

**LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)**

**Business Meeting minutes**

**December 6, 2022**

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Brummer

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Commissioner Pollock called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., determined a quorum and then proceeded with the flag salute.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tom Crowson discussed a recycling grant available as part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Tom said plastics can be used in roads. Tom said he's willing to take the lead on the effort. He noted that the county would have to file a notice of intent to apply by Dec. 15. Commissioner Pollock suggested Tom reach out to Melanie Case.

**NOTICE ITEMS**

*Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Resolutions 22-395 through 22-397. Commissioner Swope seconded.*

**Resolution 22-395:** Notice of public hearing to consider Ordinance 1340 to amend Chapter 17.12, Public Participation Program, and Chapter 17.05, General Provisions, of the Lewis County Code. The hearing will take place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at or after 10 a.m. Dec. 20, 2022.

Senior Long-range Planner Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said a Wednesday Workshop presentation is scheduled for Dec. 14.

**Resolution 22-396:** Notice of hearing regarding a franchise to Gunderson Water Works to construct, operate, and maintain water facilities in Lewis County rights-of-way. The hearing will take place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at or after 10 a.m. Dec. 27, 2022.

Public Works Director Josh Metcalf discussed the resolution. Josh said the project is for water infrastructure along Jackson Highway.

**Resolution 22-397:** Setting a hearing to authorize closeout for a Community Development Block Grant with the State Department of Commerce for Lewis County Fire District #3 Mossyrock Fire and Emergency Facility Phase II. The hearing will take place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at or after 10 a.m. Dec. 27, 2022.

Public Works Director Josh Metcalf discussed the resolution. Josh said the hearing is part of Commerce's requirements for its CDBG grants.

*Motion passed 3-0.*

## CONSENT ITEMS

*Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve minutes from the November 29, 2022, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 22-398. Commissioner Swope seconded.*

**Resolution 22-398:** Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Chief accountant Grace Jimenez, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants 862,950 through 863,204 were issued Nov. 24-Dec. 1, 2022, for payments against the county totaling \$328,104.91. Grace noted a skip in sequence for warrants 862,931 through 862,949, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

*Motion passed 3-0.*

## DELIBERATION ITEMS

*Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Resolutions 22-399 through 22-404. Commissioner Swope seconded.*

**Resolution 22-399:** Approving Interlocal Agreement between Lewis County and Buy Board National Purchasing Cooperative and authorize signature thereon.

Capital Facilities Manager Doug Carey discussed the resolution. Doug said the agreement provides the county additional competitive purchasing resources.

**Resolution 22-400:** Approve a contract award for Public Works Building Construction Materials-Electric.

Facilities Administrator John Clark discussed the resolution. John said the contract covers electrical materials for the project on West Main.

**Resolution 22-401:** Approve a contract award with WW Livestock Systems to provide new livestock panels for the Swine Barn.

**Internal Services Chief Steve Wohld** discussed the resolution. Steve said the county will use grant funds to cover the \$55,254.68 contract with WW Livestock Systems. Steve said the panels will be installed in time for the Spring Youth Fair.

**Resolution 22-402:** Approve a memorandum of agreement (MOA) between Washington Department of Ecology and Lewis County Public Health and Social Services (LCPHSS) for TransAlta Centralia Mining (TCM).

**Public Health and Social Services Director Meja Handlen** discussed the resolution. Meja said the agreement allows for specific services at the TransAlta site.

**Resolution 22-403:** Update Lewis County's Capital Asset Policy and establish a capitalization threshold for leased assets.

**Chief accountant Grace Jimenez, representing the Auditor's Office,** discussed the resolution. Grace said the change accounts for the new Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 87 lease standard.

**Resolution 22-404:** Approve an Agreement from the Washington State Office of Public Defense in the amount of \$103,722.00 for use in the calendar year 2023.

**HR / Risk Director Amber Smith** discussed the resolution. Amber noted that the funding does not cover the \$2 million the county spends on indigent defense.

*Motion passed 3-0.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

## PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

## ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 13, 2022, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, Chair

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Sean D. Swope, Vice Chair

ATTEST:

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Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

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Scott Brummer, Commissioner