

Mono County Local Agency Formation Commission

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DRAFT MINUTES May 23, 2018

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: John Peters (teleconference) & Fred Stump, Mono County; Colin Fernie & Bill Sauser, Town of Mammoth Lakes; Hank Brown & Tom Cage, Special Districts

ABSENT: Bruce Woodworth, Public Member; Stephen Kalish, alternate Public Member

STAFF PRESENT: Gerry Le Francois, principal planner; CD Ritter, secretary

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Hank Brown called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. at the Town/County Conference Room, Minaret Village Mall, Mammoth Lakes.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No

3. MINUTES

MOTION: Approve minutes from Feb. 7, 2018, as submitted (*Sauser/Cage. Ayes: 5. Abstain due to absence: Fernie.*)

4. **PUBLIC HEARING:** 2018-19 Preliminary Budget. Gerry Le Francois explained the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH Act) requires a public hearing. LAFCO funding is comprised of thirds from Mono County, Town of Mammoth Lakes, and a split third from Southern Mono Healthcare District and MCWD (Mammoth Community Water District). Budget is needed for core duties. Dissolution of mosquito district did not happen, as BOS appointed members.

Every five years MSR (Municipal Service Review) and SOI (Sphere of Influence) reports, last completed in 2010, so well past. Not many changes. MCWD did annexation at February meeting, issues with Housing Element update, water transfer into Walker Lake, and environmental documents.

Hank Brown reminded that Special District contribution comes exclusively from the two largest districts, not all other Special Districts. Budget page less ERAF (Educational Reserve Augmentation Fund), Mono loses \$4 million off top. Triple flip, part of ERAF, State took vehicle license fees from Mono to pay State bonds. Expired now, strictly ERAF percentage. Reimbursement at end of year. School districts pulled out. Can find net districts, Town, Mono budgets.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: Cage will make sure MCWD is aware of its one-sixth financial contribution. Le Francois will send preliminary budget to MCWD. **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING.**

MOTION: Approve 2018-19 preliminary budget of \$10,869 (*Cage/Fernie. Ayes: 6-0.*)

5. MEMBERSHIP REVIEW

A. **Current membership:** Town will reshuffle its members after June 5 election, Mono

in January. Two Special District expirees serve until new appointments. A Special District selection committee is an option. Or, 30-day call for nominations, prepare and circulate ballot, 30 days for response from 14 of 27 districts in Mono. Can an alternate participate when regular member is present? Anne Larsen suggested clarifying in bylaws.

- B. **Initiation to fill regular Special District seats:** Gerry Le Francois thought dissolution of mosquito district would happen, but last week BOS appointed board of directors. Administrative staff setting up meeting schedule that he will attend. Pre-Proposition 13, so mosquito district has funds to operate. Set up June meeting. Tom Cage suggested storing mosquito equipment at SAR (Search and Rescue) facility.

Fred Stump cited ERAF shift for Town at \$303,693. When ERAF first passed, deductions were assigned by percentage. Some districts suffered worse than others. Only State legislation can correct ERAF.

Cage will not be available for next meeting till after June 25. New Town Council should take seats June 20 after election has been certified.

6. **SPECIAL DISTRICT UPDATE:** Nothing specific.

7. **ADJOURN** at 3:24 pm to meeting June 20, 2018 (Commissioner Cage will be absent)

Prepared by CD Ritter, LAFCO secretary