

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

FEBRUARY 14, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Douglas County Public Services Building, East Wenatchee, Washington. Commissioners Straub, and Steinburg, were present, the Clerk of the Board Tiana Rowland was present. County Administrator James Barker and Civil Prosecuting Attorney James Mitchell in attendance. Commissioner Sutton was excused.

I. 08:30 AM Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order.

II. 08:31 AM The Board Met with Administrator Jim Barker.

1. Staff Report

Administrator

Jim Barker, Administrator:

A. Review of County Administrator's decisions and directives.

B. Commissioner Straub provided an update following his conversation with Commissioner Branch related to the Okanogan County Jail, there is an anticipated addendum to the contract terms to be provided to the County by this week. The Board will review these terms during session on February 22, 2022.

C. The County Administrator requested of staff an update on the right of way process for the Badger Mountain realignment project with contracted engineering firm SCJ Alliance, staff will provide a follow up by next week.

D. Discussion held on the tax increment financing process following the MRSC training and available funding options for projects. Commissioner Straub provided his perspective following the training: it appears to be beneficial for urban areas in providing a tax shift within the identified boundary areas and may have limited impact or support for rural development.

E. Update to the Board on the chip seal project for McCabe Oil road, the roadway is located within the Rex District near Okanogan County and would be a 3+ hour travel time for work crews. The anticipated project cost is \$68,000. Options are to determine if Okanogan County could be contracted to repair the roadway, house work crews near the location for the duration of the project, or treat the pothole areas and return the road to gravel overtime.

F. Civil Prosecuting Attorney provided an update on the public records request for the Mansfield Airport Road submitted by a member of the City Council. The anticipated filing date with Superior Court for determination of roadway ownership is anticipate within the upcoming weeks.

G. Discussion held on the Regional Bicycle Advisory Committee and the potential requirements that may be imposed as part of the grant application process for multimodal transportation byways.

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2. Personnel

Administrator

Jim Barker, Administrator:

- A. Discussion held on the interim Land Services Director hours of service with the County.
- B. Review of the Public Defender position. The Board approved the final position description and would like the position posted this week.

III. 9:29 AM The Board Held a Work Session for the Following Items:

Attendees: County Engineer Aaron Simmons & Development Review Engineer Mike Neer

- A. Overview of the action items for the Board for tomorrow.
- B. Discussion held on the Cascade Avenue Roundabout vs. Wenatchi Landing Interchange. The Board would like additional information regarding the funding sources. The CDTC is funding a study to determine if the interchange roundabouts would be best suited at Cascade street vs the initial proposal for development of two roundabouts at the Empire Avenue location. The Board would like a letter of support for the project however the Board is not in agreement in supporting this project at the expense of an additional tax burden imposed on County Constituents.
- C. Discussion held on the Badger Mtn road realignment and the staff's ability to reduce right of way needs to allow for development. The concern now is the utility vault and the sidewalk placement. The Board is in agreement to allow for the sidewalk to be placed behind the vault rather than relocating it, the PUD's projected cost for relocation was \$45,000.

With no further business, the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 10:25 AM to meet again on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at the Douglas County Courthouse, Waterville, Washington.

FEBRUARY 15, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Douglas County Courthouse, Waterville, Washington. Commissioners Straub, and Steinburg, were present, the Clerk of the Board Tiana Rowland was present. County Administrator James Barker and Civil Prosecuting Attorney James Mitchell in attendance. Commissioner Sutton was excused.

I. 08:30 AM Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order.

II. 08:31 AM Call for Executive Session RCW42.30.110(1)(G)

Executive Session RCW(42.30.110)(1)(g) Personnel:

Attendees: Commissioners Straub, and Steinburg, County Administrator Jim Barker, Civil Prosecuting Attorney Jim Mitchell, Clerk of the Board Tiana Rowland.

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At 8:31 AM Commissioner Straub called for an executive session pertaining to personnel for 15 minutes. At 8:45 AM executive session ended with no action taken.

III. 08:45 AM The Board Met with Administrator Jim Barker.

1. Staff Report Administrator

Jim Barker, Administrator:

A. County Administrator's decisions and directives were approved, and review of the public records request. Further discussion held on 4156 union records request versus public records request.

B. Review and approval of the response letter to Senator Hawkins related to the Wenatchi Landing Interchange. Commissioner Sutton provided his approval via email for use of his signature stamp for the letter.

C. Discussion held on the Public Defender's selection committee

2. Personnel Administrator

Jim Barker, Administrator:

A. Approved Request for Hire: NCW Fair Seasonal Event Workers 3-4 positions.

IV. 09:00 AM Public Hearing TLS 22-03B

Following is a summary of the public hearing; and action taken by the Board of Commissioners. The summary is not intended to be a verbatim transcript. A recording of the hearing is available by contacting the Clerk of the Board.

Present

Meeting held via Zoom teleconference attendees:

Computer

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Rebecca's iphone

Bob

Attendees in person:

George Sanford

Josh Flowers

Staff Report County Engineer Aaron Simmons:

Overview of the proposed request for roadway vacation of a portion of Douglas County 19,113 & Old SSH 10, recommendation of approval.

Public Comment:

Rebecca provided comments in favor of the proposal.

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Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve resolution TLS 22-03B the roadway vacations as presented Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and concurred. *Auditor's AFN: 3252795*

V. 09:15 AM Public Hearing

TLS 22-08B

Following is a summary of the public hearing; and action taken by the Board of Commissioners. The summary is not intended to be a verbatim transcript. A recording of the hearing is available by contacting the Clerk of the Board.

Present

Meeting held via Zoom teleconference attendees: Computer Paige S

Staff Report County Engineer Aaron Simmons:

Overview of the proposed application for Franchise Agreement with Lake Entiat Lodge for domestic water distribution systems.

Public Comment:

No public comment.

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve resolution TLS 22-08B the application for franchise agreement Commissioner Straub seconded the motion and concurred.

VI. 09:22 AM The Board Met with County Engineer Aaron Simmons.

1) Notice of Hearing: Six Year Transportation Improvement Program

TLS 22-10A

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve resolution TLS 22-10A the notice of hearing to amend the six year transportation program set for Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 9:00 AM; Commissioner Straub seconded and concurred.

A. Update to the Board on the LINK Transit and WSDOT request for letters of support for the Wenatchi Landing additional roundabout interchange for Cascade Avenue. Both have stated they support the project, but at this time the support letter would not be beneficial.

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VII. 09:30 AM The Board Met with Sheriff Kevin Morris.

A. Commissioner Straub provided an update regarding Okanogan County jail will provide a notice of intent to terminate the contract for housing inmates within one year per the interlocal agreement. There will be anticipate payment for days used at an increased rate with Okanogan County jail. Chelan County has provided an interlocal amendment, for use of inmate housing following June 30, 2022. The county will be charged at the Department Of Corrections rate with Okanogan County for bed spaces used following June 30, 2022.

B. Discussion held on in future contracting with Okanogan County Jail to temporarily hold arrestees in the northern area of the county. The Board will revisit this at a later date.

VIII. 10:00 AM Consent Agenda.

The Douglas County Board of Commissioners made a blanket motion to approve the following consent agenda items.

1) Approved Fair Facilities Use Agreement

a. Marcos Juan

2) Correspondence:

a. Washington State Office of Public Defense Funding Award in the amount of \$40,758.00.

3) Approved Vouchers

		Check Numbers	Total Amount
1.	Vouchers	00354283-00354380	\$298,741.53
2.	ACH	None	\$0.00

With no further business, the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 10:23 AM to meet again on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at the Douglas County Courthouse, Waterville, Washington.

FEBRUARY 16, 2022

There were no appointments scheduled, no session was held. There being no further business, the Clerk of the Board in accordance with RCW 42.30.90 adjourned for the Board of County Commissioners to meet again on Monday, February 21, 2022 at the Douglas County Public Services Building, East Wenatchee, Washington.


The minutes are hereby read and approved.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DOUGLAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON




Marc S. Straub Chair



Dan Sutton Vice-Chair



Kyle Steinburg Member

ATTEST:


Tiana Rowland, Clerk of the Board