

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

**Business Meeting minutes**

**October 28, 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**

Ray Chapman Wilson praised the county's decision to accept public health funding. Ray said Commissioner Swope claimed Ray had been banned from providing public comment at Centralia's council meetings.

Commissioner Swope said he had made the statement based on information the Centralia mayor had provided.

**NOTICE ITEMS**

*Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolutions 25-297 and 25-298. Commissioner Swope seconded.*

**Resolution 25-297:** Notice of hearing for the renewal of a franchise to Cardinal FG Company to install, construct, operate and maintain natural gas utility facilities in Lewis County rights of way.

Real Estate Services Manager Kimberly Edminster discussed the resolution. Kimberly said the hearing will take place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at or after 10 a.m. Nov. 25.

**Resolution 25-298:** Issue request for proposals for Removal and Replacement of boilers at the Law and Justice building.

Capital Infrastructure Specialist Matt Patana discussed the resolution. Matt said proposals are due electronically in OpenGov by 4 p.m. Dec. 1.

*Motion passed 3-0.*

## CONSENT ITEMS

*Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve minutes from the October 21, 2025, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 25-299. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.*

## DELIBERATION ITEMS

*Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolutions 25-300 through 25-303. Commissioner Swope seconded.*

**Resolution 25-300:** Authorize the County Manager to enter into interlocal agreements with the cities of Centralia, Morton, Toledo and Vader and the town of Pe Ell for the co-management of development within the urban growth areas.

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said the ILAs specify how the county applies codes and zoning for each. Commissioner Pollock said she'd like to have the ILAs address fireworks in addition to fires.

**Resolution 25-301:** Ratify a Consultant Agreement with David Evans and Associates Inc. (DEA) to provide Inspection Services for the Ceres Hill MP 0.79 Bridge Retrofit project, CRP 2204, Federal Aid No. BHOS-2021(079).

County Engineer Wes Anderson discussed the resolution. Wes said the resolution approves a contract amount of up to \$295,576 for the Ceres Hill project. Wes said construction will begin in the summer.

**Resolution 25-302:** Establish a No Parking zone on Skate Creek Road South.

County Engineer Wes Anderson discussed the resolution. Wes said the resolution is needed because visitors have been parking trailers and campers on the county-owned property, limited access for emergency vehicles.

**Resolution 25-303:** Amend interlocal agreement between Lewis, Clark, Cowlitz, Skamania and Wahkiakum counties for the Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board.

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester discussed the resolution. Rieva said the amendment extends the Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board contract through Dec. 31, 2030.

*Motion passed 3-0.*



## HEARING

**Resolution 25-304:** Approve a franchise to AT&T to install, construct, operate and maintain telecommunications facilities in Lewis County rights of way.

Commissioner Brummer introduced the hearing.

**Real Estate Services Manager Kimberly Edminister** gave the staff report. Kimberly said the resolution approves renewal of AT&T's franchise agreement with the county as required per RCW 36.55 and Lewis County Code. Kimberly noted that the hearing had been scheduled per Resolution 25-275.

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

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

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

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

No one chose to speak.

Commissioner Brummer closed the hearing.

***Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolution 25-304. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.***

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

## PRESS CONFERENCE

In response to a question from reporter Jacob Moore, Mindy Brooks said the county's interlocal agreement for the UGA management likely will not have any effect on Centralia's moratorium on warehouses.

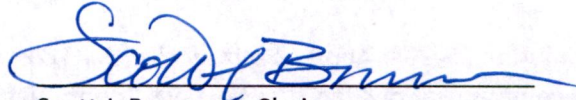
## ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, November 4, 2025, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

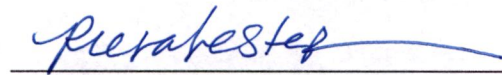
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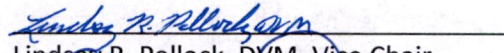


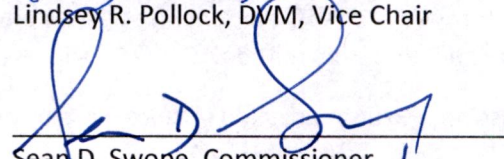
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