

**PLUMAS LAFCO MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, December 14, 2015  
GREENVILLE TOWN HALL**

**1. CALL TO ORDER - 10:00 a.m.**

Present: John Larrieu, Kevin Goss, Terry Swofford, and John Hafen  
Also Present: Sherrie Thrall, Jeffrey Greening, Bill Powers and John Benoit  
Absent: Phil Oels

**2. Approval of Agenda**

John Benoit asked that item #10 on the agenda be moved to item #7A. Agenda approved with revision for December 14, 2015. Moved by Goss Seconded by Swofford, motion carried.

**3. Correspondence**

Introductions of all present (board and public) were made.

**4. CONSENT ITEM(S)**

a. Vice-Chair Goss moved and Commissioner Swofford seconded to approve the October 5, 2015 minutes as submitted. Unanimous approval, motion carried.

**5. Public Comment**

Chair Larrieu opened the meeting for public comment. No public comments offered. Public comment period closed.

**6. Authorize payment of Claims for November, 2015 and ratify claims for October, 2015**

a. Commissioner Hafen moved for the approval of the payment of November, 2015 claims and the ratification of October, 2015 claims. Vice-Chair Goss seconded. Unanimous approval; motion carried.

**7. PRESENTATION Regarding LAFCo policy and practice, Municipal Service Reviews and Spheres of Influence.**

Jennifer Stephenson gave the presentation with the assistance of John Benoit. Benoit will make the information available on the Plumas LAFCo website at <http://www.plumaslafco.org/>.

**7a. (Formerly item 10 on the agenda) Continued discussion regarding Healthcare districts in Plumas County: Commissioners Thrall and Greening – Continued**

Commissioner Thrall asked Benoit if Plumas District Hospital would have to go through Plumas LAFCo to dissolve their special district and become private. Benoit responded that it was ok for them to keep the healthcare district as long as they managed assets and provided healthcare services. Property tax would go to the county if the district were to be dissolved. The dissolution would require a LAFCo process and a successor agency would need to be identified. Commissioner Thrall is still attending the Seneca Healthcare District meetings. Linda Williams, representing the Seneca Healthcare District, brought up the issue of dissatisfaction with the new electronic healthcare records, stating that it was taking too long for the providers to use. She also mentioned the aging population. Tom Hayes, CEO of Eastern Plumas Healthcare advised that if Plumas District Hospital were serious about privatizing, they needed to push forward to make it happen. Further discussion was continued to the next meeting on February 8, 2016.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**8. Continued Public Hearing for the Sphere of Influence update for the Crescent Mills FPD and for fire services provided by the Indian Valley CSD and SOI update for services provided by the IVCSO. (Continued from February 9, June 8 and October 5, 2015).**

John Benoit handed out a two maps: one representing the Indian Valley Fire Protection Providers (current and proposed) and the other is representing the Indian Valley Community Services District (current and proposed). Benoit noted the Fire Protection Providers map is going to be changed to include more area than what is currently served. Steve Allen mentioned that the district hasn't yet taken a position on the proposal. Commissioner Hafen asked for a status update on Crescent Mills Fire Protection District consolidating with Indian Valley Fire Protection District. Chris Gallagher, General Manager of Indian Valley CSD says that talks broke down and there has been no further discussion, however the IVCSO agrees with the consolidation. Benoit states that Plumas LAFCo can do a consolidated SOI. Jerry Sipe, Director of Plumas Co. Environmental Health Dept. spoke and said that at one point LAFCo had discussed Indian Valley Fire Protection District vs Indian Valley CSD providing services. LeAnn Schramel, board member of Indian Valley CSD, stated that the issue will be on the next CSD Board agenda. Guy McNett asked if Indian Falls will be within this SOI. Benoit said yes, but only for fire protection. Benoit also noted that the revised IVCSO map includes the area for the sewer ponds and water treatment plant. LeAnn Schramel asked why Round Valley Lake wasn't on the map as that was where the water for the district comes from. She also asked why Indian Falls wouldn't be included. Benoit discussed CEQA costs for LAFCo. Further discussion was

continued to the next meeting on February 8, 2016. Guy McNett further asked if the SOI would have any impact on the JPA for ambulance care, to which Benoit responded no.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- 9. LAFCo File 2015-ANNX-0002 A Request by Plumas Rural Services to detach 2.88 acres more or less from the Quincy Community Services District and concurrently annex 2.88 more or less acres to the East Quincy Services District. The reorganization is known as the Plumas Rural Services Annex to the East Quincy Services District and Detachment from the Quincy Services District.**

Benoit states that the water and sewer for this area is presently provided by the East Quincy Services District (EQSD), but the property itself is in Quincy Community Services District's (QCSD) service area. This annexation would detach the service area from QCSD to the EQSD. Vice-Chair Goss motioned to approve File 2015-ANNX-002. Commissioner Hafen seconded. Roll call vote was taken, unanimous approval and motion carried.

- 10. Moved to item 7a.**

- 11. Continued discussion regarding Consolidation of Cemetery Districts in Plumas County – Commissioner Hafen - Continued**

Vice-Chair Goss and Jennifer Stephenson have a meeting with the cemetery districts today. Discussion continued to the next meeting on February 8, 2016.

- 12. Set Plumas LAFCo meeting schedule for Calendar Year 2016.**

Meeting dates set for February 8, April 11, June 13, August 8, October 17 and December 12. Commissioner Hafen motioned to approve the meeting dates as scheduled. Commissioner Powers seconded. Unanimous approval; motion carried.

**Executive Officer's Report**

Report made after Commissioner Reports.

- 13. Commissioner Reports – Discussion**

Commissioner Thrall recommended that the LAFCo board be more firm and take action to avoid issues dragging on and CEQA should not be the reason for not doing something such as an expanded sphere. Benoit will bring different options to the next meeting regarding healthcare districts.

## **Executive Officer's Report**

Benoit states that Public Works is entertaining proposals regarding Lifeflight and Nervino Airport. Benoit will put an item on the agenda for the February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting to update the Beckwourth CSA SOI. Benoit has SOI's in Chester and Hamilton Branch that he's currently working on. Robert Meacher asked if putting the Nervino Airport in the SOI would hold up anything with Lifeflight. Benoit stated it would not; putting Nervino Airport in the SOI would simply help.

**14. Adjourn to the next LAFCO meeting – February 8, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Plumas County Board of Supervisors Chambers.**

The next meeting will take place on February 8, 2016 at the Plumas County Board of Supervisors Chambers. Chair Larrieu adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.