

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

July 23, 2024

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Brummer (virtually)

Recorder: Rieva Lester

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lisa Striedinger-Hubbard, representing Friends Without Homes, shared concerns about 90-day time limits for housing help.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve minutes from the July 16, 2024, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 24-331. Commissioner Brummer seconded.

Resolution 24-331: Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Deputy Auditor Graham Gowing said warrants 887,490 through 887,513 and direct disbursements 13367 through 13373 were issued in July for payments against the county totaling \$3,816,939.76. Graham noted a skip in sequence for warrants 887,412 through 887,489, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolutions 24-332 through 24-336. Commissioner Brummer seconded.

Resolution 24-332: Accept grant funds from the Washington State Department of Commerce for the Senior Center Rehabilitation Project.

Capital Facilities Manager Doug Carey discussed the resolution. Doug said the county has been awarded \$485,000 toward the county's Senior Center renovation project.

Resolution 24-333: Approve Consolidated Contract #CLH31017 Amendment #19 between the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) and Lewis County.

Public Health and Social Services Director Meja Handlen discussed the resolution. Meja said the agreement adds \$1,121,000 in funding, for a new agreement total of \$9,610,288.

Resolution 24-335: List the bids received and contractor selected for the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Waterline Rehabilitation Project, Project #31-2318.

Parks and Recreation Administrator BJ Kuykendall discussed the resolution. BJ said the county received four bids for the waterline project and that the resolution would award the contract to KCL Excavating Inc. of Rochester, Wash., in the amount of \$754,560.

Resolution 24-336: List the responses received and award the contract for Cultural Resource Consulting Services for the SWW Fair Waterline Rehabilitation Project.

Parks and Recreation Administrator BJ Kuykendall discussed the resolution. BJ said the county received three proposals for the cultural resource consulting contract and that the resolution would approve contracting with Antiquity Consulting of Tumwater.

Resolution 24-334: Rescind Resolution 98-540 and increase the petty cash fund established for Community Development.

Community Development Office Manager Sarah Hensley discussed the resolution. Sarah said the resolution replaces a 1998 resolution and increases Community Development's petty cash by \$200 for a total of \$400.

Motion passed 3-0.

HEARING

Resolution 24-337: Lewis County 2024 budget, emergency and supplemental appropriations to and transfers within current expense and other funds.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Budget Administrator Becky Butler gave the staff report. She said the resolution reflects a \$3,207,267 increase in total revenue and a \$249,288 decrease in expenditures, resulting in a \$3,456,555 decrease in the estimated ending fund balance.

Commissioner Pollock asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Commissioner Pollock then closed the question-and-answer portion of the hearing.

Becky asked that her previous comments be adopted into the record.

Commissioner Pollock asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against the resolution. No one spoke.

Commissioner Pollock closed the hearing.

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolution 24-337. Commissioner Brummer seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Pollock encouraged the public to combat tansy.

PRESS CONFERENCE

In response to a question from reporter Mitchel Roland, Commissioner Pollock further explained the dangers associated with the noxious weed tansy ragwort. She noted that the weed is a threat to livestock and agriculture.

In response to a question from reporter Mitchel Roland, Becky Butler outlined the line items in the budget amendment.

Commissioner Pollock noted there would be no Business Meeting on July 30.

ADJOURNMENT

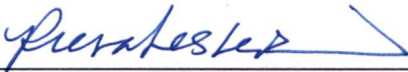
The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, August 6, 2024, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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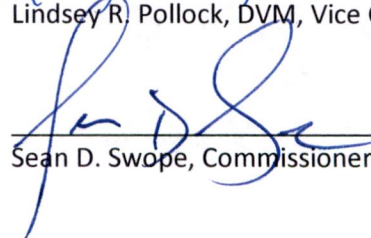


ATTEST:


Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board


Scott J. Brummer, Chair


Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, Vice Chair


Sean D. Swope, Commissioner