

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

APRIL 4, 2022

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

I. 08:28 AM Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order.

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

1. Staff Report Administrator

Jim Barker, Administrator:

- A. Discussion held on Superior Court felony caseload and the public defenders conflict attorneys.
- B. Further discussion held regarding Jessie Collins the Office of Public Defense start date beginning April 18, 2022.
- C. Discussion held regarding City of East Wenatchee Annexation. A joint public hearing will be held on May 3, 2022 at 6 PM.
- D. Discussion held regarding trail ways bus line and LINK Transits contract for services.

1. NCW Fair Contract

Signature Roof Service LLC

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve the contract with Signature Roof Service LLC for reroofing of the NCW Fair barns, Commissioner Sutton second the motion and Commissioner Straub concurred.

IV. 09:00 AM The Board Met with Solid Waste Director Becci Piepel

- A. Discussion was held regarding the House Hold Hazardous Waste Event. This was the first time latex and oil based paint was accepted which resulted in an increase in participation. This unfortunately resulted in constituents being turned away. Approximately 20-30 constituents were turned away. As a remedy to this issue, all paint will be accepted in the future at the recycle centers once a contract is finalized with Paint Care. Paint Care will visit all recycling centers within the next week and will then present a contract. Discussion of relocation of the event to the Douglas County 2nd Street campus.
- B. Discussion was also held of the possibility of providing a survey through Survey Monkey to better understanding how services can be improved to our constituents. Department of Ag currently provides a service to accept industrial chemicals.
- C. Becci Piepel brought up a discussion she had with Code Enforcer Lance Merz regarding the assistance to some of our constituents with disposals and the possibility of providing them with a voucher to the landfill. Potential car disposal event project in remote areas.
- D. Discussion of new staff, Alex Espinoza.

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V. 9:30 AM The Board Met with City of East Wenatchee Mayor Crawford and Lori Barnett.

- A. Discussion held regarding City of East Wenatchee Annexation with Lori Barnett and the notice of intent for a joint hearing that is scheduled for May 3rd at 6 PM at the City Hall.
- B. City of East Wenatchee asked to participate in paint recycling program.

**V. 09:39 AM The Board Met with Transportation and Land Services
County Engineer-Aaron Simmons**

- A. General Updates
- B. Review of the City of Rock Island Annexation Agreement, further discussion regarding road maintenance.
- C. Discussion held on the City of East Wenatchee Annexation Meeting and the impacts for county road funds versus the transportation benefit area.
- D. Review of the Administrative Settlement for NW Empire Easement for right of way acquisition. Request for approval of \$6500 over appraised value for settlement.
- E. County Engineer provided an update that all weather related road restrictions have been lifted.

Interim Land Services Director-Perry Hudson

- A. Discussion held regarding Rock Island Annexation and water and sewer. Issues came up regarding roads.
- B. Concerns regarding City of East Wenatchee Annexation and the urban growth area, as it relates to the adoption of city codes within the county urban growth areas. The county would like to review the adoption process of concurrent city codes. Interim Director will provide the board with an expansive review.
- C. Review of potential zoning changes from the City of Bridgeport.

VI. 10:30 AM Board Administrative Session.

- A. Agenda review for the elected officials and department head meeting, set for the 18th of April. The Board would like to formally introduce Jordyn Giulio and Jessie Collins.
- B. Update on Bridgeport Permit there are no construction documents, the contractor has not provided plans.
- C. Discussion held regarding COVID regulation signs posted throughout Douglas County buildings.
- D. Review of response letter to EFSEC regarding Badger Mountain Solar project.

With no further business, the Board Chairman called to recess the meeting at 11:00 AM, and will resume again on Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at the Douglas County Courthouse, Waterville, Washington.

APRIL 5, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Douglas County Commissioners Chamber Waterville, Washington. Commissioners Straub, Sutton and Steinburg, were present, the Clerk of the Board Tiana Rowland was present. County Administrator James Barker and new Administrator Jordyn Giulio in attendance.

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

II. 08:31 AM Public Comment.

1. No public present.

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

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

Attendees: Commissioners Straub, Sutton, and Steinburg, County Administrator Jim Barker, New Administrator Jordyn Giulio, and Clerk of the Board Tiana Rowland.

At 8:31 AM Commissioner Straub called for executive session pertaining to personnel for employee reclassification for 20 minutes or until 8:51 AM. Commissioner Straub called to extended executive session for an additional 5 minutes. At 8:55 AM the Board ended executive session with no action taken.

IV. 08:57 AM The Board Met with Administrator Jim Barker.

1. Staff Report

Administrator

Jim Barker, Administrator:

A. Review and approval of the Administrator's Decisions and Directives from 3.28.22, as well as the Public Records Request.

B. Update was provided to the Board on the Lion's Den commercial kitchen equipment, the owner has been contacted for removal of the equipment.

C. There has been a request for hydroponic tomatoes and fish pond within a property owner's back yard. The Board is fine with the activity as it will be contained in the homeowner's property.

D. Discussion held on cover crop for dust and weed abatement within the UGA, the Board believes this mitigation effort benefits the constituents and are in agreement to allow for this activity of Pumpkin cover crop located at Grant Road and North Perry Street.

E. Staff will provide an update as to micro trenching next week.

2. Personnel

Administrator

Jim Barker, Administrator:

- A. The Board approved the following Payroll Change notices: Jacob Poole, Area 3 Maintenance; Thane Lamar, Area 3 Maintenance.
- B. The MIS server administrator position will be posted today.
- C. Discussion held on the salary range for the additional attorneys for the Office of Public Defense.
- D. Recommendation of Salary Range 16-18 for the Deputy Public Defender position. The Board is in agreement to move forward with this recommendation.

V. 09:17 AM The Board Met with Prosecuting Attorney Gordon Edgar.

A. Discussion held on the grant funding that will be awarded to the counties based on the Opioid settlement. There is an Memorandum of Understanding for the allocation of settlement funds based off the number of deaths, and delivered opioids within the county.

VI. 09:24 AM The Board Met with Transportation Land Services.

Aaron Simmons, County Engineer:

- A. Overview of the Administrative Settlement Memorandum
- B. Discussion held on the run away truck and fatality on McNeil Canyon road. The Board discussed additional signage at the top of the Roadway and notification of the hairpin turn at the bottom of the mountain.

1) Administrative Settlement Agreement

CRP 989 Empire

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve the settlement agreement with Tierra Right of Way for right of way acquisition at Empire Ave and 35th street; Commissioner Sutton seconded the motion and Commissioner Straub concurred.

2) Interlocal Agreement Douglas County PUD

CRP 989 Empire

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve the interlocal agreement with the Douglas County PUD for Empire Avenue; Commissioner Sutton seconded the motion and Commissioner Straub concurred.

**Auditor's AFN: 3254118*

Perry Huston, Interim Land Services Director:

- A. Overview of the letter EFSEC Comments Badger Mountain Solar project.
- B. Overview of the following memorandums, scope of work for Berk Consulting, Baker Flats UGA expansion, and City of Rock Island UGA expansion and annexation.
- C. The Board would like to move forward with the Badger Bench UGA land designation and de-designation expansion primary scope of work for BERK consulting and the Baker Flats zoning area as the secondary focus.
- D. Further discussion held on the expansion of the Rural Service District zoning on the Dufenhorst project. The Board are still in support of moving the project forward.
- E. Update provided to the Board on the Port District's service expansion and contract with the National Guard.

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V. 10:10 AM The Board Held an Administrative Work Session.

A. Review of claim for damages from Axel Garcia, the fence was damaged during plowing.

1) Appointment to the Chelan Douglas Health District

Chelan County Resolution #2022-35

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve resolution 2022-35 the appointments to the Chelan Douglas Health District; Commissioner Sutton seconded the motion and Commissioner Straub concurred.

2) One Washington Memorandum of Understanding between Washington Municipalities

Motion:

Commissioner Sutton moved to approve the memorandum of understanding for the Pharmaceutical Supply Chain settlement related to opioid disbursement; Commissioner Steinburg seconded the motion and Commissioner Straub concurred.

3) Joint Meeting City of East Wenatchee Annexation

CE 22-24A

Motion:

Commissioner Sutton moved to approve resolution CE 22-24A the notice of hearing for the joint meeting with the City of East Wenatchee for the Annexation Interlocal Agreement *set for Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 6:00 PM in East Wenatchee City Hall*; Commissioner Steinburg seconded the motion and Commissioner Straub concurred.

VII. 10:00 AM Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Steinburg made a blanket motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented; Commissioner Sutton seconded the motion and Commissioner Straub concurred.

1) Buyer's Agency Agreement

Sharmon Evenhus-Huber

Motion:

Commissioner Steinburg moved to approve the agreement for the purchase of 144 & 146 19th Street East Wenatchee; Commissioner Sutton seconded the motion and Commissioner Straub concurred.

3) Stewart Title Insurance

144 & 146 19th Street Parcels

4) Approved Correspondences:

- a. Sonia Bumpus, EFSEC comments for the Badger Mtn. Solar Project
- b. Senator Patty Murray, letter of support Regional Port Gigawatt project at Pangborn
- c. Senator Patty Murray, letter of support Chelan Douglas Community Action Council Food Distribution Center
- d. Representative Kim Schrier, letter of support Chelan Douglas Community Action Council Food Distribution Center

APRIL 7, 2022

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

I. 09:00 AM The Board Met with Representative Dye and Representative Klicker

A. Introductions

B. Review of Douglas County Ordinance TLS 21-17-47B the Alternative Energy code language. Further discussion held on the concerns surrounding the esthetics for alternative energy related to wind mills in alternate counties, as well as the concerns for noise pollution. Concerns raised pertaining to ensuring property rights, with concern for constituent desires opposing the development and environmental concerns. Representative Klicker provided an overview of the House Bill sponsored in 1831, this did not meet the time for session and Representative Dye incorporated a portion of Rep. Klicker's proposal in to Bill 1812 empowering the public process for the EFSEC committee.

Representative Dye overviewed the Bills components of economic impact and payments for view shed impairment, land use zoning. Concerns raised for the land use sprawl for energy siting.

Perry Huston provided the insight based off the State Supreme Court Briefing for Kittitas County, EFSC statutes preemptively does not need to follow the Growth Management Act. Specifying designating zoning areas for development of alternate energy within the county. Zoning overlay or siting district is an opportunity to designate the location of renewable energy projects. The federal agency requirement of coordination for projects, Discussion held on letter of notice for counties identifying the opportunities for local control in designating lands, and further participation with WSAC for support in financial impacts to counties.

II. 10:30 AM The Board Met with Land Services Director Perry Huston.

- A. Review of the Interlocal Agreement with the City of East Wenatchee, page 4 within the recitals will need to be updated to read the Douglas County Review Board notice follows the adoption of the Interlocal Agreement.
- B. Concerns raised regarding the permits received by the county in the interim of the annexation adoption until the City of East Wenatchee can take over the permitting process. The County would not receive compensation for the permit fees and construction revenue, for applications incurring within the proposed city boundaries. The City should administer the project as the benefit would be received by the city, the Board would like to move forward with an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement denoting this responsibility.

There being no further business, the Chairman of the Board in accordance with RCW 42.30.90 adjourned the meeting. The Board of County Commissioners are to meet again on Monday, April 11, 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

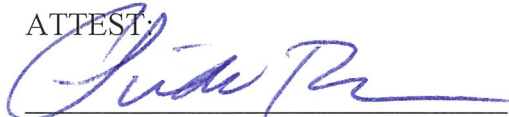


Dan Sutton Vice-Chair



Kyle Steinburg Member

ATTEST:



Tiana Rowland, Clerk of the Board