



Mammoth Lakes Housing Board

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes

Members Present: President Kirk Stapp, Vice President Jennifer Kreitz, Board Member Lindsay Barksdale, Board Member Tom Hodges, Board Member Agnes Vianzon, Board Member Tony Perkins, Board Member Brian D'Andrea

Members Absent: Board Member Heidi Steenstra

1. Call to Order

President Kirk Stapp called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes. President Stapp attending the meeting in person, the other members of the Board attended the meeting via videoconference.

2. Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361) Findings

2.1 Adopt Resolution 2022-03 to allow virtual Board meetings to continue during the Covid-19 pandemic declared emergency

Executive Director Patricia Robertson outlined the information in the staff report.

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

Moved by President Kirk Stapp

Seconded by Board Member Lindsay Barksdale

Adopt Resolution 2022-03 to allow virtual Board meetings to continue during the Covid-19 pandemic declared emergency.

For (6): President Kirk Stapp, Vice President Jennifer Kreitz, Board Member Lindsay Barksdale, Board Member Agnes Vianzon, Board Member Tony Perkins, and Board Member Brian D'Andrea

Absent (2): Board Member Tom Hodges, and Board Member Heidi Steenstra

Carried (6 to 0)

3. Public Comments

There were no comments given at this time.

4. Consent Agenda

Moved by President Kirk Stapp
Seconded by Board Member Brian D'Andrea

Approve the Consent Agenda.

For (6): President Kirk Stapp, Vice President Jennifer Kreitz, Board Member Lindsay Barksdale, Board Member Agnes Vianzon, Board Member Tony Perkins, and Board Member Brian D'Andrea

Absent (2): Board Member Tom Hodges, and Board Member Heidi Steenstra

Carried (6 to 0)

4.1 Approval of the Minutes from the January 6, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

5. Policy Matters

5.1 Establish Goals for the Joint Meeting with Town of Mammoth Lakes Town Council

Executive Director Patricia Robertson outlined the information in the staff report.

Board Member Tom Hodges joined the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR:

Town of Mammoth Lakes (TOML) Town Manager Dan Holler discussed the key elements of a legislative body that would make it subject to the Brown Act. Mr. Holler spoke about MLH's desire for more regional outreach and the potential reduction in paperwork for Ms. Robertson if MLH stepped away from the Town and acted in a capacity similar to a more traditional non-profit organization not subject to the Brown Act. He said that if MLH made such a move, it would eliminate the requirement to have elected officials appointed to the Board, however, it would not preclude them from being elected to serve on the Board if they so desired.

There was discussion between Ms. Robertson, Mr. Holler and members of the Board.

5.2 Possible partnership with County Social Services Departments to draw HDAP funding to build housing staff capacity in the region

Executive Director Patricia Robertson outlined the information in the staff report.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR:

Mono County Director of Social Services Kathy Peterson said that she welcomed the opportunity to partner with MLH. Ms. Peterson reported that when her department received funding from the State they were provided with an All County Welfare Director's Letter which provided them with very specific information about where the money came from and when and how it was to be spent and said this type of strategy was encouraged. She said that funding had increased exponentially since the beginning of the program.

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

5.3 MLH Programs Update

Executive Director Patricia Robertson outlined the information in the staff report.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR:

TOML Town Manager Dan Holler spoke about the application process for Deed Restricted Properties through MLH and said that members of the community were looking for an easier way to find out if they would qualify without going through the entire application process.

There was discussion between Ms. Robertson, Mr. Holler, and members of the Board.

6. Committee Reports

Executive Director Patricia Robertson reported that the Governance Committee and the Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee had not met.

Programs and Housing Development Committee Member Tom Hodges gave an update on the Committee's activities and complimented his fellow Committee Members for their work on the Homekey Application.

Ms. Robertson reported that the Marketing and Communications Committee had assisted with the public outreach survey.

Ms. Robertson reported that the Fundraising Committee and the Board Nominations Committee had not met.

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

7. Board Member Reports

Board Member Tom Hodges reported that a Home Accelerator Award in the amount of \$38M had been awarded to Pacific West Communities to be used for Phase I of The Parcel. Mr. Hodges said that the Planning and Economic Development Commission (PEDC) agenda for Wednesday's meeting included a project under the Density Bonus program and said that he would watch the meeting and likely provide public comment, and encouraged his fellow Board Members to watch as well. He said that it had been busy at the Mountain with a lot of people in Town and said that they were on pace for visitation and Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT).

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR:

TOML Town Manager Dan Holler confirmed that a Home Accelerator Award in the amount of \$38.6M had been awarded for The Parcel and reported that the total grant funds received to date for The Parcel was close to \$57M.

Board Member Brian D'Andrea congratulated the Town on the Accelerator Award and said that he hoped that funds from round two of the Accelerator program would be awarded to MLH for the 238 Sierra Manor Project. Mr. D'Andrea reported that he would attend the Housing California 2022 Annual Conference from April 4th through April 6th.

Board Member Lindsay Barksdale reported that homeowners from the San Joaquín Villas (SJV) were keeping an eye on the Villas III at Obsidian project which would be brought before the PEDC on Wednesday, and shared concerns that SJV homeowners had about the project.

There was discussion among members of the Board.

8. Closed Session

The Board went into recess at 7:53 p.m.

The Board went into closed session at 7:59 p.m.

8.1 Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, the Board will hold a closed session to discuss property negotiations and possible staff direction and/or action – Assessor’s Parcel Number 001-212-05

Property: 156 East Clarke Street, Bishop, CA 93514

Negotiating Parties: Patricia Robertson representing MLH (prospective buyer); Kate Morley representing IMACA (Owner)


Under Negotiation: Terms of sale

The Board came out of closed session at 8:33 p.m.

Executive Director Patricia Robertson reported that the Board gave staff direction to continue negotiations for the preservation of affordable housing in the region.

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m. to the next regular Board Meeting scheduled to be held on March 7, 2022.



Angela Plaisted, Assistant Clerk
Town of Mammoth Lakes

Patricia Robertson, Secretary
Mammoth Lakes Housing, Inc.