

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
COLUSA COUNTY
MINUTES OF MEETING ON APRIL 14, 2011

PRESENT:

DENISE CARTER, Chair, County Member
ANGIE FULCHER, City Member
MARY WINTERS, Alternate, Public Member
BRANDON ASH, Public Member
KAY HOSMER, Vice Chair, City Member

ALSO PRESENT:

JOHN BENOIT, Ex. Officer
LORA CECCON, Clerk

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair, D. Carter called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. There was a quorum present.

2. Approval of the Minutes from the March 3, 2011 LAFCO meeting

On motion of Commissioner A. Fulcher, second by Commissioner B. Ash, the Commission approved the March 3, 2011 minutes as presented. Passed on a roll call vote.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Payment of claims for the month of March 2011

J. Benoit advised the Commission that he has included a breakdown of expenses with the claim form, as requested.

On motion of Commissioner K. Hosmer, second by Commissioner A. Fulcher, the Commission approved payment of the March claims. Passed on a roll call vote.

5. Public Hearing regarding the Proposed 2011-2012 LAFCO Budget

3:07 – Opened Public Hearing

J. Benoit presented the proposed 2011-2012 budget for the Commissions review. The total contribution from the Cities and County is \$90,000.00. There is approximately \$32,000.00 in reserve. John stated that the MSRs are in pretty good shape; however, the requirements may change. He feels that it is a good idea to have legal counsel at Lafco meetings. The budget for legal notices has been reduced by \$500.00 and special projects funds have been reduced by \$9,000.00.

John suggested to the Commissioners that this is the year to attend the annual conference because it is close by and thus travel costs are less. Some discussion followed regarding the value of attending and associated costs.

This year's conference will be held on August 31st, September 1st and 2nd in Napa. John stated that five Commissioners could probably attend with the budget allocated. Commissioner A. Fulcher stated that because she has attended the past two years, she will not be attending this year. John will need to know by June, those that will be attending.

John stated the administrative budget has increased by approximately \$600.00. He scrutinizes the administrative charges regularly. \$2,000.00 is reasonable for an administrative budget. The reserve fund has decreased by \$8,000.00.

A short discussion followed regarding the cost of MSRs and SOI updates and the lack of developers to pay for them.

3:39 p.m. – Closed Public Hearing

Commissioner K. Hosmer moved to adopt Resolution 2011-0001, a Resolution of Colusa LAFCO Adopting a Proposed Budget for 2011-2012, second by Commissioner A. Fulcher, motion carries on a roll call vote as follows.

Ayes: Commissioners A. Fulcher, B. Ash, K. Hosmer, M. Winters and D. Carter

Noes: None

Absent: G. Evans

Abstain: None

6. Executive Officer's Monthly Report

J. Benoit advised members that a final budget hearing would be held at the June meeting.

Upcoming projects and reviews: J. Benoit stated that there would be no changes to the Williams MSR due to the redevelopment plan. There are a couple annexations; a small one in Arbuckle and a larger one in Colusa (Walnut Ranch). Commissioner D. Carter enquired about the lead on the project. She would appreciate John speaking with Jan McClintock at the City since the annexation has already been approved. John replied that Lafco could be a co-lead; however, he needs to talk with City representatives. The process is going forward. More discussion was held regarding Walnut Ranch.

Calafco Staff Workshop: Defer to May meeting – written report

Williams Municipal Service Review: Will be presented as a main agenda item at the May 5th meeting.

7. Commissioner Reports – Discussion

Commissioner K. Hosmer stated that she will be attending the Calafco Legislation meeting soon. She most often participates in conference calls rather than incurring the cost to attend in person.

8. Correspondence: None

9. Adjourn to next LAFCO meeting – May 5, 2011

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 p.m.