



**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
September 16, 2025**

TRIBAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

In respect to the Indigenous People and Tribal Elders, past, and present, the Bridgeport Indian Colony, Mono Lake Kootzaduka'a Tribe, and Utu Utu Gwaitu Tribe are the Indigenous People who live within this, their ancestral homeland from time immemorial to the present and have been the caretakers of these lands, waters, and all natural resources for the benefit of the environment and of all living things. We who live in Mono County offer this land acknowledgment with a spirit of mutual respect and collaboration.

9:02 AM Meeting called Order by Chair Salcido.

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

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>.
Supervisors Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Assistant County Counsel Emily Fox.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Jo Bacon, Mammoth Lakes Friends of the Library:

- Mono County has joined Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

Jennifer Hellerud:

- Discussion regarding her Pickleball Court project opposition.

Brianna Brown:

- Discussion on her Pickleball Court project support.

2. RECOGNITIONS

A. Retirement Proclamation for Deb Stewart

Departments: Behavioral Health

(Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director) - Retirement proclamation recognizing Substance Use Disorder Supervisor, Debra "Deb" Stewart for her nearly 30 years of service to Mono County.

Action: Adopted proclamation recognizing the retirement of Deb Stewart, Substance Use Disorder Supervisor, for her years of service to Mono County.

Peters moved; Duggan seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M25-203

Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health Director:

- Presented item.

Debra "Deb" Stewart:

- Accepted her proclamation.

Supervisors Peters, Duggan, Peters, McFarland, and Chair Salcido:

- Thanked Deb and spoke to her time at Mono County.

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Sandra Moberly, County Administrative Officer:

- Attended the Sierra Jobs First Governing Council meeting and will have more information next month.
- Attended the Benton Music Festival on Saturday with great music and great food.
- Saturday evening, I attended the Fire Responders Appreciation at the Mono Inn for their efforts with the Inn Fire.

4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Sheriff Braun:

- New scam in Mono County is targeting people for bond of inmates.

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. Memorandum of Understanding with Premier Dental Group for Mobile Dental Van Services

Departments: Health and Human Services

Sangho Park DDS Inc. dba Premier Dental Group of Sacramento, CA is proposing to partner with Mono County Health and Human Services to provide mobile dental van services to southern and northern Mono County communities. The Dental Group has teamed up with Smile, California to serve MediCal members and others in Mono County. The target populations are children and adults who have barriers to accessing dental services.

Action: Approved an Agreement with Sangho Park DDS Inc. dba Premier Dental Group for the provision of mobile dental van services in Mono County and authorized the Health and Human Services Director to sign the Agreement.

Duggan moved; McFarland seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M25-204

B. Flu Vaccination Clinic Memorandum of Understanding with Education Partners

Departments: Health and Human Services

Proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Mono County Office of Education and Mammoth Unified School District pertaining to annual flu vaccination clinics to be provided by Mono County Health and Human Services on school campuses.

Action: Approved an MOU with the Mono County Office of Education and Mammoth Unified School District for school-based flu clinics for the period September 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, and authorized the Health and Human Services Director to sign.

Duggan moved; McFarland seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M25-205

C. Proposed Sale of Surplus Equipment at Auction

Departments: Public Works Fleet

Proposed sale of surplus equipment. These items include one piece of heavy equipment and one pallet of outdated sheriff upfitting equipment.

Action: Authorized Public Works to send surplus equipment to auction for disposal of excess and/or unneeded County property.

Duggan moved; McFarland seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M25-206

D. Approval for Insurance Release of Vehicles for Salvage Sale

Departments: Public Works

Four County Fleet vehicles involved in separate incidents have been deemed total and no longer serviceable. Insurance has offered to purchase and receive this equipment.

Action: Permission to release four vehicles for salvage to Trindel.

Duggan moved; McFarland seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M25-207

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. PUBLIC HEARING: Consider Golden State Connect Authority's use of Revenue Bonds and Presentation

Departments: Board of Supervisors

PUBLIC HEARING: 9:00 AM (30 minutes)

(Barbara Hayes, Chief Economic Development Officer for Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC)) - Approval of the issuance of revenue bonds by the Golden State Connect Authority to finance the construction of a high-speed fiber-optic network in certain unincorporated areas of the County.

Action: Entered the Memorandum of Understanding with Golden State Connect Authority regarding development and financing of a broadband network in the County, made a finding that the issuance of the revenue bonds will have a significant public benefit, and adopted Resolution R25-079, Approving the issuance of the revenue bonds.

Duggan moved; Peters seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M25-208

R25-079

Public Hearing Opened: 9:33 AM

Barbara Hayes, Chief Economic Development Officer for Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC):

- Presented item.
- Discussion on project funding: SB156 and the work that CSAC did for funding.

Supervisor McFarland:

- Discussion regarding Mike Martinez, IT Director, being the lead at the County for this project and fibers to be an underground project and the challenges for underground, backup generators are propane.

Supervisor Peters and Duggan:

- Thanked CSAC and Barbara for this project.

Emily Fox, Assistant County Counsel:

- Clarified the action.

Chair Salcido:

- Discussion on the possibilities of collaborative work with the electric companies.

Public Hearing Closed: 10:03 AM

Break Begin: 10:05 AM

Break Ended: 10:15 AM

B. The Ferguson Group (TFG) Strategic Grants Initiative Presentation

Departments: County Administrative Office

(Kristi More, TFG Managing Partner of Grants and Heidi Schott, TFG Grants Principal) - Presentation by TFG regarding the Strategic Grants Initiative.

Action: None.

Kristi More, TFG Managing Partner of Grants:

- Presented item.

Heidi Schott, TFG Grants Principal:

- Presented item.

Supervisor Kreitz:

- Discussion on the success rate TFG has for rural counties.

Sandra Moberly, County Administrative Officer:

- Discussion on priority projects and building the strategic plan.

Supervisor McFarland:

- Discussion on the target date for the Strategic Plan for Board review.

Supervisor Peters:

- Discussion on the annual grants and are reoccurring.

Supervisor Duggan:

- Discussion on the importance of the Board involvement of grants.

Chair Salcido:

- Discussion regarding the CGI contract and details.

C. Inyo Mono Broadband Consortium (IMBC) Update Presentation

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Scott Armstrong, Regional Broadband Coordinator) - Broadband Strategic Plan update for Mono County.

Action: None.

Scott Armstrong, Regional Broadband Coordinator:

- Presented item.

Supervisor Peters:

- AI discussion.

D. CRIS Radio Update

Departments: Information Technology

(Mike Martinez, Information Technology Director) - Provide update on California Radio Interoperable System (CRIS) project.

Action: None.

Mike Martinez, Information Technology Director:

- Presented item.

E. Employment Agreement - Public Works Project Manager

Departments: Public Works

(Paul Roten, Public Works Director) - Proposed resolution approving a contract with Vianey White as Project Manager, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

Action: Read fiscal impact. Approved Resolution R25-078, Approving a contract with Vianey White as Project Manager, 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 \$114,713 of which \$90,053 is salary and \$24,660 is benefits. The annual cost will be \$139,103 of which \$109,200 is salary and \$29,903 is benefits. The fiscal impact of this item is included in the Public Works Fiscal Year 2025-26 adopted budgets.

Kreitz moved; McFarland seconded

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R25-078

Paul Roten, Public Works Director:

- Presented item.

Vianey White, Project Manager:

- Met the Board.

F. Liberty Utilities General Rate Case Update

Departments: County Counsel

(Emily Fox, Assistant County Counsel) - Update regarding the status of the Liberty Utilities General Rate Case and upcoming hearings.

Action: None.

Emily Fox, Assistant County Counsel:

- Presented item.

Supervisor Peters:

- Discussion on the hearing.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Begin: 1:38 PM

Closed Session Ended: 12:46 PM

No action to report out of Closed Session.
Moved to Adjournment.

A. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Sandra Moberly, Oliver Yee, Christopher Beck, Janet Dutcher, Christine Bouchard, and Steve Rose. 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 - Real Property Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Property: 233 E Elm St, Bishop, CA 93514. Agency negotiator: Sandra Moberly. Negotiating parties: Buyers and sellers. Under negotiation: Price, terms, conditions.

C. Closed Session - Exposure to Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -- EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: 1.

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: *In Re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation*, Case No. 1:17-md-02804-DAP, N.D. Ohio.

9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS - NONE

A. Board Member and Board Ad Hoc Reports - NONE

ADJOURNED at 12:47 PM.

LYNDA SALCIDO
CHAIR OF THE BOARD

QUEENIE BARNARD
CLERK OF THE BOARD