

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

RESOLUTION NO. 23-248

NOTICE OF HEARING REGARDING ORDINANCE  
1347, WHICH WOULD REPEAL AND REPLACE  
CHAPTER 8.60 TO PROHIBIT UNAUTHORIZED  
CAMPING AND PARKING ON COUNTY PROPERTY  
AND MAKE A VIOLATION THEREOF A  
MISDEMEANOR

**WHEREAS**, the public health and safety concerns related to encampments and unauthorized parking have generated citizen complaints and resulted in the unsanitary disposal of garbage and solid waste; and

**WHEREAS**, behaviors associated with encampments and unauthorized parking have resulted in a variety of problems that include, but are not limited to: uncontained fires; damage to trees, landscaping, public lands, and other natural areas; contaminated hypodermic needles left on the ground; and biohazards such as exposed human waste; and

**WHEREAS**, there are threats to the health and safety of the campers themselves and to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will hold a public hearing to take public testimony about and then consider passage of proposed Ordinance 1347, which would prohibit unauthorized camping and parking on county property and the specified area beyond the edge of roadway surfaces; and

**WHEREAS**, the hearing will take place at or after 10 a.m. Aug. 22, 2023, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room on the second floor of the historic courthouse at 351 N.W. North Street in Chehalis.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the BOCC will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners' Hearing Room on the second floor of the historic courthouse at 351 NW North Street in Chehalis at or after 10 a.m. Aug. 22, 2023, to consider and take public testimony about proposed Ordinance 1347, which would (1) prohibit unauthorized camping and parking on county property and the specified area beyond the edge of roadway surfaces; and (2) repeal and replace Chapter 8.60 of Lewis County Code which would also make a violation thereof a misdemeanor; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Clerk of the Board is hereby instructed to proceed with all appropriate and necessary notifications, postings, and publications as required by law.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 8th day of August, 2023.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

David Bailey  
By: David Bailey,  
Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

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ATTEST:



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Scott J. Brummer, Vice Chair

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Rieva Lester, CMC,  
Clerk of the Lewis County Board of  
County Commissioners

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Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, Commissioner

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the **LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** will hold a public hearing to adopt **Ordinance 1347**. The hearing will take place at or after 10 a.m. Aug. 22, 2023, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room on the second floor of the Historic Courthouse at 351 N.W. North Street in Chehalis, Washington. Interested parties are encouraged to check the Commissioners' Business Meeting agenda for Zoom log-in details. The agenda will be posted at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting at:

<https://lewiscountywa.gov/offices/commissioners/agendas-calendar/>

The public hearing will consider Ordinance 1347, which would repeal and replace Chapter 8.60 to prohibit unauthorized camping and parking on county property and make a violation thereof a misdemeanor.

During the hearing, individuals will be invited to speak and/or provide written statements regarding the proposed changes. All individuals wishing to speak are encouraged to attend. Written comments may be submitted in advance of the hearing by emailing [BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov](mailto:BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov) at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing date -- please indicate "Ordinance 1347" in the subject line.

Details about the proposal will be available online at the agenda link provided above. The draft is subject to change before or at the hearing. If you wish to receive a paper copy of the proposal, contact Rieva Lester at [Rieva.Lester@lewiscountywa.gov](mailto:Rieva.Lester@lewiscountywa.gov) or 360-740-1419.

*The meeting site is barrier free. People needing special assistance or accommodations should contact Rieva Lester at 360-740-1419 at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting.*

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# BOCC AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Resolution:**

**BOCC Meeting Date:** Aug. 8, 2023

**Suggested Wording for Agenda Item:**

**Agenda Type:** Legal Notice

Notice of hearing regarding Ordinance 1347, which would repeal and replace Chapter 8.60 to prohibit unauthorized camping and parking on county property and make a violation thereof a misdemeanor

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**Department:** BOCC - Board of County Commissioners

## Description:

Notice of hearing regarding Ordinance 1347, which would repeal and replace Chapter 8.60 to prohibit unauthorized camping and parking on county property and make a violation thereof a misdemeanor. The hearing will be Aug. 22.

## Approvals:

User	Status
PA's Office	Pending

## Publication Requirements:

### Publications:

The Chronicle, Aug. 8 and 10

## Additional Copies:

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