



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

**Regular Meeting
July 7, 2015**

9:00 AM Meeting called to Order by Supervisor Fesko.

*Supervisors present: Alpers, Corless, Fesko, Johnston and Stump.
Supervisors absent: None.*

Break:11:23

Reconvene:11:44

Break: 12:16

Reconvene:12:20

Break: 1:31

Reconvene: 1:36

Closed Session: 1:52

Adjourn:3:05

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Fesko.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Allen Berrey:

- States that the Board approved the minutes of June 9, 2015 that referenced the closed session item of the Boulaalam litigation. That meeting, the Board approved a settlement agreement in exchange to dismiss the lawsuit. He claims the Board failed to report the action, so the Brown Act was violated and the decision should have been publicly reported. Claims many Brown Act violations, including reporting the dismissal of former CAO, Jim Leddy. He demands that the Board acknowledge its failure to report under the Brown Act by reporting out of closed session.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Action: Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 9, 2015 as corrected.

Johnston moved; Stump seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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Supervisor Johnston:

- On p. 3 of draft minutes, delete first two bullet points.

Supervisor Fesko:

- On p. 9 of draft minutes, change "opportune time" to "at this time".

B. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Action: Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 16, 2015.

Corless moved; Alpers seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 0 no: Fesko abstained

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3. RECOGNITIONS - NONE

4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Supervisor Alpers:

- 6/18 - ESTA Board of Directors held in Bishop.
- The July Board meeting will focus on a workshop with the consultants who are working on an update of the ESTA Short Range Transit Plan, which will provide guidance for the Authority for the next five years.
- 6/18 - Attended the George Shirk retirement roasting held at the Red Lantern Restaurant in Mammoth. Stacey Corless was a fellow roaster. However, George himself stole the show with his "Man of many Caps" standup comedy act. Mammoth's answer to Jerry Seinfeld!
- 6/23 - Toured the Peterson Tract in June Lake down canyon area with JLFD Paul McCahon. Concern is that, presently, there is no emergency egress route for the tract. They looked at a variety of options for future possible consideration. It is the hope of the community that this issue can be addressed via the Mono County LTC Work Plan that addresses community access route assessment.
- 6/25 - Spent the morning touring the County's campgrounds in Lundy Canyon. Many residents in Mono City are extremely concerned about current local fire conditions. He is pleased to report that campgrounds in that area are in great shape, the vegetation is lush, and the signage is well-maintained. His only recommendation to Facilities is that a bit of weed-eating around the fire pits would be helpful. He has requested that Facilities coordinate with the USFS in monitoring fire hazard level.
- 6/25 - Attended the Mono County First 5 Directors meeting held at the MCOE in Bridgeport and Mammoth (teleconference). The major highlights are as follows:
 - Contracts between Mono County Social Services and Behavioral Health were approved for our Parenting Partners Home Visiting and Peapod Playgroups.
 - The Commission voted to request BOS appointment of 2 new members, Pediatrician Kim Wilson and Megan LePlatt, the Indian Child Welfare Act representative for the Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Tribe. There will be an agenda item for our Board at the 7/14 meeting to appoint.
 - The Commission was updated on continued efforts toward a Mono-Alpine 2-1-1 support line.

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- 6/26 - Participated as a substitute Judge (Supervisor Corless), along with Sheriff Braun and MLPD Chief Davis, in the Mammoth Luxury Outlets Burger Summit. The event was sponsored and organized by Paul and Kathleen Rudder, owners of the Luxury Outlet Mall. It was a fun and tasty event with Angel's winning for the best overall burger. The winning chef and raffle winner were presented with full-sized portable propane barbeques. All proceeds from the event went to the Mammoth Repertory Theater.
- 7/4 - Attended the 4th of July Parade held in Bridgeport. Awesome event. 153rd year.

Supervisor Corless:

- Would like to remember Tracy Hauter. She was responsible for flowers all over town, and her memory will live on.
- 6/18—Attended ESCOG, many thanks to Stacey Simon for joining and working with Inyo County Counsel on getting some history on the formation of the entity, what COGs in general can do, so that Mono County's COG can approach regional issues.
- Town County Liaison same day, discussed the parcel fee agreement that will be coming before council on 7/15.
- George Shirk Roast that evening along with Supervisor Alpers, very entertaining evening
- 6/23: Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce Mixer, well attended, great programs and should be hearing more soon about the Chamber's work with the County's Economic Development Department as they just applied for a USDA grant.
- 6/25-26: CSAC Classes in Sacramento, well timed session on budget and finance
- 6/27: Food and Wine Experience, fundraiser for Mammoth Lakes Foundation
- 6/29: Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting
- 7/1 Strategic Plan meeting—Laree Kiely led the Department Heads through a workshop to take the one-year priorities work of DH's
- Town Council—Waterford St. Bridge dedication in District 5; Decision on GB/Ormat MCWD came in that week, and BLM/US Forest Service gave Council a presentation on monitoring wells going in at the CD IV project site around Shady Rest. Congrats to new mayor Michael Raimondo.
- 7/4 Festivities—great weekend ruled over by Queen Elsa and everyone on the Frozen float, to the delight of hundreds of little girls along the parade route. Congrats to the Johnstons—amazing community spirit!

Supervisor Fesko:

- June 10th – 21st. Spent much time preparing for and participating in the 8th Annual Eastern Sierra ATV & UTV Jamboree in the Antelope Valley. This year's event was the largest thus far at well over 200 riders. This five day event takes much time by so many people. A special "Thank You" goes out to Pam Hamic & Chris Long, Sue & Dave Robbins, Karla Smith, Bill Koch, and so many more. With everyone's generous help throughout the year in planning, executing and delivering a quality event year after year, this event has become the premier event of its type!
- Special thanks to Sarah Messerlian, Jeff Walters, Brett McCurry and all of the road crew that helped out along the way. Thank you!
- July 2nd – Attended the EMS Ad-Hoc committee in June Lake. This 3 ½ hour meeting was filled with great information and great questions by all. The next meeting is scheduled for July 16th and he would expect to start seeing ideas on improving this much needed, and highly desired, service in all of Mono County.
- July 4th – He had the honor and pleasure to participate in the Bridgeport July 4th Parade. This is a great country style parade. The Marine Corp. Color Guard led the parade along with several of their pack mules and trainers. This year there were 14 ATV/UTV's representing the Eastern Sierra ATV/UTV Jamboree, the Eastern Sierra Ridge Riders and the Nevada RZR Heads. Speaking with many of the vendors on the 4th and 5th, their feeling was that attendance was up as were their sales. A special thanks to Lynda Pemberton for all that she does for this event and the Bridgeport Valley!
- He would also like to thank all of the Public Works folks that helped to setup the facilities, keep the bathrooms clean, the garbage cans from over flowing and the cleanup

afterwards. Your dedication and efforts are very much appreciated. Thank you!

- July 5th – He attended and spoke at the Twin Lakes Property Owners Association (TLPOA). They do have some issues in the residential areas with “off leash” dogs and are interested in adding their community to the list of “on leash” communities. He plans to work with staff to see about making this desire a reality.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Congress passed an extension of MAP 21 through July 2015.
- Met with Brent Green, District 9 Caltrans Director... discussed various transportation issues in the region.
- Attended the Mammoth Lakes Housing Board of Directors meeting (passed out summary of activities to Supervisor members). One of the items was the Town’s recent action on reducing housing fees within the Town.
- Worked on a float for the Town’s 4th of July parade.

Supervisor Stump:

- 6-17: Met with Lisa and Geoff of the Mono Lake Committee - Walked the Lundy Powerhouse water courses
- 6-18: Met at the Chalfant Park with Joe Blanchard, Steve and Bill from facilities, and the citizen leading the community aid to the park. New grass is not coming in as expected after a lot of hard work. Goat heads are coming back in. Strategy session about what to do now.
- 6-18: Attended Town / County Committee with Supervisor Corless. Solid waste, ICS Team formation on the agenda.
- 6-23: Attended CSA 1 Board Meeting - Discussed Community Center Improvements
- 6-24: Meeting with SCE in Paradise to discuss frequent power outages and have SCE explain what is going on.
- 6-26: Conference call with Race Communications on High Speed Internet Projects and Grants in Mono County. Race hopes to offer service to Chalfant by the end of the summer and start building Crowley at that time. Aspen Springs and Sunny Slopes still in engineering phase. New grants still working their way through the PUC. He made the offer again of a support letter if needed.
- 7-2: Attended the EMS Committee meeting in June Lake.
- 7-6: Community Budget Workshop in Crowley for Crowley, Swall Meadows, and Paradise.

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

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

Lynda Salcido (Interim CAO):

- 6/16: Met with group concerning the Sierra Center Mall lease and options. More discussions need to happen and the county needs to strategize about the future.
- 6/17: Energy task force meeting regarding energy saving efforts in the County buildings.
- 6/18: Attended ESCOG meeting in Bishop, ESCOG has a desire to do collaborative work with the County in the future.
- 6/18: Town County Liasion meeting, discussion surrounded what the Town wants to do about Solid Waste for the long term.
- 6/24: Negotiations for Deputy Probation bargaining unit.
- 6/25: Coffee with the CAO meeting held in South County; another in Bridgeport next week.
- 6/25: Strategic planning meeting,
- 7/1: Strategic planning / Department Head meeting, talked about budget, etc, then Keily Group walked through the Strategic Plan.

- 7/2: Second EMS meeting, lots of information, good background, feels it's headed in a good direction.
- 7/7: Community budget meeting in Crowley Lake.

6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

Leslie Chapman:

- New financial system is up and running. Everything is on time for department usage, with only fairly minor questions and minor bugs. She is very proud of her staff; testing was perfect and data conversion perfect.
 - **Supervisor Alpers:** Would like to recognize staff at the next board meeting.

Ingrid Braun:

- 4th of July activities were very quiet. It was a good day. Illegal fireworks were not a problem, no fires started. One juvenile stole knives from a vendor but deputies recovered and took care of him. The 5th, there was one incident in June Lake, the person was handcuffed and taken into custody. Will be a press release upcoming. Good weekend overall. Most of the 9 arrests this weekend came from the Town.

Joe Blanchard:

- Update on county irrigation system and ongoing drought. June Lake is adopting amended stage 3 water restrictions. County is currently installing rain sensors and most of the watering systems are off right now. Working with CSA#1 for irrigation systems in Chalfant area. Yesterday, there was a power outage in annex 1, probably a transformer.

Garrett Higerd:

- Update on construction going on around County. Today is the beginning of closures on the Mono Co side of Rock Creek. Traffic can go up before 8 am, or between 12-1, or after 5 starting today through Friday. Convict Lake Rd is ready to start with preconstruction submittals. Securing water for project. There will be a Board item upcoming regarding the closure of the last ¼ mile by the lake next Tuesday. In June Lake, there is lots of activity. Mostly complete except for striping, and crack sealing on North Shore Drive. In the Village area, lots of concrete and drainage work has been completed.

Barry Beck:

- Update on Assessor's office status. The assessment roll was closed on time, and complete. His staff reviewed 4432 temporarily reduced properties, and notices have been posted online. Next week, print ads will run to tell homeowners how to locate their notices. In a cooperative effort with Finance, the office processed 36 Round Fire calamity claims and refund checks should be going out to owners within 2-3 weeks. Business property statements are available online this year, with 42% participation in the first year. More than 900 unpatented mining claims have been added to the roll. 135 assessment appeals have been resolved, some back as far as 2007. All of this is in spite of 3 less employees in the office as this time last year. He wants to thank his staff and recognize them for their outstanding job.
 - **Supervisor Fesko:** Would like to recognize staff at the next board meeting.
- The secured roll is just under \$5.1 billion, a 2.34 % increase over last year. Unsecured roll is approximately \$390 million, a 7.9% decrease. Overall roll is approximately a \$113 million increase over last year. 4th highest roll value in Mono County history. July through December are typically down time in the office but there are major projects underway. Really pleased with staff and their efforts.

Lynda Salcido:

- Public health issue with the death of Inyo County resident; it's important to keep both counties informed. Dr. Johnson was very involved in the case, which is still ongoing now. Need to make sure public does not think this is an epidemic, as there is no treatment or cure. Wanted to get the word out to make sure there was no panic created.

- EMS – it came to her attention that there was a call in Tri Valley area to which there was no response, no rig available. Mono County resident drove himself to the hospital. This is not acceptable. Going forward, EMS is going to roll rig to location, and can always cancel if need be. Rob DeForrest signed an employment agreement yesterday, so the department is back on track with an EMS manager position.

Stacey Simon:

- Update on action on litigation with regard to the ORMAT plant. Mono County is not a party to that litigation. Mono County's only role was related to one claim, alleging that Mono County should have been the lead agency under SEQUA. Superior Court ruled against that claim, ruling that Great Basin is the proper lead agency.

7. 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. County Policy Re: Healthy Family Healthy Workplace Act of 2014

Departments: Human Resources

Proposed resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors adopting a policy in line with the Healthy Workplace Healthy Family Act of 2014 (AB 1522).

Action: Adopt proposed resolution #R15-47, adopting a policy in line with the Healthy Workplace Healthy Family Act of 2014 (AB 1522).

Alpers moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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B. Hiring Freeze Variance - Assistant Director of Finance, Tax-Collector/Treasurer

Departments: Finance

Consider a hiring freeze variance to fill the Assistant Finance Director/Treasurer-Tax Collector position.

Action: Approve the hiring freeze variance and authorize the Finance Director to proceed with recruitment.

Alpers moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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C. Public Defender Investigator Contract

Departments: Finance

Proposed contract with Tyrone Atwater dba Atwater Investigations pertaining to the provisions of private investigation services for the Mono County Public Defenders.

Action: Approve the contract for the provision of private investigative services for fiscal year 15/16 in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.

Johnston moved; Alpers seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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Pulled for discussion

Supervisor Johnston:

- On page 8, the wording of the former CAO should be corrected to say the existing CAO.

D. May 2015 Treasury Transaction Report

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transactions for the month of May 2015.

Action: Approve the Treasury Transaction Report for the month of May, 2015.

Alpers moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

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

A. Public Utilities Commission

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence dated June 19, 2015 from the Public Utilities Commission regarding Route Redundancy for Wireline Backhaul in Mono County and in response to the Board's letter to the PUC dated 4/27/15.

Supervisor Stump:

- It took a while for the PUC to respond to the county. He believes the county should become a party of interest in the sale from Verizon to Frontier. The county has expressed concerns and it's important to become a party.
- Board consensus is to move forward with becoming interested party.

B. Fish and Game Commission

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence received from the Fish and Game Commission regarding a Notice of Proposed Emergency Action - Measures for Fisheries at Risk Due to Drought Conditions.

Supervisor Alpers:

- Excellent move by Commission, as this gives local managers flexibility to review bodies of water.

C. Los Angeles Department of Water and Power

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence dated June 11, 2015 addressed to the Board of Supervisors, regarding LADWP's Management of Water Resources in Long Valley, Mono County. This correspondence is also in response to the Board's letter dated May 19, 2015.

Supervisor Alpers:

- Letter was initiated by himself at the request of ranchers. Would like the Board's direction to contact and meet with Mr. Yannotta and start a dialogue with Scott Burns and Wendy Sugimura, so the County can start discussing irrigation issues and reservoir

management issues.

- No one is above jurisdictional range.

Supervisor Stump:

- He was also a contributor and supports this idea. Informal discussion is a good place to start with DWP.

9. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Round Fire Relief Effort

Departments: Solid Waste Division of Public Works

(Tony Dublino) - Presentation by Tony Dublino regarding potential costs and other circumstances associated with a waiver of fees for materials disposed of at Benton Crossing Landfill from residents affected by the Round Fire.

Action: 1. Adopt Resolution R15-48, therein determining that gate fees associated with the Round Fire (as represented by the account holder) are waived to a limit of \$300 per Account, and staff shall close the corresponding Round Fire Accounts, unless there is a balance remaining.

Johnston moved; Fesko seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 1 no: Stump

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Tony Dublino:

- When the incident occurred, the County allowed homeowners' waste at Benton landfill without burden of bills. Cal Fire announced they would come shortly thereafter. Materials we thought would come to Benton went elsewhere. There are 3 accounts that total \$500-600. The County could waive gate fees in entirety, or could waive fees up to a limit. One account refused Cal Recycle and incurred \$6,700 in charges. The other accounts notified staff that it was Round Fire debris and staff was able to verify this. This account came in after the fact, did not notify staff, and we cannot verify this is all truly Round Fire debris. Looking for direction, and to address what should happen with the account that did not follow protocol.
- Should we take the fees and move them off the contractor onto the resident that charged \$6,700 so the resident can avoid 15% tipping fee charged by the contractor?
- Indicated there would be no penalties to the contractor. \$5,800 original bill (15% additional fee is on this amount) plus \$900 for stumps.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Why did parcel 4 choose not to participate?

Supervisor Stump:

- The owner lives in Montana, and said they couldn't be here in time to participate and wasn't comfortable doing it remotely.
- Suggests a \$300 cap on all accounts. The homeowner of parcel 4 assured him she would pay the remainder when she gets back to CA. He supports giving consideration to these parcels but they should be given all the same consideration. He also supports moving the fees from contractor to owner.

Supervisor Alpers:

- If she chooses not to pay can we lien the property?

Stacey Simon:

- These charges are not secured, they are tipping fees, and does not believe the County can lien the property in the case of non-payment.

Contractor Construction Specialty:

- The contract read \$6,700 plus 15% fee, but the homeowner never returned the contract. Never had an issue with these owners before.

Supervisor Fesko:

- Suggests the County waive up to \$300 on each account. Reduce the last account by \$300, and leave under the contractor's account. The contractor has mechanism to collect fees, the County does not.

B. 2nd Public Hearing Regarding Revocation of Business License 0196 June Lake Vacation Reservations LLC

Departments: Community Development/Tax Collector's Office

PUBLIC HEARING 10:00 A.M.

(Nick Criss) - 2nd public hearing per Boards Direction concerning the revocation of Business License 0196 for June Lake Vacation Reservations LLC.

Action: The suspension of the business license shall be lifted immediately, and the TOT certificate shall be reissued immediately, all conditioned upon the pre-July amount owed of \$46,278.11 having been paid on or before July 13, 2015. If these conditions are not met, the business license and TOT certificate shall be immediately revoked. Good cause found to waive penalties imposed on July 1, 2015, if payment in full made on or before July 13, 2015.

Alpers moved; Johnston seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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Nick Criss:

- Quick recap of last Board Meeting Public Hearing. Business license and TOT certificate are both suspended until today, when the Board can determine if past due fees have been paid. As of today, the Treasurer-Tax Collector's office confirmed no payment has been made. Amount due is now over \$48,000.
- Business owner's history of delinquencies goes back to 2012 with continual delinquencies, non-payment, and cancelled checks. Sometimes she would catch up, then fall behind again. TOT certificate was cancelled after February, but she continued to operate. March 19th notice of violation was issued by Nick Criss. She was informed she must complete directives or her business license would be revoked.

Victoria Streetin:

- A June Lake resident since 1960s, feels its embarrassing the way Linda (business owner) has been treated. Wants to know how can you pay something if you have no business and you're not allowed to pay? Linda has been in business for years, she's dependable, and takes care of things. Thinks she's been singled out. Is there a list of other delinquencies? This affects everyone in town, not just her business.
- Claims June Lake has had no money coming in for 2 years and this should be considered. Wants Linda to have an opportunity to catch up.
- She was not aware of any certified letters sent to Linda, only saw the notice in the paper.

Paige Streetin:

- Here supporting the business owner. Thinks if someone tries to make payment arrangements, the County should work with that person because she's a long time resident and business owner. Should consider who the person is.

Supervisor Fesko:

- As a hotel owner, understands process of TOT collections. He is sensitive to the issue, but knows others have come to the Board to delay payment. This is not something that just comes up overnight, it's a long process to get to this point. TOT is similar to collecting sales tax, and it's unfair to other businesses who are also collecting and paying TOT monies. There have been many months of notices, discussion, and

opportunities.

- What is the time frame for this process with this business owner?
- Cautioned Linda to keep up on what is owed to TOT, rather than wait for the CPA to tell her at the end of month how much she owes. Suggested adding a condition that if she becomes delinquent in the next year, the County would take further action.

Supervisor Stump:

- The business was sent a certified letter in February, plus was visited at the business. Without a TOT certificate, a business cannot operate. She continued to operate. A business does not collect the TOT unless you collect a payment. 2% of TOT goes to the paramedic program, including June Lake. By not paying her TOT, she's forcing a subsidy to support EMS. We need fiscal responsibility. He appreciates that June Lake supports one another. There have been quite a few months for opportunity for discussion and negotiations, but there has been nothing between February and the first public hearing.
- Could we waive July 1 penalties? Does our policy allow us to accept and hold a check? If yes, then if the check doesn't clear, does that put us back where we are today? What flexibility do we have?

John Vallejo:

- Suspension of license as opposed to revocation to give opportunity to pay amount owed by today or revocation would occur.
- The owner called yesterday to verify the amount but no payment arrangements have been made.
- In trying to reach closure, he thinks the order should be nuanced; lift the current suspension, make a conditional revocation order in case the check does not clear, and if business is to continue operating, reissue the TOT certificate. If Board finds good cause, accrued penalties can be waived.
- Deal with current delinquency contingent on check clearing.

Supervisor Alpers:

- Has there been any communication?
- This is a very unfortunate situation. There should have been earlier communication between Linda and staff to resolve this before July. He is concerned the pattern will continue. We can't play bank, because our services affect everyone. This is strictly a business matter.

Linda Thompson (business owner):

- She has a business check today to pay. She takes full responsibility for what's happened. She tried to call the DA's office just after last hearing but claims she was hung up on. She has tried to communicate. She has not been able to conduct business for 3 weeks, and has money in limbo. Requesting a true number owed, needs a few days to process credit cards to cover the payment check.
- She will be handing everything back over to accountant to deal with in future. Will not let this happen again, has been through too much.

Leslie Chapman:

- Today's amount is \$48,163.19 because additional penalties and interest accrued July 1. Amount before July 1 was \$46,278.11.
- If the Board says take a business check, then yes, the County can, but this owner has a history of bounced checks. Also the County has not received her TOT return for month ending June 30, and there is probably more money owed.
- Suggested a cashier's check in office instead of waiting for check to clear.

Supervisor Corless:

- Sorry it's come to this. The County should find ways to work with businesses to help avoid these situations.
- Wants to work with Linda and help her keep her business open. She can agree with a nuanced approach but wants some assurance this won't happen again. It's a nuisance issue with regard to staff time.

- Encouraged businesses to reach out to Alicia Vennos and Economic Development Dept.

C. Strategic Planning Workshop

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Supervisor Stacy Corless) - Presentation of one-year priority list developed from May 22, 2015 workshop, and discussion of how the strategic planning effort will align with the budget process for 2015/16.

Action: Provide feedback/direction on the one-year priorities document and on the upcoming strategic planning/budgeting process.

Supervisor Corless:

- This year 1 plan is what came out of the May meeting of each of 8 directions. The change between budget packet and now is what department heads contributed in May. Department heads got together to see what would be a realistic goal to set. What resources are needed? This is still a draft, a work in progress. We could adopt and sign onto the plan once we approve the budget.
- This is the only year we're working this way. It's a brand new way of thinking while creating the budget. Right now, the budget is forming the strategy. Hopefully by next spring, the strategy will be forming and guiding the budget process.
- Haven't had a lot of time as a Board to discuss
- There is a difference between a tactical project list and priority goals and direction. The County needs to look at its own list of things, then schedule another time to discuss. Need to realize this isn't complete.
- She doesn't see anything that prioritizes one area over another.
- Department heads are still working on project lists. This is something we could look at adopting in August.

Laree (Kiely Group):

- We have documents, memos about what we have done. What you have is the making of many people weighing in on what they would like the County to look like. This is a long term strategic plan in terms of the direction the County could go. Not time to ratify just yet, just keeping everyone updated in the process.
- This is exactly the right discussion to have right now. If we get an updated list of projects the County is still interested in, we can incorporate them into the list. Then, look at everything everyone wants and make choices. This is just a one year plan, only what we think we can accomplish in 1 year. There's a subset to a lot of the things in the list. List also does not include all mandates, it's simply a compilation of all the input. Mandates fit in, but makes the document cumbersome. List is not focused on any one district. Will help to see how to spend resources and give people a better sense of purpose. Should be helpful around hiring – new CAO, HR, etc.
- Never have to do this at this level again.
- Supervisors need to get their list of projects to Lynda.

Lynda Salcido:

- Newer document (handout) that came out of meeting last week. Feels it's more achievable for the first year, in a direction we can continue to define. Need to have interface between departments and communities. She feels it gives direction in ways we didn't have before.

Robin Roberts:

- Important how this plan ties everything together, shows how departments can work together that don't typically work together. Opens minds to think about things differently. Think about who we are as a County department. We are starting to talk about mandates and what we do on daily basis and how this relates to strategic planning. This is creating a legacy, and hoping we aren't just creating a project that will go away when one of us goes away.
- Very few goals in this document are part of Behavioral Health mandate. How do we fit in

to that? This gets us to think outside of our routines and habits.

Kathy Peterson:

- She feels the budget interacts with strategic planning, gives a different way to look at the work we're doing. It's a process of how we're taking what we're doing and putting that into the plan.

Leslie Chapman:

- Feels it's a great plan, but no time or resources to do it. People were aware of budget constraints. The plan has more collaboration, thinking, putting systems in place, things we're already doing and how that fits into the County's strategic plan and how we can move forward into the future. Hopes to walk away with concrete ways to improve the County without altering how we're dealing with the budget.

Kirk Hartstrom:

- When we started this process, we described what we wanted. Now we've made the transition to how we get there. Feels the 'how' process deserves as much attention as the 'what' process.

Megan Mahaffey:

- She is seeing departments saying they can work together on projects. Messy and more work but moving in the right direction.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Great effort. Concerned some of the 1 year goals aren't specific enough; the list has to do with things we need to accomplish that are very important. General plan update seems to be in several different categories. Diversifying the economy seems to be all tourism based. Notices several needs that aren't included in this plan, or not a priority in this plan.
- Some things aren't very clear on what they mean.

Garrett Higerd:

- Many of things Supervisor Johnston mentioned involved Public Works department. Public Works has been slow to contribute to strategic plan due to limited staff.

Supervisor Alpers:

- Problem he sees are these specific projects each supervisor wants that need to be detailed with staff time, price tag, etc, so they can make decisions on projects.
- Need to talk to constituents. Need to be constantly in touch to have our own alignment with projects.

Supervisor Stump:

- Need to step back up to broader level. 45% of the County's citizens (unincorporated) live in district 2. This district is underserved and has the most growth potential. No longer appropriate to brush off district 2. He understands budgetary constraints, and the chance of getting an increase in services is unrealistic at this time.
- He appreciates the effort from staff and consultants. Needs to look at deficiencies in each area. Does not need to be a district by district sort of thing, but expand out and serve the entire county.

Supervisor Fesko:

- There has to be county policies that strengthen communities. Certain areas may not have potential for growth but how do we overcome that?

Joe Blanchard:

- With regard to specific projects, on the 21st is a project workshop to tie strategic plan with specific projects. Not seeing those on this list. Concerned we'll have two lists – one of projects we can do, and one of projects on the strategic plan.

D. ESTA Board Representation

Departments: Board of Supervisors, County Counsel, Community Development

(Marshall Rudolph, Scott Burns) - Consideration of possible request to ESTA governing board to amend the ESTA JPA in order to allow Mono County

to appoint as one of its two members on the ETSA governing board a member of the Mono LTC Social Services Transportation Advisory Council.

Action: Authorize Board Chair to prepare a letter to ESTA Board and authorize staff to assist.

Johnston moved; Alpers seconded

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

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Marshall Rudolph:

- The County does not have 2 members who are currently available to serve on ESTA board. Up to the Board whether to amend the JPA to appoint someone who is on the Mono LTC Advisory Council. No idea whether the ESTA board is amenable to this idea.
- ESTA already has something on their agenda for the 17th to address Mono County's concern. Put something on next week's agenda to review and approve a specific letter? Let ESTA know it's coming.
- Conflicts of interest (of Board members who serve) cannot be cured or avoided. A contract can't be entered into; incurable conflict. Problematic under 1090 and cannot be avoided.

Scott Burns:

- ESTA feels like an elected official should sit on the board to serve communities. Board spells out focus of serving the elderly, handicapped, minority, etc. There are other solutions.

Supervisor Fesko:

- If it comes down to contracts they might do with Mammoth Mtn, could member Corless recuse herself if / when these items come up? Due to conflict of interest.

Supervisor Alpers:

- The County has no alternate or second member, and when things come up in Bishop, representation is important. We need to have 2 on the board.
- He wants a formal letter from the Board Chair to ESTA requesting no requirement of 2 board members to serve.

Supervisor Johnston:

- Direct staff to write a letter from Board and authorize someone to attend the meeting.

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, and Lynda Salcido. 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 - Public Employment

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Administrator.

C. Closed Session - Public Employment

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: HR Manager.

D. Closed Session - Public Employment

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: Emergency Medical Services Manager.

12. REGULAR AGENDA AFTERNOON- NONE

ADJOURN 3:05 p.m. in memory of Jasmine Dee Reed, daughter of Inyo Supervisor Jeff Griffiths, and in memory of Tracy Hauter, resident of Mono County.

ATTEST

TIMOTHY E. FESKO
CHAIRMAN

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SR. DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD