

BUTTE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
Minutes of October 6, 2016

1. Call to Order

Chair Leverenz called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., October 6, 2016, in the Butte County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 25 County Center Drive, Oroville, California.

1.1 Roll Call

Present: Commissioners: John Busch (City-alternate), Larry Duncan (Special District); Bill Connelly (County), Tom Lando (Special District), Steve Lambert (County) and Chair Carl Leverenz (Public)

Absent: Commissioner Linda Dahlmeier (City) and Scott Lotter (City)
Alternate Commissioners: Al McGreehan (Special District), Greg Steel (Public) and Larry Wahl (County)

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

2. Consent Agenda

2.1 Approval of the Minutes of September 1, 2016

Chair Leverenz asked if there were any changes to the minutes. None stated.

Commissioner Lando made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Duncan.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Busch, Duncan, Connelly, Lando, Lambert and Chair Leverenz
NOES: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Dahlmeier
ABSTAINS: None

3. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS –

3.1 16-05 – County Service Areas Municipal Service Reviews and Sphere of Influence Plans

Chair Leverenz asked if staff had anything additional information to add to the staff report.

Steve Lucas, LAFCo Executive Officer, stated staff published this item in the Chico Enterprise Record and to date we have received no comments from the public. Steve Lucas provided a Power Point presentation.

Commissioner Lando asked if a Commissioner is within one of the CSAs does that create a Brown Act issue.

LAFCo Counsel Scott Browne stated it would not be a Brown Act issue, but a potential Conflict of Interest issue.

Commissioner Connelly stated as for CSA 26, Thermalito Sewer and Drainage, there have been plans for expenditures for this CSA.

Chair Leverenz stated this is an informative document and LAFCo is not going to take any action other than to provide assistance.

Commissioner Lando asked if LAFCo has the ability to force a consolidation.

Steve Lucas stated that is not the intent of the document, but consolidation is always an option if the Commission so directs.

Commissioner Connelly stated the staff may want to contact Orchard Hospital in Gridley regarding funding issues as CSA 82 has a large fund balance that may be able to be used to help the hospital out.

Commissioner Lando asked if there is a way that CSAs could cross pollinate such as in the Stirling City area.

Steve Lucas stated that is an option and a recommendation.

Chair Leverenz stated it may be time to look into doing an updated MSR for the mosquito districts due to health reasons, especially since the Zika virus issue.

Chair Leverenz asked for comments from the public.

Jennifer Macarthy, Deputy Administrative Officer for Butte County, stated she wanted to thank LAFCo staff for preparing a thorough resource document. Administration will be getting together with County staff to go over the recommendations listed in the document.

Tom Fossum, Deputy Director of Public Works, stated they are very appreciative of this document. The County has known about some of the issues raised in the document and work is ongoing to address these issues. Some of the areas within some of the CSAs have moved into the City of Chico's jurisdiction and staff would

like to see the City of Chico take over some of the functions currently under those CSAs. Discussions are ongoing with the City of Chico. As for CSA 24 – Chico Mud Creek Drainage, funds are used to maintain levees and staff would like to see CSA 24 remain within the county control. CSA 26 – Thermalito Drainage, funding for improvement is needed.

Commissioner Connelly stated LAFCo allowed growth in the Thermalito area and every time we allow growth it affects drainage.

Tom Fossum stated as for CSA 87 – Keefer Road/Rock Creek Drainage, the County is trying to deal with drainage in the area and staff does not want to see this CSA dissolved as future needs are anticipated. CSA 163 – Thorntree: a portion of this area is being served by Cal Water currently. CSA 82 – Stirling City Sewer, County staff is very active in trying to find funding to solve the sewer line issues and realizes this is a limited income area.

Chair Leverenz closed the public portion of the hearing.

Commissioner Lando asked if LAFCo gives CSA 87 a zero sphere of influence, do we have to dissolve the CSA? There was discussion on this CSA.

Commissioner Lando made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 01 2016/17 approving the staff recommendations as noted, amending the resolution to leave the Sphere of Influence (SOI) for CSA 87 in place and approving the Municipal Service Review and Sphere of Influence update. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Duncan.

The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Commissioners Busch, Duncan, Connelly, Lando, Lambert and Chair Leverenz
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Commissioner Dahlmeier
ABSTAINS:	None

4. REGULAR AGENDA

4.1 Items Removed from the Consent Agenda – None

5. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Chair Leverenz asked for comments on items not on the agenda. None stated.

6. Reports and Communications

6.1 Executive Officer's Report

Steve Lucas summarized the Executive Officer's report.

6.2 Correspondence – None

7. ADMINISTRATION – None

8. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m. to the November 3, 2016 regularly scheduled meeting.

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By: Stephen Lucas, Executive Officer