

Shasta LAFCO

Shasta Local Agency Formation Commission

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MINUTES

Special Meeting September 12, 2013

(These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcription of the proceedings and discussion associated with the business on the Commission's agenda; rather, what follows is a summary of the order of business and general nature of testimony, Commission deliberation, and action taken.)

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chairman Baugh called the meeting to order at 9:00 am at the Shasta Lake City Council Chambers at 4488 Red Bluff Street in Shasta Lake. Commissioners Haynes, Jones, Kehoe, Morgan and Yarbrough were present. Attorney Jim Underwood and Clerk/Analyst Marissa Jackson were present as staff. Alternate Commissioner Russell was absent due to working the Clover Fire. Alternate Commissioner Fust was present as a member of the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Monath, Fall River Valley CSD Board Chair, thanked the Commission for the meeting on Monday regarding the pending District issues. Irwin Fust, Director at Clear Creek Community Services District, spoke about the budget and the necessity to watch future expenditures closely.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Item 4b, Minutes from July 17, 2013, was amended and new copies were provided. Agenda Item 4a was pulled from the consent calendar. Commissioner Baugh clarified that the only change to Item 4e, Revised Proposed Legal Services Agreement, was the firm name. A motion was made (Morgan) and seconded to adopt the consent calendar as presented. No one opposed.

Item 4a, Correspondence Received, contained a letter from California Special Districts Association regarding the 2014 Committee and Expert Feedback Team Interest Form. Commissioner Russell submitted a completed interest form. A motion was made (Kehoe) and seconded to participate if no LAFCO costs were involved.

SPECIAL STUDIES AND REPORTS

General Counsel Underwood summarized the South County Fire Districts MSR/SOI study and reports were made by Chief Andy Nichols of Anderson FPD, Chief Eugene Zahara of Cottonwood FPD, Happy Valley FPD

Board Member, Bob Wenham, and Unit Chief and Shasta County Fire Warden Rick Kyle, of CalFire. Clerical errors were addressed and in the last sentence of Finding 4 on page 9, the word encouraged was added.

After a public hearing from 9:55 to 10:16 and comments from the fire districts, discussion followed and a motion was made (Kehoe) to approve the Resolution Approving the South County Fire Districts Municipal Services Review and Spheres of Influence Study as proposed by staff with corrections and changes discussed. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Mr. Underwood summarized the Cemetery Districts MSR/SOI study. It was noted that Pine Grove CD does not have an endowment fund. Mr. Underwood suggested that a finding be made to encourage districts to maintain an endowment fund.

Public hearing was open from 10:32 to 10:35 at which time Jan Lopez advised that Pine Grove has a sufficient tax base, but that Fall River Mills was struggling. Jerry Monath, Fall River Mills resident, stated that Fall River is struggling and there has been past discussion about merging with Pine Grove. A motion was made (Jones) to approve the Resolution Approving the Cemetery Districts Municipal Services Review and Sphere of Influence Study with the addition of the endowment fund finding made to the report. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Underwood reminded the Commission that the Public Member position had been open since May and that appropriate notices were published in local newspapers. One application was submitted by Dick Fyten, and one letter of interest was submitted by existing Public Member Alternate, Larry Russell. A motion was made (Jones) to nominate Dick Fyten to the Public Member position. The motion was seconded and passed with one dissenting vote (Morgan).

Item 6b was pulled from the calendar at staff's request.

The Ad Hoc Committee (Jones, Baugh and Haynes) proposed a contracted consultant position. A motion was made (Yarbrough) and seconded to pursue a contract position. Applicants were invited to speak to the commission and answered questions, as well. At 12:24 public comment was opened. Jerry Monath, Fall River Mills resident, stated that he preferred to deal with people locally. Alternate Commissioner Irwin Fust stated that a contract was the correct decision and that the Commission should be mindful when negotiating terms due to budget constraints.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(d) and 54957, the Commission entered into closed session at 12:27 pm. At 1:34 pm, Jim Underwood reported that there were no reportable actions.

COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Morgan announced the 75th anniversary celebration of the construction of Shasta Dam would be held at Clair Engle Park in Shasta Lake City on Saturday. Commissioner Baugh noted that bank account reconciliations were not included in the agenda packet per the request of Commissioner Giacomini at a previous meeting.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next LAFCO meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2013 at the Shasta County Board of Supervisors Chambers beginning at 9:00 am.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Baugh adjourned the meeting at 1:37 pm.

ATTEST:

Marissa Jackson
Clerk to the Commission