



Mammoth Lakes Recreation Board

Minutes of Regular Meeting

January 14, 2025, 3:00 p.m.

437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes

Members Present: President Craig Albright, Treasurer Heather Schaubmayer, Board Member Danielle Torrance, Board Member Eric Wasserman, Board Member Brent Truax

Members Absent: Secretary Tamara Bankson

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Craig Albright called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes.

President Albright spoke about the ongoing struggles of those in Southern California who had been affected by the recent fires and said that he wanted to acknowledge what they were going through. He said that many of them think of Mammoth as their home away from home and that they may want to come up here for a break.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Town of Mammoth Lakes (TOML) Town Manager Rob Patterson provided an update on the strategic plan that staff and Town Council were working on which included an update on the results of the Town's Public Sentiment Survey. Mr. Patterson spoke about the need for the community to work together.

TOML Parks and Recreation Director Stu Brown outlined the information in the Community Recreation Center (CRC) Winter Update. Mr. Brown discussed the strategic plan that his department was working on and announced that the Dog Park had reopened today.

Board Member Brent Truax reported that former TOML Chief of Police Al Davis had passed away recently and spoke about the positive things he had accomplished for our community. Mr. Truax requested that members of the community be positive and respectful with their social media posts.

There was discussion between TOML staff and members of the Board.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Board Member Brent Truax

Seconded by Treasurer Heather Schaubmayer

Approve the Consent Agenda.

For (4): President Craig Albright, Treasurer Heather Schaubmayer, Board Member Danielle Torrance, and Board Member Brent Truax

Abstain (1): Board Member Eric Wasserman

Absent (1): Secretary Tamara Bankson

Carried (4 to 0)

3.1 **Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 24, 2024**

3.2 **Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 12, 2024**

4. **REPORTS**

4.1 **Office of Outdoor Recreation Winter Grooming Program**

TOML Trails Manager Andrew Mulford outlined the information in the staff report and Winter Recreation Map.

There was discussion between Mr. Mulford and members of the Board.

4.2 **Sierra Nevada Conservancy Grants Update**

Executive Director Kim Anaclerio outlined the information in the staff report and the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) Planning and Implementation Grants in support of the Sherwins Area Recreation Plan (SHARP).

TOML Trails Manager Andrew Mulford and Assistant Engineer Pam Smitheman provided additional information about each of the projects.

There was discussion between Ms. Anaclerio, TOML staff, and members of the Board.

4.3 Website Analytics 2024 Review

Executive Director Kim Anaclerio and Pinon Ranch Consulting Owner Matt Ulery outlined the information in the staff report and Website Analytics presentation.

There was discussion between Ms. Anaclerio, Mr. Ulery and members of the Board.

4.4 Program and Administrative Update

Executive Director Kim Anaclerio outlined the information in the staff report.

There was discussion between Ms. Anaclerio and members of the Board.

5. POLICY MATTERS

5.1 Re-appoint Board Members and Officers with Expiring Terms

Executive Director Kim Anaclerio outlined the information in the staff report.

There was discussion between Ms. Anaclerio and members of the Board.

Moved by Board Member Brent Truax

Seconded by Board Member Eric Wasserman

Reappoint Treasurer Heather Schaubmayer, and Board Members Eric Wasserman, and Danielle Torrance to the MLR Board for two-year terms to expire in 2027.

For (5): President Craig Albright, Treasurer Heather Schaubmayer, Board Member Danielle Torrance, Board Member Eric Wasserman, and Board Member Brent Truax

Absent (1): Secretary Tamara Bankson

Carried (5 to 0)

5.2 Fiscal Year 2024/25 Year to Date Financials

Executive Director Kim Anaclerio outlined the information in the 2024/25 Financial Update.

There was discussion between Ms. Anaclerio and members of the Board.

6. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Board Member Brent Truax reported that he had been in Tahoe recently for his daughter's Ski Race and Robotics events. Mr. Truax said that the Town Council would be working on strategic planning over the next few weeks.

Board Member Eric Wasserman said that he had been playing a lot of hockey, spoke about the professional quality of the ice at the CRC rink, and said that he was happy about the amount of use it was getting. Mr. Wasserman said that the skiing in Mammoth was great and said that we needed a pedestrian management plan in Town, especially in the Vons parking lot and up by the 1849 Condos.

Treasurer Heather Schaubmayer said that we should count our blessings, and that she felt fortunate to live in Mammoth and have clean air and healthy kids.

Board Member Danielle Torrance asked what MLR could do in conjunction with the Forest Service with regard to dispersed camping to keep it from happening in Town, especially near residential areas.

President Craig Albright said that skiing was good on the Mountain, and that the snow making window would usually end in about 3-4 weeks, because you can't effectively build base after February 15th, and said that they were still working with the snow from November. He said that backcountry skiing in the Lakes Basin had become more popular and that every time it snows, that area gets overwhelmed with parking issues and conflicts between the different user groups and said that he would like MLR to work with other local agencies about enforcement and etiquette education in that area. He said that he was heading to Tahoe tonight.

There was discussion among members of the Board.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Angela Plaisted, Assistant Clerk