

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

December 7, 2021

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Grose

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

Bob Guenther discussed an update University of Washington Professor Rick Gustafson gave Dec. 6 regarding efforts to create a biorefinery in Lewis County.

PRESENTATION

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve a proclamation recognizing December 7, 2021, as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Commissioner Grose seconded.

Proclamation: Recognize December 7, 2021, as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

Colonel Ron Averill read the proclamation into the record.

Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Grose made a motion to approve minutes from the December 7, 2021, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 21-426. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 21-426: Approval of warrants / payroll.

Chief accountant Grace Jimenez, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants 849,024 through 849,183 as well as direct disbursements numbered 3684, 3726, 3805, 3868, 3976, 4012, 4026, 4029, 4045, 4060, 4081, 4082, 4084, 4086, 4110-4112, 4128 through 4134, 4142, 4143, 4145 through 4152,

4155, 4162, 4163, 4170 through 4172, 4180, 4184, 4197, 4214 through 4217, 4219 and 4220 were issued in November and December for payments against the county totaling \$1,644,028.17. Grace noted a skip in sequence for warrants 849,002 through 849,023, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolutions 21-427 through 21-431. Commissioner Grose seconded.

Resolution 21-427: Reappoint one returning member to the Southwest Washington Fair Advisory Commission.

Parks and Events Director Connie Riker discussed the resolution. She said she would like to have Edna Fund fill a full term on the Fair Advisory Commission.

Resolution 21-428: Ratify a consulting agreement with Prothman for professional recruitment services for the 911 Communications Director.

HR Director Chris Panush discussed the resolution. He said the county is using Prothman to conduct a search for a 911 Communications Director.

Resolution 21-429: Acceptance of an agreement between the Lewis County Sheriff's Office and Trinity Services Group.

Chief Chris Sweet discussed the resolution. Chris said the Sheriff's Office is severing a 20-year agreement with a company for kitchen services. He said the county will contract with Trinity Services Group to provide kitchen services for jail inmates.

Resolution 21-430: Establish a Technology Replacement Policy.

Internal Services Director Steve Wohld discussed the resolution. He said the policy will allow the county to identify and respond to current and future technology needs. She said the policy identifies a need for a separate fund to account for revenue and expenditures related to approved technology replacement projects.

Resolution 21-431: Establish the Capital Projects Fund: Technology Replacement Fund No. 3350.

Chief accountant Grace Jimenez discussed the resolution. She said Fund No. 3350 is being established to reflect the new Technology Replacement Policy outlined in Resolution 21-430.

Motion passed 3-0.

HEARINGS

Ordinance 1331: Repeal and replace Chapter 03.30, Management and Disposition of Property, of the Lewis County Code.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Capital Projects Manager Doug Carey gave the staff report. He said the original code was created in 1996 and amended in 2005. He said the outlined procedures have become outdated due to technology and organizational changes. Doug said the proposed ordinance streamlines the procedures used to manage and dispose of property. He noted that the changes allow for property to be listed with brokers, revises surplus schedules and broadens the number of individuals who have authority to declare items as surplus.

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

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

Doug asked that his 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 Grose made a motion to approve Ordinance 1311. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

COVID-19

John Abplanalp said Public Health and Social Services will provide an update Dec. 8.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Pollock said the courts praised the efforts of Neil Hoium.

Peter Lahmann said the Lighted Tractor Parade is scheduled for 6 p.m. Dec. 11 in Centralia.

PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 13, 2021, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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ATTEST:

Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

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