

# Calaveras Local Agency Formation Commission

## Regular Meeting Minutes – Monday, April 17, 2017

1. **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call** – Order was called by Chair Folendorf at 6:01 p.m., on Monday, April 17, 2017, in the Calaveras County Board of Supervisors Chambers, County Administrative Center, San Andreas, California.

### Commissioners Present

Amanda Folendorf, Chair, City Member  
Michael Oliveira, Vice Chair, County Mem.  
Anita Paque, Public Member  
John Lavaroni, Special District Member  
Tony Tyrrell, Special District Member  
Jon Dashner, Special District Member Alt.  
Linda Hermann, City Member  
Roark Weber, Public Member Alt.

### Commissioners Absent

Gary Tofanelli, County Member  
Dennis Mills, County Member Alt.  
Susan Rudolph, City Member Alt.

### Staff Present

John Benoit, Executive Officer  
Nancy Mees, LAFCO Clerk

### Others Present

2. **Approval of Agenda: MOTION** by Commissioner Tyrrell to approve the Agenda as presented, second by Commissioner Paque. Motion passed 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent, 0 abstention.
3. **Consider Minutes from the March 20, 2017, LAFCo meeting: MOTION** by Commissioner Paque to approve the Minutes as presented, second by Commissioner Tyrrell. Motion passed 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent, 0 abstention.
4. **Consent Agenda: Review and Authorize Claims for March 2017: MOTION** by Commissioner Hermann to approve Claims for March 2017 as presented, second by Commissioner Tyrrell. Motion passed 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent, 0 abstention.

## **5. Public Hearing Regarding the Proposed 2017-2018 LAFCo Budget.**

Executive Officer Benoit first introduced Timothy Lutz, the new CAO for Calaveras County, who was in the audience. He then reported that the budget is basically the same as in past years. Being mindful of the budget constraints of the city and county, he worked to keep the LAFCo budget within those parameters. Some items have gone up this year, however, such as CALAFCO dues and copying costs. Mr. Benoit would like to find ways to reduce copy costs this coming year by making more use of electronic agendas and packets.

Executive Officer Benoit also commented that the Service Reviews for water and wastewater are due again, so money has been put in this year's budget for those. In addition, there is money so that some of the CSD Spheres can be completed. He has also budgeted in some money for he and Clerk Mees to work on organizing, purging and scanning numerous boxes of documents that are in storage.

Executive Officer Benoit finished by stating that he has also included the cost of three people attending the next CALAFCO conference in San Diego in October. Beyond these items, the budget is the same as last year. Mr. Benoit is continuing to try to build up the reserve fund.

The net result is that there will be a very slight decrease in the cost shares this year. Commissioner Oliveira asked how the shares are broken down, and Mr. Benoit responded that the total is divided one-third each among the city, county and special districts. Commissioner Paque commented that there has been some talk of District MSRs being paid by the subject district, thereby removing that cost from LAFCo's budget. Executive Officer Benoit added that when an annexation occurs in an area outside the subject Sphere of Influence, the entity requesting the annexation must pay for the Sphere update.

Chair Folendorf opened the Public Hearing. There were no comments, and the Hearing was closed.

**MOTION** by Commissioner Tyrrell to approve the Proposed 2017-2018 Budget as presented, second by Commissioner Lavaroni. Motion passed 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent, 0 abstention.

## **6. Executive Officer's Report.**

### *a. Legislation.*

Executive Officer Benoit commented that the Legislature is taking up the issues of health care, inactive districts, and consolidations. He mentioned that other counties have sent letters of support for AB464 (Gallagher) which deals with reorganizations. Commissioner Paque suggested that Calaveras send a letter to both Assemblyman Gallagher and to Assemblywoman Curry, Chair of the Committee on Local

Government. Executive Officer Benoit also mentioned that there was a bill (AB979) that streamlines special districts obtaining representation on local LAFCOs, but that since Calaveras already has Special District representation, it would not affect our LAFCo.

b. *CCWD SOI.*

Executive Office Benoit reported that this SOS is a little different in that it is really four spheres in one: water, sewer, agricultural water, and planning. He passed out a Draft SOI for the commissioners to review for the May 15 meeting.

Russ Thomas, an audience member who is on the CCWD Board, informed the commissioners that if they had any questions, they could contact him.

**7. Commissioner Reports.**

Commissioner Oliveira reported that he and Executive Officer Benoit had been discussing whether the LAFCo Commission Meeting time should be changed. After some discussion, the commissioners agreed to move the meetings to 5:30 p.m. to allow persons who work time to get to the meeting. They agreed that the third Monday of the month was still a good day. Executive Officer Benoit will prepare a Resolution for the change of time for the May 15 meeting. The May meeting will still start at 6:00 p.m.

**8. Public Comment:** No public comments.

**9. Adjournment.**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m. The next regular meeting will be May 15, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in San Andreas.

Minutes submitted by Nancy Mees.

**DATED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Amanda Folendorf, Chair, or Michael Oliveira,  
Vice Chair, Calaveras Local Agency Formation