

AMADOR LAFCO



LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

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MINUTES

February 15, 2018

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This meeting was available via live audio streaming and was digitally recorded.

1. **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call**

The February 15, 2018, meeting of the Amador Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), held at the County Administration Center, 810 Court Street, Jackson, California, was called to order by Chairman Crew at 6:05 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Members Present:

Pat Crew, Chairman
Brian Oneto, County Member
Dominic Atlan, City Member
Jim Vinciguerra, Public Member

Staff Present:

Roseanne Chamberlain, Executive Officer
Nancy Mees, Clerk to the Commission
William Chamberlain, Legal Counsel

3. **Approval of Agenda for February 15, 2018**

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Oneto, seconded by Commissioner Atlan, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as submitted.

4. **Approval of the Minutes of January 18, 2018**

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Vinciguerra, seconded by Commissioner Atlan, and carried unanimously to approve the Minutes for January 18, 2018, as submitted, with Commissioner Oneto abstaining.

5. **Approval of Claims to February 15, 2018**

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Atlan, seconded by Commissioner Oneto, and carried unanimously to approve the Approval of Claims – Meeting Final, as submitted.

6. **Public Forum – Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

7. **Report of the City Selection Committee Meeting of 11:00 AM, Feb. 15, 2018; Appointment of Cities Representative and Alternate**

Executive Officer Chamberlain reported that she had attended the City Selection Committee Meeting and answered their questions as to how the city rotation works. The Committee appointed Tim Murphy to City Seat #1, Dominic Atlan to City Seat #2, and Sandy Kyles as the Alternate, with these appointments being for the 2017-2018 time period. The Committee will meet again in 2019 to appoint new Commissioners, and Sutter Creek will drop off the rotation at that time.

8. **River Pines Public Utility District, Public Review Draft Municipal Service Review (MSR), 2018 Update**

Executive Officer Chamberlain explained that the current draft will be improved and edited, but that staff needed approval to put the draft out for Public Hearing. She added that a proposed annexation is also in process that will clean up the issue of water service that has been provided to some parcels in El Dorado County that had occurred without the proper procedures being done.

She also reported that numerous problems in the district had been noted by the 2014 MSR, and that River Pines PUD has been working on those: they have entered into a contract with Amador Water Agency to operate their water system, and they have hired a General Manager. All of these changes warrant an update of their MSR prior to approving a new Sphere of Influence and the annexation.

Ms. Chamberlain commented that staff was aware of some errors in the footnotes and would correct them. She added that she would be meeting with River Pines PUD to review some items, and then the edited Draft MSR would be sent to all affected agencies for comment prior to the Public Hearing. Commissioner Oneto asked if El Dorado County would be included, and Ms. Chamberlain responded in the affirmative. She added that the original service of water to the El Dorado County parcels probably happened because, at that time, the district did not know there was a process to annex parcels, so just did it.

Commissioner Crew opened the discussion to public comment. There was none, but Ms. Chamberlain introduced Rocky Raymond from River Pines PUD, who was in the audience.

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Oneto, seconded by Commissioner Atlan, and carried unanimously to direct staff to release the Draft for a Public Hearing at the March 15, 2018, LAFCO Commission meeting.

9. **Overview and Discussion of SB 239 (2015)**

Executive Officer Chamberlain reported that Lockwood FPD was looking at entering into a contract with CalFire to provide staffing at the Dewdrop station. She stated she had reviewed the new legislation and determined that it did not apply to this contract. She then went to a CALAFCO U workshop where SB 239 was a topic on the agenda, and she presented the issue to those attending. Many of them disagreed with her analysis, so she referred it to Amador LAFCO legal counsel, who carefully reviewed the legislation. Counsel Chamberlain also determined that it did not apply to this contract. Mr. Chamberlain also contacted CALAFCO's counsel, who agreed with his review. Executive Officer Chamberlain added that she believes the legal opinion regarding this issue may be precedent for other LAFCOs in California. Counsel will be presenting

this issue at the upcoming CALAFCO annual meeting.

Legal Counsel Chamberlain added that he had also circulated his written opinion to the list serve for the other CALAFCO attorneys. Only one replied, and it was in agreement with his opinion.

10. Policy Defining Municipal Services

Executive Officer Chamberlain explained that the purpose of this policy addition is to define and clarify what municipal services are with respect to LAFCO activities.

Motion: It was moved by Commissioner Atlan, seconded by Commissioner Vinciguerra, and carried unanimously to add Section 8 defining municipal services to Amador LAFCOs adopted policies.

The Commission then realized it had missed the second staff recommendation on Agenda Item 9, and therefore directed staff to support or assist Lockwood FPD and CalFire with their agreement, if necessary.

11. Support for Legislation to Provide Grant Funding to LAFCOs

Executive Officer Chamberlain reported that the Legislature may be setting up a one-time grant funding for LAFCOs. Since Amador LAFCO only meets once a month at most, she would like to have a blanket authorization to write a letter supporting any such funding when it comes up. Hopefully there would be time for the Chair to sign, but if it were urgent, the letter could be sent under the Executive Officer's signature.

By consensus, the Commission authorized the Executive Officer to send letters of support under either the Chair's or the Executive Officer's signature.

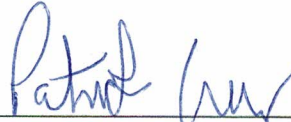
12. Other Business, Reports

- a. Correspondence –none.
- b. Commissioner Announcements – none.
- c. Executive Officers Report – Ms. Chamberlain stated that everything had already been covered elsewhere on the agenda.
- d. Budget Report – in the review binder at the dais.
- e. Project Status Report – Referring to the Project Status Report in the packet, Commissioner Oneto asked whether he would have to recuse himself with respect to any action on the Drytown County Water District Annexation that was coming up. Executive Officer Chamberlain replied that she would talk to him about that after the meeting.

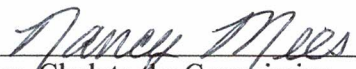
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12. **Adjournment**

The next regular LAFCO meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2018. Chairman Crew adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.



Pat Crew, Presiding Officer
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ATTEST: 
Nancy Mees, Clerk to the Commission