

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

July 8, 2019

Present: Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Fund

Recorder: Rieva Lester

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sean Bell of RES Americas gave an update on the Skookumchuck wind farm project. He said Lewis County issued grading permits the previous week. He said the agreements for the transmission lines crossings continue. He said he is concerned about the term length for the agreement and the consideration amount. He said the county should keep in mind that the tax revenue for the county will be significant. Sean said he also is working on the emergency management agreement.

Lisa Striedinger, representing the Resident Action Project, discussed House Bill 1406 related to affordable housing. She said the deadline for funding available under HB 1406 is fast approaching. She urged the county to opt in.

NOTICE ITEMS

Commissioner Fund made a motion to approve Resolutions 19-187 through 19-190. Commissioner Stamper seconded.

Resolution 19-187: Notice of Hearing for a non-exclusive franchise to the Industrial Park at Transalta to construct, operate and maintain water and sewer facilities in county right-of-way on Big Hanaford Road. The hearing will begin at or after 10 a.m. July 29, 2019, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

Martin Roy, Real Estate Services Manager for Public Works, spoke to the resolution. He said Transalta has applied for a five-year, non-exclusive franchise on Big Hanaford Road.

Resolution 19-188: Call for bids for the Interstate Avenue Paving Project, Federal Aid Project No. STPUS-5686(001), F.A. Contract No. TA-6614, CRP No. 2187D. Bids are due to the Clerk of the Board by 11 a.m. July 30, 2019.

Josh Metcalf, Director of Public Works, spoke to the resolution.

Resolution 19-189: Notice of the temporary closure of a portion of Borst Avenue in Centralia to all through traffic.

Martin Roy, Real Estate Services Manager for Public Works, spoke to the resolution. He said the portion of Borst Avenue between Eschom Road and North Schueber Road would be closed to through traffic but open to local traffic from July 12 to Dec. 11, 2019.

Resolution 19-190: Call for bids for one new vehicle to be purchased by Community Development. Bids are due to the Clerk of the Board by 11 a.m. July 24, 2019.

Lee Napier, Director of Community Development, spoke to the resolution. She said the bids for the new vehicle will be opened July 24.

Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Stamper made a motion to approve minutes from the July 1, 2019, meeting as well as Resolution 19-191. Commissioner Fund seconded.

Resolution 19-191: Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Chief accountant Suzette Smith, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants numbered 816186 through 816287 were issued the week of June 21 for payments against the county totaling \$156,089.54. She noted a skip in sequence for warrants 816166 through 816185, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Fund made a motion to approve Resolutions 19-192 through 19-195. Commissioner Stamper seconded.

Resolution 19-192: Authorize the initial placements of Community Health Workers on the current County Salary Grid (13 Step M Grid) for Non-Union Extra Help.

Steve Walton, Director of Central Services, spoke to the resolution.

Resolution 19-193: Approve a program agreement between the Department of Social and Health Services and Lewis County for the WorkFirst Program.

JP Anderson, Director of Public Health and Social Services, spoke to the resolution. He said the two-year contract will allow Lewis County staff to assist the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) in determining a parent's ability to participate in the WorkFirst program through an evaluation of a child's special needs.

Resolution 19-194: Establish the Lewis County Criminal Justice Treatment Account (CJTA) panel and appoint members.

JP Anderson, Director of Public Health and Social Services, spoke to the resolution. He said the county is appointing the following eight members to the Criminal Justice Treatment Account panel: Andrew Toynbee (Superior Court), Jonathan Meyer (Prosecutor), Chris Sweet (Sheriff's Office), Stephanie Miller (Drug Court), JP Anderson (County Drug & Alcohol Coordinator), Mindy Greenwood (Treatment Provider), Fabiola Gonzalez (Treatment Provider), and Sam Groberg (Criminal Defense Bar).

Resolution 19-195: Reappoint William Sullivan to the Pacific Mountain Workforce Development board.

Commissioner Stamper spoke to the resolution. He said William "Bill" Sullivan has been a huge help on the Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council.

Motion passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The commissioners talked about the various fireworks shows and parades that took place throughout Lewis County over the weekend.

Commissioner Fund and Commissioner Stamper discussed the Packwood chicken dinner fundraiser.

Commissioner Fund said the Pie Social will take place at 1:30 p.m. July 14 at Claquato Church.

Ron Averill discussed the county's move to five-year caps on franchise agreements.

PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions from the press.

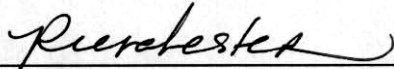
ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday, July 15, 2019, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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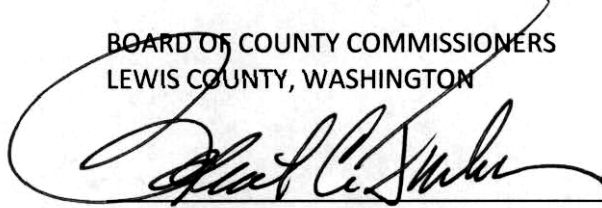


ATTEST:



Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Robert C. Jackson, Chair



Gary Stamper, Vice Chair



Edna J. Fund, Commissioner