



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

Teleconference Only - No Physical Location

**Special Meeting
April 1, 2020**

12:03 PM Meeting Called to Order by Chair Corless.

Supervisors Present: Corless, Gardner, Kreitz, Peters, and Stump (all attended via teleconference).

Supervisors Absent: None.

All votes were conducted by roll call.

The Mono County Board of Supervisors stream most of their meetings live on the internet and archives them afterward. To search for a meeting from June 2, 2015 forward, please go to the following link: <http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/meetings>.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chair Corless.

1 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Supervisor Kreitz:

- Today is Census Day.

2. AGENDA ITEMS

A. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Departments: CAO

(Steve Barwick, CAO) - An opportunity for Mono County Departments and stakeholders to share Coronavirus-related issues with the Board, to include, but not limited to, the Public Health Department and its efforts to provide guidance and mitigation measures to reduce the impact of COVID-19 in Mono County and the Eastern Sierra.

Action: None.

Updates from:

Bob Lawton, Assistant CAO
Bryan Wheeler, Public health
Chris Mokracek, EMS Chief

B. Impact of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) on Fishing Opener and Fishing Season in Mono County; Letter to State

Departments: Economic Development

(Alicia Vennos, Jeff Simpson) - Discussion regarding the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, and Governor Newsom's March 19 Executive Order requiring all Californians to stay at home or in their place of residence except as needed to perform essential functions (e.g., buy food or medicine) or to work in sectors deemed essential to maintenance of the nation's critical infrastructure (the "Stay-At-Home" Order), on recreational fishing and fish stocking activities in Mono County; consideration of letter to the Governor and California's Fish and Game Commission requesting alterations to this season's fish stocking/fishing opener, consistent with the Stay-At-Home Order, to protect public health and safety.

Action: Approve proposed letter, as amended, to the Governor and the California Fish and Game Commission requesting that fish stocking and/or fishing opener be delayed, consistent with the Stay-At-Home Order, for the protection of public health and safety.

Kreitz moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M20-61

Jeff Simpson:

- Introduced item.

Sheriff Braun

Gordon Martin, Inyo National Forest Mammoth District Ranger

Jan Cutts, Humboldt Toiyabe Bridgeport District Ranger

Steve Nelson, Field Director Bureau of Land Management

Dan Holler, Town of Mammoth Lakes Town Manager

Clerk read public comments into record (available in additional documents).

Abbie Thomason

C. Letter From Board of Supervisors to Congressman Cook Requesting Resources

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Chair Corless) - A letter from the Mono County Board of Supervisors to Congressman Paul Cook (Congressional District 8) to confirm the need for medical supplies for the local response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and requesting assistance.

Action: Approve and authorize Board Chair to sign letter.

Gardner moved; Stump seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

M20-62

D. Resolution Requesting a Waiver of the National Registry Test Requirement for Mono County Emergency Medical Technicians

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Supervisor Stump) - Supervisor Stump has expressed concern that the public health measures taken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic will have the unintended consequence of seriously hampering local first responders' ability to pass the National Registry test to become certified EMTs. The test is notoriously difficult, as evidenced by a high failure rate, and, since being adopted by the State, has already contributed to a significant decrease in local EMT certifications. A resolution has been drafted for the Board's consideration, asking the California Emergency Medical Authority and Inland Counties Emergency Medical Agency to waive the National Registry testing requirement for Inyo County EMTs.

Action: Adopt proposed resolution R20-31, Requesting a Waiver of the National Registry Test Requirement for Mono County Emergency Medical Technicians.

Stump moved; Gardner seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

R20-31

Supervisor Stump:

- Introduced item.

E. 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: two.

Closed Session 1:47 PM

Reconvene: 2:21 PM

Nothing to report out of Closed Session.

ADJOURNED at 2:21 PM

ATTEST

**STACY CORLESS
CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

**SCHEEREN DEDMAN
SR. DEPUTY CLERK**