

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

March 24, 2026

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Swope

Recorder: Rieva Lester

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**NOTICE ITEMS**

*Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolutions 26-092 through 26-095. Commissioner Brummer seconded.*

**Resolution 26-092:** The temporary closure of Koontz Road to all through traffic.

County Engineer Wes Anderson discussed the resolution. Wes said the section of roadway will be closed from March 30 to June 30, 2026.

**Resolution 26-093:** The temporary closure of Meade Hill Road to all through traffic.

County Engineer Wes Anderson discussed the resolution. Wes said the section of roadway will be closed from April 6 to July 31, 2026.

**Resolution 26-094:** Notice of a public hearing to consider approval of Open Space Land designation and assessed value reduction for parcel Nos. 014731009004 and 014731009006.

Assessor Ross Nielson discussed the resolution. Ross said the hearing will take place April 7, 2026.

**Resolution 26-095:** Notice of public hearing to consider Ordinance 1375 to amend the Lewis County Code Title 15, Building and Construction, and adopt a rainwater catchment policy.

**Community Development Director Mindy Brooks** discussed the resolution. Mindy said the hearing will take place April 14, 2026.

Commissioner Pollock said the change appears to be a workaround for Ecology rules. She urged caution moving forward.

*Motion passed 3-0.*

## CONSENT ITEMS

*Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve minutes from the March 17, 2026, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 26-096. Commissioner Brummer seconded. Motion passed 3-0.*

## DELIBERATION ITEMS

*Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolutions 26-097 through 26-104. Commissioner Brummer seconded.*

**Resolution 26-097:** Declaration of surplus equipment.

**County Engineer Wes Anderson** discussed the resolution. Wes said Public Works has a nuclear moisture density gauge that is no longer of use and has no value. He said the resolution allows for its disposal to Troxler Electronic Laboratories (Troxler), which is a licensed radioactive waste broker.

**Resolution 26-098:** Accept FEMA Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) with Washington State Military Department.

**Department of Emergency Management Deputy Director Erika Katt** discussed the resolution. Erika said the grant helps pay for equipment, training and other emergency-related services. She said the \$39,543 grant covers the period of June 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026.

**Resolution 26-099:** Appoint members to the Lewis County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC).

**Department of Emergency Management Deputy Director Erika Katt** discussed the resolution. Erika said the state and federal governments outline the requirements for the committee.

**Resolution 26-100:** Approve a collective bargaining agreement (Master Labor Agreement) and memorandum of understanding (MOU) for Teamsters Local #252, representing four bargaining units:

**Lewis County Assessor's Office, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Combined and Supervisors, for January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028.**

HR Director Angie Hodge discussed the resolution. Angie said the resolution approves a master local agreement with the PA's Office, the Assessor's Office, the Combined group and the Supervisors group.

**Resolution 26-101: Approve a collective bargaining agreement (Appendix 100) for Teamsters Local #252, representing Lewis County Assessor's Office, for January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028.**

HR Director Angie Hodge discussed the resolution. Angie said the resolution approves Appendix 100 for the CBA.

**Resolution 26-102: Approve a collective bargaining agreement (Appendix 101) for Teamsters Local #252, representing Lewis County Combined Group, for January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028.**

HR Director Angie Hodge discussed the resolution. Angie said the resolution approves Appendix 101 for the CBA.

**Resolution 26-103: Approve a collective bargaining agreement (Appendix 102) for Teamsters Local #252, representing Lewis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office Clerical Group, for January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028.**

HR Director Angie Hodge discussed the resolution. Angie said the resolution approves Appendix 102 for the CBA.

**Resolution 26-104: Approve a preliminary long plat land division within the Centralia Urban Growth Area.**

Community Development Director Mindy Brooks discussed the resolution. Mindy said the resolution approves the preliminary plat and stipulates that final approval will not be provided until after the property has been annexed.

*Motion passed 3-0.*

## HEARINGS

**Ordinance 1373: Adopt amendments to Lewis County Code Chapter 2.25, Hearing Examiner.**

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Natalie Kaminiecki gave the staff report. Natalie outlined the changes to the hearing examiner process, noting that the changes provide standings for appeals.

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

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

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

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

No one chose to speak.

Commissioner Pollock closed the hearing.

***Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Ordinance 1373. Commissioner Brummer seconded. Motion passed 3-0.***

**Ordinance 1374: Update Chapters 3.15.040, 3.45.040 and 3.55.060 of Lewis County Code to allow greater flexibility regarding interest earned within the Lodging, Mental Health and Noxious Weed Containment Real Property Tax funds.**

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Budget Services Administrator / Risk Director Becky Butler gave the staff report.

Becky said the ordinance provides greater flexibility regarding Lodging, Mental Health and Noxious Weed Containment Real Property Tax funds. She said the Finance Committee and Prosecuting Attorney's Office have reviewed the changes, which allow interest earned to be collected within the General Fund.

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

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

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

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

No one chose to speak.

Commissioner Pollock closed the hearing.

***Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Ordinance 1374. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.***

Commissioner Brummer directed Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester to sign the March 24 Business Meeting documents on his behalf.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**PRESS CONFERENCE**

No questions.

**ADJOURNMENT**


The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 7, 2026, in the Commissioners’ Hearing Room (Room 223).

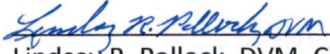
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Sean D. Swope, Commissioner