

LASSEN COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
Board of Supervisors Chambers 707 Nevada Street Susanville, CA 96130

SPECIAL MEETING
January 26, 2015 - 3:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Chairperson Eid.

Roll call of members present: Jim Chapman, Rod E. De Boer, Jeff Hemphill, Brian R. Wilson and Todd Eid.

Staff Present: John Benoit, Executive Officer and Gwenna MacDonald, Clerk.

Motion by Commissioner Wilson to approve the agenda as submitted; Commissioner De Boer provided a second and the motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Chapman, De Boer, Hemphill, Wilson and Eid.

Correspondence

Mr. Benoit shared information from the Special District Risk Management Authority.

Minutes *There were no minutes for approval.*

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

6 Public Hearing: Formation of the Southern Cascades Community Services District

Mr. Benoit reported that LAFCO received a resolution of application from Modoc County and Lassen County Board of Supervisors approving the formation of an Emergency Medical Services CSD. The proposed District Sphere of Influence is a large area of unincorporated territory in the southwestern Modoc County and Northwestern Lassen County region. The District would provide locally based ambulance, emergency medical and emergency medical training services. Prior to the formation of the District, registered voters will have to approve a special tax in order to raise funds for operation of the District. LAFCO approval of the proposal will be conditional upon the success of the adoption and certification of a special tax. Mr. Benoit reviewed the proposal and plan for services as well as the justification for services based upon the lack of local emergency medical services.

Chairperson Eid opened the public hearing at 3:07 p.m. and requested comments.

Commissioner Wilson asked if a vote was needed to waive the application fee, given the fact that the proposed District has no revenue source.

Mr. Benoit responded that the fee waiver request had been voted on and approved at a prior meeting. He reviewed Resolution No. 2015-0001, noting that the Sphere of Influence would be adopted one year after the formation of the District.

Commissioner Chapman observed that the SOI is coterminous and wedged in between three existing ambulance providers with no way to increase or decrease and suggested adopting the SOI at the outset.

Mr. Benoit responded that the Sphere of Influence cannot be adopted for a District that has not been formed, prior to recording the Certificate of Completion with the State. Lassen LAFCO is considered the principal county and will be acting as lead agency for the District formation.

There being no further comments, Chairperson Eid closed the public hearing at 3:19 p.m.

The Commission discussed the process and timeline for an election to vote on the establishment of a special tax which would be the source of revenue for the District. The Lassen County Clerk would be facilitating the election as a consolidated election, with information regarding Modoc County voters being provided by the Modoc elections office. There were no further comments.

Motion by Commissioner Wilson to approve Resolution Number 2015-0001; Commissioner Chapman provided a second and the motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Chapman, De Boer, Hemphill, Wilson and Eid.

7 2015 Regular Meeting Schedule

Mr. Benoit reviewed the proposed meeting schedule for 2015, with meetings scheduled for the second Monday each month in February, April, June, August, October and December. He noted that the meeting in October was scheduled for the third Monday due to a holiday conflict, and that no meeting would be held in February. It was the consensus of the Commission to hold meetings according to the proposed schedule.

8 Calafco Workshop – April 15-17, 2015

It was the consensus of the Commission to authorize the Executive Officer to attend the Calafco Workshop scheduled for April 15-17, 2015, in Grass Valley.

9 Payment of Claims: December 2014 and January 2015

Motion by Commissioner Chapman to approve claims for December 2014 and January 2015 in the amount of \$5,281.99; Commissioner De Boer provided a second and the motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Chapman, De Boer, Hemphill, Wilson and Eid.

10 Executive Officer Report

Mr. Benoit reported that he has met with the new Executive Officer for Shasta LAFCO and at this time, they would not be proceeding with an annexation. There was nothing new to report regarding the Fall River Mills Fire Protection District. At the moment CalFire is providing service and the formation of a District appears to be cost prohibitive at the present time. He reminded the Commission that Form 700's are due April 1st, and that he would be meeting with the City Administrator in February regarding a status update for the City of Susanville Municipal Services Review. He noted that the LAFCO Policies were due for a review and update, and he would be bringing that back for the Commission's review at an upcoming meeting.

11 Commissioner Reports No business.

Motion by Commissioner De Boer, second by Commissioner Wilson to adjourn until April 13, 2015; motion carried unanimously. Ayes: Chapman, De Boer, Hemphill, Wilson and Eid.

The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Todd Eid, Chairperson

Gwenna MacDonald, Recording Secretary

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