



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.

MEETING LOCATION  
 Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St., Bridgeport, CA 93517

**August 13, 14, 15, 2013**

<b>Flash Drive</b>	<b>#1002, 1003</b>
<b>Minute Orders</b>	<b>M13-182</b>
<b>Resolutions</b>	<b>R13-62 to R13-65</b>
<b>Ordinance</b>	<b>Ord13-04 – NOT USED</b>

9:02 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Hunt.

*Supervisors Present: Alpers, Fesko, Hunt, Johnston and Stump.  
 Supervisors Absent: None.*

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Hunt.

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

*No one spoke.*

*Closed Session: 9:03 a.m.*

*Break: 10:30 a.m.*

*Reconvene: 10:35 a.m.*

*Lunch: 12:17 p.m.*

*Break: 3:21 p.m.*

*Reconvene: 3:29 p.m.*

*Adjourn: 6:42 p.m. on 8/14/13*

**CLOSED SESSION**

*There was nothing to report out of 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, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman 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.

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

*No one spoke.*

### 2) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None

### 3) **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

#### **Supervisor Alpers:**

- Attended June Lake Fireman's picnic; very large. Sense of contentment around the locals

#### **Supervisor Fesko:**

- No report.

#### **Supervisor Hunt:**

- No report.

#### **Supervisor Johnston:**

- Attended LTC Meeting; working on strategic planning process.

#### **Supervisor Stump:**

- The Chalfant Mercantile is open for business and food.

## **COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**

### 4) **CAO Report regarding Board Assignments**

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

#### **Jim Leddy:**

- Spent all last week preparing for this week of budget hearings.
- Special meeting for the potential Assessor appointment is scheduled for Thursday morning.
- Will be meeting with BLM.
- Met with Douglas County Administrator to discuss collaborating counties where/when possible. Better ways to enhance North County services.
- Spoke with Fresno County and Tuolumne CAO's, they are coming out of a major budget crunches.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS/EMERGING ISSUES**

#### **Nathan Reade, Agriculture Department (replacing George Milovich):**

- The partnerships in place between Mono and Inyo are extremely beneficial; he looks forward to serving board and continuing the partnership that's been built up.
- New MOU in place with the Mammoth Lakes Mosquito Abatement District.
- Marshall Rudolph: We have a shared MOU with Inyo for the Agriculture Commissioner. Wondering whether this board needs to formally appoint Nate at this end. He will check.

#### **Scott Burns:**

- At Local Transportation Meeting yesterday, reviewed new allocation estimates for Mono County. Came in higher than expected.
- Association of Environmental Professional Conference coming up in Mammoth Lakes. September 26-27, may have some information valuable to Supervisors.
- Wendy Sugimura – travelled to Sonora to attend hearing regarding frogs. This was not a formal congressional hearing. Sierra Nevada Yellow Legged Frog and the Yosemite Toad are only two species that affect Mono County. Mono County's issues will be quite a bit different than other counties. She had productive conversations with Inyo and US Fish and Wildlife Service.

- Supervisor Fesko: maps regarding frog issues that were given out didn't seem very accurate; would like better maps. To Nate with Agriculture Department: he may need to take a stand on this issue at some point.
- Supervisor Stump: Asked Wendy about Dr. James Paulus to look at this from a biological and scientific standpoint.
- Supervisor Johnston: would Inyo be willing to assist us with Dr. Paulus studies? (Wendy: John Hart and Elaine Cabala from Inyo attended meeting as well.)

### **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.)

### **PUBLIC WORKS - SOLID WASTE DIVISION**

- 5a) **CalRecycle Grant Authorization** - A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors authorizing the Public Works Director to apply for CalRecycle grants, and enter into related grant agreements for a period of five years.
- R13-62** **Action:** Adopt proposed resolution #R13 – 62, authorizing the Public Works Director to apply for CalRecycle grants, and enter into related grant agreements for a period of five years.  
**Johnston moved; Fesko seconded**  
**Vote: 5 yes; 0 no**  
**Supervisor Fesko:**
- Asked for clarification regarding time period.

### **COUNTY COUNSEL**

- 6a) **Deputy County Counsel Employment Agreement** - Proposed resolution approving an employment agreement with Christian Milovich and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment. Ms. Milovich would be employed as a Deputy County Counsel I, filling a vacancy in an existing deputy position.
- R13-63** **Action:** Adopt Resolution R13-63, approving an employment agreement with Christian Milovich and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment.  
**Johnston moved; Fesko seconded**  
**Vote: 5 yes; 0 no**  
**Marshall Rudolph:**
- Board has indicated approval to bring on Christian Milovich into the County Counsel's office. It was a very competitive process; lots of candidates to choose from.
  - Her main experience is in Immigration Law; not a problem. They bring people in at entry level all the time. She will start September 9<sup>th</sup>.
- 6b) **Employment Agreement Amendment (Johnson)** - Proposed Resolution approving an agreement and first amendment to agreement re employment of Richard Johnson.
- R13-64** **Action:** Adopt Resolution R13-64, approving an agreement and first amendment to agreement re employment of Richard Johnson.  
**Johnston moved; Fesko 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

- 7a) No Correspondence  
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### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 8a) **Resolution of Appreciation for Mary Booher** (Board of Supervisors) -  
Resolution of Appreciation recognizing Mary Booher for her years of service.

- M13-182** **Action:** Approve and present resolution.  
**Johnston moved; Fesko seconded**  
**Vote: 5 yes; 0 no**  
**Supervisor Hunt:**
- Read and presented resolution to Mary Booher.

### SOCIAL SERVICES

**Additional Departments:** Behavioral Health and Public Health

- 9a) **Affordable Care Act: Implementation in Mono County** (Kathy Peterson, Social Services; Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health; Hilary Bayliss, Public Health) - Workshop regarding Affordable Care Act (ACA) implementation in Mono County, by Kathy Peterson, Social Services; Robin Roberts, Behavioral Health; and Hilary Bayliss, Public Health. Presentation will describe the expanded role of Mono County Health and Human Service Departments in educating, enrolling, and serving eligible county residents under the ACA, and in implementing this aspect of the law. Description of activities already underway and needed action from Board to help meet the challenge of health care reform implementation.

**Action:** None.

**Kathy Peterson (Powerpoint, copy kept on file with today's agenda folder):**

#### HEALTH CARE REFORM & AFFORDABLE CARE ACT IN MONO COUNTY:

- Affordable Care Act Basics
  - ACA Implementation
  - Medi-Cal Expansion
  - Tax Subsidy Exchange-Based Coverage
  - Affordable Care Act Estimates, Medi-Cal Expansion and Tax Subsidy Exchange-Based Coverage (Mono County vs. Statewide)
- Department Operations
  - Social Services
  - Behavioral Health
  - Public Health
  - 2014 Operations – Phone Network
  - Operations – Culture Change for All
- Expectations & Challenges

- New way of doing business; new language
- Outreach Strategies
- Key Challenges
- Implementation Activities
  - Hiring new staff for Social Services and Behavioral Health
  - Training staff
  - Prepping facilities and technology
  - Implement policy and business process changes
  - Respond to unfolding information and short timeframes
  - New Vision
- Other comments:
  - She's most concerned with the rule changes; making sure her staff has the tools they need to serve residents. There's complexity in this.
  - In case constituents ask who HAS to purchase coverage, she has a one page handout.

**Francie Evitia (Eligibility Supervisor):**

- Regulations still in the works and are changing to make certain things easier.
- Nothing can be put into the system until January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Robin Roberts (Behavioral Health):**

- There hasn't been a lot of guidance; she feels proud that these departments have stepped up to figure out and prepare for the implementation of this.
- Social Services will be impacted hardest in the beginning; but if her caseload increases by 50% it's going to be a big issue.
- She thinks her office will feel the brunt more by March.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Sounds like they are preparing well; how sustainable is this?

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Great job on preparing for this; he understands there will be glitches but this is going in the right direction.
- Maybe we won't need a new jail right away with all the collaboration going on.

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- Asked what biggest concern might be with this?

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Teamwork shown getting in front of this will make being a resident of Mono County a good thing.

**PROBATION**

10a)

**Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Division of Juvenile Justice** (Karin Humiston) - Proposed resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) Division of Juvenile Justice (FY 2013-14).

**R13-65**

**Action:** Adopt proposed resolution #R13-65, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the CDCR Division of Juvenile Justice for FY 2013-14.

**Alpers moved; Johnston seconded**

**Vote: 5 yes; 0 no**

**Marshall Rudolph:**

- This was moved from last week's agenda; he's happy to say that as of yesterday afternoon, we got the correct MOU with the changes to implement today.
- Explained changes; County Counsel is fine with the current draft.

**PUBLIC WORKS - SOLID WASTE DIVISION**

11a)

**Formation of a Solid Waste Advisory Group** (Tony Dublino, Jim Leddy) -

Presentation by Tony Dublino and Jim Leddy regarding update on Solid Waste issue and the possible formation of a Solid Waste Advisory Group.

**Action:** None.

**Tony Dublino:**

- Here for a discussion on a formation of a Solid Waste Advisory group, based on previous board direction.
- There was some discussion as to whether or not the Solid Waste Task Force could do this; it was decided it should only be elected officials on the Advisory Group.
- Wants to elevate the conversation about this. He thinks having designated reps from our board and the Town Council would be very beneficial.
- We're under a legal requirement to have a task force in place. He sees this new group as being able to make budgetary and policy decisions the task force cannot make.

**Jim Leddy:**

- The Advisory Group would work more on policy issues; relying on the task force to deal with more of the technical aspects, not direction of policy.
- This is to have a better conversation format.
- The idea is that the Advisory Group would bring in appropriate interests as needed.
- Really about education, showing public the challenges ahead, getting questions answered.
- He can speak with Town Manager on how this was received at Council level.
- He will work with Supervisor Johnston and the Town first to draft something up. Maybe the September 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- Would like clarification as to how the groups would operate – why have two?
- He's not sure the current task force works the way Jim sees it working.
- Having sat on the task force before, there didn't seem to be much "power" to do anything. Not much got accomplished.
- This new group would not have any control over the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund?
- Likes the idea of Advisory Group going away once discussions/issues get rolling.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Initially the task force was not objective; some people got kicked off.
- We are different than Sonoma County; here we only have two jurisdictions. He feels it needs to be more of a blue ribbon approach.
- Should be comprised of people who don't have financial ties.
- All of this evolved out of the MERF issue.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- He finds Supervisor Johnston's idea interesting. Curious as to how much engagement we'd get?
- He'd like to revisit this and look logistically at how it would function? Could we get enough stakeholders to the table?

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- He thinks having public meetings and making it public process would be beneficial; he does think having four elected officials on board would be useful.
- In the past he's felt a bit in the dark with the Town's position.
- Maybe a simple committee on a temporary basis.

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- Asked for a possible motion from Supervisor Johnston to get a group organized.

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**LUNCH**

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

*No one spoke.*

## FINANCE

12a)

**Budget Workshop** (Leslie Chapman, Finance Director, Jim Leddy, CAO, Department heads and fiscal staff) - Presentation by Jim Leddy and Leslie Chapman with subsequent discussion regarding budget status to date, along with input from departments and opportunity for the Board to ask questions, consider alternatives and provide input for development of the 2013-2014 final budget. Budget workshop documents can be accessed online: <http://monocounty.ca.gov/auditor/page/auditor-controller-budgets>

**Action:** None.

**Jim Leddy, CAO (Budget Kickoff):**

- He thanked staff for their efforts. This is a bridge between how the county used to conduct business to how they are going to HAVE to conduct business.

**POWERPOINT (to be uploaded to the web):**

- Economic Overview
- Property Tax Trends (2001-2013)
- Mono County Property Tax Dollar
- Mono County FY 2013-2014 Recommended Budget (\$63.18 million)
- Total Budget Sources
- Total Budget Uses
- Total Budget Trends
- General Fund Sources
- General Fund Uses
- General Fund Trends
- County Staffing Trends
- General Fund Reserves
- County Liabilities – Unmet Needs
- General Fund Policy Items
- Non-General Policy Items
- FY 2013-2014 Recommended Budget Proposes
- What Recommended Budget does not do
- Long View Required to Strengthen Mono County – Strategic Planning Must Continue
- Budget Development – Looking Forward
- Next Steps

**Board Comments:**

**Supervisor Stump:**

- This is the best put together budget he's ever seen for Mono County. It's clear and laid out well.
- Asked when Prop.172 gets discussed?

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- This budget goes to a larger degree of detail. He very much appreciates it.
- Part of our job as Supervisors is education and this budget helps.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- He agrees with previous comments; feels this budget is a step in the right direction.
- He was always under the impression that the Reserves were for the budget problems.
- We should've taken steps in the past to alleviate the steps we're taking now.
- A87 Costs – why the different categories?

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- He agrees the budget is well done; he will have some issues to discuss when the time comes up.
- Reserve funds were used to bail out the Solid Waste fund. This was because the board at that time was unwilling to create a Solid Waste fund that dealt with its mean. So, the

Reserves continued to be drained.

- Reserves for “reserves sake” doesn’t do anybody any good.
- Needs to be a balance between what we use and what we use it for. The goal is to provide services for the public. Period.
- Asked about Carb policy item discussion.
- Overtime has caught his attention – when will this be discussed?
- State Controller issues a report yearly – what counties/cities spend on personnel. There are 58 in the state – why are we 9<sup>th</sup> highest in the state?
- Car Allowance Issue.

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- He agrees it’s a great document; appreciates the sections about public meetings and how their input has been incorporated.
- He feels the public could actually understand it.
- How long will it take to rebuild the reserves?
- Asked when public addresses budgetary needs?

**Leslie Chapman:**

- Reserves can be used for operations one time a year; after that it’s only for emergencies.
- Currently there is a policy that we will try to have 15% in our reserve fund.
- She can do an analysis about why we’re number #9 in compensation.
- Prop. 172 – she’d like it discussed with policy items.
- A87 Costs – Last year included in middle of services/supplies. She wanted stronger controls into the computer system. Had to be taken out of that category to get controls in place to work correctly.

**Department Heads**

The following Department Heads came before the board and summarized and answered questions about their budgets:

- Ralph Obenberger - Sheriff (Boating, Court Security, Emergency Services, Jail, Search and Rescue, Sheriff Operating Budget).
  - General questions about overtime budget; request from Board to poll a couple other counties to see what percentage they spend on overtime.
  - Asked to look into using reserve officers as backfill. Also, what is the benefit to using extra deputies vs. overtime?
- Tim Kendall – D.A. (District Attorney Operating, Victim Witness, Drug Task Force).
  - Asked how much the D.A.’s office has had to spend due to MLPD cutbacks (bring numbers back).
  - Asked about success with Diversion Program (bring numbers back).
  - Overtime discussion – only 1% of budget; how does this compare with other counties?
  - Leslie Chapman – discussion about proposed CalMMET monies and recommendation against requested contract Investigator. FTS request discussion.
- Karin Humiston – Probation (Adult Probation, Juvenile Probation)
  - Asked about overtime budget.
  - Violent repeat offenders? (Bring back stats later.)
- Lynda Roberts – Clerk/Recorder (Board of Supervisors, Clerk/Recorder General, Elections)
- Aimee Brewster – Assessor
  - Discussion about requested FTS position.
- Angelle Nolan – Animal Control (Animal Control General, South County Animal Control)
  - Proposing that Nancy Boardman’s position be eliminated.
  - Asked about staffing levels.
  - Asked about overtime budget.
- Marshall Rudolph – County Counsel
- Tom Perry – Community Development (Building Inspector)



- Asked about General Fund monies in relation to fees.
- Waiver of fees discussion
- Scott Burns – Community Development (Code Enforcement, Housing Development, LAFCO, Planning Commission, Planning & Transportation)
  - Housing money discussion; maybe have a semi-annual Housing Authority meeting?
  - LAFCO needs a rep from anywhere north of Mammoth.
  - There's not enough fire power with all the monies coming in; an intern position has been requested.
  - Mary Booher's position, very important to be replaced.
- Dan Lyster – Economic Development (Conway Ranch, Economic Development General, Fish Enhancement, Fish & Game, Conway Ranch, Tourism)
  - \$5,000 additional money discussion.
  - Any way to cut back on the \$200,000 budget? (Would have to go to the Tourism Commission to see where cutbacks could possibly be made.)
  - Discussion about June Lake funds, fees.

8/13/13 Meeting ended at 6:06 p.m.

**ADJOURN TO 9:00 AM WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2013.**

**ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 14, 2013, 9:00 AM  
Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St.,  
Bridgeport, CA 93517**

9:00 AM

Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Hunt.

Pledge of Allegiance by Supervisor Stump.

*Break: 10:20 a.m.*

*Reconvene: 10:30 a.m.*

*Break: 12:18 p.m.*

*Reconvene for Working Lunch: 12:22 p.m.*

*Break: 12:58 p.m.*

*Reconvene: 1:05 p.m.*

*Break: 2:58 p.m.*

*Reconvene: 3:07*

*Adjourn: 6:42 p.m.*

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

**Ralph Lockhart (June Lake):**

- Funding for Economic Development; revisiting what was done last year for June Lake.
- He has some interesting, palatable suggestions.
- Not just about June Lake – about how to increase TOT sales tax in entire county. It's about economic future of Mono County.
- Last year they were given \$100,000 from the board; detailed what money was spent on.
- Suggests reallocating funds again but in a different way. Idea is allocate \$100,000 for specific things that will help in the future. Continuing events from last year, a visitor's guide, PR firm, based on where TOT comes from. In this case, June might get ½ because they generate a lot of TOT.
- Two things that offer potential for future: recently got a buyer for the Rodeo Grounds and the Mammoth based land exchange.
- Discussed things to spend allocated money on.

- Important to make sure public is aware that June is opening this winter and of all the other things being offered.
- All of this is investment to future economic growth.
- Trying to grow TOT tax basis; he feels for other communities too.
- Winter Festival and the Snowmobile Rally top two events from last year.

**SUPERVISOR COMMENTS:**

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Agrees with some of what Ralph said but thinks he needs to get some of his figures straight.
- He's not for or against money for June; there are just a lot of other priorities needed now.
- His job is to speak for his District.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- It appears as if the Town of Mammoth Lakes is putting a lot of money into marketing; won't there be spinoff for June?

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- What are top two events planned for this winter?

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Suggested putting in a request for funding for certain events NOW for this year's funding allocations.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- He is impressed with what June Lake did with the money last year and it wasn't just from the money the Board allocated.
- He has to look out for his constituents; we need to look at overall increase throughout the county, not just June.
- Would love to see the \$40,000 request go up to \$100,000; doesn't know where the money would come from.

**Connie Black (Double Eagle):**

- Sale of Rodeo Grounds is huge thing for entire county; buyer very open to potential that is there. This should be a focal point to expanding economic development. We need to assist this developer.

**Leslie Chapman:**

- Just wanted to make sure Ralph knows that there is a program where the Board does contribute money to different organizations each year; the Board usually has \$75,000 allocated.

## **FINANCE**

### **Additional Departments: County Administrator's Office**

12b)

**Continuation of Budget Workshop** (Leslie Chapman, Jim Leddy, Department Heads and fiscal staff) - Presentation by Leslie Chapman, Jim Leddy, Department Heads and fiscal staff regarding the continuation of August 13 budget workshop with the Board to provide information, consider budget options and get Board direction in anticipation of finalizing the 2013-2014 County Budget. Budget workshop documents can be accessed online: <http://monocounty.ca.gov/auditor/page/auditor-controller-budgets>

**Action:** None.

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- Mary Booher – Public Works (Public Works, Airports, Zones of Benefit, Motor Pool,

Road Department)

- Board concerned about work load; specifically, Garrett is stretched very thin in his position. Getting Public Works Director position filled will help address this.
- Fleet discussion. To be brought back as workshop.
- Joe Blanchard – Public Works (Campgrounds, Capital Improvement, Cemeteries, Facilities)
  - Discussion about campground fees.
  - Discussion about heavy vehicle replacement; CARB compliance.
  - Mike Curti addressed board as a Special District – there are many vehicles that cannot be replaced as Carb compliant in his district.

12c)

**Property Tax Administration Fees Workshop and Comment Period** (Leslie Chapman, Finance Director) - Presentation by Leslie Chapman regarding Mono County Policy pertaining to Annual Reporting of Property Tax Administration Fees, and subsequent public comment period.

**Action:** None.

**Leslie Chapman:**

**(Powerpoint, copy to be posted online):**

- Background
- Process
- Summary of Changes
- Allocation Procedure
- Refunds – 2012/2013
- Additional information (Mono County Property Tax Administration Allocation)

Other comments:

- Approximately \$300,000 of this is A87 costs.
- What is the result Supervisors are looking for?

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Asked about Assessor's functions with or without special districts.
- Wanted to know what figure represents additional time and effort required to carve out property taxes due and distribute that money to the special districts? He's never had this question answered directly.
- A87 charges that get wrapped into the Admin fee – part of this money is A87 charges. How much? Feels something is wrong with this picture.
- He thinks the A87 workshop needs to occur – maybe charge less A87 fees?
- He supports the refunds for the six smallest fire districts.
- Mammoth Fire has provided OES Fire Rescue function for free.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Never a question how valuable fire districts are. Question is, why so many variables?

**Marshall Rudolph:**

- Methodology of this particular fee is mandated by statute. It says you "shall" charge the fee.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mike Curti, Antelope Valley Fire Protection District:

- Thanked Board for last year's refund. Every dollar goes into equipment to help fire districts respond in order to save property and lives. And fuel.

Brent Harper, Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District:

- Thanked Board for refund given last year.
- Spoke about property taxes paid; about services they provide.
- His view similar to Supervisor Stumps – the A87 costs need to be figured out.

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**NO LUNCH, CONTINUED WORKING**  
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**OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**  
*No one spoke.*

12d)

**FINANCE**

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**Action:** None.

**CONTINUED THROUGH LUNCH, AFTER PROPERTY TAX ADMIN. DISCUSSION**

**Department Heads**

The following Department Heads came before the board and summarized and answered questions about their budgets. Board members provided direction as necessary.

- Tony Dublino – Solid Waste
  - Fund discussion. Specifics to be brought back with Final Budget approval.
- Nate Greenberg – Information Services
- Hillary Bayliss, Pat McGee - Public Health (Public Health, Emergency Preparedness, Tobacco Control)
  - A87 cost concern. Bring back mid-year?
- Mary Booher – Public Health (Emergency Medical Services)
  - Overtime discussion.
  - Needs for Paramedics in District 2.
  - Requested change in the budget First Responder money is coming from.
  - Need workshop with Dr. Johnson to decipher how much ICEMA really does for us.
- Kathy Peterson – Social Services (Aid Dept., General Relief, Senior Programs, Social Services General, Workforce Investment Act, WRAP-Foster Care)
  - Requested a mid-year review of Senior Program, etc.
  - PSA's for foster care – money available?
- Robin Roberts – Behavioral Health (General, Alcohol & Drug Programs, Mental Health Services Act Funds)
- Leslie Chapman – Finance (Copier Pool, Finance Operating, General Revenues, Other Misc.)
  - Discussion about Megabyte System; when do we discuss possible changes to vendor?
  - Clinic discussion.
- Jim Leddy – CAO (General, Insurance)
  - Board acknowledged excitement about hiring Jim and how much energy he has.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Need to get more information out to the public about what the county departments do. There is such a myriad of talent.

**POLICY ITEM DISCUSSION**

**Jim Leddy:**

- Suggested funding only a 1/3 of requested policy items.

**Leslie Chapman:**

- Leslie distributed copies of a budget chart showing total funds available and budget requests. Board reviewed and discussed each line item.
- She believes the request to divert Prop. 172 funding will take a resolution, will need to be dealt with later. Will be brought back on September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Wishes to divert Prop 172 funding into Paramedics and then replace funding from Sheriff, DA and Probation as needed.
- Prop 172 is for public safety, which paramedics are. Should be shared. In terms of medic's budget and its deficit, this will drive it down and create a more realistic picture.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- General Fund Contingency: **allocate \$305,000**
- General Fund Reserve: **allocate \$50,000**
- CIP Fund – CARB Compliance Set-aside: (Board discussion; not unanimous Vote: 4 yes; 1 no: Johnston) **allocate \$1,000,000**
- Air Service Subsidy: (Board discussion, not unanimous. Vote 3 yes; 2 no: Fesko and Stump) **allocate \$50,000**
- Trail Maintenance Program: **allocate \$8,840**
- Property Tax Admin Fee Refund (6 smallest fire districts): **allocate \$25,000**
- Contributions to non-profit organizations: (Board discussion, not unanimous Vote 3 yes; 2 no: Johnston and Hunt) **allocate \$60,000**
- CIP Fund – Park Improvement Set-aside: **allocate \$5,000**
- June Lake Community Programs: **allocate \$0**

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

- Behavioral Health: **allocate \$7,149**

ASSESSOR

- New FTS Position: **allocate \$0**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PLANNING

- Permit Tech Position: **allocate \$0**

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

- CalMMET Investigator/950 hrs. per year: (Board discussion with Sheriff and D.A. – will take money out of contingency) **allocate \$45,000**
- Half-Time FTS position: **allocate \$0**
- Additional Office Space: **allocate \$0**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Economic Development Assistant: (Board discussion; not unanimous. Vote: **allocate \$41,900 (1/2 time)**)
- Fish Enhancement Program – Fund 102: **allocate \$45,850**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – TOURISM

- InterAgency Visitor Center additional contribution: **allocate \$5,000**
- California State Fair Exhibit: **allocate \$5,000**

- Film Commission Marketing Support: **allocate \$10,000**
- Local Program Funding: **allocate \$20,000**
- Conway Ranch Easement: **allocate \$113,300**

**ELECTIONS**

- Prepare for new Election machine purchase in 2015-2016: **allocate \$0**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (PARAMEDICS)**

- Replace Cardiac Monitors: **allocate \$30,000**

**FINANCE/HUMAN RESOURCES**

- Electronic Timekeeping System: **allocate \$0**
- Upgrade/Replace Property Tax Server: **allocate \$10,000**

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

- Promote IT Tech to IT Specialist: **allocate \$0**
- Digital 395 Implementation Equipment: **allocate \$26,249**
- Master Service Agreement with Calif. Broadband Cooperative: **allocate \$0**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

- Cemetery – Fund 610: **allocate \$10,000**
- Road Fund – Fund 700 – General: **allocate \$550,000**

**SHERIFF**

- 50 New Mattress/Pillow Combinations: **allocate \$12,500**

**SOCIAL SERVICES**

- Department of Social Services – Fund 103: **allocate \$355,000**
- Department of Social Services – Fund 103 – Senior Program: **allocate \$159,000**
- Department of Social Services – Fund 103 – General Relief: **allocate \$23,000**

**ADJOURN TO 1:00 PM THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2013, IF NECESSARY.**

**ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING**

**AUGUST 15, 2013, 1:00 PM**

**Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St.,  
Bridgeport, CA 93517**

**THIS MEETING ENDED WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2013 AT  
6:42 P.M. THERE WAS NO NEED FOR A CONTINUATION TO  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2013.**

1:00 PM Call Meeting to Order

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

**FINANCE**

**Additional Departments:** County Administrator's Office

12e) **Continuation of Budget Workshop** (Leslie Chapman, Jim Leddy, Department Heads and fiscal staff) - Presentation by Leslie Chapman, Jim Leddy,

Department Heads and fiscal staff regarding the continuation of August 13 budget workshop with the Board to provide information, consider budget options and get Board direction in anticipation of finalizing the 2013-2014 County Budget. Budget workshop documents can be accessed online:  
<http://monocounty.ca.gov/auditor/page/auditor-controller-budgets>

**Action:** None.

ADJOURN 6:42 P.M. ON 8/14/13

ATTEST:

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BYNG HUNT  
CHAIR

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SHANNON KENDALL  
SR. DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

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August 14, 2013, Budget Hearings, at 6:46:39

Supervisor Stump: Well I'm gonna, I'll start there. I'll go to the air service subsidy. Um,

Supervisor Johnston: Cut to the chase.

Supervisor Stump: I think it should be eliminated. I think in lieu of the air service subsidy, we should uh, the town wasn't here during property tax administration fees but we should uh give them a \$50,000 rebate on their property tax admin fees and we should take the remaining \$25,000 of that and I personally uh would support moving that into uh the economic development line items. I would particularly support film commission. Um, visitor's center and nick away at local programming funding. But I think it's time with the passage of the T-bid that, plus the air service subsidy is not popular in my district, but county residents do use town venues such as Whitmore pool, Whitmore complex, uh Shady Rest Park, Town Recreation Programs. When my child was on the uh, which was a long time ago, Mammoth Shark swim team, there were kids there from Swall Meadows to June Lake. Came every day to practice. And uh, some of them even farther than that. And so that, it's definitely services that county residents use so I would be in support of giving them a \$50,000 rebate plus then there's no strings on the money. It's up to the Town Council where they put it. And the town, according to the figures produces 69.8% county general fund revenues. So, it's legitimate to give them some support.

Supervisor Fesko: Ok, I agree with you as far as taking it off. And I sat on, Jimmy Little and myself as representatives from the north, sat on the discussions with the Town prior to them deciding that they did not want the county involved in their T-bid, but the whole thing, the whole idea here and I heard it couple times at those meetings was the fact that they could do the T-bid, they're funding the T-bid to \$2.some million dollars, \$2.2 or something at the time they were throwing out, does the airline service subsidy so they are no longer and it was specifically stated to us, that they are no longer gonna need the county to do that. So I say we pull the \$75,000 that goes to zero. However, I'm not willing to give the Town \$50,000. We have a lot of other things that we need to do for the county as a whole and I think that...that money could be used other places. I've been pushing for the fact that I think that we need to grow ourselves out of this. We keep saying that, it's been said more times than not so I would take the \$75,000 and put it into the Economic Development um....

Leslie Chapman: Can I, can I ask just for to keep me sane through this process. Can we go through the take aways first and then talk about the reallocations. Because if we're.....I think we're juggling back and forth.

\*\*everyone talks over each other, inaudible\*\*

Leslie Chapman: Ok, so do we have a consensus to take it away?

??? No we don't, no we don't.

Jim Leddy: Do we have three votes to take it away?



Supervisor Johnston: Well, wait a minute.....

Supervisor Fesko: Wait a minute, they said their T-bid, Mammoth's T-bid is used to do the airport subsidy. They're not gonna need the county money anymore. So why are we putting money into it? We already give money to the airport down there by supplying a road to it, by maintaining that road. It is, that IS a county...um, if the airport wasn't there the county wouldn't have to do the road. So, you know, us providing a road

Supervisor Hunt: I think...

Supervisor Fesko: there is a support of the airport.

Supervisor Hunt: Tim, I think you're right in presuming that the T-bid is going to supplant the \$75,000 or any kind of contribution from the county. I think that was kind of understood. But it was my understanding that this T-bid won't really be kicking in funding uh to the Town until this thing gets rolling for 3-6 months and I think the \$75,000 request or a contribution of some sort is being asked of the county to offset the costs of this Fall's shoulder season before this thing starts kicking in.

Supervisor Fesko: Well my understanding was this \$75,000 was always to, uh for summer air service.

Supervisor Hunt: Yeah it was...

Supervisor Fesko: And it's gonna be next summer air service when they're T-bid is up and running.

Supervisor Hunt: I think it's for this summer, suppl....giving this uh. I guess they don't settle this out till the end of the season. So that subsidy that we would give would cover this summer and this falls....it would help get the Town get over the hump uh until the T-bid kicks in. But I agree that this is something we don't want to continue doing if they put the T-bid in place, I don't think it's needed so...

Supervisor Fesko: Well the T-bid is in place, it was passed so.....

Supervisor Hunt: Yeah...yeah. Well we'll see how that plays out.

Supervisor Fesko: So, what if we, would there be a consensus to reduce it to half?

Supervisor Johnston: Well, I think having \$5 a person in the county to assure some county individual that there is going to be a flight out that day all year long, in the summer, whenever, is worth it. And it shows that the county is participating in um, Economic Development, cuz that's a huge deal, and um you know, Tourism, um but I base my support on it more from the perspective of having the ability for someone here, living here paying taxes to be able to fly someplace and make connections and have relatives visit and friends and have this connection to the outside world. And I think that's worth \$5 a person. Which is \$75,000.

Supervisor Alpers: Ok. Um....you know I'm prepared to support this to a degree and there's been this discussion that Larry just talked about you know, you can say \$5 a person or \$3 a person or whatever.

There is value, this intrinsic value to our citizenry out there. But I want to look back at the original amount that we, that when this first was started, was I believe it was \$40...

Supervisor Fesko: \$45,000

Supervisor Alpers: \$45,000? Yeah.

Supervisor Johnston/Fesko: Yeah.

Supervisor Alpers: I didn't read in the paper but I'm gonna take your word for it that the T-bid is gonna cover airfare. It's gonna take time to get the monies flowing. I'd be prepared to knock this down to \$50,000 which is right close to what the original funding amount was. What \$45,000? And then eliminate it completely from then on. I think we need a little bit of a transition period here. I think \$50,000 is fair in that it's \$5,000 more than what our original funding level was and in my mind, you know it's a compromise. It's still going to support the air service. It might knock it from \$5 a person down to or up a little bit but uh I'd be willing to do that and then transition it out as T-bid comes along. To just make sure there's dollars there.

Supervisor Hunt: I would support that.

Supervisor Fesko: The offer was \$30,000 – that I put out was let's cut it in half to \$37,500.

Supervisor Alpers: Well I want to keep it above the original, that original level. And then out it goes after that.

Supervisor Hunt: I'd like to see it at \$50,000. I think that would be appropriate to help them get through this season.

Supervisor Johnston: I could live with that too. Um, and if it's not needed then we don't spend it.

Supervisor Hunt: That's right, that's right.

Supervisor Alpers: How do we track with that?

Supervisor Johnston: Well, we won't give it to em until...

Supervisor Hunt: They don't ask for the subsidy until the season is over, they know the numbers and the numbers have been up consistently all summer long until this point.

Supervisor Johnston: Yeah.

Supervisor Hunt: So we may not be looking at uh substantial contribution. But I'd like to cap it at \$50,000 and like you mentioned and like I mentioned before, I think the T-bid is going to supplant or replace any kind of future contributions in my estimation.

Supervisor Alpers: Yeah.

Supervisor Hunt: T-bid is going bring in \$4.5 million dollars in marketing uh, for the town.

Leslie Chapman: So I'm hearing \$50,000?

Supervisor Hunt: \$50,000.

Supervisor Stump: You're hearing it from four.

Supervisor Fesko: From three.

Jim Leddy: I heard it from three.

Supervisor Stump: I made my proposal. I don't think it's appropriate that we micromanage town expenditures at the town airport and I'm prepared to support \$50,00 in property tax administration fee reimbursement to the town without strings but in terms of this, I'm not prepared...

Supervisor Fesko: Well this never went to the town, this goes to Mammoth Lakes Tourism I believe it is. MLT. The \$75,000 goes to MLT which then goes to the airline. So it stayed out of the hands of the Town because MLT did not want the Town to have their hands on it. Because God knows where it would go from there so, I couldn't support that Fred but, I'm, I can't support the \$50,000 at this point. You know, when I chatted with my constituents to be last year it was pretty much split. There was not a real yes on the air service vs. no. It was really split half and half down there in the Mammoth area and I know Byng had made a.....him and I had made some comments or he had made some comments at one point too. So, at this point you've got the three. So.

Supervisor Alpers: But no, I hear probably more from folks in June Lake and Lee Vining than I ever have of people wanting to continue the air service cuz they use, their family does this so, it's all a matter of...

Supervisor Fesko: Ok, well there's the consensus for....you have the three votes so.

Supervisor Hunt: I think the point right.

Jim Leddy: I heard 3-2 on \$50,000

Supervisor Fesko: You have 3-2 on \$50,000.

Supervisor Hunt: The point right now is you want to maintain service currently but we want to get out of the airline subsidy service all together, eventually. We all can agree on that. So, \$50,000.

Leslie Chapman: Ok. What's next?