

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

September 15, 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 Brummer made a motion to approve Resolutions 26-386 and 26-387. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 26-386: Notice of hearing to consider an agreement with Gaelon Spradley and Kristine Spradley related to the vacation of a portion of Peterson Road.

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. Oct. 13, 2026. Kimberly clarified that approval of the agreement does not constitute approval of the vacation itself.

Resolution 26-387: Notice of hearing for the renewal of a franchise to Mashell Telecom Inc., DBA Lightcurve, to install, construct, operate and maintain telecommunications facilities within county road 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. Oct. 13, 2026.

Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve minutes from the September 8, 2026, BOCC Business Meeting as well as Resolution 26-388. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Resolution 26-385 as well as Resolutions 26-389 through 26-392. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 26-385: Approve \$250,000 Distressed Counties (".09") grant to the City of Chehalis for its "NW West Street Stormwater and Railroad Stabilization" project.

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester discussed the resolution. Rieva said the resolution approves grant funding for the city's stormwater and railroad stabilization project. Chehalis Public Works Director Lance Bunker said the work is expected to take five to seven days to complete.

Resolution 26-389: Appoint fire representatives to the Lewis County Law and Justice Council.

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester discussed the resolution. Rieva said the resolution appoints Riverside Fire Authority (Centralia) Fire Chief Kevin Anderson and Onalaska Fire Chief Brad Flexhaug to the Law and Justice Council.

Resolution 26-390: Ratify a Grant Agreement between the State of Washington Department of Health (DOH) and Lewis County Public Works in the amount of \$150,000 for a consolidation feasibility study.

Public Works Director Geoff Soderquist discussed the resolution. Geoff said the state is providing grant funding totaling \$150,000, which will fully cover to evaluate the restructuring of 54 Thurston PUD water systems located within Lewis County and the feasibility of obtaining ownership.

Resolution 26-391: Initiate a county road project and assign a County Road Project (CRP) number for the 2026 County Road Administration Board (CRAB) Local Road Program.

Public Works Director Geoff Soderquist discussed the resolution. Geoff said the resolution adds the CRAB Local Road Program project to the officially adopted annual road program.

Resolution 26-392: Approve contract #C06-0284-26 between Community Action Council (CAC) and Lewis County.

Social Services Supervisor Caroline Garibay discussed the resolution. Caroline said the agreement provides funding totaling up to \$115,000 for a full-time CAC Care Coordinator who supports child abuse

victims and their non-offending family members throughout the forensic interview process and related criminal and Child Protective Services (CPS) investigations.

Motion passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Pollock said she will attend the Sept. 16 ESC / Directors' Update meeting virtually.

PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, September 22, 2026, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

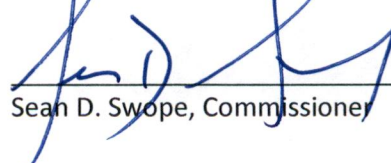
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