

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

**Business Meeting minutes**

**May 20, 2025**

Present: Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock

Absent: Commissioner Swope

Recorder: Tammy Martin

Commissioner Brummer called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., determined a quorum and then proceeded with the flag salute.

Brian Mittge and Hal Blanton presented the Timberland Regional Library state-of-the-library update. Brian said there are libraries in Packwood, Randle, Winlock, Salkum, Centralia and Chehalis. Brian said there is an Anywhere library that offers rural library services similar to a book mobile. Hal presented the fiscal side of the update.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Peter Lahman said that at 12:30 p.m. at Washington Park in Centralia on Monday May 26th, there will be a presentation at the Freedom Walk memorial.

Cynthia Mudge said the Rob Fuller scholarship event presented almost \$20,000 in scholarships. Cynthia said there are events coming up including ribbon cuttings for many businesses in Lewis County such as Quality Inn, Joy Rails, and Chehalis Farmers' Market.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

*Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve minutes from the May 13, 2025, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 25-141. Commissioner Brummer seconded. Motion passed 2-0.*

**DELIBERATION ITEMS**

*Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolutions 25-141 through 25-147. Commissioner Brummer seconded.*

**Resolution 25-142: Define parameters and anticipated uses of \$10.2 million in funding for the North Lewis County Industrial Access - a joint project between Lewis County and the City of Centralia.**

**Geoff Soderquist Director of Public Works** discussed the resolution. Geoff said this will support the project acquisition, construction upgrades, signal upgrades and more.

**Resolution 25-143: Final approval of the Evergreen Grove subdivision located within the city of Chehalis urban growth area (UGA).**

**Mindy Brooks Community Development Director** discussed the resolution. Mindy said the City of Chehalis Hearing Examiner granted preliminary plat approval and the final plat has been submitted.

**Resolution 25-144: Approve Contract #T03-0234-25 between Thurston County and Lewis County.**

**Meja Handle Public Health and Social Services Director** discussed the resolution. Meja said this subcontract provides funding for Thurston County Public Health & Social Services to provide home visiting services through the Nurse Family Partnership program to eligible people who reside in Lewis County.

**Resolution 25-145: Approve Amendment No. 2 between Lewis County and WSP USA to increase the amount payable by \$1,500,000 for engineering design services for improvement of the Reynolds Road/Harrison Avenue Corridors.**

**Geoff Soderquist Director of Public Works** discussed the resolution. Geoff said additional engineering services are necessary to complete the development of the project.

**Resolution 25-146: Approve Contract #H04-0201-23 Amendment A between Hope Alliance and Lewis County.**

**Meja Handle Public Health and Social Services** discussed the resolution. Meja said this subcontract provides funding for Hope Alliance to provide case management, rapid rehousing, and shelter services to those who are fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault.

**Resolution 25-147: Approve Personal Services Agreement Amendment B 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.**

**Meja Handle Public Health and Social Services** discussed the resolution. Meja said this contract provides funding for Lewis County Community Health Services to provide project management services related to the Lewis County homeless shelter's construction.

***Motion passed 2-0.***

## HEARING(S)

### **Resolution/Ordinance 1363**

Commissioner Brummer reopened the hearing recessed from May 13, 2025.

Mindy Brooks gave the staff report.



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

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

Mindy Brooks asked that their previous comments be adopted into the record.

Commissioner Brummer asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against the resolution.

There were no comments.

Commissioner Brummer closed the hearing.

***Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Ordinance 1363. Commissioner Brummer seconded.***

***Motion passed 2-0.***

### **Resolution/Ordinance 1364**

Commissioner Brummer introduced the hearing.

Becky Butler gave the staff report.

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

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

Becky Butler asked that their previous comments be adopted into the record.

Commissioner Brummer asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against the resolution.

There was no comment.

Commissioner Brummer closed the hearing.

***Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Ordinance 1364. Commissioner Brummer seconded.***

***Motion passed 2-0.***

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No announcements.

### **PRESS CONFERENCE**

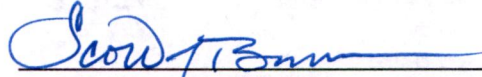
No questions.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

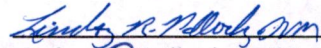
The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 27, 2025, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

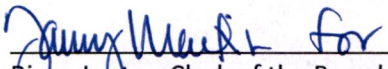
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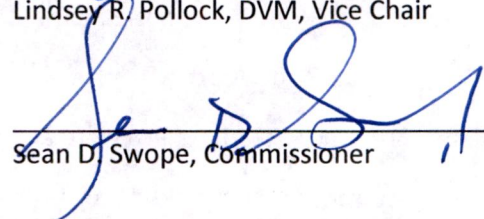
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