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Siskiyou County Local Agency Formation Commission Regular Meeting October 11, 2022

The Siskiyou County Local Agency Formation Commission meeting of October 11, 2022, was called to order by Chair Baird at 1:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 311 Fourth Street, Yreka, California.

Present: Commissioners Harkness, Ogren, Valenzuela, and Baird

Absent: Commissioner Bryan

Also Present: Hailey Lang, Executive Officer; Rachel Jereb, Deputy Executive Officer; William Carroll, Deputy County Counsel; Janine Rowe, Commission Clerk

Minutes: It was moved by Commissioner Valenzuela, seconded by Commissioner Harkness, to approve the Minutes from the May 5, 2022, LAFCO meeting as presented.

Voted upon and the Vice Chair declared the motion carried unanimously by the following roll call vote by those Commissioners present:

Ayes: Commissioners Harkness, Ogren, Valenzuela and Baird

Noes:

Absent: Commissioner Bryan

Abstain:

Minutes: It was moved by Commissioner Ogren, seconded by Commissioner Harkness, to approve the Minutes from the September 13, 2022, LAFCO meeting as presented.

Voted upon and the Vice Chair declared the motion carried unanimously by the following roll call vote by those Commissioners present:

Ayes: Commissioners Harkness, Ogren, and Baird

Noes:

Absent: Commissioner Bryan

Abstain: Commissioner Valenzuela

Unscheduled Appearances: None

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Conflict of Interest Declaration: None**Presentation of Documents: None****Old Business:****Agenda Item 1: Appointment of Member-at-Large Commissioner (Potential Action)****Staff Report:**

Ms. Lang told the Commission that Staff was requesting to move Commissioner Laurel Harkness from the Alternate Member-at-Large Commissioner position to the Member-at-Large Commissioner position because an application was received for the Alternate Member-at-Large position.

Commission Questions / Discussion: None

Motion: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Valenzuela, seconded by Commissioner Ogren, to approve the appointment of Laurel Harkness to the Member-at-Large Commissioner position.

Voted upon and the Chair declared the motion carried unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Harkness, Ogren, Valenzuela and Baird

Noes:

Absent: Commissioner Bryan

Abstain:

Agenda Item 2: Appointment of Alternate Member-at-Large Commissioner (Potential Action)**Staff Report:**

Ms. Lang told the Commission that Staff received an application from Angelina Cook for the Alternate Member-at-Large Commissioner position.

Commission Questions / Discussion: None

Motion: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Valenzuela, seconded by Commissioner Harkness, to approve the appointment of Angelina Cook to the Alternate Member-at-Large Commissioner position.

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Voted upon and the motion was lost since there was not a majority vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Harkness and Valenzuela

Noes: Commissioners Ogren and Baird

Absent: Commissioner Bryan

Abstain:

Discussion was held that Staff would present this item at the next meeting in the hope that there would be five commissioners present so a majority vote could be achieved.

New Business:

Agenda Item 1: Potts / City of Etna Out-of-Area Service Agreement (LAF-22-02) / Categorically Exempt

Staff Report:

Ms. Jereb told the Commission that Out of Area Service Agreements are typically administratively approved so they don't normally go before the Commission. She said this project did not meet all the required findings to administratively approve it. Specifically that upon extension of water service to the property, the property could be split which is against one of the required findings. Because the parcel in question is over three acres and the County's minimum requirement for a parcel that is served with water is one, it has the potential to be split into three parcels upon service of water to it.

Ms. Jereb said all the other findings were made and Staff recommended approval. She said she modified the resolution that was included in the staff report by adding an additional paragraph which makes it clear that if the property is subsequently subdivided, the new parcels that are not already receiving service will also have to go through the OASA process.

Commission Questions / Discussion:

Chair Baird asked if there was any correspondence received from neighboring properties after the staff report was printed, and Ms. Jereb said nothing had been received. Ms. Jereb added that there has been a lot of staff turnover in the incorporated cities and a lot of them are not aware of the process that is required. The City of Etna had already installed a meter box in front of Mr. Potts' property and now just needs a connection. Nothing is going to be constructed on public property and it would just be a waterline from the existing meter box on the property to Mr. Potts' house.

Ms. Jereb said there was a neighbor present in the hearing chambers.

The Chair opened the Public Hearing.

Public Comment: None

There being no comments, the Chair closed the Public Hearing.

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Motion: Following discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Valenzuela, seconded by Commissioner Ogren, to adopt Resolution No. LAF 2022-002 as amended, A Resolution of Siskiyou LAFCO Approving the Potts Out of Area Service Agreement (LAF-22-02) and Determining the Project Exempt from CEQA.

Voted upon and the Chair declared the motion carried unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Harkness, Ogren, Valenzuela, and Baird

Noes:

Absent: Commissioner Bryan

Abstain:

Items for Discussion/Direction: None

Miscellaneous:

- 1. Future Meetings:** The next regular meeting of Siskiyou LAFCO is scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.
- 2. Correspondence: None**
- 3. Staff Comments:**
- 4. Commission Comments:** Commissioner Baird announced that this would be her last meeting and thanked LAFCo staff for their assistance.

Adjournment: The meeting was concluded at approximately 1:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file

Hailey Lang, Secretary

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