

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

April 8, 2025

Present: Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope

Recorder: Rieva Lester

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester said Kyle Wheeler had provided written public comment for the record.

Peter Lahmann of Centralia discussed internship and apprenticeship programs for veterans.

NOTICE ITEM

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolution 25-100. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 25-100: Notice of a public hearing to consider approval of Ordinance 1362, which would amend Chapter 15.05 - Building Codes - of Lewis County Code.

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said the hearing will take place May 6, 2025. Mindy said Fire Marshal Doyle Sanford will provide the commissioners information about the ordinance prior to the hearing.

Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve minutes from the April 1, 2025, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 25-101. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolutions 25-102 through 25-106. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 25-102: List the bids received and award the contract for the Historic Courthouse Masonry Rehabilitation Project.

County Manager Ryan Barrett discussed the resolution. Ryan said the project totals \$106,000.00, with funding coming from the Department of Commerce.

Resolution 25-103: Approve Contract #SWMLSWFA-2023-LCPHSS-00161, Amendment No. 1 between The State of Washington, Department of Ecology and Lewis County.

Environmental Services Manager Kirsten Wecker discussed the resolution. Kirsten said the agreement provides funding totaling \$68,140.45 – with a 25 percent match requirement of \$17,035.12 – for solid waste enforcement and permitting activities.

Resolution 25-104: Final approval of the Providence Heights subdivision located within the City of Centralia Urban Growth Area (UGA).

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said the BOCC approved the preliminary plan on July 18, 2023. She said the final plat meets the conditions for final plat approval.

Resolution 25-105: Award of contract to Kifer Construction LLC for structural and roofing improvements on the 4-H Barn located at the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds.

County Manager Ryan Barrett discussed the resolution. Ryan said the resolution awards an agreement totaling \$218,370.62 – plus tax – to Kifer construction to improve the roof and repair the 4-H Barn at the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds.

Resolution 25-106: Appoint / reappoint individuals to the Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging (LMTAAA) Advisory Council.

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester discussed the resolution. Rieva said the resolution appoints Nikki Sparks and Willie Merryman and reappoints Greg Rohr, Debbie Aust, Tim Wood and Heidi Buswell to the LMTAAA for staggered terms.

Motion passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At 10:12 a.m., Commissioner Brummer announced that the Board would be going into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) until 10:22 a.m. to discuss Vader Water.

At 10:22 a.m., Commissioner Brummer extended executive session until 10:27 a.m.

Executive session ended at 10:27 a.m. Commissioner Brummer noted that no decisions had been made.

PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 15, 2025, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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ATTEST:

Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

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