Mammoth Lakes Mayor Cleland Hoff on Wednesday.

SO MUCH FOR IMPERMEABLE
USGS detects connectivity between Mammoth’s geothermal and groundwater aquifers

The United States Geological Survey recently released a report entitled “Hydraulic, Geochemical and Thermal Monitoring of an Aquifer System in the Vicinity of Mammoth Lakes” which could have broad implications for local citizens.

On July 10, Wildermuth Environmental, sent a nine-page letter to Mammoth Community Water District’s Interim General Manager Mark Busby in analysis of the latest USGS report.

Wildermuth concludes that the potential Casa Diablo IV project “would place new stresses on the region’s complex hydrologic system” and “may reduce the supply of groundwater necessary for public water system use available to the MCWD from the Mammoth Groundwater Basin and may degrade the water quality of waters in the shallow groundwater aquifer used by the MCWD. These deleterious changes... may not become apparent immediately after the start of the CD-IV project operations and could take several years to manifest themselves in groundwater monitoring data... The seepage volume could be comparatively small and unnoticeable to the project developer but could be significantly large to MCWD and the Town of Mammoth Lakes.”

Further, the new USGS data, according to Wildermuth, debunks the EIS/EIR environmental documents upon which the CD-IV permit was issued.

From the published USGS abstract:
"The digitally filtered water-level data indicated that some hydraulic communication exists between the deep geothermal aquifer and the shallow groundwater aquifer at the location of the flow test, northeast of Mammoth Lakes. Groundwater chemistry data from three wells indicated that shallow groundwater naturally mixes with a small component of geothermal water along the northern periphery of the shallow aquifer system."

The new data also confirm what Wildermuth has contended since March, 2018 regarding connectivity.

Discussion of this USGS Report was scheduled for the Thursday, July 18 MCWD Board meeting.

In his staff report, District Engineer John Pedersen suggested he new evidence supports the District’s request to have the BLM (Bureau of Land Management) update the current Groundwater Monitoring and Response Plan to include:
1. Requirement of a second deep monitoring well with a shallow nested pair monitoring well.
2. Require 18 months of baseline monitoring for these new wells prior to start of operations.
3. Establish thresholds that define when BLM must impose modifications on CD-IV production operations.

The District has spent millions of dollars fighting Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District’s approval of the CD-IV project back in 2013 and lost a 2015 Superior Court case it pursued against Great Basin Unified claiming it had violated CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act).

Recently, MCWD has adopted a more collaborative tone in trying to get its concerns addressed.

THE WEST IS THE BEST
SCE HOLDS PUBLIC MEETING TO EXPLAIN PLANNED POWER SHUTOFFS

Ten percent of California wildfires are caused by utility lines (including the deadliest fire in state history, the Camp Fire). One-third of Southern California Edison’s (SCE) service area is within areas of high fire danger.

In the Eastern Sierra, there have been several large wildfires started by power lines and equipment malfunctions. If this all sounds worrying, that’s because it is. But SCE is finally putting full effort into addressing those issues with some fairly comprehensive measures, which it described to the community during a public meeting Wednesday held at Mammoth High School.

In the past few years, SCE has been holding dozens of these public meetings, and they’re quite an affair. Lots of SCE staff members, from all different areas of expertise, were present to talk about SCE’s wildfire plans and answer questions. Also present were members of many public agencies. There were refreshments, and everybody who showed up was required to sign in, then given some SCE-branded swag, including a reusable bag and a notebook. The meeting was set up as an open house, where people could look at the flashy information displays set up across the room and ask questions to the SCE staff attending each display. There was also a presentation session, which started with remarks from County officials and the Red Cross on emergency preparedness.

Finally, SCE took over to explain its fire-safety efforts.

SCE’s approach involves a few key points and areas of wildfire prevention. First, the Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS): a new operating protocol that has SCE monitoring weather and fuels throughout its service area, watching the forecast for potentially dangerous conditions and ultimately, preemptively shutting off power to certain areas if deemed necessary.

Throughout the meeting, SCE emphasized that these shutoffs aren’t sudden; they’re forecast four to seven days in advance, and before they happen, residents will be notified multiple times, starting two days in advance. Government officials and first responders will be notified three days in advance. And if the predicted dangerous conditions...
NO PARTICULAR PLACE TO GO

Looks like we’ll have to channel ol’ three-dot Shirk here. I don’t have the attention span to present it any more coherently.

The latest on the Premium Energy Pumped Storage saga. Crowley Lake has now become the proposed upper reservoir site. There’s a legal notice about it. See page 25.

A few emails. One from Tom Gaunt. “Hi – just a heads up that the ski area has jacked up the annual fee for season lockers by over 25% or $100 more. They now want $520 for a locker. I paid $390 last year. They are definitely trying to force people out.”

Lunch aside: Gaunt is just lucky people haven’t trained themselves to sleep standing up. Price might triple in that scenario!

Speaking of affordable housing, I noted with interest at Wednesday’s Council meeting that Council approved the construction of three new bus shelters (to replace two existing shelters on Main Street and the one in front of Carl’s Jr.). The cost to replace all three is estimated at $330,000.

I figure as long as you’re building bus shelters why not construct small housing units on the roof? Think about the synergy. Building housing close to transportation? Check.

But while we’re on transit. A mystery writer has been emailing me because he/she is irate that the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority has installed cameras on its buses. The mystery writer believes this is a civil rights violation.

Forwarded was a return email sent by ESTA Executive Director Phil Mooret which I thought was pretty well done.

“I am sorry the installment of video equipment on the buses has had a negative effect for you. This technology is useful in defending ESTA in the event of collisions and onboard incidents. We do not use it to routinely watch our passengers. We are far too busy for such activities even if we were interested. The devices are solely for investigative purposes. As a public place, the bus is not considered a private space with expectation of privacy. I hope this explains the purpose and eases your mind a bit. Thank you for riding the bus.”

-Phil Mooret

Onto Council ... a few event organizers and staff were on hand to tout the success of their events. One, Shira Dubrovner, I convinced to not make public comment and just send her stats here to move the meeting along. I can be thanked for that this week with any offer of a chilled beverage.

Town Recreation Manager Stu Brown said a record 54 kids signed up for the Wave Rave Skateboard Camp. Kevin Green said the Mammoth Yoga Festival drew nearly 650 participants and that post-festival, he’s already sold 120 passes for next year. The event will also be pushed back a week next year. It fell over Father’s Day weekend this year.

For Dubrovner’s Mammoth Lakes Film Festival which took place over Memorial Day weekend:

-We had over 3,100 tickets accounted for equating to 600 individual fest goers. 33% were from the Eastern Sierra Area (from Lone Pine to Bridgeport) and 67% were out-of-towners

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ANNUAL PICNIC

11:00 AM – 3:00 PM, SUNDAY, JULY 28TH AT SHADY REST PARK
FOOD, FUN, AND GAMES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
Dear Editor,

I have been a member of the Mono Lake Committee (on and off) since I was in high school in the early 1970s. So, it was with great interest that, when I arrived in Mammoth in late June to spend much of the summer, I read the letter to The Sheet asking if the Mono Lake Committee had lost its way. As a loyal longtime MLC member, I wanted the full story, and so went online and read the original article from June 22 entitled “Can Two Creeks Make It With One Paddle?” and subsequent letters on the topic published in The Sheet. I was surprised to see no response from the MLC in The Sheet, so went to their website to find a brief article dated July 3 on the topic of Mill Creek and Wilson Creek water rights. It answered none of my questions.

The photos of the dead brown trout in the June 22 article speak for themselves. Anyone seeing these photos cannot help but ask what I am asking: “How can the water be diverted out of Wilson Creek without environmental review?” Not being a water rights or environmental law expert, I don’t know the answer to this question, nor do I know if the responsibility to do such a review lies with the Water Resources Board, or the California Fish and Wildlife, or the U.S. Forest Service, or the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, or the LADWP, but as a MLC member I cannot understand why the MLC is not demanding such review. It seems so uncharacteristic of the MLC to argue the preeminence of water rights — where would Mono Lake be today if the MLC had not challenged the LADWP’s historical water rights in the name of environmental protection?

Surely after our last winter, there is enough water to allow the usual flows into both Mill Creek and Wilson Creek while a proper environmental study is done. I do know that environmental review must start with the status quo situation, which in this case is adequate flows to both creeks to maintain the currently existing habitats, and that a proper review would study the impact of a proposed change on both habitats before such change is implemented by human agency.

The public has the right to a full environmental analysis and to open and public decision-making based on this analysis before a currently thriving creek is diverted for irrigation, the lower reaches of Mill Creek used to go dry in the summer because water was taken out for irrigation. This was a terrible situation environmentally. But irrigation practices changed. Water is no longer taken out of Mill Creek for irrigation. For more than 20 years, Mill Creek has had a year round flow all the way to Mono Lake. This is wonderful. I know what has been happening because visiting Mill Creek is a tradition in our family. When my kids were young, we took them to Mill Creek to play in the water. For years now, my sister has led us all on what she calls the “creek walk.” This consists of donning boots and walking the length of Mill Creek from Cemetery Road to Mono Lake, walking in water much of the time and on cobble. Not easy going. But we have observed with great enthusiasm the natural restoration of Mill Creek that has occurred and continues to occur. Each year the vegetation is denser, the number of new trees increased, and established trees flourishing. All the while, Wilson Creek has also flowed all the way to Mono Lake.

So what about Wilson Creek? I am as much an advocate for Wilson Creek as for Mill Creek. Water in the desert supports life. Wilson Creek supports an abundance of wildlife because it has flowed for at least a century that we can verify. I used to fish in Wilson Creek, catching elusive wild trout. When we visit Mill Creek, we like to drive out Cemetery Road and check on Wilson Creek. The vegetation on Wilson is different than on Mill Creek, which is important as our world struggles to maintain biodiversity. Drying up Wilson Creek is an astonishing proposition. At what cost to biodiversity and wildlife numbers? The letter to the editor by Cole Hawkins (Sheet, July 6) makes the point that before Wilson Creek is drastically altered, scientific analysis must be done. I completely agree. What is to be gained by putting more water into Mill Creek at the expense of Wilson Creek? We have yet to hear any explanation. I am hoping that the US Forest Service will step in, along with Fish and Wildlife, to demand an environmental review. It may well show that maintaining two existing creeks is wiser than putting all eggs in one basket.

Michael Kelley
Berkeley
The most compelling part of Council occurred when Mammoth Lakes Housing Director Patricia Robertson pulled a consent agenda item concerning the "Community Indicators Report."

"This is one of those reports that the Town’s Community Development Department routinely puts out just to say it did it and normally, people just accept it and nod their heads and move on."

Kudos to Robertson for calling bullshit. As you might imagine, the report, cobbled together by a junior staffer, concluded that everything is fine. Robertson challenged the very basis upon which the indicators are defined. Sure, housing prices are up, so that’s a plus, and affordability is down, so that’s a negative, but assigning a red/green, bad/good reading doesn’t really inform anything.

"The housing crisis is not reflected in this report," she said. "And I want you to look at this [analyze it] differently." Staff resisted. From Community Development Director Sandra Moberly: "This is a snapshot document."

Councilmember Hoff, still in a delirium over her speech (see text page 25) touting her accomplishments: "I thought it was a good look at what's going on." Even though Robertson had just pointed out that it’s not.

Councilmember Salcawitzerland applied the lipstick by pointing out that we should be celebrating the increase in the high school graduation rate, though a celebration of mere graduation in and of itself is a celebration of mediocrity.

I dunno. I heard Robertson and I heard someone who’s digging and thinking a little bit below the surface.

Her number one gripe. If you’ve got a Community Indicators Report of any meaning or substance, it wouldn’t be sitting on the damn consent agenda. You’d be talking about it. So create a report that has value or save the money.

I’m a new Patricia Robertson fan. For at least one week.

Speaking of calling out staff, Councilman John Wentworth and others had choice words regarding public outreach for The Parcel.

Wentworth described the $400,000 consultant’s outreach as a "Suite Z focused."

Meaning, you’ve got a consultant more concerned about talking to people who haven’t worried about housing in thirty years and less concerned about doing the hard work of say, contacting everyone on MLH’s waiting list (70 names long) and interviewing them individually.

Not to get completely sidetracked, but in my affordable housing experience, all anyone ever wanted was more space.
SUPES GIVE THE GREEN LIGHT
Approve Tioga Green cannabis retail shop in Lee Vining

By Ben Trefry

Approve Tioga Green cannabis retail shop in Lee Vining

Two petitions were presented to the Mono County Board of Supervisors, one in favor of Tioga Green and one against, with the pro-Green petition presenting 139 signatures (87 of which were from Lee Vining community members). This made the two petitions roughly equal in weight. Proponents of Tioga Green started their own petition to provide a contrast to the anti-Green petition presented to the Board last week, and obtained 139 signatures (87 of which were from Lee Vining community members). This makes the two petitions roughly equal in weight.

The only changes in the approved proposal were a few extra conditions added by the Board that restrict the size and location of signage on the premises. However, these restrictions didn’t seem to please either side. The Sheet spoke to applicant/owner Cory Zila, who said that he’s concerned that the reductions in signage will cause families with kids to visit Tioga Green unaware of the kind of business that it is.

On the other side, Wayne Beaver, a local business owner who’s spoken out in opposition to Tioga Green, responded with a blunt “no” when asked if he thought the signage restrictions would actually do anything to mitigate the problems he’s worried about.

The Board voted 4-1 to approve the proposal, with Supervisor Jennifer Halferty voting against—not because she’s opposed to Tioga Green, but because she didn’t agree with the extra restrictions that were put on the business, nor with the statement that these restrictions will mitigate negative impacts.

“I don’t have any data to tell me that [the size of] that sign has that kind of power … and I struggle with that statement,” Halferty said.

As shown in the photo at right, grading and rock work have begun on the property, activities that Community Development Department analyst Wendy Sugimura said are, in fact, allowed under the land-use permit Tioga Green has. Sugimura also said that Tioga Green is working with the County to obtain building permits for other improvements. So what else happened during the past week while the parties were supposed to be negotiating?

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David Strelneck, a former Lee Vining resident who now lives in Maine, was asked by Supervisor Bob Gardner to help facilitate discussions between the two sides. Strelneck also spoke to other members of the community about the project, and reported his findings to the Board.

His findings: people want to collaborate and compromise more, and are “acting with integrity,” but were unable to provide specific areas for compromise in time for the board meeting. Strelneck also wrote a separate letter in opposition to Tioga Green on the grounds that it’s caused too much division, which caused Supervisor Halferty to take issue with his (informal) role as mediator between the two sides, a job that should be defined impartial.

In a follow-up conversation with the Sheet, Strelneck emphasized that he’s just here to help his community get along. “The goal which is guiding [me], the goal which led [me] to agree to conduct a series of conversations and summarize the results for the Board, is one of the community engaging with each other and determining their own destiny,” he said.

Zila and his business partner Margie DelRose, who also questioned Strelneck’s motives during the board meeting, later said they were okay with the job Strelneck did in reaching out to the community.

In the past week, someone opposed to Tioga Green researched Cory Zila’s history, and came up with two encounters with law enforcement: a 2006 marijuana-related arrest and a 2017 DUI from the Mono County Sheriff’s department. However, community character is a consideration in cannabis permit decisions, and opponents seized upon Zila’s drug-related arrests within the past 10 years, neither of the incidents involving Zila prevented him from obtaining the permit, since the 2006 arrest is too old, and the 2017 DUI not severe enough, to invalidate the application.

However, community character is also a consideration in cannabis permitting, and opponents seized upon Zila’s
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character as a potential wedge and cited the influence his presence will have on Lee Vining.

“I got nothing against [the applicants] personally,” said Beaver. “All this dirt that’s being dug up, I went to them and told them I have nothing to do with that.”

It’s unknown who wrote an anonymous letter to the Board mentioning these arrests and calling into question Zila’s character.

In response to the marijuana offense, Zila said, “I’ve changed, I’m an adult now, I want to clarify that I’ve taken care of those things.” With regards to the DUI, he told the Sheet, “It happens to the best of us ... that was a mistake.”

The opposition to Tioga Green “feels like a witch hunt,” he added.

As to be expected, the discussion of Tioga Green veered off-topic a couple of times; perhaps one of the more interesting parts of the meeting was near the end of public comment, when Chris Lizza addressed Supervisor Fred Stump, calling him out for his “disregard of RPACs,” the committees that advise the County on local issues.

Lizza, a member of the Mono Basin RPAC, was referencing Stump’s comments at the previous Board meeting, when Stump explained that he chooses to not have RPACs in his district because he believes they are often dominated by a few members who aren’t responsive to the public as a whole, and suggested that the Mono Basin RPAC may not have represented its citizens adequately when the Mono County cannabis regulations were developed, for the same reason.

Citizens should be able to come to a meeting, or at least write a letter to the RPAC to have their voice heard, said Lizza, and “if you don’t do any of those things, don’t complain.”

Stump responded that Lizza was misrepresenting his opinions, and called it “regrettable” that Lizza didn’t contact him personally after last week’s meeting to talk about RPACs, if Lizza disagreed with what he said at that time.

According to Streineck, this argument about the viability and fairness of RPACs is one of several potentially important conversations that the controversy surrounding Tioga Green has started, and one that will continue even though the local approval process is over.

People on both sides of the issue, including Zila and DeRose, indicated a willingness to get together for a picnic and further these discussions, independent of the issue of cannabis and with the goal of getting to know and understand each other better.

Moving forward, Tioga Green still must obtain a state license before it can begin selling cannabis, but this process involves no further public comment. There is no estimated timeline for how long it will take to get this state license, nor is approval completely guaranteed. For now, though, Lee Vining stands to join the pot-shop club with Mammoth Lakes, June Lake, and many others throughout the state.

OBITUARY

ROCKY AUDENRIED 1958-2019

Rocky Audenried, longtime local and heart of the Mono Cone, passed away at his home in Lee Vining on July 5th. He died in the arms of his wife of 42 years, Cara.

Rocky and Cara met at Mammoth High School and were inseparable since. Their two children, Carrie Reynolds and Joey Audenried, were born and raised in Mammoth as well.

Rocky was also well known as the owner of Audenried’s Tile during his days in the construction business and was a hardworking and proud husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend to so many in the area.

In 1995, Rocky and Cara bought the Mono Cone Restaurant in Lee Vining. Every year from April until October you could find Rocky making the best burgers in the Sierra. His wife, Cara, was the face at the window taking the orders.

When Rocky and Cara began their Mono Cone venture they never imagined what an empire they would build over the next 24 years. By their side were their son Joey, daughter Carrie, and her husband and two children in the back room assisting. The entire family worked side by side for many years making amazing food and happy memories for so many, Rocky was the heart of the business and you could taste the passion and pride he had in every burger and ice cream cone that went out the window.

Rocky and his son, Joey, shared a love for motocross. For most of Joey’s childhood they traveled and competed in many events. Together they shared wonderful memories and gained many friends along the way. He took so much pride in watching his son and supporting Joey’s dream. Joey now shares the love of racing with his own son, Rayce, who will soon be enjoying the sport himself. We know Grandpa Rocky will be there to support Rayce in spirit when his time comes.

Rocky loved his four grandchildren: Woodrow Reynolds, Wendy Reynolds, Bayla Audenried and Rayce Audenried. Rocky taught his family to be proud and hard workers. He always did it with a smile on his face.

Rocky leaves behind his high school sweetheart and soulmate Cara Audenried, son, Joey Audenried, his wife Cecily, and their children Bayla and Rayce, daughter Carrie Reynolds, her husband Woodie and their children Woodrow and Wendy.
MEET THE NEW BOSS

New Mono CAO spent the past 25 years in Aspen

By Gorman

The Mono County Board of Supervisors approved a contract for new County Administrative Officer (CAO) Steve Barwick on Tuesday. Barwick will start work with the County on September 9 at an annual salary of $190,000 with benefits including pension and medical care valued by the county at $109,046.

Barwick comes to Mono County from Aspen, Colorado, where he was City Manager for 19 years before being asked to resign by the Aspen City Council in January of this year.

On why council asked him to leave his position in Aspen, Barwick said, “Politics finally got to me there.”

The Aspen Times reported that Barwick’s departure from Aspen began when his Assistant City Manager, Barry Crook, created a controversy by calling a citizen board that oversees the local housing program “mother f—ing extortionists.”

Crook resigned shortly after his outburst, but Barwick was on vacation during the ordeal and so did not respond to the controversy quickly - or at least not as quickly as his critics would have liked. This lack of response was the first domino to fall. According to the Aspen Times, this issue coincided with a series of bad deals for the city and an election year, all leading to council’s request for Barwick’s resignation.

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Another wrinkle. Craft cocktails to be offered by Devil’s Creek Distillery.

Dirty Cello

Kicking off Thursday will be Dirty Cello, a band which performed on the Minaret Stage last year. The principals are Cellist Rebecca Roudman, who performs with the Oakland and Santa Rosa Symphony Orchestras when not performing with Dirty Cello, and her husband (and guitarist) Jason Eckl. When the Sheet caught up with Roudman this week, the band had just returned from a tour of England, Israel and Iceland.

Um. Wow.

“When people hear the name Dirty Cello, it just piques their interest,” explained Roudman, as to how the band attracts bookings in such far-flung places. “The cello is just so strange [in a context outside the classical music realm]. People want to see it.”

Roudman is a classically trained cellist, but as she described in an interview posted on the band’s website, “Cool and weird ... that’s the kind of people we are.”

So she plays the blues. And bluegrass. “We have a few alter egos,” she admits.

At their shows, the band comes in with no set list. She says her husband (whom she’s been with for more than 20 years) feels the mood of the crowd and that dictates how the playlist evolves. About half the songs the band does are originals and half covers. Roudman did express a partiality for Jimi Hendrix’s “Purple Haze.”

The Sheet asked Roudman if her dirty cello remained a novelty, or whether others had started “funking up” their cello as well. She explained that she posts dirty cello tutorials on youtube and that one young man recently posted his version of “Purple Haze” as homage, so ... perhaps it’s catching on.

During the school year, she and her husband teach at a middle school in Marin County (he full-time and she part-time) so that was her explanation as to why she has no children of her own. “I have 300 babies,” she says. But beyond that, she loves the traveling, loves the freedom, and loves the enriching a-ha moments in foreign lands. “We were in the small Icelandic town of Akureyri,” she began, “and at that...”
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concert, we asked the crowd if we could play them a traditional Icelandic song. There’s kind of a pause, and then the crowd started singing - they were serenading us. And then broke into two-part harmonies. And our drummer gave them a little bit of a hip-hop beat…”

Sheet: Did you join in?
Roudman: I thought about it, but no. I was enjoying the moment just as it was.

Sal’s Greenhouse

Following Dirty Cello onstage will be Sal’s Greenhouse, a ten-piece funk band fronted by Sally Green.

And Sally Green is a force of nature. Not only does she front the band, but she serves as songwriter, composer, booking agent, promotions executive.

She’s the musical version of The Sheet. “Once I put my mind to something, I don’t give up,” she says. She started as a child playing piano, then switched to baritone sax. She studied music in a college for a few years. Dropped out. Dropped the sax.

She took voice lessons. Started performing in some cover bands.

About seven years ago, she started getting into the Bay Area jam scene. That’s where she met a lot of the collaborators she has now in the Greenhouse.

One of those collaborators, her keyboardist, fired her from a previous band they were both a part of. Well, it wasn’t like her keyboardist fired her personally - he was just appointed to do it because the bandleader, the guitarist, apparently didn’t have the stomach for it.

They promised they’d play together again at some point. Promise kept.

The majority of the band is from the Oakland/Alameda area. And the talent Green has assembled has proved to be a many-edged sword.

On the one hand, they’re great. On the other hand, it’s really difficult to get together all-in-one place on a consistent basis, because everyone’s in demand.

But this has also been a blessing of sorts, as it’s compelled Green to write songs on her own.

Her latest E.P., due out just after Bluesapalooza, was entirely written by Green.

A weakness of Sal’s … too much hoarding.

“Well, I was originally a horn player so you gotta have a horn section, and we just added a second guitar, and the vocalists we have…”

The Sheet wondered how you feed a family of ten.

Green: By still maintaining a part-time side gig working in the in-patient pharmacy at a trauma hospital.

“Very Denis Johnson-like.” But she knows she has a good thing going and doesn’t want to derail it.

“We’re successful because of our chemistry,” she says of the band. And if there’s one thing she’s learned over time, you’ve got to maintain the chemistry.

“I’ll take chemistry over talent any day,” she says.

“Course, this is mostly theoretical, since the Greenhouse has both right now.

Her long-term goal: This time next year, Sal’s Greenhouse will be on tour.

Her short-term goal: Once we get in front of crowds, we make people happy.

We look forward to partying with you all in Mammoth.

Her inspiration: Bonnie Raitt.

Her age: 37

Her disposition: Sexy

*Check out the band’s version of “Junky Booty” on youtube.

**Bluesapalooza notes**

There are 16 different ticket combos available for Bluesapalooza but one sure way to save money - by buying your tickets at the Brewery’s Tasting Room, which cuts out the processing fees.

Mammoth Brewing’s Sean Turner said 94 breweries will be pouring this year on both Saturday and Sunday.

And ticket sales for Bluesa have been brisk. “Ticket sales are way up,” said Turner, “Even up from our best years.”
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On behalf of local resident Mark Coronado and the Porsche Motor Club, which brought 85 Porsches to town in June for the 10th annual Mammoth Lakes Porsche Tour, Caroline Casey presented a check from the Porsche Club for $525 to the Mammoth Middle School. Pictured from left: new Middle School Principal Frankie Alvarado, new Mammoth Unified School Superintendent Jennifer Wildman and Casey.

Plan, which was approved this May. That increase pales in comparison to the much larger amounts consumers will end up paying as a result of a law, signed by Governor Newsom on July 12, which created a fund to pay for wildfire damages that utilities would otherwise be liable for. The law also requires utilities to make massive improvements to wildfire safety, as SCE is doing.

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don’t materialize, SCE may very well shut off the shutoff and pretend the warning never occurred.

“[Shutting off the power] is not something that we take lightly,” said Christopher Abel, SCE’s Government Relations Manager. “Our job is to keep the power on. We have 12,000 employees whose job it is to keep the power on.”

To send you the notifications, SCE needs to have up-to-date contact information associated with your account—so it’s worth going to the SCE website and making sure that your cellphone is signed up to receive these alerts.

While you’re at it, another thing worth signing up for is the Code Red system, a kind of ‘reverse 911’ that Mono County uses to notify citizens of important information during emergencies. Sign up for that on the Mono County Sheriff’s website.

A few hours or days without power is a small price to pay for avoiding a catastrophic wildfire, but some are worried about potential for more frequent and longer power outages.

“It’s kind of an issue for us,” said Patrick Allen, manager of the Hilton Creek sewage treatment plant, in a conversation with the Sheet. “[Our district] is small enough to where we don’t really have the ability to pay for backup [generators].”

The lack of power at Hilton Creek isn’t a public safety issue, nor will it cause people’s toilets to overflow, since the district does have backup generators for pumping and storing sewage. What an extended outage would do is impair the facility’s capacity to actively treat that sewage.

“It’s good to be notified, it would be good to have a little more outreach, but they’re going the extra mile here,” Allen said. He also wants to meet with SCE privately to discuss outage mitigation for his facility.

It’s impossible to know how frequent the outages will be in the future; last year, SCE performed two public-safety shutoffs, and neither of them were in the Eastern Sierra.

In addition to shutoffs, SCE also says it’s taking an aggressive approach to fuels removal and equipment safety. The utility has increased the minimum distance between trees and power lines from four to 12 feet, and is working with property owners to get rid of hazardous dead trees that are situated outside of SCE’s right-of-way, but might still end up on power lines if they fall.

SCE has finished conducting on-ground inspections of all 400,000 pieces of equipment, a process that took five months, and now plans to re-inspect the same equipment from the air. The utility is also touting improved technology, like covered wires that won’t create sparks if a tree falls on them, and current-limiting fuses that basically operate like the circuit breakers in your house, cutting off current if too much is drawn. (Most of these upgrades won’t be rolled out in the Eastern Sierra until the early to mid 2020s.)

Of course, all of this is going to cost money. According to Abel, each customer should see about a $1-2 increase in their bill each month to pay for SCE’s $582 million Grid Safety and Resiliency Plan, which was approved this May. That increase pales in comparison to the much larger amounts consumers will end up paying as a result of a law, signed by Governor Newsom on July 12, which created a fund to pay for wildfire damages that utilities would otherwise be liable for. The law also requires utilities to make massive improvements to wildfire safety, as SCE is doing.

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The Starbucks stink

For the past month, rancid liquid had been flowing through the garden of the Starbucks on Main Street in Mammoth. The liquid smelled like raw sewage and the prevailing southwest wind in Mammoth blew the stench towards the courthouse across Sierra Park Road. Starbucks General Manager Tanya Bekendam said that the liquid was caused by a blockage in the grease trap that was used by the McDonald’s that used to occupy the building.

She said that the problem had flared up a couple of times in the past but had become chronic of late now that the coffee shop had gotten to its busiest time of the year.

The problem was caused by a single water pipe leading into the grease trap. She said that the water pipe was not carrying sewage, and that the foul liquid in the Starbucks garden was, “just grease.”

The water pipe has been diverted to now go straight to the sewer. Bekendam said that the issue should be permanently fixed.

Mono County Environmental Health Director Louis Molina said that the county is in the process of looking into the leak.

“It was a break or blockage going into the grease interceptor,” Molina said. “It wasn’t toilet water going to the interceptor, but it was everything else.”

Mono County will not enforce a hazardous material clean-up for the site. Molina said that Starbucks can just clean the area with a chlorine or bleach solution to kill any bacteria in the garden.

Cannabis Cultivation Facility Approved in Sierra Business Park

Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors voted 5-0 to approve a 21,858 square foot indoor cannabis cultivation project in the Sierra Business Park, across from the Mammoth Airport. The land is currently undeveloped, and the facility will hire a maximum of 15 employees.

211 Service

Mono County is moving forward to provide its residents 2-1-1 service through Ventura’s existing 2-1-1 program. 2-1-1 is similar to 9-1-1; it’s a number that the public can call for information during disasters, such as shelter locations and safety information. It’s a nationwide opt-in program that not all counties participate in, but California is trying to expand it to those that haven’t opted in yet. Sheriff Ingrid Braun says it’s important for Mono County to have 2-1-1 service, since many visitors from other areas expect to have it available.

Mono MOU with Marine Corps

Mono Supervisors approved a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Marine Corps, with regards to overlapping social services at the Pickel Meadows military base near Coleville. The MOU ensures that the County and Marine Corps services operate within their respective lanes when investigating issues of child abuse and neglect involving families on the Marine base.

Behavioral Health Responds to Fears of ICE Raids

Robin Roberts, director of the Behavioral Health Department, gave a report on the community’s fear of ICE immigration raids, and how her department is responding to some people’s unwillingness to enter a government office for fear of having their immigration status discovered. Roberts talked about a family preparedness plan her department hands out, a collection of documentation that families should have in the event that parents are taken and children left behind. Sheriff Ingrid Braun also clarified that the Sheriff’s Department doesn’t ask for immigration status, and that no ICE raids have actually been confirmed in Mono County.

Civic Center Update

Mono County’s new Civic Center will take shape next week. The concrete footing and wall panels have been poured and are curing on the site. The walls will be raised by crane next week.

The current estimate for the cost of the center is at $21.6 million. That includes $655,000 in contingency funds. If the contingency is removed, the project is roughly $560,000 over budget.
In some instances, a mere six inches, and whom among us can’t agree that an extra six inches deployed strategically couldn’t solve a host of the world’s problems.

On at least two occasions, and I’m actually thinking it was three, my wife tore a mirror off her Chevy Tahoe either trying to enter or exit the affordably-designed garage.

Meanwhile, the “playground” integrated into the project was eliminated by the newly formed HOA within a matter of months for liability as well as snow storage reasons.

Too late. Couldn’t fix the garages at that point.

Back to the action. Mammoth Public Works Director Grady Dutton said that he’s receiving public comment about The Parcel everywhere he goes. In fact, he even spoke to 2-3 people during a recent haircut.

*Editor aside: Grady doesn’t have a lot of hair. How does he have the time to speak to 2-3 people? Is his barber incompetent?

Why did we hire a consultant at all? We should’ve just sent Grady on a style/listening tour - maybe have him spend a day at Tonik. They’ve got a lot of nice colorful plaid shirts that would fit in nicely with his repertoire.

Council wasn’t having much of the placation.

Wentworth said bluntly, “I’m getting a sandbagging feeling.” I mean, he was blunt. Delivered politely. But blunt. I wouldn’t mistake him for anything other than irritated. “I’m not seeing usable, engaging materials,” he told Dutton and Community Development Director Sandra Meberly. “Give me visuals.”

Hoff then trotted in from left field to add that young people may or may not be interested in affordable housing depending upon their marijuana use and marijuana policies.

* I could see a “smoking” policy for housing, as in don’t smoke in the house. But I don’t think anyone cares what people smoke.

Councilman Kirk Stapp brought up an excellent point regarding public outreach. It’s nice to talk about all the items on the wish list, but “are we laying a foundation for something we can’t afford?”

What else? Council canceled bus service to Old Mammoth Road, threw $75,000 toward Bluesapalooza in the form of a reimbursable grant and heard a Bishop Airport update from Inyo CAO Clint Quilter. All parties are dancing around whether or not Mammoth TBID can/cannot be used to subsidize commercial air service.

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This bus shelter is part of the Main Street Sidewalk project and does not include an affordable housing component. But let’s face it, if there were an affordable housing component, this shelter wouldn’t be getting built.

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PASS THE ADMONITION

By Casselman

So far, the Democrats running for president have been the recipients of innumerable warnings and admonitions from several political quarters, many of them hostile, but not a few who are friendly and want to defeat Donald Trump in 2020.

These admonitions are somewhat varied, but most of them are centered around the recent trend in liberal politics to move toward a more radical or progressive program of public policies.

The two wings of the Democratic Party have clashed frequently before. The traditional liberal wing has often provided winning presidential candidates, and usually dominates the nomination contests.

At first, the early “smoke-filled” rooms of party bosses, and later, the grass roots primary voters tended to prefer candidates who could win. For every losing “radical” nominee—such as William Jennings Bryan and George McGovern, there were more traditional nominees such as Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman, and Bill Clintons winning in November --- and for every Robert LaFollette, Henry Wallace, Gary Hart and Howard Dean, there was an Al Smith, Walter Mondale, Michael Dukakis, and John Kerry to take up the party banner in November --- albeit unsuccessfully.

After Hubert Humphrey lost to Richard Nixon in 1968, Democrats rejected Humphrey’s political heir Ed Muskie, and chose instead McGovern.

But he was perceived by many as too radical for that time --- and he lost in a landslide in November, 1972.

In 2016, establishment figure Hillary Clinton barely defeated socialist Bernie Sanders for her party nomination, but in spite of being heavily favored, she lost in November to Donald Trump.

These circumstances have, in large part, set up the 2020 Democratic Party nomination environment.

In the four years between presidential elections, I have long pointed out, much changes in the U.S. But both political parties often act primarily in reaction to the previous cycle --- and sometimes that reaction does not reflect the dynamics of actual history.

This behavior has often produced (in both parties) nominees who came in second in the previous or earlier nomination cycle. Ronald Reagan, George H.W. Bush, Al Gore, Mitt Romney and Hillary Clinton would be examples of this.

For the 2020 cycle, Bernie Sanders’ candidacy would fit this pattern. Sanders, although currently a major contender, might not himself be nominated in 2020, but someone who espouses the ideology template he brought to the 2016 campaign could well be.

The question is whether or not voters are inclined to accept and embrace the ideology of the Sanders policy programs. Republicans and traditional Democrats regard the Sanders ideology (and that of his fellow contenders who share his views) as “socialistic” and too radical for the U.S. Sanders openly proclaims his socialism, but his rivals try to avoid the term, usually preferring the term “progressive”.

There is a vocal and significant base of voters who actively support Sanders or his progressive rivals for the 2020 Democratic nomination.

Only the more traditional liberal Joe Biden stands in their way, and although the former vice president leads the others in virtually every poll, his age and his longevity in elective office are perceived by some in his party as a negative.

Admonitions about a too radical Democratic nominee coming from Republicans and conservatives will understandably be mostly ignored, but what of the increasing warnings coming from seasoned liberal political figures and commentators?

Soon after Pearl Harbor in December, 1941, a song titled “Praise the Lord! Pass the Ammunition!” became very popular in a united U.S. populace. After Donald Trump shocked the Democrats in 2016, that does not seem to be the kind of song divided Democrats are singing in 2019.

Barry Casselman is a syndicated columnist who has been covering national politics since 1972.

Lunch first met Casselman at the 1992 Democratic National Convention held in New York City.
Jean Courtney died last week. She was 83. Her obituary appears on the opposite page.

I ran the following profile of Jean four years ago in the July 18, 2015 issue. She is among a handful of favorite people I’ve ever had the pleasure of meeting and interviewing.

About a month ago I received a call from a woman named Jean Courtney who lives in Bridgeport. She told me she was the owner of the Sportsmen’s Bar and Grill and that she was looking to place a classified for some waitstaff help. She went on to tell me that she had traditionally gone through a recruiter to hire staff, but they had started sending younger gals who kept quitting their jobs and running off with the customers. She was a hoot. I had to meet her.

So I drove up to Bridgeport on Wednesday, and spent an hour with Jean. While she’s reached an age where women don’t like to talk about age (and when I tried to snap a photo, she would only stand so close to the camera) you can tell that Jean Courtney was one beautiful woman in her heyday.

She grew up in Lynwood, Calif. She owned her first restaurant by the age of 16. This is not a misprint. She was pregnant, he told her one day he’d taken a job in Mono County just like that.

Ultimately, Jean was offered the choice of living in either Mammoth or Bridgeport. But Bridgeport was nothing more than a single road and a gas station. Bridgeport, by comparison, was a metropolis. So they passed up the chance to buy a 28-acre parcel in Old Mammoth. Instead, she bought the Sportsmen’s from Jim and Edna Nicely. She’s owned it for more than 60 years.

This is how beautiful and charming Jean Courtney is and was. In that era of the late ’50s and ’60s, all manner of movie stars and musicians would drive through Bridgeport, because that was an era when movie stars actually traveled and acted like regular people. Both Jack Benny and Tom Jones, passing through town, stopped in and ended up inviting Jean Courtney her to their shows in Las Vegas.

John Wayne? When he was shooting a film on location in Bodie, he asked Jean to bring him lunch one day. He wanted her famous chicken. So Jean prepares the meal and sets out for Bodie, but … the road to Bodie is rough and her car breaks down and she ends up getting there 90 minutes late.

The director comes rushing up when she arrives and starts to give her the business. You’re killing the shoot, he says. Wayne won’t work until he’s had his lunch. He won’t return to the set.

Then the Duke saunters up. He doesn’t mention a thing about her being late. All he says is, “Did you bring the chicken?” Then they went off, the two of them, to a private little spot where John Wayne liked to take his lunch.

Jean says the heyday of Bridgeport was in the ’60s and ’70s. Her heyday by coincidence. She says when she moved to Bridgeport she used to put on heels and a dress to go to work, but “they [the customers] hated it. So she transitioned quickly into Levis and braids.

They loved it.

One year, she brought in a Christmas tree. It had a beautiful, pungent Christmas smell.

They hated it.

“Every time I did something, they just hated the change,” she laughs.

But they loved her. She was the life of the party. She’d go to the Sportsmen’s and the place would just start … happening. “I made a game out of it,” she says.

The offers of marriage were ceaseless. As we were talking, her granddaughter came by the table to tell Jean she was leaving to head back to Portland, Oregon. She said she might spend a night in Eugene.

“I used to date a man who owned most of Eugene,” said Jean matter-of-factly, with no sense of bombast. The men were always hanging around.

She only married once. Never remarried. Has two children from the marriage. Gordon (and wife Debbie) who now own the Sportsmen’s, and a “five-star” daughter Debbie who lives in Fort Collins, Colorado.

She likes what her son has done with the place. There are all sorts of artifacts. When a local contractor, Wayne Long, died, he donated his fishing boat to the bar. It’s tucked into a cranny of the ceiling now. There’s a skeleton in the boat

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holding a fishing rod.

For the past 18 years, Jean has heroically cared for a niece, Connie, who is developmentally disabled. In a way, it’s her service to God for all the gifts he has bestowed - the looks, brains, good fortune. As she says, over the years, “I was God’s pet ... not that I deserved it.” She said it was almost uncanny. One cook would walk out and then five minutes later, another cook would walk in. Or there was the time where she was running a little short of cash and she goes upstairs and sees that Connie has ransacked her closet ... but in the process had found a deposit bag filled with money that Jean had somehow misplaced six or seven years before.

As for the Bridgeport of today, she acknowledges that times are pretty rough, but what sustains Bridgeport through it all is its authenticity. Visitors love the small town feel. “If you tried to make it fancy, it wouldn’t work,” she said.

Jean Courtney, well known and immensely loved, passed away in her sleep on the night of July 8 at the age of 83, although she would confidently tell you she didn’t look a day over 30. She lived in Bridgeport, California until her passing, where she owned the Sportsmen’s Inn and Bodie Hotel for over 55 years. A selfless woman with unmatched stories, Jean was most likely to tell you about the pride she had for her family. She poured love daily into her children Gordon Courtney and Debbie Courtney-Parisi, her son-in-law Pier, her three grandchildren Gino, Michela, Destiny and great granddaughter Autumn. She also had a special place in her heart for her disabled niece, Connie and cared for her unconditionally for over 30 years.

The countless other individuals she loved include her brother Peter, the entire Robertshaw family as well as her sister Irene, and the entire Vannoy family. She cherished her beloved friend Carlos and held a special place for all of her employees throughout the years. Her spirit is missed but will no doubt be carried through her family and those she loved.

Jean was raised in Massachusetts working on her family’s farm from a young age and having to forego any advanced education. In spite of this, Jean was always remarkably ahead of her generation. She moved to California and started her first restaurant at the age of 16. Jean always led an unquestionably unique life, telling frequent stories of how she dined with presidents and attracted even the most well-known celebrities into her world in Bridgeport. She married a young police officer, Jesse Courtney, in her 20s and proceeded to raise two children together. Despite their divorce, they remained close friends until his passing. Jean was well known for her young mind, generosity, boundless energy, wit and engaging personality that stood out no matter where she was.

Jean’s character shined through with authenticity. She will be remembered for her numerous quirky voicemails, knuckle punches, capacity for fun and joy, the helping hand she never hesitated to lend and the long reaching effects of her love for everyone passing through Bridgeport. She will be deeply missed by many, though those who were lucky enough to have her in their life will no doubt carry the imprint and legacy she has left forever. We love you and we miss you, Jean!!

A service to celebrate Jean’s extraordinary life will be held on August 3, 2019 at 3 p.m. at the Bridgeport Memorial Hall. Her son, Gordon will continue to run the Sportsmen’s Bar and Grill.
**calendar of events**

**BARS & MUSIC**

**Happy Hour**
- Austria Hof, Happy Hour 5-7:30 p.m. Daily. Taco Tuesdays and Poli Taco Tuesday. More info: See ad p. 12.
- The Liberty Sports Bar and Grill. Happy hour 3-6 p.m. (3-8 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays). More info: see ad p. 17.
- Outlaw Saloon Happy Hour Mon.-Fri. Happy Hour from 4-6 p.m.
- Morrison’s Happy Hour 5-7 p.m. all summer Sunday through Thursday in the bar.
- The Mogul Happy Hour Sun.-Thurs. from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the bar with food and drink specials.
- Mammoth Rock ’N’ Bowl Mon. DJ 9:00 p.m. Bowling & Beats, Thurs. DJ 10 p.m. Latin Night, Saturday DJ 9 p.m. Info: See ad p. 17
- Clocktower Cellar Happy Hour: 4-7 p.m. daily. $6 dollar menu items, drink specials. Info: See ad p. 11.
- Petra’s Bistro. Happy hour 5-7 p.m. Signature cocktails. Wine by the glass. Info: See ad p. 11.
- Roberto’s Happy Hour: 4-6 p.m. daily. The Public House Karaoke every Tuesday starting at 8 p.m. and going until close at 11 p.m.
- Famous Slocums Happy Hour Tues.-Fri 4-6 p.m.; Sat. 4-5:30 p.m. Closed Sun./Mon. Dining at 5 p.m. daily. No Reservations, just come on in.” More info: See ad p. 7.
- Giovanni’s Happy Hour daily 4-6 p.m. Large pizza and a pitcher of beer gets you free wings. See ad on this page.
- Shelter Distilling Open 11 am - 11pm Daily Happy Hour: 3-5pm Sunday through Thursday/Half Off All Drinks Taco Tuesday; $6 Blue Agave Cocktails and $2 Street Tacos All Day. Thursday $8 Growler Fills All Day. See ad, p. 36.
- Bleu Daily Happy Hour 5-6 p.m. $5 Beer, Wine and Small Plates.
- Devils Creek Distillery tasting room hours. 3-6 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Location: Industrial Park (off of Meridian). 123 Commerce Dr. Info: 760-793-7131.
- Black Velvet Coffee happy hour 4-6. Wine tastings on Weddays.
- Side Door. Check out to-go discounts on Village movie nights, Sundays and Thursdays.
- Lakunaki happy hour 3-6 p.m. daily.

**July 19-21**/
- Mammoth Reggae Festival @ the Village at Mammoth. Starts 2 p.m. daily. Daily musical lineups can be found at www.mammothreggae.com.

**July 19-20**/
- Mammoth Reggae Festival after-party @ Lakunaki in the Village starting 10 p.m. each night.

**Tuesday, July 23**/
- Team trivia at Mammoth Brewing Co. Time: 7 p.m. Free.

**Wednesday, July 24**/
- Eddy Evans plays the Liberty Bar for happy hour jazz on the patio. 3-6 p.m. The Indied Haters (rock & funk) then take the stage @ Liberty starting 9 p.m. In the Biz Wednesdays @ Mammoth Rock’n’ Bowl. $1 games and $1 shoes after 9 p.m.

**Thursday, July 25**/
- Achilles Wheel plays the Mobil Mart in Lee Vining. Time: 3-7 p.m.

**Friday, July 26**/
- Driftwood Creek plays the Gallery @ Twin Lakes. Starts 6 p.m.

**July 26-28**/
- Villagefest in the Village at Mammoth. Food, drink, music, fun. Chili cookoff (26th), Rib Cookoff (27th), Burger Battle (28th). Starts 4 p.m. Friday and 12 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

**Saturday, July 27**/
- Bishopaloopza @ Tri-County Fairgrounds from 12-10 p.m. Food, drink, music, fun. A benefit for IMAH (Inyo Mono Assoc. for the Handicapped).
- Driftwood Creek plays Black Doubt Brewing in Mammoth. Time: 6 p.m. Mike Aguirre farewell show @ the Edison in Mammoth. Time: 7:30 pm

**TOWN STUFF**

**July 19-20**/

**Friday, July 19**/
- Free skate night @ Mammoth RecZone. More info: Sidebar column next page

**Saturday, July 20**/
- Join Friends of the Inyo Trail Ambassador Robin Hirsch to learn about the botany of Rock Creek. Time: 1-3 p.m. Meet @ Rock Creek Lakes Resort. Info: www.friendsoftheinyo.org.
- Friends of the Inyo Rock Creek Lakes cleanup. 8:30 a.m. ’til noon. Meet @ Rock Creek Lakes Resort.
- Chris Bubser for Congress (CA-08) Meet the Candidate Listening Tour: Chris Bubser for Congress (CA-08) Meet the Candidate Listening Tour: Antelope Valley Community Center 9-10 a.m.; 265 Aurora Canyon Rd, Bridgeport 11-12; June Lake Community Center 1-3 p.m.; Stellar Brew, Mammoth Lakes 4-5:30 p.m.
- Summer Train Rides @ Laws Museum off Highway 6 just east of Bishop. Take a ride back into the past on an old-time train. 10:30 a.m. ’til 2:30 p.m. And then enjoy a really fun, sprawling meal with a variety of outbuildings. Adults: $5 train tix. Kids under 13 ride free with an adult. Info: 760.873.5500/www.laws-museum.org.
**Mammoth Rec Calendar**

A brief accounting of upcoming events in Mammoth, many of which are free!

**Free Skate Night at the Mammoth RecZone**
- July 19 & 26/6-8 p.m.
- Enjoy complimentary admission and skate at the Mammoth RecZone every Friday evening in July.

**Free Swim Sunday at the Whitmore Pool**
- July 21 & 28/12-6 p.m.
- Free swim day at Whitmore Pool every Sunday in July

**Coed Softball Tournament**
- July 20-21/8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Annual Coed Softball Tournament at the Shady Rest Softball Fields (Sawmill Cutoff Road). 4 v 4 coed teams. Must have at least 1 female player on court at all times and up to 6 registered players per team. Advance registration required.

**Tioga Inn public workshop**

A public workshop on the Tioga Inn Specific Plan will be held at 8 a.m. on July 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the Lee Vining Community Center. New project proposals will be presented for discussion. No changes are proposed to the hotel and restaurant components of the plan.

**Unbound Music Festival**

Thursday, July 25, 2019 - 7:30 PM, Cerro Coso College, Mammoth Lakes. The Unbound Chamber Music Festival presents its opening concert, “Fairy Tales”, with music by Beethoven, Rimsky-Korsakov, and Franck. Hosted by Eastern Sierra Land Trust.

**Town Stuff**

**Saturday, July 20 (cont.)**
- **Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce Power Lunch with Mammoth Mountain CEO Mark Brownlie.**
  - Time: 12 p.m. Location: 53 Kitchen and Cocktails.
- **Volunteer Eastern Sierra (VES) hosts a Not Your Grandma’s Bingo event** at the Warming Hut on Old Mammoth Road. Doors 5 p.m.; first game 6 p.m.; Prozes, laughs, special menu items. Proceeds benefit Disabled Sports Eastern Sierra.
- **Wednesday, July 24/ Eastern Sierra Land Trust Wild Side Backyard Mixer.** Where: 250 N. Fowler St. In Bishop. Time: 5-6:30 p.m. More info: See sidebar column this page.

**Thursday, July 25**
- **Brown Bag Lunch Series @ Mammoth Mountain Hayden Cabin.** Time: noon. Various presenters. Iconic setting. Info: 760.934.6918
- **Stage at Mammoth Movie Series.** Tonight: Without Limits (PG-13). Starts 8:15 p.m. Come prepared - bring a blanket and dress warmly.
- **Friday, July 26/ Shakespeare Kids Camp production of “Merry Wives of Windsor” takes place at Edison Theatre at 6 p.m. Free.**

**KIDS FISHING FESTIVAL**

The 32nd Annual KIDS FISHING FESTIVAL takes place Saturday, July 27 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Snowcreek Resort ponds on Old Mammoth Road in Mammoth Lakes. Plenty of trophy trout will be stocked from Desert Springs Trout Farm in these beautiful High Sierra ponds with Mammoth Mountain forming a picturesque backdrop.

This popular event is FREE for kids 14 and under. Rods & reels are provided, or you can bring your own. There will be help from Berkley guides and other local guides who can help you catch a fish. Additionally, there are lots of fun, educational programs from the Dept. of Fish & Wildlife. The Mammoth Lakes Lions Club provides free coffee, orange juice and donuts. Additionally, tacos and snow cones are available for purchase.

Special thanks to our sponsor, the Town of Mammoth Lakes, plus Berkley/ Pure Fishing, Eastern Sierra Artists, Snowcreek Resort, Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, and especially the DFW. It’s a true community event! Check out KidsFishFest.com for more details. If you would like to help be a guide [just requires a passion for fishing and helping kids], please contact Gaye at 760.937.2942.

**Volunteer Land Stewardship Day**

Hosted by Eastern Sierra Land Trust and Mono County, Volunteer Land Stewardship Day takes place Thursday, July 25 @ Conway and Mattley Ranches from 8 a.m. until noon.

The focus on this event will be the removal of a non-native species called Woody Mullein, especially near the aquifer, shrub, along irrigation ditches and throughout a wildlife enhancement area. Please remember to bring boots, hats, gloves and lots of water. Info: mariel@eslt.org/760.873.4554.

**AT THE MOVIES**

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**July 22nd**
- **Eastern Sierra Opioid Summit sponsored by the Toiyabe Indian Health Project, NIH and others. Location: Calvary Baptist Church. 9-5 Monday and 10-5 Tuesday. Info: Melinda McCartney**

**Monday, July 22/**
- **Concert in the Park in Bishop at the Gazebo. Starts 8 p.m.**

**Tuesday, July 23/**
- **Mammoth Lakes Housing Community Design Workshop for its proposed Glass Apts. (across from Country Glass)MLH and prospective tenants, community members, children, roommates, friends -- everyone is welcome! Two open sessions will be held: 3-5 and 5-7 p.m.**

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**Notice of Budget Adoption**

The Mammoth Lakes Fire Protection District will adopt its 2019/2020 preliminary budget at the next Board of Com- missioners meeting to be held at 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 16, 2019, at Fire Station 1, 3150 Main Street, Mammoth Lakes, CA.

Any person may appear and be heard regarding any item in the budget or regarding the addition of other items.

The preliminary budget is available for inspection

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm at Fire Station 1, 3150 Main Street, Mammoth Lakes, CA.
Sierra Employment Services, Inc. is hiring FT & FT for:
Front Desk/Reservations M $14 - S $17
-Housekeepers M $15 - S $17
-General Labors M $15 - S $20
-Cashiers, In-Store Counters M/W/C/CD $15
-Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Call us Today 760-924-0523 or 760-873-8599
www.SierraEmployment.com

Mammoth Rock & Bowl/Mammoth Rock Brassee has the following positions available:
Experienced Server needed.
Front Desk position open. Must be computer literate.
Seasons 4 Condominiums Rentals - Large rental in Mammoth Lakes. Corporate Holiday Rental - Stop by and see us in person at 3905 Main Street in Mammoth Lakes. Please pick up applications for front desk & F&B positions. 
Experienced server needed. Stop by for an application, or drop off a resume. We are currently looking for a full-time front desk employee. 
Great pay & vacation benefits for qualified and experienced individuals who want to work for an established family run hotel. Full and part time, year round positions are available at our front desk and with our housekeeping department. Starting wage and benefits DOE. Please contact Scottie at 760-914-7433. www.mammoth-rock.com.

The Alpencil Lodge is looking to add to it’s staff. We are looking for self motivated individuals who want to work for an established family run hotel and part time, year round positions are available at our front desk and with our housekeeping department. Starting wages and benefits DOE. Please contact Todd Roberts at 760-934-2414 or stop by and see us in person at 3905 Main St in Mammoth Lakes.

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Our operating hours are Monday through Friday 8am - 5pm. We are closed on Saturday.

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This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Co. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name above on April 8, 2019. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Mono County on June 5, 2019. File Number 19-137 2019-0128 (7/13, 7/20, 7/27, 8/3)

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, PASSED JUNE 10, 2019, PERTAINING TO CANNABIS BUSINESSES, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FOR A ONCE-ANNUAL PAYMENT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF A CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX, WITH THE PROCEEDS THEREOF TO PAY PUBLIC EXPENSES, IS HEREBY ANNOUNCED

Sections

SECTION ONE. Chapter 3.30 of the Mono County Code is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 3.30   CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX

Sections:

3.30.010 Title
3.30.020 Authority and Purpose
3.30.030 Intent
3.30.040 Definitions
3.30.050 Tax imposed.
3.30.060 Rates of tax.
3.30.070 Payments and procedures.
3.30.080 Records and reports.
3.30.090 Notice not required by the County.
3.30.100 Title
3.30.110 Authority and Purpose
3.30.120 Refunds and procedures.
3.30.130 Personal cultivation not taxed.
3.30.140 Exemption of proceeds.
3.30.150 Appeal procedure.
3.30.160 Payment of tax does not authorize unlawful conduct.
3.30.170 Adoption and approval.
3.30.180 Review and determination.
3.30.190 Audit and examination of premises and records.
3.30.200 Other licenses, permits, taxes or charges.
3.30.210 Failure to report – nonpayment, fraud.
3.30.220 Deficiency determinations.
3.30.240 Tax assessment – notice requirements.
3.30.250 Tax assessment – notice requirements.
3.30.270 Correction for violation – taxes not waived
3.30.280 Penalties and procedure.
3.30.290 Severability.
3.30.300 Interpretation.
3.30.310 Amendment or repeal.

The foregoing specified activities shall not be limited on the provisions of "engaged in business." 

"Evidence of doing business" means evidence such as, but not limited to, the keeping of books and records, the making of reports, the payment of taxes, the filing of a franchise tax return, the filing of a corporate income tax return, the keeping of a place of business, the existence of a business, or the doing of business. In any case in which evidence of doing business is shown, the person or persons engaged in the business shall be liable for the payment of said taxes for the period from the date prior to which the space was not utilized until the time of commencement of the term for which the space will not be used, that such space will not be used.

For purposes of this subsection, (B), the square feet of canopy space for a greenhouse for which the County has issued a canopy issuance for a business shall be reimbursed pursuant to Section 3.30.050(M) with the maximum square footage of canopy allowable by the County's Business Permit. The maximum square footage shall be the square maximum square footage of a business as determined by the County Administrator in writing and authorizing such reduction.
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2. If the tax remains unpaid for a period exceeding one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of the notice of assessment, the failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Chapter shall be deemed a violation of the laws of the State of California, and the failure to comply shall be cause for the tax administrator to impose additional fees to cover the costs of any action to collect the taxes owed, including attorney's fees. Failure to pay the tax in full and promptly when due shall constitute a violation of this Chapter.

3.30.110 Appeal. If a business subject to the tax is operating both within and outside the unincorporated area of the County, it is the taxpayer's responsibility to apply for a cannabis business tax in each location. If the tax is imposed in the same manner, the tax shall be at the same rate and in the same amount. The tax on the value of the cannabis business tax shall be determined at a rate equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the gross receipts of the cannabis business tax from the sale of cannabis business tax.

4. Maintaining records of taxpayer reports and taxes collected. The Tax Administrator shall maintain records of all taxes collected, including all receipts, returns, or statements that are filed with the Tax Administrator, and shall keep all books and business records of the claimant in order to support the amount of tax assessed and to prove the existence of the claim. No claim for refund shall be allowed if the claimant has not kept books and business records after request by the Tax Administrator.

5. Notice of ordinance cont. from p. 23


3.30.250 Tax assessment—hearing, application and determination. No refund shall be made of any tax collected pursuant to this Chapter or of any state law requiring the payment of such tax unless the person has complied with all of the requirements for any permit or license required by, under or by virtue of this Code and all other applicable state laws. Effective for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Chapter, or any other provision of law, the tax administrator may set the amount of tax owed by a person under this Chapter or of any state law required for any amendment that would increase the rate of the tax.

3.30.310 Amendment or repeal. This Chapter may be repealed or amended by the County Board of Supervisors without a vote of the people of the County. No amendment or repeal of this Chapter, or any other provision of the Constitution and Code of the County of Mono, shall be effective until approved by the people of the County of Mono, or a majority of the qualified voters thereof, as provided for in other Chapter of this Code.

3.30.320 Notice of ordinance cont. from p. 23

Saturday, July 20, 2019

The name, address, and telephone number of Plaintiff's attorney is: John Peters, Chair Mono County Board of Supervisors

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NOTICE Inviting Bids

The Town of Mammoth Lakes will receive sealed bids for the work shown on the plans entitled:

SB-1 PHASE II MERIDIAN CIRK AND GUTTER PROF.

In the Town of Mammoth Lakes for the Town of Mammoth Lakes

Bids will be received at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Mammoth Lakes, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite 230, Mammoth Lakes, California until 3:00 PM on July 25, 2019 at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

Proposal forms and Contract Documents for this work are included in the specifications.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Project includes removal and replacement of gutter and gutter cap and paving for approximately 250-feet in length along the south side of Meridian Boulevard from just west of Old mammoth Drive to east of Minaret Drive intersection, and from just west of Minaret Drive intersection to approximately 250-feet east of Meridian Boulevard. The engineer’s estimate for this project is $35,000 and $140,000.

The work includes full compliance with all applicable laws, codes, regulations, etc. Work will be completed within the time set forth in the Contract.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the convenient location of the Engineering Department, 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite 230, Mammoth Lakes, California.

The contractor shall have a valid Class A Contractor’s license, a surety bond in the amount of $100,000, a workman’s compensa-
tion certificate and shall maintain all required licenses throughout the term of the contract. The contractor shall demonstrate his qualifications by having adequate equipment in good condition, and a qualified work force. The work shall be done in accordance with the specifications and the Contract.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, or to utilize any part or all of the plans and specifications and award the Contract to such bidder or bidders as may be deemed most advantageous to the Town.

The Contract will be awarded to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid on the base bid. The Contractor shall submit the lowest responsive bid on the base bid and all alternates. The Town reserves the right to withhold payment from the successful bidder until after the work is completed and the Town is satisfied with the work performed.

TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES, CALIFORNIA
Jami Gray, TOWN CLERK
DATED: July 5, 2019

TS #4201-0142

Notice of Filing

Notice of Second Amendment Filing with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Preliminary Energy Holdings, LLC hereby provides notice of its Second Amendment filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), which is an application for a Preliminary Permits to study the proposed Owens Valley Pumped Storage Project. No. 14999.

The amended application was filed with FERC on July 16, 2019. The amendment reflects a new base alternative to Lake Tahoe, a new service area, and a new transmission alternative to avoid upgrad-
ing existing transmission lines. The amendment also reflects a new transmission line to the proposed project. The amendment has been evaluated and determined to be a non-major action under §1508.27 of the National Environmental Policy Act.

In addition, the new transmission lines to interconnect the proposed project with the generation and transmission systems to the grid are proposed to be underground in order to minimize visual impacts. The proposed project will be located near the community of Bishop in Mono and Inyo Counties, Calif.

The project would have an estimated capacity between 1,210 and 2,040 megawatts, and a storage capacity of between 7,500,000 and 12,000,000 acre feet. Additional information is available on the FERC website at www.ferc.gov.

Under the terms of the Second Amendment, Preliminary Energy Holdings, LLC requests permission to study the proposed project. The Town of Mammoth Lakes has made a determination that retention of 5% will be withheld from payment until after the work is complete. Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or Section 995.120.

The Town of Mammoth Lakes reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids, or to utilize any part or all of the plans and specifications and award the Contract to such bidder or bidders as may be deemed most advantageous to the Town.

The Contract will be awarded to the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid on the base bid. The Town reserves the right to waive any informality or irregularity in a bid.

The successful bidder at the job site. The successful bidder will enter into the proposed contract if it be awarded the total amount of the bid, as a guarantee that the bidder will perform the work as specified by the Town. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified or cashier’s check payable to the Town of Mammoth Lakes in the amount of 10% of the total amount of the bid.

Mammoth Lakes, California  93546

BOY, I tell ya, I did a really great job here.

Adopted Joint Town and County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan ... ooh that was a good one too.

We are moving forward on solid waste solutions.

The Red’s Meadow Road now through the Federal Highway is at 70% completion, that is a big positive there as well.

By the way, I really did a great job here. The one thing that I’m totally going to call for the record TOT which is pushing twenty million dollars this year. Thank you very much, Cleland Out! And with that, is there anything else I can still with, or am I done?
HORRORSCOPES

By Clouds McCloud

Cancer: Studies have shown that hugging for at least 10 seconds not only increases your levels of oxytocin, or the "love hormone," it also decreases stress and depression and boosts your immune system. That's why the motto for the next blessed year of your life should be: "Lots of hugs a day keeps the blues away—and can help make your clothes fall away."

Leo: Leos are almost always their own biggest critics. In fact, it's really your biggest and one of your only flaws—you expect yourself to be perfect, forgetting that outside of the occasional baseball game or bowling match, perfection is a myth. So your new assignment is to accept that your imperfections don't limit you, they help you. So will this line from Hemingway: "We're all broken ... that's how the light gets in."

Virgo: Virgos tend to have slightly naughty and fairly frisky sides to them. Sometimes this may cause you to feel twinges of guilt or regret. That's why your new mission is to treat yourself with kindness, even when you're feeling fired up, and to make the Waylon Jennings classic your new theme: "Straight-across the curve, flattenin' the hills."

Capricorn: Some folks say there are three stages in life: Birth, What the hell is this, Death. That's why it's important to remember that it's all about what you do with the confusing middle part. To help, try to remember that life is what you make it and sometimes you won't be able to make sense of any of it—kinda like algebra.

Aquarius: Here are your nuggets of wisdom for the week: A) Sometimes it's better to just remain silent and smile. B) Always shoot for the moon, because even if you miss you'll land among the stars. C) If it doesn't bring you income, inspiration or orgasms you probably don't need it in your life.

Pisces: As an intuitive Water Sign you're probably not surprised to hear that Mammoth's drinking water supply could be threatened by geothermal mixing. You've probably subconsciously always known that's why so many locals have egg-smelling breath. Luckily, eggs are good for you, and so is accepting that no one is perfect, especially when it comes to drawing the line between greed and good. That's why your new mission is to accept everyone for the flawed freaks we all are.

Aries: Aries is one of Clouds' favorite signs, even though you're imperfect, just like everyone else. To help you be as happy and successful as possible, please make your new role model an aggrandizing leader, Richard Nixon: "The judgment of history depends upon who writes it."

Gemini: The biggest challenge most Geminis have in life is being real. Since it's so easy for you to switch from one side of your personality to another, it's also easy to get out of touch with who you really are. Therefore, your new mission is to just be you. To help, remember to drink lots of water and to get some fresh air and sunshine since you're really just a houseplant with complicated emotions.

PERSONALS

I hope to see you ... at the Mammoth Reggae Festival. If you'll smoke your joint, I'll buy you a free ticket for the entire festival! I saw your team ... is playing in the co-ed softball tourney this weekend. Not sure how your team will do, but based upon the time we spent together last weekend, you've got to be the best catcher in the tournament. In search of ... someone to bring me as their "and one" for the two-for-one Thursday Bluesa special. Because why settle for Dirty Cello when you can add a Filthy Flute?

I hope to see you ... at Not Your Grandma's Bingo night @ The Warming Hut. If we both choose our cards right, we can play Oh 69 all night!

I hope to see you ... at Villagefest next weekend for the Burger Battle. Afterward, let's head back to my place with you and your best friend for an impromptu Kielbasa battle!

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