

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: SUPERVISORS BAGGETT AND ERICKSON
(BOARD-ASSIGNED LIAISON COMMITTEE)

FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, CLERK OF THE BOARD *MLW (BWA)*

RE: MINING & MINERAL MUSEUM

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on December 18, 1990

ACTION AND VOTE:

9:45 a.m. Mining & Mineral Exhibit Issues:

A) Report and Recommendation From the Board-Assigned Liaison Committee (Supervisors Baggett and Erickson) to the Mining & Mineral Museum (Administrative Officer); and B) Discussion of Letter from California State Mining and Mineral Museum Association Regarding Renewal of Sub-Lease Agreement (Taber)

BOARD ACTION: Input was provided by: Tom Gay/Mineral Exhibit Association President, George Kurtz, Ralph Bayless, Bud Swift, Dolly Kimbro, Fay Dyer/Mariposa County Taxpayers Association, Mary Jane Brown/Mariposa County Taxpayers Association, Pam Morrison/Mineral Exhibit Association Vice-President, Olson Brown, and Ernie Tasista. (M)Erickson, (S)Radanovich, Res. 90-607 adopted approving interim contingency plan for operation of the Mineral Exhibit and direction given to County staff, with the Board's liaison committee to bring back recommendations on February 5, 1991, for long-term alternatives/Ayes: Unanimous. (M) Erickson, (S) Radanovich, Res. 90-608 adopted requesting 60 day extension of Agreement with the State for the Mineral Exhibit/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc Public Works Dept.
Parks & Recreation Dept.
Mining & Mineral Museum
Administrative Officer
County Counsel
File

MARIPOSA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

AGENDA
ACTION FORM

DATE: 12-18-90
AGENDA ITEM NO. 8-A

DEPARTMENT: ADMINISTRATION

BY: JOHN MC CAMMAN

PHONE: 966-3222

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: Report and recommendation from the Board-assigned liaison committee (Supervisors Baggett and Erickson) to the Mining & Mineral Museum in response to meeting with Association Board of Directors on December 4, 1990.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS: The Board of Supervisors has assigned two supervisors to act as liaison to the Mining & Mineral Association and Museum. A meeting was held with the Board of Directors of the Association on Deember 4, at their request, to receive a letter from them indicating that they did not want to sign a contract lease agreement.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION: Do not receive committee report. Develop alternative direction in this matter.

COSTS: (X) Not Applicable
A. Budgeted current FY \$ _____
B. Total anticipated costs \$ _____
C. Required Add'l funding \$ _____
D. Source: _____


SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
1. Submit Original of Action Form
2. Submit eleven copies of all attachments, number the pages, and list the attachments:

SOURCE: () 4/5ths Vote Required
A. Internal transfers \$ _____
B. Unanticipated revenues \$ _____
C. Reserve for contingency \$ _____
D. Description: _____
Balance in Reserve for Contingencies,
if approved: \$ _____

CLERK'S USE ONLY:

Res. No.: 90-607 + 90-608
Ord. No.: _____
Vote - Ayes: _____ Noes: _____
Absent: _____ Abstained: _____
() Approved () Denied
(X) Minute Order Attached

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S
RECOMMENDATION:

This item on agenda as:
 Recommended
____ Not Recommended
____ For Policy Determination
____ Submitted with Comment
____ Returned for Further
Action

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: _____
ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Mariposa, State of CA
By: _____
Deputy

Comment: _____

A.O. Initials: _____

BACKGROUND

The Mining & Mineral Museum Liaison Committee (Supervisors Erickson and Baggett) have directed me to prepare a contingency plan for the operation of the Mining & Mineral Museum on an interim basis if the Mining & Mineral Museum Association determines not to operate the Museum. This contingency is thought prudent because the Museum Association has determined not to sign the sub-lease agreement between the County and the Association which currently provides for the operation of the Museum facility. Assuming that the current lease agreement, which has been extended through to December 31, 1990, will not be extended again or renewed, what mechanisms the County may use to operate that facility until a long-term solution can be determined?

RECOMMENDATIONS

Authorize the Parks and Recreation Division of the Public Works Department to arrange for staff to be available on an emergency basis if the Museum Association does not open the Museum on any particular operating day. Costs would initially be paid from door receipts as available.

OPERATIONAL LIMITATIONS

Certain constraints were placed upon the operation of the Museum through the Management Plan, which was mutually negotiated between the County, the State and the Association. In an emergency operation situation, it is my recommendation that the Board of Supervisors allow staff to waive the operation of the Museum pursuant to the Management Plan, specifically as to the number of hours of open time for the Museum. Staff recommends that the Museum be operated only on Friday, Saturday and Sundays through the winter and alternative, unidentified hours during the summer.

During open hours, we would have on site one employee from the Parks and Recreation Division of the Public Works Department. An employee would be a Recreation Aide level paid between \$4.50 and \$7.00 per hour. The staffing cost for the operation of the Museum would be approximately \$110 per weekend. In addition, current security arrangements could be maintained during the weekend, based upon door receipts.

ALTERNATIVE

As an alternative to the recommended option, the County could determine to:

- close the Museum and not operate it in violation of our lease agreement and Management Plan with the State.

- attempt to identify an alternative organization to man the Museum.

The first option is not recommended because we could not argue successfully that we made a good faith effort to operate the Museum, even partially in compliance with the lease agreement. The second alternative is not recommended for the short term, because of the potential immediate need. The second alternative is certainly an option for the long-term.

LONG-TERM SOLUTION

Once this interim solution has been implemented, a long-term solution would be presented to the Board for consideration, discussion and amendment. The long-term solution would depend upon the circumstances at the time the County began operating the Museum. Alternatives in the long-term solution include County operation of the Museum, alternative organizational responsibility for the operation of the Museum, or under this plan, the County would assume short term responsibility for manning the door, collecting the tariff and attempting to ensure that a volunteer docent program remained in place. This would be in conjunction with the County's current responsibility for curation of the exhibit.

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12-14-90