



Town Council of Mammoth Lakes

Minutes of Regular Meeting

December 1, 2021, 4:00 p.m.

437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes

Members Present: Mayor Bill Sauser, Mayor Pro Tem Lynda Salcido,
Councilmember Kirk Stapp, Councilmember John Wentworth,
Councilmember Sarah Rea

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pam Kobylarz led the flag salute.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments given at this time.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 Town of Mammoth Lakes Air Quality Management Plan Triennial Progress Report 2017-2020.

5. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

6. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS AND/OR DEPARTMENTS (AS NEEDED)

Community and Economic Development Director Sandra Moberly gave an update regarding next week's Planning and Economic Development Commission meeting,

Public Works Director Haislip Hayes gave an update regarding current public works activities. There was discussion among members of Council and staff.

Parks and Recreation Director Stuart Brown gave an update regarding current parks and recreation activities. There was discussion among members of Council and staff.

Administrative Services/Finance Director Rob Patterson gave an update regarding the start of charter air service at Mammoth Yosemite Airport.

7. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Recognition of retiring Public Works Director/Special Projects Manager Grady Dutton.

Town Manager Daniel C. Holler, members of staff, members of Council, and Betsy Truax thanked Mr. Dutton for his years of service.

7.2 Recognition of 15-year anniversary award to Parks and Recreation Director Stuart Brown.

Town Manager Daniel C. Holler, members of the Council, and Betsy Truax thanked Mr. Brown for his years of service.

7.3 Recognition of newly promoted Deputy Airport Manager Sierra Shultz.

Administrative Services/Finance Director Rob Patterson introduced Ms. Shultz to the Council and the community.

8. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

8.1 Update from Leann Murphy, Acting Mammoth District Ranger.

Ms. Murphy gave an update regarding the Forest program of work, staffing, and prescribed burn activity. There was discussion among members of Council and Ms. Murphy.

9. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

9.1 Receive a presentation from staff on the design-build project delivery methodology.

Public Works Director Haislip Hayes and Associate Planner - Housing Coordinator Nolan Bobroff gave a presentation outlining the design build process and how it related to the Town's 60 Joaquin project. There was discussion among members of Council and staff.

9.2 The Parcel Phase 1 Update.

Mayor Sauser recused himself due to his ownership of property within 500 feet of The Parcel and left the meeting at 5:39 p.m. Councilmember Rea recused herself due to her rental of property within 700 feet of The Parcel and left the meeting at 5:39 p.m.

Community and Economic Development Director Sandra Moberly gave an update regarding Phase 1 of The Parcel. There was discussion among members of Council and staff.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dieter Fiebiger asked for changes to The Parcel plan. Ms. Moberly addressed Mr. Fiebiger's concerns.

Kathy Cage suggested that the Town set permanent corner property markers on all sides of their property.

Mayor Sauser and Councilmember Rea returned to the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember John Wentworth
Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lynda Salcido

Approve the Consent Agenda.

For (5): Mayor Bill Sauser, Mayor Pro Tem Lynda Salcido, Councilmember Kirk Stapp, Councilmember John Wentworth, and Councilmember Sarah Rea

Carried (5 to 0)

10.1 Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 17, 2021.

- 10.2 **Approve the resolution re-authorizing the Town Council to meet virtually during the COVID-19 pandemic declared emergency.**
- 10.3 **Award Engineering Design Contract for the Laurel Mountain Road Rehabilitation and Sidewalk Project.**
- 10.4 **Waive the reading and adopt by title only the Ordinance making the required CEQA and Municipal Code findings and approving District Zoning Amendment 21-001 to allow for an amended Phase One project for properties located at 164, 202, and 248 Old Mammoth**
- 10.5 **Accept Payment Approval Report No. 22-21 in the amount of \$604,517.05.**

11. **POLICY MATTERS**

11.1 **Appointment of Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem.**

Moved by Mayor Bill Sauser

Seconded by Councilmember John Wentworth

Appoint Mayor Pro Tem Salcido as the Mayor and appoint Councilmember Wentworth as the Mayor Pro Tem.

For (5): Mayor Bill Sauser, Mayor Pro Tem Lynda Salcido, Councilmember Kirk Stapp, Councilmember John Wentworth, and Councilmember Sarah Rea

Carried (5 to 0)

11.2 **Recognition of outgoing Mayor Bill Sauser.**

Town Manager Daniel C. Holler, members of the Council, and members of staff thanked Councilmember Sauser for serving as Mayor.

11.3 **Town Council Appointments to Commissions, Committees, and Boards.**

There was discussion among members of Council.

Moved by Mayor Lynda Salcido

Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem John Wentworth

Appoint Councilmember Sauser to serve on the Mammoth Lakes Tourism Board to replace Mayor Salcido. Appoint Councilmember Rea to the Mammoth Lakes Recreation Board to replace Councilmember Sauser.

For (5): Mayor Lynda Salcido, Mayor Pro Tem John Wentworth, Councilmember Bill Sauser, Councilmember Kirk Stapp, and Councilmember Sarah Rea

Carried (5 to 0)

11.4 Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of a Tobacco Grant Award in the Amount of \$344,273 from the California Department of Justice over Fiscal Years 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24.

Police Chief Al Davis Outlined the information in the staff report.

Moved by Councilmember Bill Sauser

Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem John Wentworth

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to execute an agreement with the California Department of Justice for the receipt of grant funding through the California Healthcare Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016 (Prop. 56) to support local efforts to reduce the illegal sale of tobacco products in Mammoth Lakes.

For (5): Mayor Lynda Salcido, Mayor Pro Tem John Wentworth, Councilmember Bill Sauser, Councilmember Kirk Stapp, and Councilmember Sarah Rea

Carried (5 to 0)

11.5 Town support for modification to the County Office of Emergency Services (OES).

Town Manager Daniel C. Holler outlined the information in the staff report. There was discussion among members of Council and staff.

CONSENSUS:

The Town Council expressed support for the creation of a Mono County Office of Emergency Services.

11.6 Update on data, management, and response to COVID-19 pandemic.

Town Manager Daniel C. Holler gave a presentation regarding the pandemic update. There was discussion among members of Council and staff.

12. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Sauser attended the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Councilmember Stapp said that the bus shelters being constructed looked great.

Mayor Pro Tem Wentworth spoke about a scheduled SCE Power Outage, attended a Tour of the Caldor Fire, and spoke about recent articles regarding the snowpack in the Sierra Nevada.

13. CLOSED SESSION

13.1 Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, the Town Council will hold a conference with its representatives in regard to property negotiations pertaining to:

At 7:10 p.m. the Mayor announced that the Council would be entering into closed session for the purposes as stated in the agenda.

14. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN AFTER CLOSED SESSION

The Council reconvened from closed session at 7:36 p.m. and the Town Manager announced that there was no reportable action taken.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Jamie Gray, Town Clerk