



## **BUTTE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION Minutes of August 1, 2019**

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

Chair Leverenz called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., August 1, 2019, in the Butte County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 25 County Center Drive, Oroville, California.

#### **1.1 Roll Call**

Commissioners Present: Greg Bolin (City)  
Jack Kiely (Special District)  
Bill Connelly (Vice Chair - County)  
Al McGreehan (Special District-Alt)  
Nathan Wilkinson (City)  
Debra Lucero (County-Alt)  
Carl Leverenz – (Chair-Public)

Commissioners Absent: Steve Lambert (County)

Alternate Commissioners Present: Greg Steel (Public)

Alternate Commissioners Absent: Bruce Johnson (City)

Vacant Seat: Regular Commissioner Special District

Others Present: Stephen Lucas, LAFCO Executive Officer  
Jill Broderson, LAFCO Management Analyst  
Joy Stover, LAFCO Commission Clerk  
P. Scott Browne, LAFCO Legal Counsel

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### **2. CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **2.1 Approval of the Minutes of June 6, 2019**

Chair Leverenz asked the Commission Clerk to discuss a couple of issues that need to be amended on the draft minutes.

Joy Stover stated Alternate Commissioner Steel's name was inadvertently left off the votes on the draft minutes and LAFCo Legal Counsel Representative's name contained a typo.

**Commissioner Wilkinson made a motion to approve and amend the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McGreehan.**

**The motion was carried by the following vote:**

**AYES:** Bolin, Kiely, Connelly, McGreehan, Wilkinson and Chair Leverenz  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
**ABSTAINS:** Lucero

**3. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS - None**

**4. REGULAR AGENDA**

**4.1 Items Removed from the Consent Agenda – None**

**4.2 19-11 – South Feather Water and Power Agency – Sunnybrook Lane Annexation No. 1**

Jill Broderson stated for your consideration is an annexation proposal for a single parcel located in the Palermo area. The proposed annexation totals 7.1 acres to the South Feather Water & Power Agency for the provision of domestic and irrigation water. No additional comments have been received since the report was prepared and staff is recommending approval.

Chair Leverenz requested information as to the agricultural raw water needs of the owners.

Jill Broderson stated this is basically a parcel with just pasture but there are agriculture lands in the area.

Chair Leverenz opened this up to public comment. No comments received. Public comment closed.

**Commissioner Connelly moved to adopt Resolution No. 01 2019/2020 approving the annexation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kiely.**

**The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:**

**AYES:** Bolin, Kiely, Connelly, McGreehan, Wilkinson, Lucero and Chair Leverenz  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
**ABSTAINS:** None

**4.3 2019 CALAFCO Board of Directors and Award Nominations**

Chair Leverenz stated the Commission is very fortunate that Steve Lucas and Bill Connelly have taken an active interest in CALAFCO as it is part of an education for them from which the Commission benefits. To the extent that Bill Connelly is willing to spend his time working with CALAFCO, especially with input with legislation and other issues that would impact the Commission he encourages this.

**Commissioner Wilkinson moved to nominate Bill Connelly to run for the CALAFCO Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McGreehan.**

**The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:**

**AYES:** Bolin, Kiely, Connelly, McGreehan, Wilkinson, Lucero and Chair Leverenz  
**NOES:** None  
**ABSENT:** None  
**ABSTAINS:** None

## 5. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Chair Leverenz opened this item up for public comments. No comments received. Public comment was closed.

## 6. Reports and Communications

### 6.1 Executive Officer's Report.

Steve Lucas presented the Executive Officer's Report and provided an update to the election status for the Special District regular non-enterprise Commissioner seat. A quorum has been reached but the voting period has not closed yet.

Steve provided a summary update to the Project Notes and stated Agricultural Groundwater Users of Butte County are moving forward with a formation of a land owner voter water district, proposed to be known as the Tuscan Water District and they expect to go to the Board of Supervisors soon to request the Board make an application to LAFCo.

Commissioner Lucero asked if this is the same 42 farmers that originally got together.

Steve stated yes, and they are for proposing to be called the Tuscan Water District.

Commissioner Lucero asked if the workshops are open to the public.

Steve Lucas stated they will be but really the intent now is to reach out to the landowners that will be in the district to let them know about the potential water district.

Commissioner Lucero asked about the cost associated with becoming a member of the water district.

Steve Lucas stated this is a non-profit organization that they set up at this time and once it forms into a district, then it will be technically a governmental entity and then voluntary contributions will look more like assessments, but that has not all be vetted yet.

Steve Lucas stated LAFCo previously prepared a MSR & SOI Update for the Drainage & Reclamation Districts of Butte County and one of the recommendations was for Drainage District No. 2 (DD#2) to potentially dissolve as it is completely overlapped by Butte Creek Drainage District and they provide basically the same services. Steve met with DD#2 Board recently and they directed their staff to move forward with working with LAFCo staff to move towards that goal.

A Camp Fire update was provided & additional potential funding sources may be available

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Steve Lucas stated it depends on the type of district that is chosen to be formed. The formation of the district would come before LAFCo for approval. Funding will be the main issue in regards to the formation of a district for the Miocene Canal.

Commissioner McGreehan wanted to clarify that during the June 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Town of Paradise Council meetings there were no formal adoptions made as to building code amendments.

**6.2 Correspondence - None**

**7. ADMINISTRATION**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 a.m. to the next LAFCO meeting scheduled for September 5, 2019.

**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION**



**By: Stephen Lucas, Executive Officer**