

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

October 6, 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 26-401 and 26-402. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 26-401: Notice of hearing for the renewal of a franchise to City of Winlock for installation, construction, operation and maintenance of water and sewer system facilities within the road rights of way of unincorporated Lewis County.

Real Estate Agent Kimberly Edminster discussed the resolution. Kimberly outlined the steps for submitting testimony and said the hearing will take place at or after 10 a.m. October 27, 2026.

Resolution 26-402: Issue a request for qualifications (RFQ) for Lewis County's Fire Alarm Engineering project.

Capital Improvement Specialist Matt Patana discussed the resolution. Matt said the project involves the IT building, the Historic Courthouse, the Health building and other locations.

Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve minutes from the September 22, 2026, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 26-403. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Resolutions 26-404 through 26-412. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 26-404: Extend timeline and increase salary level for non-union extra help investment and banking officer.

Treasurer Army Davis discussed the resolution. Army said the resolution increases the pay for Rodney Reynolds, decreases his weekly hours and extends his contract.

Resolution 26-405: Award contract to Pioneer Masonry Restoration Co. Inc. for the Historic Courthouse repointing project, project No. 31-2421b.

Capital Improvement Specialist Matt Patana discussed the resolution. Matt said the resolution awards the Historic Courthouse masonry project to Pioneer Masonry.

Resolution 26-406: Approve Supplement No. 3 with NW Heritage Consultants LLC (dba Cultural Resource Consultants), ACCR-2025, for the 2025 Annual Cultural Resources contract.

County Engineer Wes Anderson discussed the resolution. Wes said the supplement increases the county's contract by \$350,000 to cover additional cultural resources work.

Resolution 26-407: Approve contract #E05-0282-26 between Difference Makers, LLC and Lewis County.

Social Services Supervisor Caroline Garibay discussed the resolution. Caroline said the \$60,000 contract covers the homeless-housing consulting services Eric Eisenberg provides.

Resolution 26-408: Declaration of surplus personal property, vehicles and equipment.

Facilities Director Alex Murray discussed the resolution. Alex said the resolution declares the listed vehicles surplus and that they will be sold at auction.

Resolution 26-409: Dissolve the petty cash fund established for Public Disclosure Requests.

Chief Accountant Grace Jimenez discussed the resolution. Grace said the petty cash fund established for public disclosures is no longer needed.

Resolution 26-410: Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Lewis County 911 Communications and the Lewis County Dispatchers' Guild to authorize employee retention bonuses, new employee training incentives and increased training differentials.

E911 Executive Director Jeff Hursh discussed the resolution. Jeff said the agreement addresses employee retention and compensation for training responsibilities as well as incentives for newly hired Communications Officers.

Resolution 26-411: Approve lease from American Tower Corporation for use of Democrat Hill at 365A Schoen Road, Salkum, Wash., for a telecommunications site.

E911 Executive Director Jeff Hursh discussed the resolution. Jeff said the resolution approves a 10-year lease with American Tower Corporation for the county's use of a telecommunications site in Salkum.

Resolution 26-412: Change the owner of record from Weyerhaeuser Columbia Timberlands to Forecastle Timber Company due to a change in ownership.

E911 Executive Director Jeff Hursh discussed the resolution. Jeff said the resolution updates information regarding the party from which the county leases a Morton-area communications site.

Motion passed 3-0.

HEARINGS

Resolution 26-413: Budget amendment: Lewis County 2026 budget, emergency and supplemental appropriations to and transfers within current expense and other funds.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Budget / Risk Director Becky Butler gave the staff report. Becky said the amendment reflects a \$3,164,285 in expenditures and a \$2,107,096 increase in revenues, resulting in a \$1,057,189 decrease in the estimated ending fund balance.

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 Resolution 26-413. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Vacation 26-003 (Doty alley): The vacation of an unimproved Alley in Block B of the Plat of Doty, in Doty, Wash.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Real Estate Services Manager Kimberly Edminster gave the staff report.

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

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

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

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

No one chose to speak.

Commissioner Pollock closed the hearing.

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Vacation 26-003 (Doty alley). Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Ordinance 1382: Amend the Lewis County Urban Growth Area (UGA) Boundary.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Senior Long-Range Planner Natalie Kaminiecki gave the staff report. Natalie said the ordinance provides minor technical corrections to the UGA boundaries.

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 ordinance. No one chose to speak.

Commissioner Pollock closed the hearing.

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Ordinance 1382. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester noted that the commissioners had received written public comment regarding the budget amendment.

PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, October 13, 2026, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

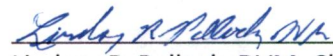
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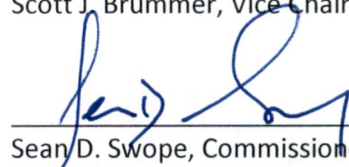
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Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

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