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Pat Gardner (City of Bishop)
Allen Tobey (Public)

LAFCO Staff:

Cathreen Richards (Executive Officer)
Marshall Rudolph (Counsel)
Vacant (Clerk/Analyst)

Minutes for Monday May 8, 2017

These Minutes are to be considered for approval by Inyo LAFCO at its next meeting.

The Inyo Local Agency Formation Commission met on Monday May 8, 2017, at the Bishop City Council Chambers located at 377 West Line Street, Bishop, CA. Chair Patterson opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

ITEM 1: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ITEM 2: ROLL CALL

Commissioners present: Jeff Griffiths, Mark Tillemans, Joe Peci, Allen Tobey.
Staff present: Cathreen Richards and Marshall Rudolph

ITEM 3: PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – This is the opportunity for anyone in the audience to address the Commission on any relevant subject that is not scheduled on the Agenda.

Vice Chairperson Peci opened public comment.
There was no one from the public wishing to comment.

Supervisor Griffiths suggested, since several of the Commission members had to leave before 11:00a.m., that the Commission address regular business prior to closed session. All members agreed to this.

ITEM 4: Appointment –Public Member (Action Item): the Commission will consider request to fill vacancy of Commission’s Public Member.

Staff provided a summary of the Staff report. Mr. Alan Toby was the only person to submit a letter of interest in the Public Member position and has already been serving as the Alternate Member.

MOTION: Moved by Commissioner Peci to appoint Mr. Alan Toby as the Public Member of the Commission. Supervisor Griffiths provided the second.

The Motion passed 3-0.

Open Session:

ITEM 7: Public Comment Period – This is the opportunity for anyone in the audience to address the Commission on any relevant subject that is not scheduled on the Agenda.

There was no one from the public wishing to comment.

ITEM 8: Amendment of the FY 2016-2017 Budget (Public Hearing & Action Item – Requires 4/5 vote) – The Inyo LAFCO Executive Officer’s Amendment of the FY 2016-2017 Budget will be presented to the Commission for approval, and authorization for the Chair to sign an order in regards thereto.

Staff provided a summary of the staff report, explaining that the budget amendment was to cover an increase in the contract with legal counsel for existing litigation regarding Inyo Local Agency Formation Commission and Northern Inyo Healthcare District vs. Southern Mono Healthcare District.

MOTION: Moved by Commissioner Griffiths to approve the budget amendment as recommended by staff. Supervisor Tillemans provided the second.

The Motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 9: Approval of 2017-2018 Preliminary Budget (Public Hearing & Action Item - Requires 3/5 vote) – The Inyo LAFCO Executive Officer’s FY 2017-2018 Preliminary Budget will be presented to the Commission for approval.

Staff provided a summary of the staff report, explaining that biggest difference in the 2017/2018 preliminary budget from 2016/2017 was a need to increase the amount of money required from the City of Bishop and Inyo County from \$5,000 to \$15,000 due to a funding shortage. Commissioner Peci asked if the shortage could be covered with less money. Staff indicated it could not. Supervisor Griffiths provided a short history of the of the LAFCo budget with regard to the amounts needed from the City and County.

MOTION: Moved by Commissioner Griffiths to approve the budget amendment as recommended by staff. Supervisor Tillemans provided the second.

The Motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 10: Approval of Minutes (Action Item) – the Commission will consider the minutes from March 20, 2017 Inyo LAFCO Meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Pecsí to approve the draft minutes as presented. Supervisor Tillemens provided the second.

The Motion passed 4-0.

Closed Session:

ITEM 5: Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing Litigation [Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)] – Inyo Local Agency Formation Commission and Northern Inyo Healthcare District vs. Southern Mono Healthcare District and Doe Nos. I – XX inclusive, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2015-80002247-CU-WM-GDS.

The Chairperson recessed open session at 10:10 a.m., to convene in closed session, Commissioners present: Mark Tillemans, Jeff Griffiths, Joe Pecsí, Allen Tobey; Cathreen Richards (Executive Officer); Marshall Rudolph, Counsel; Kelli Huntsinger (Chief Operating Officer), Northern Inyo Hospital District; and M.C. Hubbard (Board Member), Northern Inyo Hospital District.

The Chairperson recessed closed session at 10:45 a.m. to reconvene in open session.

ITEM 6: Report on Closed Session as required by law

Nothing to report.

ITEM 11: Executive Officer's and Commissioners' Reports

The Executive Officer reported that a project for an Out of Area Service Agreement between Bishop Rural Fire Protection District and Southern California Edison will likely be ready for their consideration at the June 2017 meeting.

ITEM 12: Determine Time and Location for the Next Meeting of Inyo LAFCO (Action Item)

Next meeting was scheduled as follows: June 5, 2017; 10:00 a.m.; Bishop, City Hall

ITEM 13: Adjournment

Chair adjourned meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Prepared by:

Cathreen Richards
Inyo LAFCO, Executive Officer