



Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG) - Joint Powers Authority (JPA)

Minutes of Special Meeting

December 3, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite Z, Mammoth Lakes

Members Present: Chair Karen Schwartz, Vice Chair John Wentworth, Board Member Stacy Corless, Board Member Bob Gardner, Board Member Jeff Griffiths, Board Member Dan Totheroh, Board Member Jim Ellis, Board Member Lynda Salcido

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Karen Schwartz called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. in the Council Chamber at 437 Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes, CA. Members of the Board attended the meeting via videoconference.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Member Jeff Griffiths led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management Program (IRWMP) Project Development Specialist Rick Kattelman requested that the ESCOG consider adding an item to their regular meeting next week regarding an upcoming wildfire grant related to creating defensible space and hardening public structures in our local jurisdictions. A notice of interest must be submitted during December to be considered for the grant.

4. **ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (AB 361) FINDINGS**

4.1 **Discussion and direction regarding Brown Act Compliance under AB 361**

Executive Director Elaine Kabala outlined the information in the staff report.

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

Moved by Board Member Jeff Griffiths
Seconded by Board Member Stacy Corless

Adopt the Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Regarding the Need for Continued Virtual Meetings to Protect Public Health pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.

For (8): Chair Karen Schwartz, Vice Chair John Wentworth, Board Member Stacy Corless, Board Member Bob Gardner, Board Member Jeff Griffiths, Board Member Dan Tothoroh, Board Member Jim Ellis, and Board Member Lynda Salcido

Carried (8 to 0)

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 a.m. to the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on December 10, 2021.



Angela Plaisted, Assistant Clerk