ENOUGH
Eastside students join rally over gun law reform
By Bodine
“It’s been a month and nothing has happened,” said Bishop High School Senior Class President Jordan Kost during a rally on campus as part of National School Walkout Day on Wednesday, March 14. Kost was referring to the tragedy at a Marjory Stoneman-Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida that occurred on February 14, where 17 people were killed by a school shooter.

The students marched to honor those 17 people, and to demand safer schools and an end to gun violence.

Many students at the event said they felt they had to take this issue into their own hands, because no one else seems to be doing much about it.

Students from Inyo and Mono counties, from elementary to high school, joined the movement and held 17-minute protests at their schools on March 14. The names of the 17 who lost their lives were read aloud at each demonstration.

Nearly 100 students at Bishop High School walked out of classes to show their support. During the non-school sponsored rally, students were encouraged to speak their minds. Some students took advantage of the opportunity to shout pro-National Rifle Association (NRA) slogans. One student took the opportunity to shout, “There can’t be school shootings if there aren’t any schools.”

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MLPD
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Casabian had apparently expressed interest about rejoining the MLPD, which sparked debate within the department as to whether or not that was a good idea.

The email was sent April 6, 2017 at 1:05 a.m. Town Finance Director Rob Patterson and Human Resources Manager Cassandra Mance were cc’d on the email:

People call you a bully. A bully forces his way through attrition?
Am I right? What on earth makes you think you can bully me? You don’t think much about me and I can just quit Today chief. What then. Rick we have had several talks about my direction. Yeah you are right and I get it. you said “chief i don’t know what you want from me,” “Rick we have had wrong. Each time, your statement had been, “we need to hire younger of—a better job. I have said “what and [sic] I doing right and what am I doing

Rick, you don’t control MLPD, you have a hand in it, but you will never control it unless you are chief. If you want to learn how to become a LT or a chief, I will guide you and help you on your path. Conversely, if you wish to push back against me and the positive changes I have worked with, dealt with and disciplined guys who find themselves at mammoth, you were able to arrest. He deserves what he reaped. His step dad was a retired capt in so cal, died last year. 500 cops went to his funeral. How can change to make things better. You have failed to come up with anything tangiple. Yet, somehow you wish me to fail. To what end I don’t understand. It was the only thing you learned in SD.

Bottom line, I have given you chances to speak up and what we and or I can change to make things better. You have failed to come up with anything tangible. Yet, somehow you wish me to fail. To what end I don’t understand. If I fail, you fail. If you have issues, bring them forward. I have not listened to you or our profession. That was evident in how he cooperated with you, lucky for you. Had you taken the time to show up at my parties, you would have understood Dave and how he respects us. And not you by the book because

In our several meetings, I have given you the opportunity to say what you think or feel. You have never provided direct feedback about how I can do a better job. I have said “what and [sic] I doing right and what am I doing wrong. Each time, your statement had been, “we need to hire younger officers.” Or trying to engage the public.” One meeting about your evaluation you said “chief I don’t know what you want from me,” “Rick we have had several talks about my direction”. Yeah you are right and I get it. Rick, you don’t control our applicants. But you said you had “guys” willing to come here. Nothing happened, twice, maybe they don’t want to work for you! Maybe they don’t want to work for the you after they think about it?

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I am organizing a protest march on March 23 at 10 a.m. in the Main Lodge parking lot in front of the administration building.

Joe Moses
Woodland Hills

Seniors do NOT get free care

Dear Editor:

I don’t always agree with you. When it comes to civic matters, i.e. over and wasteful spending by the council etc., I totally agree. However, you recently presented some incorrect thoughts as fact.

Senior citizens DO NOT get free health/medical care. My husband and I are both over 65, and I have been disabled since 1997. We paid, out of pocket, for our Medicare “Health Insurance” just under $3,000 in the year 2017. My husband still works seasonally and pays for Medicare from his paychecks as well. Plus, Medicare does not cover one penny of: dental, vision, hearing, or prescription drugs so we pay premiums for supplemental health insurance.

And Medicare and all these insurance coverages still do not cover every charge or fee at our doctor’s office, the lab for testing, or hospital stays etc. We still have over $3,000 we owe to our Hospital and doctor for services last year. So please, DO NOT talk about seniors getting free health care! Out of pocket last year....almost $6,000, plus the “share of cost” and co-pays we still owe.

Please do not buy into those fallacious arguments that seniors get free health care!!

Nancy Baker
Mammoth Lakes

Character assassination

Dear Editor:

I am writing in regards to the articles written about the upcoming election for Mono County Superintendent of Schools. I am all for an open forum for any candidate to explain why they are running for an office, but I do take offense to inflammatory commentary on the part of any candidate against another, and the particular negative tone of many statements by the opponent to Dr. Stacey Adler, the current Mono County Superintendent of Schools.

I hope the general public will take any negative comment about one candidate over another with a grain of salt, but I feel there are intentionally misleading statements about monetary items and approval protocols in relation to these seemingly controversial stipends.

It is my understanding that the management of the Charter schools brings in significant income to the MCOE. That is why Dr. Adler came up with this creative way to bring extra funds into the County, even though Mono County is 400 miles away from San Diego, as the article states.

This money is spent on the very things that the opponent suggests were taken away from the kids of Mono County by the stipends. I don’t have access to the records, but I think that basic accounting would show that after you deduct expenses from the income the Charters produce for MCOE (I’ve heard $100,000 plus/minus is what the Charters pay MCOE), there is indeed significant money that is spent on MCOE programs. To say “pockets were being filled” by stipends is completely misleading when you take the roughly $90,000 figure, divide by 5 years and divide again by the 11 individuals that article states.

Again inflammatory language meant to damage and mislead. Why shouldn't
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people be paid for doing work outside of their contracts? It happens all the time in our local school district—teachers are paid stipends for the many extracurriculars they do outside of their teaching duties, including coaching, club advising, etc.

In reading other articles The Sheet has printed about the stipends, the District Attorney had determined that there wasn’t any malice or underlying sneakiness in writing stipends for work completed, and has closed the case. The board that oversees MCOE has clearly stated that as well, and in fact recognizes that they need to put new procedures in place to make it more transparent, so that the Superintendant has less chance of being inappropriately accused of wrongdoing in the future.

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Cindy Podosin
Mammoth Lakes

LOCAL NEWS

WILL VOTERS PAY FOR DR. J?
Parcel tax proposed to keep Southern Inyo Hospital in operation

By Giles

On March 5 and 12, the Independence Civics club and Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce held public meetings regarding Measure J.

Measure J would add an additional $215 annually per property parcel within the Southern Inyo Hospital District on top of the current general property tax, which is $50 per parcel. Additionally, the measure would add a tax of $100 per home. The additional parcel tax would bring the parcel tax to $365 per property parcel, which comes to $1 dollar a day. The current parcel tax for commercial property is $500.

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facility. They are also compensated much differently under government regulations, with emergency rooms receiving much higher reimbursement payments for the services they provide.

At the Lone Pine meeting, Vic Johnson suggested having a cannabis dispensary operate out of the hospital to generate revenue. Supporters of the hospital point out that the hospital’s closure would have negative consequences for the local economy including the loss of jobs, patronage of local businesses, home values and the on the number of students in local schools. The hospital employs approximately 90 full-time employees all of whom would be put out of their jobs. The hospital’s operational costs are $10 million a year in income and expenses, which, according to Lone Pine Chamber of Commerce CEO Kathleen New, would be a “huge, if not devastating, economic hit” to the community.

The revenue generated by Measure J’s parcel tax increase will largely be used to provide proof to the bankruptcy court judge that the SIHD board has the money to pay off its creditors and a sound business plan to keep the hospital open well into the future. According to the SIHD board, if Measure J is approved, $602,000 a year will be generated by the parcel tax over a 15-year period. According to board member Dick Fedchenko, “Stable financing would also help the judge to make some final findings and rule on the hospital’s proposed plan to pay its debts and escape from bankruptcy, which also includes a claim by Healthcare Conglomerate Associates (former hospital management) that SIH owes it several million dollars and other disputed claims for payment.”

The problem for Measure J’s supporters is that, until the bankruptcy case is settled by the judge, they have no idea how much money the district will owe or how long it will take to pay off its debts.

Furthermore, the hospital must be upgraded to meet current earthquake standards, which would require additional revenue to that brought in by Measure J.

For opponents taking on additional public debt through a bond measure is “throwing good money after bad.” They say that it is time to take a different approach to providing healthcare services that is affordable, sustainable, and realistic. They point out that its hospital’s services functionally need economic or population growth in the communities within the healthcare district and the lack of private land within Inyo County as indications that property tax revenue alone will not meet the district’s needs.

The SIHD board was asked by Sharon White of Lone Pine, a former nurse at the hospital, if the parcel tax would be sufficient to pay off the hospital’s outstanding debts and bring it out of bankruptcy. “Will there be enough clients using the hospital’s services to keep the hospital, clinic and Skilled Nursing Unit operating?” asked White. SIH CEO Brian Cotter responded with a qualified “yes,” saying that, “SIH does not operate on a for-profit basis but tries to meet expenses such as payroll, and other expenses on a monthly and yearly basis. It is a break even operation.” He said the hospital is currently running a deficit “largely because we are trying to improve our billing system to be more efficient in billing and collecting.”

A question was asked about whether agreements were being explored with the hospital in Ridgecrest and Bishop’s Northern Inyo Hospital to improve or expand its services. The answer was “yes." This was further emphasized by the presence of Northern Inyo Health care District (NIHCD) board member M.C. Hubbard and CEO Kevin Flanigan. Both expressed solidarity with SIHD’s attempt to keep the hospital in Lone Pine open and a willingness to rotate specialists between facilities.

Meeting participants were evenly divided in their support or rejection of Measure J. The vote in the Special Election on April 10, 2018, will be conducted entirely by mail and must be approved by two-thirds plus 1 vote. More information on Measure J is available on the County Elections’ website: http://elections.inyocounty.us as well as the Southern Inyo Healthcare District’s website: http://www.sihd.org/measure.j.php.

WANTED: FIREFIGHTERS

Mammoth Fire District to place parcel tax on June election ballot

By Giles

At the March 14 Mono County Board of Supervisors meeting, Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District (MLFPD) Chief Frank Frievalt announced the district’s intent to place a parcel tax on the ballot for the June 2018 general election.

The proposed tax is $79 per parcel, to be applied to every parcel within the MLFPD. The ballot language does not include a “subset clause,” or a time limit on the parcel tax.

Frievalt said that the district has itemized its equipment replacement costs for the next several years and that it has determined it needs $2 million in principal, and must also account for potential inflation in equipment costs over the next 20 years. Frievalt said that 97 percent of the fire district’s budget is generated by property tax revenue. “And you all know better than I how volatile that can be.” Frievalt said that while visitation has continued to increase, taxable square footage in town has not. “Property tax value is flat, and we know our visitation is going up.”

The district has a full time staff of 8.6 administrators, instructors, and other employees. Frievalt said the station also has about 45 part time employees on the books.

“We have a strong history of being able to put out about 20 people for a substantial call...there is no way right now we could afford to keep all those 20 people on full time,” said Frievalt.

Frievalt said he is concerned that his employees, who are required to live within the district boundaries, are being priced out of Mammoth Lakes. Frievalt said that some of the parcel tax revenue will be used to secure immediate housing for district employees. “Many of our people have two, three, in some cases four jobs to piece together what it costs to live here. As housing prices increase, our people are getting pushed out. For some types of jobs you can walk around that. But for emergency response, you lose your ability to get there in time.”

Frievalt said that there are roughly 10,300 parcels within MLFPD. The proposed tax is expected to generate $812,000 annually. Most of those funds will be used to support the district’s personnel needs. The rest will support housing for employees and efforts to prepare for and protect the Town from catastrophic wildfires.

The District has asked voters to support a tax measure once before, in 1993, when the public passed a tax assessment. That tax was collected for four years, but was discontinued in 1996, when it was determined that property tax values had improved such that the district was adequately funded.

“To the reasonable question of why do you need folks, I would say that if you call, it could change the outcome for the better. It takes rapid response. To change those outcomes, it takes a sufficient number of people, people who have to properly equipped and competent in their training,” said Frievalt. With regard to housing, Frievalt said “we as a community don’t have a strategy to unfold fast enough to keep up with our people getting squeezed out. Those things are happening this week and this month.”
HUSKIES COMPETE ON THE SLOPES
Highlights from Mammoth’s Ski, Snowboard, and Nordic teams

By Sue Morning

It was a big week for Mammoth’s Ski and Snowboard Teams and other youth snow athletes. On March 8, 106 elementary and middle school students from Lee Vining, Mammoth, and Bishop competed in the annual Geoff (Goof) Carreiro race at Mammoth Mountain.

On March 13, Mammoth High School held its Winter Sports Banquet, with a number of students being named to the CNISFF All Southern 2 Division Team. The Mammoth High School Ski and Snowboard Team finished their season on March 8, with six skiers and three snowboarders earning All-State honors.

Additionally, from March 3-11, local members of the Far West Junior National Nordic Team Meaghan Thompson, Jared Mahler, and Lucas Strazzere competed at the US Ski and Snowboard Cross Country Junior National Championships at Soldier Hollow, UT.

BRONCOS HIT THE TRACK
Bishop High School Broncos host the Rosamond High Roadrunners

Photos by Bodine

The Bishop High School Broncos Track and Field Team hosted the Rosamond Roadrunners for a home meet on March 14. The event brought more than 30 players together to compete in hurdles, high jump, shot put, discus, long jump, triple jump, sprinting, and distance running. Above: BHS Senior Lauren Kost hands the baton to Izzy Elwell.
MEET MARGE
District 8 Congressional candidate Marge Doyle comes to town
By Rea

Marge Doyle never intended to be a politician, but she’s part of a wave of women who have entered into the political arena in the wake of Donald Trump’s rise to power in Washington.

Doyle is campaigning to become the congresswoman for California’s District 8, a seat currently occupied by Republican Congressman Paul Cook, and she’s visiting Mono and Inyo Counties. Doyle was a coffee shop owner in Apple Valley she was brought back from the brink of financial collapse. “We went from being almost bankrupt to having $50 million in the bank,” she told The Sheet, adding that the hospital has now expanded many of its departments and services. “And we did it all in three years.”

Why the jump from hospital management to congressional politics? Doyle says that, in September of 2017, Cook asked her for help in the potential repeal of the Affordable Care Act—and ignored her advice. “Which is his right to do,” says Doyle, “but when he voted yes [to repeal the ACA]... I knew that would hurt people.”

Doyle said she was also tired of working this hard after I’m elected.” Doyle is still a full time nurse.

District 8 Congressional candidate Marge Doyle

MCWD CAUTIONS ON WATER

The Mammoth Community Water District (MCWD) is giving its customers notice that water may be in short supply this summer. A press release from MCWD on March 13, states that Mammoth Pass snowpack for February 1 was 53% of normal. According to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, as of March 13, Mammoth Pass is at 60% of normal.

In response to the less than average snowpack the MCWD Board of Directors has approved a resolution indicating a threat of water shortage. This means there may be water restrictions this summer.

According to Irene Yamashita, public relations officer for MCWD, the most recent bout of storms are not enough to drastically change the snowpack or lift the potential for water restrictions. Yamashita said it is expected to rain this year but some people are already starting to purchase plants and trees for landscaping. She said that homeowners should take heed of the message in preparing what kind and how many plants and trees and plan accordingly.

Adoption of the proposed resolution would allow the Board to implement a Water Supply Shortage Level at any time by simply passing a motion for the Water Shortage Level deemed appropriate.

Should restrictions be implemented, customers will be notified through press releases the MCWD Facebook page, the customer WaterSmart portal, the MCWD webpage www.mcwd.dat.ca.us, and through customer water bills.

MCWD Operations Superintendent C.J. Murray said at a board meeting in February that there should be a robust water supply this year. The projection compared normal demand conditions against current groundwater levels.

Most of MCWD’s wells have recovered from the drought and pumps that were overworked during the drought years when there was no surface water has been rehabilitated, Yamashita said.

MCWD BUDGET

The Mammoth Community Water District (MCWD) is making a budget proposal for the upcoming fiscal year. The budget proposal includes a number of changes, including an increase in operational costs and a decrease in capital expenditures.

The budget proposal includes an increase in operational costs due to increased demand for water. The budget proposal also includes a decrease in capital expenditures due to the fact that the district has already completed a number of capital projects.

The budget proposal is subject to approval by the MCWD Board of Directors and will be considered at their next meeting.

A FREE LUNCH

Mammoth’s Salvation Army offers food to those in need
By Bodine

It’s 3 p.m. on a Wednesday at the Salvation Army in Mammoth Lakes, the tiny pantry and food bank has been opened an hour. The office is about the size of a living room but filled with shelves of canned beans, chilli and vegetables. There are boxes of cookies, crackers, and a refrigerator that holds packages of chicken and ham. The only person that’s been through the door is volunteer Greg Jemison.

He said there used to be a line out the door when the bank opened its doors eight years ago, but now entire days go by without a single person coming inside. Volunteer Roger Barker said that, on average, between four and eight people visit the pantry per session. The pantry is open for two sessions a week, on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 2-4 p.m. The food bank is located at 220 Sierra Manor Road next to Higerd Plumbing.

The pantry is open to everyone; there is no paperwork to fill out or financial declaration needed to qualify. No one is asked what brings them to the pantry, where they live or where they work. There is free food for anyone who needs it. Patrons have dined since last winter, Barker explained, but could not pinpoint a reason why.

The people that do come in are from all walks of life. They range from mothers struggling to make ends meet or people needing a hand to get through a rough patch of life to folks just looking for a place out of the cold or some human contact.

Barker said there is no proselytizing at the pantry. “Some guys come in just to talk.”

Josh Ortiz, a client at the food bank, hard to find but a place to live is even harder to come by, he said. He said he’d live at Motel 6 or local hotel if he has to. “It’s too hard to say where he is living currently.

“Before coming here (Mammoth Lakes), I’d never felt so homeless in my life,” Ortiz said.

He said he only plans on being in town until the end of summer when he’ll be called back to Los Angeles and pursue his career as a hip hop musician.

Donations come from Vons, but their size depends on how generous the company’s corporate leadership is feeling. Barker said the supermarket chain is currently giving meat and canned goods and bread to the Salvation Army and the Inyo Mono Advocates for Community Action. However, in the past, Vons policy has prohibited any product from being donated.

Barker said the organization is always accepting donations, monetary or food. The Salvation Army is always in need of bell ringers for the holidays. For more information, call Roger Barker at 760-857-5190.
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On March 12, Mammoth Town Councilmembers Colin Fernie and Mayor John Wentworth hosted a Community Conversation workshop at Mammoth Brewing Company with Mono County District 5 Supervisor Stacy Corless.

The purpose of the community conversation was to answer questions raised by locals at previous workshops, where concerns were expressed about housing, air service, recreation, and the state of publicly owned facilities.

One of the first questions answered on Monday was, "Why did the Town pay $6.5 million instead of $2 million for the Shady Rest Parcel?"

As Lunch reported in November, Mono County Assessor Barry Beck said the property was assessed for $2 million ("Town to Purchase Shady Rest Parcel," November 4, 2017). In the same article, Lunch reported that Mammoth Lakes Housing (MLH) had the property independently appraised in December 2015 for $1.6 million.

Fernie said, "In real estate, the value of a purchase is what the seller agrees to sell for and the buyer agrees to pay. Our Council felt that this was an immanent need." He said the Town intends to develop housing for a variety of incomes at the site, "all of which will be relatively low income." Fernie said that, once the property is out of escrow, there will be a "public process to decide how the community wants Shady Rest to be developed."

Wentworth added, "The acquisition of Shady Rest was a need… if people can’t live here we are going to struggle to be a vibrant community. Housing as a whole is a need and not a want."

Wentworth, Corless and Fernie then split the crowd of about 20 into groups of three, where they fielded questions about housing, recreation, air service, and facilities and infrastructure.

Jennifer Burrows asked Fernie what he sees as the most immediate solution to Mammoth’s workforce housing shortage. Fernie proposed that the Town use general fund dollars and grant funding to create financial incentives for people to convert their properties from short term to long term rentals and suggested providing bridge loans to help property owners recoup losses.

He also suggested that the Town could step in to provide property management services to employers, to incentivize them to create their own employee housing. "This should be a campaign issue," said Fernie.

Corless led a group discussion about facilities and infrastructure. Mammoth resident Kim Frank asked if the Multi-Use Facility’s funding and construction could be put on the ballot for a public vote. "Typically, we elect people to represent us in a representative democracy… and they make those decisions for us," said Corless.

With regard to the Multi-Use Facility, Jennifer Halferty said, "People didn’t take it seriously. If the Town had a budget [at the time the project was brought forward] that called out $4 million for the Multi-Use Facility, people would have taken it seriously, and shown up to more of the meetings."

Participants were asked to identify issues they would like to see Town Council candidates address during their campaigns for the June 2018 election. Housing, Multi-Use Facility funding, police and public safety funding, air service, internet service, the animal control officer program, recycling and solid waste, cannabis, child care, and transit were the most popular requests.
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I was saddened to hear of Larry Johnston’s passing this week. Larry was just one of those refreshing guys who spoke his truth and didn’t back down from it. He wouldn’t just vote for something as a Supervisor to make it unanimous and imply Board solidarity. He never cast a vote like that. Never backed down from an argument.

As a person, he and his wife Karen raised two solid young men. 4th of July Parades and Halloween festivities will never be the same without him. They certainly weren’t the same this year.

Two vivid memories. One was of being at the Snowcreek Golf Course at dusk on a beautiful summer evening. I was playing alone. It was unusually still—little wind. And while I was putting around, I saw this shadowy figure in the distance … and it was gaining on me. I felt like Butch and Sundance during that mesmerizing chase scene from George Roy Hill’s 1969 film. “Who is that guy?”

Of course, it was Larry. I came to learn that one of Larry’s ideas of nirvana was to play 9 holes in a crisp 45 minutes (or less).

The second memory was from one morning out delivering newspapers when I ran across him and he said to me, “You have me a little worried.”

“Myself agreeing with some of the things you’ve written recently.”

We all have our moments of weakness.

Larry’s was a very distinct mind, a very distinct voice, a very distinct twinkle in his eye. He was a lifelong public servant in the truest sense.

Fellow Supervisor Stacy Corless echoed this in remarks she mailed in Thursday.

“I’ll miss looking across the dais and seeing the sparkle in Larry’s eyes when he had a plan, idea, point he was about to share. Larry demonstrated true integrity as a supervisor, in that his values and moral compass guided his actions and decisions very consistently—that meant he wasn’t afraid of a 4-1 vote, and also meant that he worked really hard to fight for and justify his position, and often brought thoroughly researched solutions to the board. One of those being implemented right now for the regulation of short-term rentals in June Lake. And no matter how hard I tried on our drives to Bridgeport, I couldn’t get him to divulge the July 4 float concept before the parade! Mono County has lost a true champion, and this is a better place because of his work.”

One thing Larry would never have done is bring two people with him to a candidate interview as “support.” I’m referencing the interview we ran with Jenni Huh last week. Huh is challenging incumbent Stacey Adler to become Mono County Superintendent of Schools.

Allowing the local union president to tag along with you to a candidate interview represents a huge red flag to me. So, if elected, will you be able to stand up to that person? Will you be able to tell them no? Or will you be owned by the special interests who helped get you elected?

When I arranged a meeting with Dr. Adler to talk about the stipend story, she didn’t arrive with a posse. She came alone.

In regard to our story last week about school districts and travel spending, MUSD Board Member and Mono County Office of Education (MCOE) Adult Education Coordinator Shana Stapp had this to say: “MCOE should have the largest travel budget per administrator. It is their job to stay in close touch with Sacramento and other regions to gather all information on new and changing policy and law, as well as to stay aware of any new money our districts may be able to avail themselves of. Then MCOE should (and does) follow-up with the dissemination of this information, training and money. MCOE is the advocate for the schools in our county, the voice that needs to be heard in Sacramento. Superintendents should have their finger in many pies outside of our county. They do bring our voice and concerns to others as a valuable service. As for ESUSD, their superintendent is paid an exorbitant salary and he could take a huge decrease to hire another administrator to cover the two schools he also serves as principal of.”

Speaking of ESUSD, I didn’t include last week one of my favorite comments from its last Board meeting, when Board member Bob Tems declared, “Go to a CSBA (California School Board Administrators) conference and find out just how much goes to anything other than the classroom.”

My reaction, scribbled in my notes: “Yeah, like the money spent traveling/attending CSBA conferences.”

From John F. Cogan’s opinion piece in the Wall Street Journal from February 22, but really, you could find this information anywhere.

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Bishop High School junior Martin Cruz lowered his head on March 14 in remembrance of the 17 people killed at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida on February 14. Students throughout the Eastside and the country took part in National Walkout Day on March 14.

Some comments bordered on hate speech and those students will be disciplined, according to Superintendent Barry Simpson. Those who chose to walk out of class were not penalized.

Kost told the crowd it’s important to have conversations, to listen to all points of view, and that it’s also important to do so civilly.

Many protestors wore orange vests and sweaters, “Just like hunters do so they don’t get shot,” said an emotional Khurana. “If it makes you uncomfortable, it should!”

Junior Maddy Hernandez said she is proud of her generation for standing up for what they believe in, especially without the permission of adults. It’s adults that made this mess that students have to clean up, she said.

There is not much being done about gun restrictions, stiffer background checks for those interested in purchasing a gun, or talking to troubled kids, said Harry Khurana, a BHS Senior who’s also a hunter. He said the latter is the responsibility of the school administration.

Senior Jacqui Miranda told The Sheet she didn’t feel like anything was being done to make schools safer after the Parkland shooting, especially by politicians.

Not many parents have expressed concern over campus safety, Simpson said. In fact, some local parents called Simpson to express their dismay that the district was not stopping the walkout.

Mammoth School District Superintendent Lois Klein told The Sheet that she is proud of the students for exercising their right to express their opinions.

A bright spot, if any, that can come from the tragedy has been students’ discourse with one another and being open to varying points of view, she said. “It has given them a voice.”

Lee Vining High School saw about 25 of its 34 students rally, said Mary DeForrest, the high school’s secretary. Junior Caelen McQuilkin gave a speech and poems were read at the somber event.

Simpson said after the rally at BHS that it’s a difficult balancing act for the school to remain politically neutral while allowing the kids to express their opinions.

In response to concerns about students’ safety after the school shooting in Parkland, Florida, President Trump has advocated for arming teachers and allowing concealed weapons on school campuses. Simpson said that argument is a moot point in his district, as California recently passed legislation, Assembly Bill 424, banning staff from carrying guns on school campuses.

“Debating this issue locally is a waste of time as this is no longer a tool that we can legally use to protect our school campuses,” he said in a prepared statement.

Just days before the Parkland tragedy, Mammoth Unified School District formed a Safety Committee to address “gaps” in campus security. The nature of these gaps has not made public for safety reasons. Klein said the district is working with Mammoth Lakes Police Department, Social Services, Mammoth Hospital and other resources to develop protocol to best handle a school shooter situation or better yet, stop it before it arises.

DeForrest said that Lee Vining High School is very remote and sometimes takes law enforcement a long time to show for a call. An incident there could have very dire consequences, she said.

Both Klein and Simpson echoed the sentiment that no matter how many safety measures are taken and safeguards are put in place, campuses will never be impenetrable.

“There is no single action that we can take to make our school campuses safer, rather, it will be a combination of these activities and our collective vigilance and commitment in carrying out these activities,” Simpson stated.

“How can you teach or learn if students and staff don’t feel safe?” asked Klein.
On March 14 at 10:00 a.m., students walked out of class in schools across the country to protest a lack of gun control and show support for the survivors of the recent school shooting in Parkland, Florida. Lee Vining High School (LVHS) was one of those schools. It was not a walkout per se (LVHS’s 34 students didn’t leave school property or march down the street), but it still shows the scale and cohesiveness of modern social movements—that a demonstration organized solely by a few energized students and promoted on social media can grow into the nationwide show of support we saw on Wednesday. What started as an idea turned into students from hundreds of schools doing the same thing, at the same time, from the biggest New York public high schools, to tiny but motivated schools like Lee Vining.

But, for all this patriotic, unified sentiment, Lee Vining’s walkout was, to be honest, pretty lame. That’s not because of the size of the school; it’s because of the way the walkout happened. We didn’t march down the street but rather headed to the school’s stage to watch videos and listen to poems by the survivors of the Florida shooting. It was powerful and emotional to hear.

I’m not saying that the LVHS walkout was a failure. But the entire point of the walkout, as intended by those who organized the national event, was to show the country that students can be drivers of change when adults refuse to do anything about an issue.

Driving by LVHS on March 14 at 10:00 a.m., there was nothing to see. No students marching with banners, no impassioned speeches on the side of the road. Just silence. On the day that we students were supposed to show the world our commitment to change, Lee Vining appeared normal, calm, and decidedly unmotivated to passersby.

We didn’t sit out the walkout—far from it, we used those 17 minutes to learn from the tragedy. After the fact, pictures of the LVHS walkout were posted on social media with the hashtag #ENOUGH. There is even a picture of us holding a banner, with the mountains in the background, 10 feet from the high school’s back door. So, why didn’t we walk out and off campus like most other schools did? Administrators were worried that, because the date and time of the walkout were nationally agreed upon and publicized, counter-protestors or hecklers could be waiting if students left the school. Potentially even with guns. (Note: given the reason for the walkout, this is the definition of irony.)

While I’d definitely be worried about this at a larger school, especially in a suburban area, the risk of this happening at Lee Vining was miniscule. All in all, the walkout was a partial success. It was certainly a good experience to have the entire school (admittedly, that’s not a lot of people) gather to silently pay their respects to the victims. It isn’t a huge deal that we missed this opportunity to make a statement; there will be others, including a student-organized anti-gun march in Bishop on March 24th.

Students at Lee Vining High School participated in the National School Walkout event on March 14. Administrators asked students not to physically “walkout” of the school out of concern that counter-protestors would pose a threat to their safety.
less than 4% to 14% (relative to goods and services have risen from claims on the nation’s output of … Since the late 1940s, entitlement retirement and health-care benefits collect their government-financed that baby boomers have begun to … Expenditures are accelerating now for half this year’s total budget deficit and Medicare deficits will account by $420 billion. Social Security payments dedicated to supporting exceed the payroll taxes and premium and Medicare expenditures will ex- \[ \text{shows that this year Social Security entitlement programs.} \]

Mammoth Council approves 500-foot buffers for cannabis retail shops

By Giles

A Special Meeting on March 13, Mammoth’s Town Council voted 5-0 to adopt an urgency ordinance to approve a zoning code amendment regarding new regulations for recreational cannabis in the Town of Mammoth Lakes requiring cannabis retailers meet a minimum separation requirement of 250 feet, in favor of a minimum separation requirement of 500 feet. Assistant Planner Nolan Bobroff said the urgency ordinance, which went into effect immediately, was necessary to “promote the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the Town and its residents.” Bobroff said black market cannabis sales have increased since recreational use became legal in November 2016. At the same meeting, the Town Council voted to repeal a moratorium on commercial cannabis. The Council voted against the Planning and Economic Development Commission’s (PEDC) recommendations. According to Bobroff, the 500 foot requirement leaves about 10 parcels in town eligible for this type of business. The PEDC made their recommendation out of concern that a 500 foot buffer would create a duopoly for the existing businesses: Mammoth Lakes Wellness and Green Mammoth. The reduction to 250 feet would have allowed two more parcels to become eligible for cannabis businesses. Mammoth Lakes Wellness owner Robert Calvert spoke in public comment, saying he would support the 500 foot buffer. “The current market does not support two of us. Give us some time to get back on our feet.” “While we’re at it, can we pass a motion that says a locksmith cannot open within 250 feet of me? I don’t make a lot of money either,” said Councilman Bill Sauser of Mammoth Lock and Key. “It is certainly not the Council’s job to create a monopoly or provide preferential treatment to existing businesses,” said Council-member Colin Fernie.

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**Outlaw Saloon: -Happy Hour Monday; All Night Happy Hour; 4-Midnight, Tues-Fri 4-6 p.m. Tuesday; $2 Tacos 4-10 p.m.; 6-9 p.m. Wing Wednesday 50% off all wings. Thursday: Burger & Beer special 4-6 p.m. See ad, p. 9. Roberto’s 4-6 p.m. every day. Austria Hof 5-8 p.m. daily. See ad, p. 15.**

**Whitebark Restaurant Bar & Lounge. Unwind with daily drink and food specials 4-6 p.m. Clocktower Cellar Happy Hour 4:30-7 p.m. daily and all day Sunday. $5 dollar menu items, drink specials. See ad, p. 23.**

**Petra’s Bistro Happy Hour, 5-6 p.m. every day. Mammoth’s famous Slocums Happy Hour Mon. thru Fri 4-6; Saturdays 4-5. Closed Sun. See ad, p. 5.**

**Happy Hour The Bistro at Snowcreek. 4:30-6:30 p.m. daily. Mammoth Tavern Happy Hour Tuesday-Sunday 3:30-5:30 p.m. Closed Mondays. Smokeyard weekend Happy Hour 4-6 p.m. in the bar only. Side Door Happy Hour daily 3-6 p.m. Giovannoni’s Happy Hour, daily 4-6 p.m. Large pizza and a pitcher of beer gets you free wings. Lakanuki Happy Hour daily 3-6 p.m., $4.50 margaritas, Mai Tais. Happy Hour drink specials 10 p.m.-close. Black Velvet Coffee’s Happy Hour, from 4-6 p.m. every day.**

**Murano’s Happy Hour Daily 4-6 p.m.**

**Friday, March 16/ Open Mic Night at Black Sheep Coffee Roasters, 6:30-8:30 p.m. The Bistro@Snowcreek Live at Bistro 6:00-9:00 Lisa & Frank of Driftwood Creek perform Irish, Contemporary, and Yesterday’s Rock.**

**Saturday, March 17/ Free Eats at Liberty Bar. 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. St. Patrick’s Day drink and food specials. Free. See ad, p. 23.**

**Sunday, March 18/ Some Assembly Required plays Black Doubt Brewing. 7-9 p.m. Free.**

**Monday, March 19/ Open Mic Black Doubt Brewing Co. 6-9 p.m. Open Mic @ Liberty Bar. 9 p.m. See ad, p. 23. Bowling ‘n Beats @ Mammoth Rock ‘n Bowl. 9 p.m. See ad, p. 23.**

**Tuesday, March 20/ Trivia @ Mammoth Brewing Co. 7 p.m.**

**Wednesday, March 21/ Wild Wing Wednesdays at Outlaw Saloon. 50 percent off all wings 6-9 p.m. See ad page 9.**

**Thursday, March 22/ Sweet Yams plays Black Doubt Brewing Co. with opener Cassie Burgenbaugh. 6-9 p.m. Free.**

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**TOWN STUFF**

**March 16-17/ Into the Woods with Playhouse 395. See sidebar.**

**March 16-17/ June Lake Winter Festival. See sidebar.**

**Free Snowmobile Avalanche Awareness Clinic. 6-8 p.m. at the Mammoth Lakes Community Center. Field session on Saturday. Info/registration: bridgeportavalanchecenter.org/events.**

**Friday, March 16/ Memorial Service for Gary Bacon. Lakanuki at 4 p.m.**

**Saturday, March 17/ 50th Anniversary of the Blake Jones Trout Derby, 10k in prizes. Tri-County Fairgrounds in Bishop. Sign up now. 760.873.8405 or bishopvisitor.com. See ad, p. 6.**

**Alabama Hills Tour: Film History. Easy, 1 mile hike. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meet 10 a.m. at the Eastern Sierra Interagency Visitor Center, Hwy 395, Lone Pine.**

**Wooly’s St. Patrick’s Day Scavenger Hunt, Start at any on-mountain bar and pick up your passport. Collect all of the charms to win an Ikon Pass. See ad, p. 9.**

**Bodie Hills Exploration with April Sall from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Join the Bodie Hills Conservation Partnership and Friends of the Inyo for a moderately strenuous hike in the Bodie Mountains. RSVP to wendy@friendsoftheinyo.org for more details.**

**Short Canyon Outing with Friends of the Inyo. Join Jora Fogg and California Native Plants Society botanist Naomi Fraga from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for a moderate hike. RSVP and details at jora@friendsoftheinyo.org.**

**Inyo Mono Association for the Handicapped Courtyard Makeover. 9 a.m. to noon. Help paint, clean, and plant drought tolerant plants. RSVP by March 14 to execdir@inmahstars.org or 760.873.8686.**

**Garden Talk: The Basics of Vegetables, 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Bishop Nursery and Landscape Services. Meet at the front of the store.**

**Sunday, March 18/ Alabama Hills Tour: Geology. 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Guided hike. Meet at the Eastern Sierra Interagency Visitor Center, Hwy 395, Lone Pine. Info: 760.876.8222.**

**Sierra Club Snowshoe Outing. Destination TBD Meet at Union Bank, Mammoth, at 10 a.m. Info: Melissa 760.937.0499.**

**Round Valley School Step Foundation Dinner, 5-6 p.m. at Yosemite. $25 per ticket for a Japanese style dinner. Tickets available at Round Valley School, Bishop Chamber of Commerce, or online at www.roundvalleystepfoundation.com. The Imagination Lab Writing Circle. 2-3:30 p.m.**

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**Giovanni’s Happy Hour Side Door Happy Hour daily 3-6 p.m. Closed Mondays. Happy Hour weekend Happy Hour 4-6 p.m. in the bar only. Side Door Happy Hour daily 3-6 p.m. Giovannoni’s Happy Hour, daily 4-6 p.m. Large pizza and a pitcher of beer gets you free wings. Lakanuki Happy Hour daily 3-6 p.m., $4.50 margaritas, Mai Tais. Happy Hour drink specials 10 p.m.-close. Black Velvet Coffee’s Happy Hour, from 4-6 p.m. every day. Mountain’s Happy Hour Daily 4-6 p.m.**

**Friday, March 16/ Open Mic Night at Black Sheep Coffee Roasters, 6:30-8:30 p.m. The Bistro@Snowcreek Live at Bistro 6:00-9:00 Lisa & Frank of Driftwood Creek perform Irish, Contemporary, and Yesterday’s Rock.**

**Saturday, March 17/ Free Eats at Liberty Bar. 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. St. Patrick’s Day drink and food specials. Free. See ad, p. 23.**

**Sunday, March 18/ Some Assembly Required plays Black Doubt Brewing. 7-9 p.m. Free.**

**Monday, March 19/ Open Mic Black Doubt Brewing Co. 6-9 p.m. Open Mic @ Liberty Bar. 9 p.m. See ad, p. 23. Bowling ‘n Beats @ Mammoth Rock ‘n Bowl. 9 p.m. See ad, p. 23.**

**Tuesday, March 20/ Trivia @ Mammoth Brewing Co. 7 p.m.**

**Wednesday, March 21/ Wild Wing Wednesdays at Outlaw Saloon. 50 percent off all wings 6-9 p.m. See ad page 9.**

**Thursday, March 22/ Sweet Yams plays Black Doubt Brewing Co. with opener Cassie Burgenbaugh. 6-9 p.m. Free.**

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**THE SHEET | Saturday, March 17, 2018**
calendar of events

Celebration of Life
Mammoth Mountain Ski Area will host a celebration of life for Gary Pagliolo on Saturday, March 24, at Canyon Lodge. The service will be light appetizers and a no host bar at 6 p.m. The celebration of life will start at 6:45 p.m. with open mic commentary. Please email photos or videos to Caroline Casey at casey@mammothresorts.com or call at 760.914.0301 by March 12.

Rotary Poker Tournament
The Mammoth Lakes Noon Rotary Club will host its 9th annual Texas Hold ‘Em Poker Tournament at Lakanuki in The Village at Mammoth on Wednesday, March 28. Registration will start at 5 p.m. $100 buy-in for 6:30 p.m. Start time. $30 add on, and $25 re-buys.

Grand prizes include a 2018-2019 Mammoth Mountain Ski Pass, a Sierra Star Golf Pass, Snow Creek Athletic Club 6 month membership, and a Snow Creek Golf Pass.

Proceeds from the event benefit CERT, Scholarships for local students, and Chamber Music Unbound, among other causes. See ad, page 4.

June Lake Winter Festival
The Seventh Annual June Lake Winter Festival will run on March 16 and 17, 2018. This year’s celebrations will feature a snowmobile poker rally, snow sculptures, a Family Fun Zone, and, for the first time ever, a dog parade. The Family Fun Zone will be hosted by June Mountain and will feature food, festivities, music, kids’ games, and sledging.

Orientation starts on Friday evening at 5 p.m. at the Sierra Inn on Main Street.

The traditional winter triathlon will not take place this year, but will be replaced by the dog parade. Participants should dress their dogs in costumes. For more info, visit www.visitJune.com.

The Last of the Red Hot Lovers
From March 22 through April 1, Sierra Classic Theatre and Mammoth Lakes Repertory Theatre will perform “The Last of the Red Hot Lovers,” a play by Neil Simon. In the play, middle-aged and married, overworked and overweight Barney Cashman wants to join the sexual revolution before it’s too late and arranges three extramarital affairs. The first, Elaine Navazio, proves to be a foul-mouthed bundle of neuroses. Bobbie Michele is next, a 20-ish actress who’s too kooky by half. Last is Jeanette Fisher, a gloomy, depressed housewife who happens to be married to Barney’s best friend. The play stars Allison McDowell Page, Julia Runci, Chuck Scataloni, with Shira Dubrowner.

Tickets are $20 online for general admission, $10 for children, and $18 for seniors 65 & older and college students. All tickets are $22 at the door. Shows run Thursday through Saturday, March 22-April 1 at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 4 p.m. All shows are at the Edison Theatre in Mammoth Lakes. See ad, page 2.

Into the Woods
Playhouse 395 presents Stephen Sondheim’s Grammy Award-winning musical Into the Woods. The play will run on March 16 & 17 at Bishop Union High School. For tickets and more information, call 760.920.9100, visit playhouse395.org, or go to Bishopunionhighschool.org. The play is directed by Martha Reynolds and Dave Hardin, and the orchestra is conducted by Mark Hardin.

Jordyn Kost will play Jack of the Bean Stalk, Jennifer Velazquez will play Little Red Riding Hood, Elin Trotter will play Smokey Bear, and Cinderella will be played by Laura Whiteside. Jessie Steele and Amy Hemler will play the central roles of the Baker and his wife.

Volunteers are needed for ushering and selling refreshments during intermission. For info on volunteer opportunities, call Karen at 760.873.7644. See ad, page 6.

Bishop ADA Project Construction
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Utility relocation and preliminary activities will continue this week. The contractors are scheduled to start the installation of construction signs on Monday, March 19.

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C. "Cannabis product" means raw cannabis that has been defined by Section 11018 of the California Health and Safety Code as not separated from cannabis. "Cannabis" also means marijuana as defined by Section 11050 of the Health and Safety Code, its separated resin, whether crude or purified, obtained from any cannabis plant, and all salts, derivatives, mixtures, or preparations of the cannabis plant, its separated resin, whether crude or purified, extracted from any cannabis plant.

4. "Commercial cannabis cultivation" means cultivation in the course of conducting a cannabis business.

5. "County permit" means a permit issued by the County with authority to conduct a cannabis business in the unincorporated area of the County.

6. "Cannabis business" means any business activity involving the planting, growing, harvesting, drying, curing, grading, or trimming of cannabis, including transporting, processing, selling, marketing, and packaging, whether or not carried on for gain or profit.

7. "Cannabis business tax" or "business tax," means the tax imposed upon any agent or any entity engaged in cannabis business in the unincorporated area of the County.

8. "Control" means the power, direct or indirect, to direct or cause the direction of the activities of a person, whether or not carrying on such activities.

9. "Responsible person" means the Finance Director of the County of Mono or his or her designee.

10. "Testing Laboratory" means a cannabis business that (i) offers or performs tests of cannabis or cannabis products, (ii) offers no service other than such tests and such tests are usually made upon request from suppliers and materials, (iii) is accredited by an accreditation commission recognized by the United States Government or a similar instrument.

3.30.060 Reporting and remittance of tax.

A. Beginning July 1, 2018, there is imposed upon each person who engages in business in the County a cannabis business tax for a calendar quarter based on business gross receipts and square footage of plant canopy space in a facility that uses artificial lighting. The rate shall be calculated as follows:

1. For every person who is engaged in commercial cannabis cultivation in the unincorporated area of the County:
   - Two dollars ($2.00) annually per square foot of canopy space in a facility that uses artificial lighting.
   - One dollar ($1.00) and fifty cents ($0.50) annually per square foot of canopy space in a facility that uses natural lighting.
   - One dollar ($1.00) annually per square foot of canopy space in a facility that uses a combination of natural and supplemental artificial lighting.

2. For every person who engages in the operation of a testing laboratory for the purpose of determining the tax for cultivation, transportation, distribution, manufacturing, processing, or microbusiness (non-retail sales) for the purpose of determining the tax for cultivation, transportation, distribution, manufacturing, processing, or microbusiness (non-retail sales) not described in Section 3.30.070 or 3.30.080:
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B. Each person owing cannabis business tax for a calendar quarter shall report and pay the tax due for that calendar quarter to the County. In no case shall such space in a facility that uses no artificial lighting.

C. Each person owing cannabis business tax for a calendar quarter shall report and pay the tax due for that calendar quarter to the County. In no case shall such space in a facility that uses no artificial lighting.

D. The maximum rate shall be calculated as follows:

1. For every person who is engaged in commercial cannabis cultivation in the County:
   - For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2020, the maximum rate shall be one dollar ($1.00) annually per square foot of canopy space in a facility that uses artificial lighting.
   - For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, the maximum rate shall be two dollars ($2.00) annually per square foot of canopy space in a facility that uses artificial lighting.
   - For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022, the maximum rate shall be three dollars ($3.00) annually per square foot of canopy space in a facility that uses artificial lighting.

2. For every person who engages in the operation of a testing laboratory for the purpose of determining the tax for cultivation, transportation, distribution, manufacturing, processing, or microbusiness (non-retail sales) not described in Section 3.30.070 or 3.30.080, the maximum rate shall be one dollar ($1.00) annually per square foot of canopy space in a facility that uses artificial lighting.

3. For every person who engages in the retail sales of marijuana products, the maximum rate shall be three dollars ($3.00) annually per square foot of canopy space in a facility that uses artificial lighting.

4. For every person who engages in a cannabis business activity in the unincorporated area of the County, the maximum rate shall not exceed four percent (4%) of gross receipts.

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3.30.090 Payment - when taxes deemed delinquent.

A. The Tax Administrator may require that a taxpayer make a deposit, to be applied to ensure collection of the tax. The Tax Administrator. The tax for each calendar quarter shall exceed two and a half percent (2.5%) of gross receipts.

B. If a person owes cannabis business tax for a calendar quarter, the Tax Administrator may require the person to send a notice of assessment pursuant to Section 3.30.105.

C. Each person owing cannabis business tax for a calendar quarter shall report and pay the tax due for that calendar quarter to the County. In no case shall such space in a facility that uses no artificial lighting.

D. If the person has not paid the tax by the due date, the Tax Administrator may require the person to deposit, to be applied to ensure collection of the tax. The Tax Administrator. The tax for each calendar quarter shall exceed two and a half percent (2.5%) of gross receipts.

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3.30.100 Other licenses, permits, taxes or charges.

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3.30.110 Refunds and credits.

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3.30.170 Apportionment.
If a business subject to the tax is operating both within and outside of Mono County, it is the intent of the County to apply the can- nabis tax in a manner that is consistent with the apportionment provision in Section 3.30.190 of any other provision of law. A business may file a request with the Tax Administrator for a determination of apportionment as he finds useful or necessary.

3.30.180 Constitutional and legality.
This Chapter contains provisions consistent with the United States and California Constitutions. Any person aggrieved by a provision of this Chapter shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. If the amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. Any amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. Any amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. If the amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. Any amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. Any amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. If the amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. If the amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. If the amount found to be due shall be immediately due and payable upon the date of the tax at the rate of one percent (1.0%) per month after the due date of the tax. If the amount found to be due shall be immediate...
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Notice Inviting Bids

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Project includes the construction of an ice rink at the site of the Ice Rink at Bishop Plaza which will include, but not limited to, the construction of a New Community Multi-use facility to facilitate the operation of an ice rink which may also be used for other purposes, and other facilities and improvements as shown on the plans and specifications. The price of the work shown on the plans and specifications is $7,354,000.00. The price shall be subject to change by the Town Council at its discretion. The successful bidder for the work shown on the plans and specifications is authorized to enter into contract with the Town. The Town will enter into contract with the successful bidder subject to the terms and conditions of this Notice of Bids. The Town reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, or to utilize any alternative procedures authorized by the Public Contract Code Sections 20104 and 20105. Submission of a bid shall be deemed conclusive evidence that the bidder has thoroughly examined the plans, specifications and the site of all work and the bid takes all costs into account. Each bid shall remain good for a minimum of sixty (60) days after bid opening.

TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES, CALIFORNIA

Jamie Gow, TOWN CLERK
DATED: March 16, 2018
TS 2018-0015

Notice Fixing Time for Submission

COUNTY OF MONO

NOTICE FIXING TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF ARGUMENTS FOR MEASURES MEASURED ON THE JUNE 5, 2018 STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any written arguments for or against any MESAURES TO MEASURE ON THE JUNE 5, 2018 STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION, must be filed with the office of the Mono County Clerk, P. O. Box 237, 74 School Street, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93533 on or before 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2018. Arguments must be accompanied by a Statement that Ballot Argument is True and Correct, signed and dated by the author(s). The deadline for filing a rebuttal argument will be 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2018. Rebuttal arguments shall not exceed 250 words. A rebuttal argument or, if applicable, a rebuttal argument which excludes or in some manner defames the person of, or which is not based upon an argument already listed in a bid proposal (subject to the requirement under Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code), or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in Chapter 1 of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code, unless currently registered with the Department of Industrial Relations, and able to perform public work pursuant to Section 725.5, has an adequate background to evaluate the qualifications of each bidder.

Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.1 (a), a contractor or subcontractor desiring to be listed in a bid proposal (subject to the requirement under Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code), or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, shall file an affidavit with the Town that the contractor has a Drivers License, a current Business Tax Certificate and shall maintain all required licenses, and insurance coverage, and a current Business Tax Certificate, and any applicable taxes paid through the duration of the Contract. The Contractor shall demonstrate his qualifications by having appropriate experience in good working order, experience, and ability to perform work. The Town will be the sole judge of the qualifications of each bidder.

Pursuant to Labor Code Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in Chapter 1 of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code, unless currently registered with the Department of Industrial Relations, and able to perform public work pursuant to Section 725.5, has an adequate background to evaluate the qualifications of each bidder.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 22300, the successful bidder may substitute certain securities for funds withheld by the Town to ensure performance under the Contract.

The contract will be awarded to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid on the base bid minus all alternates. The Town reserves the rights to waive any irregularities or irregularities in a bid. The Town of Mammoth Lakes reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, or to utilize any alternative procedures authorized by the Public Contract Code Sections 20104 and 20105. Submission of a bid shall be deemed conclusive evidence that the bidder has thoroughly examined the plans, specifications and the site of all work and the bid takes all costs into account. Each bid shall remain good for a minimum of sixty (60) days after bid opening.

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Jamie Gow, TOWN CLERK
DATED: March 16, 2018
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Notice of Ordinance

TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES

Notice is hereby given that on March 7, 2018 the Town Council adopted an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 18-01
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTE R 4.5 TO TITLE 5 OF THE MAMMOTH LAKES MUNICIPAL CODE

by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember Bernie, Richardson, Mayor Pro Tem Hoff, and Mayor Wentworth
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

A certified copy of the complete text of the Ordinance is posted and may be read at the Town Offices, Minna B. Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes, and/or a copy may be obtained from the office of the Town Clerk at a nominal charge.

Dated: March 8, 2018
JAMIE GRAY, Town Clerk
Town of Mammoth Lakes
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