Stump.  
Supervisors absent: Johnston.*

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Alpers.

*Break: 10:37 a.m.  
Reconvene: 10:50 a.m.  
Break: 10:53 a.m.  
Reconvene: 10:57 a.m.  
Closed Session/Lunch: 11:03 a.m.  
Reconvene: 1:01 p.m.  
Adjourn: 1:06 p.m.*

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

**Action:** Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 4, 2014, as corrected.

**Hunt moved; Stump seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston**

**M14-31**

**Supervisor Stump:**

- On page 6 of draft minutes, under item 8b, his comment should say, "Due to the closure of Highway 120 East, a lot of driving time has been added for Benton residents".
- On page 8 of draft bullets, his third bullet point should read, "When the new code gets adopted please find an obsolete code to repeal".

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- On p. 8 of draft minutes under second bullet point, add "and should include outreach to contractors in north county".

3. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- Last Wednesday, Mono Basin RPAC; well attended. Big topic was Conway Ranch and MOU.
- Asking CAO and Finance to review Budget with Mono Basin RPAC at next meeting.
- Had his office hours again this past Friday, another good turnout. People are feeling free to express vocally how they are feeling; it's been extremely valuable.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- On 2/11/14, he attended Mono County Chamber of Commerce meeting in Walker. Discussed various things including water content, upcoming events (i.e. ATV Jamboree, copy of advertisement to be kept in today's folder).
- Dentist last week, had to have a crown put on.
- Met with several business people in Walker on how to improve the town.
- Conway Ranch, Tony Vaught plan – he's gotten a lot of questions on this.
- Notices were mailed out to his Mammoth constituents about upcoming roundtable discussion tonight.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Working to stimulate interest in public service generally over the past few months with an emphasis on Mammoth Lakes Town Council.
- Out walking dog on golf course, he fell into pond that was not as frozen as it looked. Very dangerous for pets and people; be careful.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Absent.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Wednesday evening; attended the Long Valley Fire Board meeting with Leslie; ERAF issue and the percentage that this district is being charged was discussed. Some answers have been found; Leslie is preparing a memo to that board. It's going to take legislative action at the state level to fix this.
- Had meeting concerning Little Rock Creek Ranch project
- AT&T has said that it is their intent to submit an application for a cell tower to be built in Chalfant in April. It remains to be seen if this will happen or not; discussed additional improvements in both Chalfant and Crowley.

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

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

**Jim Leddy:**

- Attended Town Liaison quarterly meeting.
- Strategic Plan Steering Committee meetings continuing; been very well represented and attended. Interviews for Facilitator to occur 4:00 p.m. on Thursday.

- Coffee with CAO, going to start back up on monthly basis beginning in March at 8:00 a.m. First Thursday for Bridgeport at Memorial Hall and first Friday for Mammoth at the Sierra Center Mall Board Chambers.
- Brainstorming sessions with employees to find cost saving ideas (in terms of the budget) to commence: Bridgeport will be Wednesday at noon at the Memorial Hall; Mammoth will be Friday at noon here at Board Chambers.
- Supervisor Alpers: he's seeing us building a business relationship between the board, employees and staff and likes the direction we're headed.
- Supervisor Stump: Wants to make sure that the media hears that the facilitator we're trying to bring in is being paid for by outside revenues from our insurance funds; not from county general fund money.
- Trindel Insurance money can only be used for leadership development; has to be invested in our employees.
- Supervisor Fesko – Jim has heard loud and clear what the board is looking for.

## 6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

### **Steve Marti (Fisheries Commission):**

- At last meeting two weeks ago, heard a lot of discussion about the drought. Jim Erdman gave a report on the concern for fish stocking this summer due to drought situation.
- Discussion about critical water flows on Conway; IAG concern is that SCE has not made a prediction of water flow out of Lundy.
- Recommendation is that after MOU is complete, first thing the board should consider is installing a well.
- Supervisor Stump: ask staff to contact SCE and give us an update; maybe a letter? First thing is to resurrect the well/water supply information.
- Dan Lyster: he's left a message with SCE. If the water is not there, what can SCE do about it? There have been some personnel issues, but he'll try to get an update.
- Supervisor Fesko: Thanked Steve and the Fisheries Commission. He understands the water issue is big. Should we have an agenda item regarding the well?
- Supervisor Alpers: feels we need to have MOU in place first before anything else.
- Marshall Rudolph: discussed past water studies; they're old and can't be used off the shelf but they do have value. Overuse of groundwater is a large concern. Can be agendized; it will generate a very large discussion.

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA - NONE

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

All items listed are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board, and are available for review.

### A. Sierra Paradise Estates

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Letter from Sierra Paradise Estates addressed to Mr. Ken Pimlott, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, regarding proposed Rock Creek Ranch development.

#### **Supervisor Stump:**

- Since this piece of correspondence is part of 9c; further discussion can be held then.

## B. Department of Transportation

Letter dated 2/7/14 from Tom Hallenbeck (Department of Transportation) to Scott Burns, regarding State Highways under winter closure.

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- He requests that this letter be sent to all RPAC's countywide and to Inyo County Board of Supervisors (Scott Burns to handle this).  
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*The Board acknowledged receipt of the correspondence.*

## 9. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

### A. Child Support Program Update

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Susanne Rizo, Director) - Presentation from Susanne Rizo, Director of the Eastern Sierra Child Support Program giving an update to the Board. This presentation is on the agenda at the request of Supervisor Johnston.

**Action:** None.

**Susanne Rizo, Director:**

- Introduced Emily Casabian (Supervisor in her Department) who came with her today.

**BENEFITS OF CHILD SUPPORT POWERPOINT:**

- Child Support Professionals Work to Increase Collections for Families.
- Ongoing Efforts to Increase Recovery of Public Assistance.
- How is the Child Support Program Funded?
- How Much Does it Cost to Fund the Program?
- Historically, Allocations have Been Under-Expended.
- Collections and the Role of Performance Measures (Federal, California).
- Statewide Goals for Cost Effectiveness.
- DCSS Goals for Eastern Sierra 2012-2013.
- Performance Statistics since Regionalization.
- Caseload by Geographic Area.
- State Hearing Program for Complaints aka Ombudsperson Program.
- If a Customer Disagrees with a Decision.
- Questions?

**Additional Comments:**

- Explained the 110% formula.
- Working on the "stigma" and finding positive ways to communicate with those actually being compliant.
- We're seeing a decrease in some of the Mono County cases.
- She plans to get some figures from her analyst and forward to Board.
- Currently has 9 staff and this number seems to be working.
- She thinks the current Inyo/Mono structure is invigorating.
- Spoke about maternity outreach being done. She's happy to bring her teen outreach anywhere within the county.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- How can you have 110% of something?
- Asked what an "in locate" case is?
- Are there positive reinforcements, not just negative reinforcements?
- Asked about defense for people being prosecuted?
- Asked about amount to run program?

- What happens to under-expenditures?
- Spike in cases due to economic downturn?
- Asked about child support obligations in reference to grandparents.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- Who bears cost of the program?

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- Asked about collections amount for both Inyo and Mono County; asked about the higher wages in Mono County.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- How do you work through multi-state issues?
- How is all this handled with such limited staff?
- What is general structure between Inyo/Mono Counties?

**Leslie Chapman:**

- There is no county match on this program.

**B. Mono Realignment**

Departments: Probation

(Members of CCP) - Presentation by Mono Community Corrections Partnership regarding Mono Realignment.

**Action:** None. Pulled.

**This item was pulled from the agenda, to be rescheduled later.**

**C. Rock Creek Ranch Specific Plan Amendment and Tentative Tract Map Modification, Public Hearing 10:45 a.m.**

Departments: Community Development Department

(Courtney Weiche) - Open public hearing and continue to a date to be determined, allowing time for adjustments to respond to revised Cal Fire comments and Paradise Fire Protection District comments.

**Action:** Continue public hearing (at the request of staff) until the regularly scheduled Board Meeting in Mammoth on May 20, 2014.

**Stump moved; Hunt seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston**

**M14-32**

**Item continued per Vice Chairman Fesko**

**Courtney Weiche:**

- Asked that this be postponed until a specific date of May 20, 2014. Location will be here in Mammoth Lakes, CA.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Just wanted it on record that the correspondence on today's agenda relates directly to this item.

Reconvene: 10:57 a.m. to celebrate Jim Leddy's birthday; his entire family surprised him by showing up and bringing a cake.

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

*No one spoke.*

**11. CLOSED SESSION**

*There was nothing to report out of closed session.*

A. Closed Session--Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, Bill Van Lente and Jim Leddy. 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 - Conference with Legal Counsel

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.

REGULAR AFTERNOON SESSION COMMENCES AT 1:00 P.M.

12. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

*No one spoke.*

13. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

A. Antelope Valley Community Center Remodel Project

Departments: Public Works

(Vianey White) - Proposed resolution finding that competitive bidding for the Antelope Valley Community Center Remodel Project would be futile, would produce no competitive advantage, and is not required, given the significant number of community volunteers who are willing to perform the work at no charge to the County.

**Action:** Adopt proposed resolution #R14-11, finding that competitive bidding for the Antelope Valley Community Center Remodel Project would be futile, unavailing, and would produce no competitive advantage and authorizing the project to be carried out by community volunteer labor with facilities staff oversight and assistance.

**Alpers moved; Hunt seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Johnston**

**R14-11**

**Vianey White:**

- Informed Board that there are several community members from Walker in the Board room to show their continued support.
- Staff is recommending approval of this resolution.
- Explained item and potential costs associated with it; gave brief history of item.

ADJOURN at 1:06 p.m. in memory of Lee McCoy of Bridgeport, CA who passed away unexpectedly on 1/23/14.

ATTEST:

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TIMOTHY FESKO  
VICE-CHAIRMAN

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SHANNON KENDALL  
SR. DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD