

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

**Business Meeting minutes**

**May 28, 2024**

Present: Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Commissioner Brummer called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., determined a quorum and then proceeded with the flag salute.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ray Chapman-Wilson discussed a recent call from Commissioner Swope.

**NAPAVINE ARPA PROJECT UPDATE**

Napavine Mayor Shawn O'Neill provided an update on the Jim Haslett Kitchen in Mayme Shaddock Park, for which Lewis County contributed \$470,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funding. Mayor O'Neill said a ribbon-cutting event is tentatively planned for June.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

*Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve minutes from the May 21, 2024 Business Meeting as well as Resolution 24-167. Commissioner Swope seconded.*

**Resolution 24-167:** Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

**Auditor's Office Deputy Director Graham Gowing** said warrants 885,268 through 885,457 were issued in May for payments against the county totaling \$1,318,103.60. Graham noted a skip in sequence for warrants 885,188 through 885,267 and 885,458 through 885,473, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

*Motion passed 3-0.*

**DELIBERATION ITEMS**

*Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolutions 24-168 through 24-176. Commissioner Swope seconded.*

**Resolution 24-168: Reappoint Brian Thompson and Gary Gorremans to the Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board.**

Noxious Weed Control Director Program Coordinator Charles Edmonson discussed the resolution. Charles said Brian and Gary will serve four-year terms through May 31, 2028.

**Resolution 24-169: Award contract for Assessment and Tax System to Tyler Technologies.**

Assessor Ross Nielson discussed the resolution. Ross said the resolution allows for the purchase of new tax software.

**Resolution 24-170: Authorize the Director of Community Development to commence negotiations with the City of Centralia for an interlocal agreement to annex territory within the urban growth area.**

Senior Long-Range Planner Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said the resolution directs staff to negotiate with the city to create an interlocal agreement regarding the annexation of property within the city's urban growth area.

**Resolution 24-171: Amend Resolutions 22-251 and 22-348 to establish a separate PEBB Benefit Package for Casual (Seasonal and Non-Seasonal) Employees effective June 1, 2024.**

HR Deputy Director Daleyn Coleman discussed the resolution. Daleyn said the resolution establishes a separate benefit plan structure for certain casual employees.

**Resolution 24-172: Amend the current 2022-2025 collective bargaining agreement between Lewis County and Teamsters #252 Combined Group effective May 28, 2024.**

HR Deputy Director Daleyn Coleman discussed the resolution. Daleyn said the resolution amends the CBA to add certain staff of the Parks and Recreation Department.

**Resolution 24-173: Approve Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG) Contract #24-46108-18 Amendment A between the Washington State Department of Commerce Housing Division Homelessness Assistance Unit (HAU) and Lewis County.**

Public Health and Social Services Director Meja discussed the resolution. Meja said the amendment increases funding by \$1,448,040 for a revised total maximum consideration of \$6,268,381.

**Resolution 24-174: Approve Contract #T03-0213-23 between Thurston County and Lewis County.**

Public Health and Social Services Director Meja discussed the resolution. Meja said the agreement provides funding to provide Nurse Family Partnership home services.

**Resolution 24-175:** Approve \$350,000 .09 grant to Economic Alliance to finance personnel in its economic development office.

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester discussed the resolution. Rieva said the grant provides funding for personnel in the economic development office of Lewis County Economic Alliance, an associate development organization (ADO).

**Resolution 24-176:** Approve a personal services agreement with Lewis County Community Health (a.k.a. Valley View Health Center) for project management services related to the Lewis County homeless shelter's construction.

Housing and Infrastructure specialist Eric Eisenberg discussed the resolution. Eric said Valley View will provide project management services on construction of the night-by-night shelter.

*Motion passed 3-0.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

#### PRESS CONFERENCE

None.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2024, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Scott J. Brummer, Chair





ATTEST:

*Rieva Lester*

Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

*Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM*

Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, Vice Chair

*absent*

Sean D. Swope, Commissioner