

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

**Business Meeting minutes**

**December 10, 2024**

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope

Absent: Commissioner Brummer

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**

Gregg Cole of Chehalis asked about proposed changes to how annexations are handled within urban growth areas.

Rob Maricle of Packwood said a number of Packwood citizens are concerned about increases to residential property values despite stagnant changes to commercial properties. Commissioner Pollock recommended Rob contact the Assessor's Office.

Robert Johnson of Castle Rock shared concerns regarding the care of his granddaughter.

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester noted that Kyle Wheeler had submitted written public comment for the record.

**20 YEARS OF DRUG COURT**

Drug Court Manager Stephanie Miller and Judge Andrew Toynbee discussed the success and importance of Lewis County Drug Court in honor of the program's 20th anniversary.

**HONORING LOCAL COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

The commissioners mourned the recent deaths of community icons Bill Brumsickle, Daryl Lund and Lee Coumbs.

**NOTICE ITEM**

*Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolutions 24-447. Commissioner Pollock seconded.*

**Resolution 24-447:** Notice of hearing regarding a franchise renewal to Hampton Lumber Mills, Washington, Inc. to install, construct, operate and maintain stormwater facilities in Lewis County road rights-of-way.

Real Estate Services Manager Shawn Kyes discussed the resolution. Shwan said the hearing will take place Jan. 7, 2025.

*Motion passed 2-0.*

#### CONSENT ITEMS

*Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve minutes from the December 3, 2024, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 24-448. Commissioner Pollock seconded.*

**Resolution 24-448:** Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Deputy Auditor Graham Gowing, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants 893,581 through 893,721 were issued between Nov. 29 and Dec. 5, 2024, for payments against the county totaling \$860,632.87.

*Motion passed 2-0.*

#### DELIBERATION ITEMS

*Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolutions 24-449 through 24-454. Commissioner Pollock seconded.*

**Resolution 24-449:** Ratify a contract with Schwiesow Construction Inc. for Lewis County Permanent Shelter renovations, Project #31-2408 Construction.

Consultant Eric Eisenberg discussed the resolution. Eric said the resolution awards a contract to Schwiesow Construction for work on the homeless shelter. He noted the contract is less than the county's estimate for the work.

**Resolution 24-450:** Approve a contract to provide floor mat cleaning services for county campus buildings.

Facilities Administrator Alex Murray discussed the resolution. Alex said the resolution approves an agreement with UniFirst to oversee mat-servicing duties.

**Resolution 24-451:** Accept a bid on tax title property off of Coal Street in Toledo.

Real Estate Services Manager Shawn Kyes discussed the resolution. Shawn said the resolution authorizes the sale of a Coal Street parcel for \$1,930.50, the amount of unpaid taxes and miscellaneous fees.

**Resolution 24-452:** Accept an agreement between Lewis County and Washington State Military Department for the State Homeland Security Grant Program contract #E25-208.

Emergency Management Planner Erika Katt discussed the resolution. Erika said the agreement provides funding totaling \$21,938.

**Resolution 24-453:** Approve the Twenty-Eighth Supplement Agreement between West Consultants Inc. and Lewis County, acting as Fiscal Agent for the Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority, and authorize the Director of Community Development to sign on behalf of Lewis County.

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said the agreement approves funding totaling \$417,006.

**Resolution 24-454:** Approve Amendment No. Three (3) Interagency Agreement between Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) and Lewis County, acting as Fiscal Agent for the Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority.

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said the agreement approves an agreement with RCO.

*Motion passed 2-0.*

## HEARING

**Ordinance 1358:** Amend Chapters 17.05, General Provisions, 17.10, Definitions, and 17.130, Adequate Public Facilities of the Lewis County Code.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks gave the staff report. Mindy said the ordinance amends Chapters 17.05, General Provisions, 17.10, Definitions, and 17.130, Adequate Public Facilities of the Lewis County Code.

Commissioner Pollock asked if there were any questions. There were no questions.

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

Mindy 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 chose to speak.

Commissioner Pollock closed the hearing.

***Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Ordinance 1358. Commissioner Pollock seconded. Motion passed 2-0.***

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Peter Lahmann invited the public to the Centralia Lighted Tractor Parade on Dec. 14 and a Christmas Choir concert on Dec. 15.

## PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

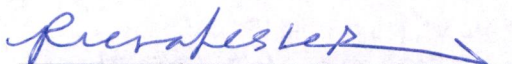
## ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 17, 2024, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

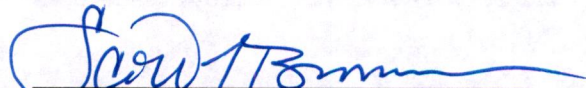
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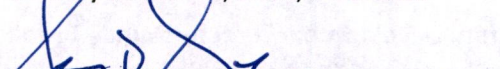
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Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

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