

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

July 1, 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

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:03 a.m., Commissioner Brummer announced that the Board would be going into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) until 10:13 a.m. to discuss the Berwick Creek culvert replacement project.

At 10:13 a.m., Commissioner Brummer extended executive session until 10:18 a.m.

Executive session ended at 10:18 a.m. Commissioner Brummer noted that no decisions had been made.

NOTICE ITEM

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolution 25-176. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 25-176: Notice of hearing regarding Lewis County 2025 budget amendment. The hearing will take place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at or after 10 a.m. July 15.

Budget Administrator Becky Butler discussed the resolution. Becky reviewed funding changes reflected in the budget amendment and outlined the ways in which the public could comment on the proposal.

Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve minutes from the June 24, 2025, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 25-177. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolution 25-178 as well as Resolutions 25-180 through 25-189. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 25-178: Approve interlocal agreement between Lewis County Superior Court and City of Chehalis in support of case management as it pertains to the Mental Health Court Program.

Superior Court Accounting Specialist Stacey Werner discussed the resolution. Stacey said the city of Chehalis will provide funding totaling \$42,376 to cover one-half of the expense of an Assistant Mental Health Court Program coordinator for one year.

Resolution 25-180: Enact outdoor burn restrictions effective 12:01 a.m. July 1, 2025.

Fire Marshal Doyle Sanford discussed the resolution. Doyle said dry, hot conditions have prompted the need for restrictions on outdoor burning.

Resolution 25-181: Approve Interagency Agreement between State of Washington, Department of Ecology 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 is for the program itself, for which the county serves as fiscal agent.

Resolution 25-182: Approve Interagency Agreement between state Department of Ecology and Lewis County, acting as Fiscal Agent for the Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority Warning and Alert System.

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said the agreement covers work done on river gauges.

Resolution 25-183: Approval of a Fifteenth (15th) Supplement Agreement between SBGH Partners, LLC and Lewis County.

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said SBGH runs the Flood Authority program for Lewis County.

Resolution 25-184: Approve the Twenty-Ninth 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 resolution extends an agreement with West Consultants, which oversees river gauges for Lewis County.

Resolution 25-185: Ratify a contract with Millig Design Build to provide services for energy audits and clean building compliance planning.

County Manager Ryan Barrett discussed the resolution. Ryan said the contract with Milig is for facility and system upgrades for the grant-funded energy improvements.

Resolution 25-186: Ratify Amendment A to contract 25-92701-035 with the Washington State Department of Commerce for LED lighting upgrades at the Law and Justice Center.

County Manager Ryan Barrett discussed the resolution. Ryan said the agreement extends the LED lighting project timeline.

Resolution 25-187: Establish bond amounts for elected and appointed county officials.

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester discussed the resolution. Rieva said the resolution establishes bond amounts for the county's elected officials retroactive to the seat-holders' start dates.

Resolution 25-188: Appoint Wesley Anderson, PE, as County Engineer for Lewis County.

County Manager Ryan Barrett discussed the resolution. Ryan welcomed Wesley Anderson as the county's new engineer.

Resolution 25-189: Enact annual outdoor burn restrictions starting on July 15 and ending on October 15 every year.

Fire Marshal Doyle Sanford discussed the resolution. Doyle said annual conditions prompt the need for restrictions on outdoor burning and that the county is establishing annual burn restriction dates in an effort to enhance safety and provide greater predictability for the public.

Motion passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The commissioners invited the public to enjoy Fourth of July fireworks, which will be available to view from various vantage points throughout the area as the fairgrounds will be closed to the public.

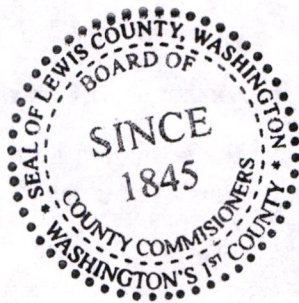
PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 8, 2025, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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ATTEST:

Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

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