

# LEWIS COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES

February 11, 2026

Revised

**Present:** Candi Faupell, Kevin Ryan, Rob Snaza, Kevin Engelbertson, Rick VanWyck, Chris Tawes, Chris Sweet, Jeff Godbey, Sherri Guenther, Linda Bailey

**Absent:** Joe Mano

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am by Commissioner Faupell. Commissioner Faupell requested a revision of the September minutes to reflect the original version submitted. The November 2025 minutes were approved as written.

**Secretarial Report:** Linda Bailey

Commissioner Clevinger passed away in November. The BOCC announced the open position in December and in January appointed Joe Mano to fulfil the rest of the term which ends December 31, 2026. Commissioner Mano was not able to attend this meeting due to a prior commitment but will be here for the March meeting.

**Employee Status Report and Administrative Report:** Kevin Engelbertson

## **Corrections Bureau:**

Corrections Deputy Tristan Cross was given a probationary appointment effective December 1, 2025.

Corrections Deputy Preston Ryan was promoted to permanent rank effective December 1, 2025.

Corrections Deputy Dalton Morris was given a probationary appointment effective January 1, 2026.

Corrections Deputy Joshua Nelson was given a probationary appointment effective February 1, 2026.

Corrections Deputy Parker Chambers was given a probationary appointment effective March 1, 2026.

Corrections Deputy Rafal Stachniuk was given a probationary appointment effective March 1, 2026.

Corrections Deputy Eric West resigned effective March 7, 2026.

Corrections Deputy Isabella Ulrich graduated from the Corrections Academy on 01/15/2026 and is proceeding well in her field training.

Two corrections deputies are out on extended military deployment, and one additional corrections deputy is on temporary modified light duty.

After the March resignation and new hires, we will have one corrections lieutenant vacancy, one sergeant vacancy, and three corrections deputy vacancies. Some of these positions will not be filled due to budget constraints.

## **Operations Bureau:**

Deputy Samuel Okutsu resigned in lieu of termination on December 13, 2025.

Deputy Ciara Morine resigned effective January 21, 2026.

Deputy Josie Ahrens was given a probationary appointment effective February 1, 2026.

Detective Tarryn Carter resigned effective February 13, 2026.

Deputy Isabella Holmes is progressing in her FTO program.

Deputy Chase Gilbert is scheduled to graduate from BLEA on March 5, 2026.

As of February 13<sup>th</sup>, we have one sergeant, two deputy, and two detective positions open; some of which will not be filled due to budget constraints.

### **Services Bureau:**

We currently have one vacant Support Technician 1 position. We will not be filling this position at this time.

### **Administration:**

All employee collective bargaining agreements were recently settled. The contracts were multi-year agreements except for the Corrections Deputy Guild and Corrections Sergeants' Teamster's Union contracts, which will expire at the end of 2026.

### **Old Business:**

The BOCC approved the budget.

### **New Business:**

Sheriff Snaza explained they have exhausted the current Corrections Sergeant list with no viable candidates. They would like to expire this list and open a new assessment. He explained the Sheriff's office will bear the cost of the assessment center and will apprise the Board of its progress.

Commissioner Faupell and Commissioner Ryan approved expiration of the current list and opening a new assessment center.

Commissioner Faupell adjourned the meeting into executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(g) at 11:58 a.m. until 12:05 p.m.

Commissioner Faupell adjourned executive session at 12:05 p.m. and reopened the regular meeting stating the executive session will continue until 12:08 p.m.

Commissioner Faupell adjourned executive session and reopened the regular meeting at 12:08 p.m.

With no decisions being made and no further business, Commissioner Faupell adjourned the regular meeting at 12:08 p.m.

### **Future Meeting Date:**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 11:30 am, in the Lewis County Sheriff's Training Room

Minutes Prepared by: Linda Bailey