**LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION**

**COLUSA COUNTY**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**October 5th, 2023**

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call:**

Chair, Ponciano called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. There was a quorum present.

Commissioners Present: Alternates Present:

Greg Ponciano – City Member John Louden- Public Alternate

Merced Corona, County Member Janice Bell – County Alternate

Katherine Dunlap - City Member

Brandon Ash - Public Member

Also present:

John Benoit, Executive Officer

Scott Browne, Legal Counsel

Paige Hensley, Clerk

1. Consider Meeting Minutes from September 7, 2023.

The minutes from September 7, 2023, were continued to the next meeting.

1. Public Comment:

Ben King, landowner, stated the General Manager for SOI GCID has resigned. He also made a correction in his assumption of the salt load regarding the contamination of ground water at the Colusa and Sacramento Refuge.

1. Consent Agenda:
2. Payment of Claims for the month September, 2023.

**Action**: Upon motion from Commissioner Corona, and a second from Commissioner Bell, the commission approved the consent agenda; Motion carried by roll call vote.

1. Correspondence:

John Benoit explained the upcoming CALAFCo Conference agenda has been sent out.

1. Colusa Basin Drainage District (CBDD)

John Benoit asked Counsel to make determination as to Colusa LAFCO’s specific jurisdiction and obligations regarding the Colusa Basin Drainage District.

John Benoit stated he would be Inviting the Colusa Basin Drainage District General Manager to a future LAFCO Meeting.

Ben King explained the need to have a MSR and SOI Update prepared.

1. Colusa County Water District Annexation and Minor Sphere Amendment (File 2023-0001).

John Benoit gave a summary of the Executive Officer Report

Shelly Murphy explained the Colusa County Water District’s capacity to provide water.

Public Hearing:

Mike (last name unknown) questions whether there is adequate water supply and expressed concern of adding acreage to the district. He raised the question of inadequate notification to neighbors and wonders about the 218 ramifications.

Shelly Murphy explained the applicants were the ones to reach out to the district and explained others have the same opportunity to submit a letter to the district.

**Action:**

1. Upon motion of Commissioner Bell and seconded by Commissioner Corona, the commission unanimously voted to approve LAFCO Resolution 2023-0006 adopting a 123.32 acre Sphere of Influence Amendment for Colusa County Water District
2. Upon motion of Commissioner Ponciano and seconded by Commissioner Bell, the commission unanimously voted to approve LAFCo Resolution 2023-0007 annexing 758 acres more or less to the Colusa County Water District.
3. Executive Officer’s Report:
4. Williams Service Review – John Benoit stated staff is working on a Municipal Service Review for Williams.
5. Calafco Conference – John Benoit briefed the commission on the upcoming CALAFCo Conference.
6. Commissioner Reports:

Scott Brown, LAFCO Counsel explained there is a new proposition on the November ballot, and if passed will affect LAFCO annexations in the future. The proposition is intended to further Prop 218 to fill in loopholes that have been used and would require any geographical extension into a district (that already has a special tax ) to be conditioned upon a Prop 218.

1. Next Colusa LAFCO meeting: The next Colusa LAFCO meeting is scheduled for December 7th, 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.