

TRINITY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

September 17, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

Trinity County Library meeting room,
Weaverville

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair Clarence Rose called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Members present: Bobbi Chadwick, John Fenley, Keith Groves and Clarence Rose.

Members absent: Bill Britton, Pat Frost and Judy Morris. Public Member positions are currently vacant.

Staff Present: John Jelichich, Former Executive Officer; Kathy Bull, Trinity LAFCo Administrator/Clerk

Staff absent: Colette Metz Santsche, Executive Officer

2. PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. May 21, 2019

B. August 20, 2019

Motion to approve the minutes was presented by Commissioner Fenley, seconded by Commissioner Groves and passed by the following votes:

Ayes: Chadwick, Fenley, Groves and Rose

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Britton, Morris

4. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY

Jim Stillwell wanted the California Constitution 13.b. Section 4 added to the agenda to make sure the County Officials keep up with the Constitution regarding tax laws. Chair Rose directed Mr. Stillwell to the County Board of Supervisors as his question was not LAFCo related. Mr. Stillwell expressed his concern regarding a new tax assessment and stated LAFCo could not delegate taxes or levy taxes.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Consider and take action to adopt a resolution approving the formation of Trinity Life Support CSD with terms and conditions affecting the formation, including that an election is required for the formation, assessment and election of the initial

board of directors. The proposal affects lands currently served by Trinity County Life Support, generally the same boundary as Trinity PUD and Post Mountain PUD combined. App: Trinity County Board of Supervisors on behalf of Trinity County Life Support. (File: LAF-19-01)

Mr. Jelich summarized the provided staff report as the Commission and audience members had participated in the previous workshop. He discussed information provided within the staff report such as district boundaries with no overlapping territories, the proposal of the functions authorized by LAFCo to provide for ambulance service, life support and related educational activities. The governing body would be a five-member Board of Directors with staggered terms.

Mr. Jelich read into the record a letter received for Karen Reimer in which she stated she was opposed to the individual parcel assessment of any amount for any district. The letter was included as page 49 of the agenda packet.

The Chair opened the public hearing at 4:28 p.m. Jim Stillwell states he would like to see this happen but claimed putting taxes against the property was illegal and unconstitutional. The Chair closed the public hearing at 4:37 p.m. after discussion within the Commissioners.

There was further Commissioner discussion regarding the tax assessment cost for undeveloped parcels and developed parcels. Kathy Ratliff and Shawn Poore from Trinity County Life Support provided information and answered Commissioner questions.

Motion to adopt proposed Resolution LAFCo 19-03, Resolution ordering the formation of the Trinity Life Support Community Services District and establishing a provisional Sphere of Influence for the District was presented by Commissioner Fenley, seconded by Commissioner Chadwick and passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Chadwick, Fenley, Groves and Rose

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Britton, Morris

- B. Consider and take action to approve Impartial Analyses for ballot measures pertaining to the formation of Trinity Life Support Community Services District. (File # LAF 19-01)

Chair Rose asked that the provided document "Impartial Analysis" be separated into two different votes. The first being the Impartial Analysis Formation of the Trinity Life Support Community Services District and the second for the Special Tax.

Motion to accept the Impartial Analyses - Formation of the Trinity Life Support Community Services District as written as presented was presented by Commissioner Fenley, seconded by Commissioner Chadwick and passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Chadwick, Fenley, Groves and Rose

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Britton, Morris

Motion to accept the Impartial Analyses – Special Tax for Trinity Life Support Community Services District was presented by Commissioner Fenley, seconded by Commissioner Chadwick and passed by the following rollcall vote:

Ayes: Chadwick, Fenley, Groves and Rose

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Britton, Morris

6. **ACTION ITEMS**

No Action Items were provided.

7. **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

A. Updates for Trinity LAFCo operations.

Ms. Bull provided a brief update regarding a letter was sent out in July introducing Colette Metz Santsche as the new Executive Officer which also included information about two regular and one alternate Public Member vacant positions. No response had been received yet regarding vacant position. It was suggested to contact the newspaper to place an article regarding open position. Ms. Bull briefly touched on the new website, which staff has utilized to post public notices. Staff was beginning work on updating MSR/SOIs for four Special Districts.

8. **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE**

No report was provided.

9. **COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

No comments were provided.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.