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County Member

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County Member Alternate

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City Member

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City Member

Stan Neutze  
City Member Alternate



Fred Ryness  
Special District Member

Ronnean Lund  
Special District Member  
Rosemary Smith  
Special District Alternate

Larry Russell  
Public Member

Michael Spencer  
Public Member Alternate

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## **REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**

Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

City of Anderson - City Council Chambers 1887 Howard Street, Anderson, California

## **ADOPTED MINUTES**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Neutze called meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at City of Anderson Council Chambers

a. Roll Call

**Present:** Chairman Neutze, Commissioners Crye, Jones, Morgan, Russell, and Alternate Ryness  
*Alternate Ryness was seated as special district voting member.*

**Absent:** *Commissioner Lund - excused due to illness.*

**Staff Present:** Executive Officer George Williamson, Legal Counsel Jim Underwood, and Analyst Krystle Heaney

b. Pledge of Allegiance - Stan Neutze

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speakers: Three public members provided comments on the Fall River Valley Fire Protection District: Davian Anteano, Pat Oilar and Ryan Booth. Comments were generally regarding concerns about governance structure, board meeting protocol, and volunteer participation/safety.

### **3. AGENDA ADOPTION**

- a. Agenda Additions/Changes
- b. Business/Campaign Conflict Disclosures

No changes were made to the agenda.

### **4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

- a. Staffing Transition: Proposed Executive Officer Krystle Heaney Interview - (Potential Action)

**Motion** to approve Krystle Heaney as Executive Officer for Shasta LAFCO beginning January 1, 2024 by Commissioner Russell, seconded by Commissioner Ryness, and passed by 6-0-0 voice vote.

### **5. CONSENT CALENDAR - (Action Item)**

- a. October 5 Commission Meeting Minutes
- b. FY 2023-24 Quarter 1 Summary & US Bank Statements

**Motion** to approve consent calendar by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ryness, and passed by a 6-0-0 vote.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. SDRMA Letter regarding Special District Leadership Foundation - *informational only*

**7. SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS - (Action Items)**

- a. Fall River Valley Fire Protection District Reorganization - Continued Hearing

Multiple public comments were received regarding the proposed annexation of territory to Fall River Valley FPD. Comments generally focused on:

- Concern about board proceedings and conduct.
- Training levels of first responders.
- Lack of any tax exchange between the County the FPD to support services in the proposed annexation area.
- Desire of the FPD board to terminate the application.
- Limited ambulance services in the Fall River Valley.
- Need for an update MSR/SOI Update

The Commission considered the public comments received and the advantages of going through an MSR/SOI Update process to help inform future boundary changes.

The following speakers provided testimony:

- Fire Department Volunteer Lisa Valdez
- Fire District Chief Rick Gomes
- Fire District Board Chairman Gary Fazio and Board Member Pat Oilar
- Fire District Training /Command Staff Ryan Booth
- Fire Department Volunteer Zita Biehle
- Soldier Mountain Fire Station Chief Greg Mather
- Community Member Norman Valdez

Several Commissioners spoke, including County Alternate Mary Rickert, who's Supervisor District includes Fall River Valley. Commissioners encouraged the various service providers and the public to work together to address community needs.

**Motion** to terminate reorganization application and move forward with Intermountain MSR/SOI Update by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Russell and passed by a 5-0-1 voice vote.

Ayes: Chairman Neutze, Commissioners Crye, Jones, Russell, and Alternate Ryness

Noes: None

Abstain: Commissioner Morgan

**b. Shasta FPD MSR/SOI Update by Resolution 2023-10**

**Motion** to adopt Resolution 2023-10 approving Shasta FPD MSR/SOI Update CEQA Exemption and MSR/SOI Update by Commissioner Russell, seconded by Commissioner Ryness and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

- c. City of Shasta Lake MSR/SOI Update by Resolution 2023-11

**Motion** to adopt Resolution 2023-11 approving Shasta Lake MSR/SOI Update CEQA Exemption and MSR/SOI Update by Commissioner Morgan, seconded by Commissioner Crye and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

- d. City of Anderson, Out of Area Water Services Extension, within SOI by Resolution 2023-12

**Motion** to adopt Resolution 2023-12 approving Out of Area Service Extension by the City of Anderson to SPI properties by Commissioner Morgan, seconded by Commissioner Ryness and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

- e. FY 2023-24 Budget Amendment / Reformat by Resolution 2023-13

**Motion** to adopt Resolution 2023-13 approving a FY2023-24 Budget Amendment by Commissioner Morgan, seconded by Commissioner Crye and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Next MSR/SOI Update Cycle: Intermountain FPDs & City of Anderson this Fiscal Year

**Motion** to Approve Cycle by Commissioner Russell, seconded by Commissioner Crye and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

- b. FY 2022-23 Audit Award - single bid received - re-issue with other LAFCOs:

**Motion** to reject all bids and re-issue RFP in conjunction with other LAFCOs by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Crye and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

- c. 2024 Meeting Schedule (*Informational - No Action*)

## 9. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Staffing Services Transition Plan

**Motion** to approve Services Contract Amendment No. 2 with Planwest Partners approving Krystle Heaney as Executive Officer and Geroge Williamson as Senior Advisor by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Crye and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

- b. Special District Member - Seat 1 & Alternate Voting Results (*Informational - No Action*)  
Fred Ryness of Burney Water District has been voted in as a Regular Special District Member and Rosemary Smith of Shasta Lake Fire Protection District has been voted in as Alternate Special District Member.

- c. Annual Apportionments: Commission determination of appropriate outstanding invoice collection (*Potential Action*)

**Motion** to approve apportionment request by Commissioner Crye, seconded by Commissioner Ryness and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

- d. Planwest Partners September & October 2023 Invoices

**Motion** to approve invoices by Commissioner Ryness, seconded by Commissioner Morgan and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

- e. Executive Committee Appointments for 2024  
Chair Neutze, Commissioner Ryness, and Commissioner Russell were appointed to continue serving on the Executive Committee for the 2024 calendar year.

**Motion** to approve appointments by Commissioner Crye, seconded by Commissioner Morgan and passed by a 6-0-0 voice vote.

**10. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT**

Commissioners gave thanks to outgoing Executive Officer Geroge Williamson for this exceptional service and professionalism over eight years.

**11. CLOSED SESSION - None**

**12. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS - None**

**13. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the Shasta County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 1450 Court Street, Redding, California.

**14. ADJOURNMENT - 12:28 PM**