



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

**Regular Meeting
August 9, 2022**

9:04 AM Call meeting to Order by Chair Gardner

Supervisors Present: Corless, Duggan, Gardner, Kreitz, and Peters (all attended via teleconference or in person).

Supervisors Absent: None.

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“The greatest day of your life and mine is when we take total responsibility for our attitudes that’s the day we truly grow up”. - John Maxwell

Pledge of Allegiance by Supervisor Duggan

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Opportunity for the public to address the Board on items of public interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. (Speakers may be limited in speaking time dependent upon the press of business and number of persons wishing to address the Board.) Please refer to the Teleconference Information section to determine how to make public comment for this meeting via Zoom.

In-person Public Comment:

1. **Julie** – Eastern Sierra Community Bank: Discussed upcoming plans and changes to the branch regarding in-person service
 - **Janet Dutcher, Finance Director:**

- Has been working with Julie for smooth transition for the County and Bank
 - **Supervisor Peters:**
 - Suggests an Evening Town Meeting – to discuss the changes with the Bank
2. **Matt P.** – Southern California Edison:
- Introducing himself as the new Government Relations Manager for Southern California Edison
3. **Dan Holler, Town of Mammoth Lakes Manager**
- Provided updates on:
 - Committee Recreation Center
 - Whitmore Park improvements
 - Innsbruck Lodge – update
 - Parcel Project – update and funding
 - Child Care – agreement with Mammoth Lakes Foundation
 - Roadwork – completed paving projects update
 - Intersection Crossing Improvement – update

2. **RECOGNITIONS - NONE**

3. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

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

Robert C. Lawton, CAO:

- Attended NaCo Conference – Colorado
- NaCO leadership program
- Friday – in Sacramento: Multi-Party meeting in regard to the new Jail Project

4. **DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS**

Receive brief oral report on emerging issues and/or activities.

Scheereen Dedman, County Registrar:

- Provided reminder/information of the close of the Candidate Filing Period

Supervisor Kreitz:

- Can others pick up candidate information?

Jazmin Barkley, Probation:

- Shared the yearly spotlight – Honored Leianna Eissinger

Chris Mokracek, Acting Emergency Director:

- Provided Emergency Management Update
- Working with CALOES
- Wrapping up the MPG Grant – American rescue
- Training scheduled – CALOES
- Evacuation Exercise scheduled in Mammoth – tomorrow
- Tonight – Mono County Radio Evaluation Meeting

- Thanked the Board for the opportunity to participate in the Professional Development Academy

Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director:

- Completed the NaCo Leadership Academy
- Public Awareness on Monkey Pox – Vaccine
- Celebratory – VFC Influenza Excellence Award from the State – Awarded to the Public Health Team

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.)

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

Supervisor Peters pulled item K, heard after consent agenda

A. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the Board Minutes from May 17, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Action: Approved the Board Minutes from the May 17, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-155

B. June Lake Citizens Advisory Committee Appointments

Departments: Community Development

Consider appointing Claire Landowski and re-appointing Julie Brown to the June Lake Citizens Advisory Committee as recommended by Supervisor Gardner.

Action: Appointed Claire Landowski to a four-year term on the June Lake Citizens Advisory Committee, expiring Dec. 31, 2026, and reappoint Julie Brown for a four-year term, expiring Dec. 31, 2026.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-156

C. Women, Infants and Children (WIC) 2022-2025 Contract

Departments: Public Health

Proposed Standard Agreement #22-10262 with California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2025.

Action: Approved, and authorized the Public Health Director to sign Standard Agreement, Contractor Certification Clause, and CA Civil Rights Laws Attachment with California Department of Public Health for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program for the period October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2025 and a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,000,317. Additionally, provided authorization for the Public Health Director to approve minor amendments and/or revisions that may occur during the contract period provided such amendments do not alter the amount not to exceed and do not substantially alter the scope of work or budget and are approved as to form by County Counsel.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-157

D. Mono County Local Oral Health Program Grant Agreement 2022-2027

Departments: Public Health

Proposed Standard Agreement #22-10180 with California Department of Public Health (CDPH) California Oral Health Program from July 1, 2022-June 30, 2027.

Action: Approved, and authorized the Public Health Director to sign Standard Agreement, Contractor Certification Clause, and CA Civil Rights Laws Attachment with California Department of Public Health for the California Oral Health Program for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027 and a not-to-exceed amount of \$705,275.00. Additionally, provided authorization for the Public Health Director to approve minor amendments and/or revisions that may occur during the contract period provided such amendments do not alter the amount not to exceed and do not substantially alter the scope of work or budget and are approved as to form by County Counsel.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-158

E. Allocation List Amendment - Office of the CAO

Departments: CAO

Approval of the recommended Allocation List Amendment.

Action: Approved the Allocation List Amendment, approving the changes to the Allocation List to remove one (1) Accountant III from Finance and replace it with one (1) Budget Officer position (At-Will Salary Range 17, \$115,242 to \$140,077) in the County Administrative Office.

Fiscal Impact: None.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-159

F. Claim for Damages - Louis and Pimchan Cohen

Departments: Risk Management

Claims for damages have been filed by Louis Cohen and Pimchan Cohen, related to alleged injuries during a vehicle accident on the Mammoth Scenic Loop. These claims are misdirected, as Mono County is not responsible for this highway easement and has no role in its maintenance or upkeep.

Action: Denied the claims submitted by Louis Cohen and Pimchan Cohen. Direct the Risk Manager, in consultation with County Counsel, to send notices to the claimants of the denials.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-160

G. Resolution to Delegate Approval for Type of Security in Lieu of Prepayment of Property Tax.

Departments: Finance

Resolution authorizing the Clerk of the Board to approve the type of security used to secure property taxes to be paid or securitized under the Subdivision Map Act.

Action: Adopted resolution authorizing the Clerk of the Board to approve the type of security used to secure property taxes to be paid or securitized under the Subdivision Map Act.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R22-80

H. Consolidation of Elections - Antelope Valley Fire Protection District

Departments: Elections

The Antelope Valley Fire Protection District has requested that its Special Election on the imposition of a special tax on each parcel of land within the boundaries of the District for increased fire protection services be consolidated

with the 2022 Statewide General Election on November 8, 2022, and that the Mono County Elections Division conduct the election and canvass the returns.

Action: Considered and adopted Resolution R22-81, Consolidating the Special Election with the Statewide General Election on November 8, 2022, and directing the Mono County Elections Division to conduct the election and canvass the returns.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R22-81

I. Consolidation of Elections - Municipal

Departments: Elections

The Mammoth Lakes Town Council has requested that the General Municipal Election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election, and that the Mono County Elections Division conduct the election and canvass the returns.

Action: Considered and adopted Resolution R22-82, Consolidating the General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election on November 8, 2022, and directing the Mono County Elections Division to conduct the election and canvass the returns.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R22-82

J. Reappointments to the Mammoth Lakes Mosquito Abatement District

Departments: Clerk of the Board

In May 2018, the Board of Supervisors approved the applications of Jeff Boucher, Stephen Ganong, Dan Schaller, and Lyle Koegler to four-year terms on the Mammoth Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees. Unfortunately, due to staffing changes, the terms have expired, but the aforementioned Trustees have reapplied to be appointed to the Board of Trustees. There are a total of five seats. If approved, there will be one vacant seat. Vacancy notices have been posted.

Recommended Action: Reappoint Jeff Boucher, Stephen Ganong, Dan Schaller and Lyle Koegler to four-year terms on the Mammoth Lakes Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees, all of which will expire May 15, 2026.

Fiscal Impact: None.

Supervisor Corless:

- Thank you for your volunteer service.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-161

K. Compensation for Planning Commissioner Service as Administrative Appeal Hearing Officers

Departments: Clerk of the Board

The presentation of a resolution to the Board of Supervisors to establish compensation for planning commissioners serving as administrative appeal hearing officers, as currently there is no compensation policy in place.

Action: Approve Resolution R22-83, Establishing compensation for Mono County Planning Commissioners when they serve as administrative hearing officers pursuant to Mono County Code Section 1.12.050

Fiscal Impact: One hearing a year is typical. Proposed rate is \$200 per hour spent serving as a hearing office. Funding has been allocated in the Board of Supervisors budget for Administrative Appeal hearings for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year

Supervisor Peters:

- What are the expectations? Is this typical amount?
- Have we had to hire outside counsel before?

Scheereen Dedman:

- Discounted compared to outside Counsel fees
- Discussed additional fees – travel for outside Counsel
- We have not had to use outside counsel, but will need to with this upcoming pending hearing
- Considered an Administrative Hearing

County Counsel Simon:

- Provides some clarity of options available

Supervisor Duggan:

- Could you provide more background of the type of hearing?

Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director:

- Provided information/process on an Administrative Appeal

Chair Gardner:

- Provided background on why we have the appeal process

Supervisor Corless:

- We are establishing compensation for an existing process and practice, minimal expense and a fair thing to compensate our commissioner for serving this role

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R22-84

L. Monthly Treasury Transaction Report

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 6/30/2022.

Action: Approved the Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 6/30/2022.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-162

M. Quarterly Investment Report

Departments: Finance

Investment Report for the Quarter ending 6/30/2022.

Recommended Action: Approved the Investment Report for the Quarter ending 6/30/2022.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-163

N. Resolution Making Findings under AB 361 - Remote Meetings

Departments: County Counsel

Proposed resolution making the findings required by AB 361 for the purpose of making available the modified Brown Act teleconference rules set forth in AB 361 for the period of August 9, 2022, through September 8, 2022.

Action: Adopted proposed resolution.

Corless motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R22-83

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

A. Bodie Hills Support Letter from the Mono Basin RPAC

Departments: Community Development

(Bentley Regehr, Planning Analyst) - The Bodie Hills Conservation Partnership requested the attached letter of support from the Mono Basin Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC). No project or policy request has been made of the County at this time and staff is not tracking any specific issue.

Action: Received support letter.

Supervisor Peters:

- What is the ask of the Board?
- We need to look at responsible recreation opportunities in Bodie Hills and surrounding areas
- Very vague letter
- Why wouldn't Community Development make the Bridgeport RPAC aware of the letter? That should have been the job of Community Development – this is a serious issue and topic that needs daylight
- Would appreciate more information on these issues from Community Development in the future
- Needs to be diversification of the economy in Bridgeport area to provide opportunities

Chair Gardner:

- Provided background of discussion
- Offers to speak to Supervisor Peters to provide more clarity and agrees that communication is key with the community

Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director:

- Provided more context
- No policy ask at this time – just informational
- This is a discussion item – was not requested by RPAC
- Bridgeport RPAC – did not have an issue
- Letter was approved on 7/13 and there has not been a meeting since so there has not been any opportunity to communicate any update, will do that that at the next scheduled meeting

CAO Lawton:

- Appreciate Supervisor Peters concerns
- Needs to purse more diversify economic development in North County
- Discussed goals for Community Development and Economic Development

Supervisor Corless:

- Supports Supervisor Peters suggestion of an evening meeting

Supervisor Kreitz:

- Supports Supervisor Peters suggestion of an evening meeting

B. William Wallace - false medical claims email

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Email from William Wallace stating that Mono County Health Officer, Caryn Slack, made false medical claims in the Sheet newspaper. Supervisor Kreitz acknowledged email as correspondence to be on agenda.

Action: Received correspondence email.

Public Comment: Call in comment – 805-754-5698:

- Discussed claims and the Federal Trade Commission
- Discussed claims that Caryn Slack and Sheet made regarding Covid 19 vaccinations – misleading information in his opinion

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

Departments: Public Health

15 minutes

(Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director, Dr. Caryn Slack, Public Health Officer)
- Update on Countywide response and planning related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Action: None.

Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director:

- Presented Item

Chair Gardner:

- Is the doctor required to report positive cases? Does this affect accuracy in numbers?
- Home tests are not being reported

B. Employment Agreement - Acting Chief of Emergency Medical Services

Departments: CAO

5 minutes

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO) - Proposed resolution approving a contract with N. Bryan Bullock as Acting Chief of Emergency Medical Services, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment.

Action: Announced Fiscal Impact. Approved Resolution R22-85, approving an amendment to the employment contract with N. Bryan Bullock to temporarily appoint Mr. Bullock as Acting Chief of Emergency Medical Services, and prescribe the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract amendment on behalf of the County.

Fiscal Impact: Total cost of salary and benefits for FY 2022-23 is approximately \$154,774, of which \$115,242 is salary, and \$39,532 is benefits. This is included in the County Administrator's Recommended budget.

Robert C. Lawton, CAO:

- Presented Item

Supervisor Peters:

- Bryan is an asset, and this is a great opportunity – Bryan has been great during Covid, and we are lucky to have him

Bryan Bullock:

- Thanked the board and appreciates this opportunity

Peters motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R22-85

C. Employment Agreement - Director of Emergency Management

Departments: CAO

10 minutes

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO) - Proposed resolution approving a contract with Christopher Mokrcek as Director of Emergency Management, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

Action: Announced Fiscal Impact. Approved Resolution R22-86, approving a contract with Christopher Mokrcek as Director of Emergency Management, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

Fiscal Impact: Total cost of salary and benefits for FY 2022-23 is approximately \$214,188, of which \$140,077 is salary, and \$74,111 is benefits. This is included in the County Administrator's Recommended budget.

Robert C. Lawton, CAO:

- Presented Item

Christopher Mokrcek, Acting Director of Emergency Management:

- Thanked the Board for the opportunity
- Enjoys working with all the departments in the County – having a blast so far and enjoying this position

Duggan motion. Kreitz seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R22-86

D. Employment Agreement - Budget Officer

Departments: CAO

5 minutes

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO) - Proposed resolution approving a contract with Megan M. Chapman as Budget Officer, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment.

Action: Announced Fiscal Impact. Approved Resolution R22-87, approving a contract with Megan M. Chapman as Budget Officer, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

Fiscal Impact: Total cost of salary and benefits for FY 2022-23 is approximately \$161,286, of which \$121,004 is salary, and \$40,282 is benefits. This is included in the County Administrator's Recommended budget.

Robert C. Lawton, CAO:

- Presented Item
- Thanked Janet Dutcher, for her development of Megan Chapman and apologized for taking Megan from the Finance Department

Megan M. Chapman

Peters motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

R22-87

Megan M. Chapman:

- Thanked Janet Dutcher
- Looks forward to serving the community

Chair Gardner:

- Thanked Megan – this is an unique roll and one of the greatest positions

Break: 10:29 AM

Reconvened: 10:39 AM

E. Introduction to READY Mono County Preparedness Portal

Departments: Information Technology; Office of Emergency Management
30 minutes (15min. presentation; 15min. discussion)

(Olivia Hollenhorst, GIS Specialist III/ GIS Team Lead, Chris Mokracek, Interim Director of Emergency Management) - Over the past year, the Information Technology Department has been collaborating with staff from Mono County and the Town of Mammoth Lakes to develop an emergency preparedness portal. Branded as READY Mono, this online resource provides real-time information and critical updates before, during, and after an emergency or natural disaster. Examples of these events include COVID-19 (Coronavirus), Public Safety Power Shutoffs, and wildfire. This agenda item will provide an overview and demonstration of each of these systems and provide an opportunity for the Board of Supervisors to ask questions and provide comments or feedback to staff.

Action: Informational item.

Christopher Mokracek, Acting Director of Emergency Management:

- Presented Item

Olivia Hollenhorst, GIS Specialist III/ GIS Team Lead:

- Presentation assistance
- Walk-thru of new portal on website

Supervisor Peters:

- AVIS radio system – will there be training for them?
- Population numbers – does this include all the tourist in campgrounds/hotels?

Supervisor Corless:

- Thanks Chris and Olivia for the presentation and all this work
- Lighting strike fires - will this be communicated?

Chair Gardner:

- This is great, in support of
- Discussed evacuation and Citizens Wildfire Academy and how it pertains to the portal

F. Ordinance Repealing Chapter 3.32 of the Mono County Code - Television Translator Service Charge

Departments: County Counsel
5 minutes

(Stacey Simon, County Counsel and Scott Pease, Summer Law Clerk) - Proposed ordinance repealing Chapter 3.32 of the Mono County Code to remove

the Television Translator Service Charge for County Service Areas No. 2 and No. 5 in alignment with current County practices.

Action: Introduced, read title, and waived further reading of proposed ordinance.

Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- Presented item

Supervisor Duggan:

- Does this effect CSA 1? **Stacey, No**

Peters motion. Duggan seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-164

G. Ordinance Amending Chapter 7.36 of the Mono County Code - Wells

Departments: County Counsel

15 minutes

(Stacey Simon, County Counsel) - Proposed ordinance to amend Mono County Code Chapter 7.36 to revise and clarify procedures related to the processing of applications for groundwater wells and conducting associated environmental review.

Action: Introduced, read title, and waive further reading of proposed ordinance.

Stacey Simon, County Counsel:

- Presented Item
- We have already begun to follow the law and implement these changes because it is legally required. The revision to the county code would simply mirror that so that moving forward the process would be clear on paper.
- Thanked Scott Pease for all his hard work on this manner
- Clarifies California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Louis Molina, Environmental Health:

- Provided well permitting information

Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director:

- Discussed process/assessment of application
- Discussed the roll of Community Development

Kreitz motion. Corless seconded.

Vote: 5 yes, 0 no

M22-165

H. FY 2022-23 Budget Update

Departments: CAO
30 minutes

(Robert C. Lawton, County Administrative Officer; Megan Mahaffey, Budget Officer) - Since the department requested budgets were brought to the board in a workshop from May 23 through May 25 the County Administrative Officer has met with Department budget teams to assess requests with needs and remove any discrepancies from when the budgets were submitted prior to the workshop. The most significant changes to the requested budgets came from the Sheriff, Public Works, EMS and Information Technology.

Action: Received update on budget development since board workshop.

Robert C. Lawton, CAO:

- Introduced Item and provided background

Russ Branson:

- Presented Item

Supervisor Corless:

- Congratulations to everyone, we are headed toward a more structurally balanced budget
- Would be great if we could include Finance Director Dutcher – like we have done in the past
- More detail in General Fund would be nice – anticipated increase in property taxes
- Discussed some confusing parts of the presentation:
 - The way the Budget was presented
 - “IF” Benton Landfill closes statement
 - Budget update – economic stabilization fund
- We need clear detailed information – charts and graphs that have been provided in the past has been helpful

Moved to Item #9 – Board Reports

8. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Begin: 12:37 PM
Closed Session Reconvene: 1:39 PM

- There was nothing to report out of closed session

A. Closed Session - Existing Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION.

Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: County of Mono et al., v. City of Los Angeles et al. (First District California Court of Appeal, Case No.: A162590)

B. Closed Session - Exposure to Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: one.

C. Closed Session - Public Employee Evaluation

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Administrative Officer.

9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

The Board may, if time permits, take Board Reports at any time during the meeting and not at a specific time.

Supervisor Peters:

- 9/1 – Attend the virtual WIR and Public Lands meeting
- 9/4 - Treasury briefing
- 9/4 – Antelope Valley RPAC
- 9/4 – National Night Out – Bridgeport
- 9/6 – Antelope Valley Lions Club Meeting and 75th Anniversary of Antelope Valley Fire Department BBQ
- NACo Conference
- Visited the Human Service Center
- Attend the WIR meeting

Supervisor Duggan:

- NACo
- Vice Chair to membership committee
- 7/26 CSA1 meeting -recognizing Dave, and thank you to Public Works
- 7/28 IMACA Board meeting – restructure meeting
- NaCo Public Lands Meeting

Supervisor Corless:

- Eastern Sierra Climate and Communities Resilience Project Financial Advisory Committee Meeting: Got a project update--they have completed work in Reds Meadow and hope to treat almost 1000 acres in the project area this year. Presentation from Blue Forest Conservation on the concept of funding this and similar projects through forest resilience bonds.

- Eastern Sierra Council of Governments special meeting--approved challenge cost share agreement with the Inyo National Forest
- Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership meeting.
- Upcoming: Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force Sept 27 in Grass Valley, 30x30 Partnership meeting in Sacramento, virtual attendance available for both
- Looking to put together a community forum on wildlife with Dan Taylor, also suggest item for an upcoming board meeting
- Even more good news for Mammoth Lakes 395 wildlife crossing project--WCB proposing to award additional funds (almost \$3million) to planning/environmental review for the project

Chair Gardner:

- From Thursday July 21 to Sunday July 24, I participated with my colleagues on the Board and with staff in the National Association of Counties Annual Conference in Aurora, Colorado. The Conference approved two Public Lands resolutions and one other I sponsored, and I led a panel on Responsible Recreation. I also attended several workshops and other meetings that provided much useful information.
- On July 27 I participated in a meeting of the Regional Forest and Fire Prevention Program. The primary purpose of the meeting was to establish priorities for pursuing various initiatives.
- On Thursday July 28 I participated in the Collaborative Planning Team meeting. We received interesting briefings about human wildlife contact and the June Lake Loop Active Transportation Plan.
- On Monday August 1 I participated in the monthly call for the NACO Public Lands Policy Committee. We heard a summary of the pending Climate-Related legislation in Congress, and the status of other legislation.
- Also, on Monday I participated in the monthly meeting of the Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership. We received updates on various ongoing projects and activities and heard updates from each of the partners.
- On Wednesday August 3 I participated in the monthly meeting of the June Lake citizens Advisory Committee. Topics at that meeting included an update about the June Lake Loop Active Transportation Plan and the scheduling of the June Lake Triathlon.
- On Friday, August 5 I participated in the monthly meeting of the Kutzadika Tribal Council. Topics at that meeting included an update on the Tribe's efforts to get Federal Recognition legislation approved, and a review of several ongoing activities.

ADJOURN at 1:40 PM

ATTEST

**BOB GARDNER
CHAIR OF THE BOARD**

**DANIELLE PATRICK
SENIOR DEPUTY CLERK/ ELECTIONS ASSISTANT**