



Gold Mountain Community Services District Minutes
Regular Meeting 18-July-2025 10:00 AM
Pacific Street, Portola, CA 96122 <https://www.gmcsd.org/>

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Vice-President Kim Seney.

Roll Call

Present

Vice-President Kim Seney, Director Rene St. Pierre, Director Kathy Kogge, Director Jon Gresley

Staff Present

Annie Tansey-Yoakum, Clerk of the Board; Skyler Allingham, General Manager

2. Public Comments

Nobody made public remarks.

3. Consent Agenda

Vice President Gresley moved to approve the consent agenda items, Director St. Pierre seconded, and the role call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	

4. Board of Director's Vacancy

President Seney presented the candidates that showed interest in participating on the Board of Directors to fill the vacancy left by Director Bennie. Two members of the public showed initial interest, but one dropped out, leaving Patricia Ryan as the candidate for review. President Seney reviewed Ms. Ryan's application and noted that she has extensive training, volunteering, and leadership experience. Vice President Gresley moved to appoint Patricia Ryan to the board vacancy with the term ending 05-December-2025, President Seney seconded the motion. A roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	

5. Swearing in of New Board Member

Director Ryan was sworn in at 10:05 a.m. by Board Clerk, Annie Tansey-Yoakum.

6. Appoint Board Officers

Consideration of appointing new Board Officers. Vice President Gresley moved to appoint President Seney as Board President, Director Kogge seconded. A roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director Ryan	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	

President Seney moved to appoint Vice President Gresley as Vice President of the Board, Director St. Pierre seconded. A roll call Vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director Ryan	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	

7. Review and Assign Committee Members

In consideration of appointing new standing committee assignments. Assignments were approved as follows:

1. Executive Committee: President Seney, VP Gresley
2. Finance Committee: VP Gresley, Director St. Pierre, & GM Allingham
3. Fire Protection Services Committee: Director St. Pierre, Director Ryan, Fire Coordinator Bill Robinson, & GM Allingham
4. Firewise Committee: Director Kogge & Director Ryan, in cooperation with the Nakoma Community Association.

President Seney moved to approve the committee assignments as discussed, VP Gresley seconded. A roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	

Director Ryan	X
Director St. Pierre	X

8. Policy Changes - #5010 Excavation Clearance Requirements

In consideration of approving policy number change and with update of the propane provider to the community, VP Gresley moved to approve the policy changes, President Seney seconded. A roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director Ryan	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	

9. Policy Changes - #3126 Nepotism

President Seney moved to approve the policy changes as reported, Director St. Pierre seconded. A roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	
Director Ryan	X	

10. Policy Changes – New Policy #3515 Smoke-free Workplace

Clerk of the Board, Annie Tansey-Yoakum presented a new policy “Smoke-free Workplace” as a combining of two outdated policies, #2195 & #2197. The directors discussed the purpose of the new policy as well as recommended changes, including the removal of the words, “with no passengers” from section 3125.5. President Seney moved to approve the policy with the first reading, waiving second reading with the recommended change be made. VP Gresley seconded and a roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director Ryan	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	

In consideration of retiring old policies #2195 & #2197, Director St. Pierre moved to approve retiring these policies, Director Ryan seconded and a roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director Ryan	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	

11. General Manager’s Report - Skyler Allingham

Skyler reported to the board on the overall operations of water, wastewater, and fire protection. The Nakoma septic tank project was completed on 07/16/2025. The Nakoma cart barn water has been shut off, water pipes diverted instead of installing a meter. Nakoma will determine how they deliver water to the cart barn moving forward. The Windsong leach field tree removal project has been completed with 22 trees being felled.

GM Allingham reported on the third branch of the District, Fire Protection, recapping improvements. Director Kogge suggested adding plaques to each fire hydrant that include information such as flow rate (GPM), location, distribution pipe specs, and distance to next nearest hydrant.

Public comment included support for further developing the relationship with BPPFD through the MOU, and potentially focus funds on water storage rather than towards more hydrants, considering the stress it causes the existing infrastructure.

12. Secretary of the Board Report – Upcoming UDEL

Annie Tansey-Yoakum, Secretary of the Board reported on the upcoming uniform district elections. There will be three openings as terms are ending on 05-December-2025 for Directors Ryan, St. Pierre, and President Seney. Secretary Tansey reported on the filing process and deadlines of any interested members of the public. All filing documents must be delivered to the county by the end of business on 8-August-2025.

13. Directors’ Reports

Director Kogge: Director Kogge expressed thanks to Director Ryan for joining the Firewise committee. A recent report said that 27/37 fires in Plumas County so far this season have been caused by people leaving camp fires unattended or not dousing them. The annual Firewise meeting will be held at Altitude on August 31, 2025, 1:30pm-3:00pm. So far, Cal Fire, the Community Brigade, BPPFD among others will be there to provide information. Director Kogge reminded everyone that Gold Mountain/Nakoma is a very proactive community. She also has been attending Plumas County hazard mitigation meetings and advised they recently used LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) technology to identify fire hazard fuel areas. Perhaps the District can look into this.

Director St. Pierre: Nothing to report.

Director Ryan: Nothing to report.

Vice President Gresley: VP Gresley gave a warm welcome to Director Ryan.

President Seney: President Seney gave an acknowledgement of appreciation to GM Allingham and Office Administrator Tansey for the improvements she has seen in the GMCSO office and operations. President Seney also moved to appoint Director Kogge to represent the District at the Plumas County Hazard Mitigation meetings, Director St. Pierre seconded and a roll call vote was unanimous in favor.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	
Director Ryan	X	

14. Closed Session

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 – Public Employee Performance Evaluation – General Manager

Closed session began at 11:46am.
 Closed session completed at 12:33pm.

President Seney reported out that the General Manager was reviewed and a motion passed to approve a 3% pay increase to be effective 01-July-2025.

<u>The roll call vote:</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
President Seney	X	
Vice President Gresley	X	
Director Kogge	X	
President Ryan	X	
Director St. Pierre	X	

15. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:34pm