

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

April 19, 2022

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

Judy Chrisman of Centralia said she has concerns regarding River Road Heights, saying she believes the county has created a defacto zone change. She questioned the legality regarding area subdivisions.

Bob Guenther discussed an upcoming hearing regarding land use and composting. He said the materials for the May 3 hearing include the phrase "other biosolids." Bob also said he will testify before the state pollution board in May to oppose biosolids application statewide.

NOTICE ITEMS

Commissioner Grose made a motion to approve Resolutions 22-115 and 22-116. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 22-115: Issue a request for qualifications (RFQ) for a Lewis County Health Officer. Proposals are due via email by 5 p.m. April 22, 2022.

Public Health and Social Services Director JP Anderson discussed the resolution. He noted the request was discussed by the Board of Health and that the issue was heavily publicized and also was announced via a county press release.

Resolution 22-116: Notice of hearing regarding a franchise to National Frozen Foods Corporation, to install, construct, operate and maintain water facilities in Lewis County rights of way. The hearing will take place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at or after 10 a.m. May 10, 2022.

Real Estate Services Manager Martin Roy discussed the resolution. He said National is seeking a franchise in Lewis County.

Motion to approve Resolutions 22-115 and 22-116 passed 3-0.

Commissioner Grose said he has concerns regarding Resolution 22-117 (issue a solicitation for consultant services regarding establishing a water bank). He said he fears the water bank would interfere with the watershed.

No one made a motion to approve Resolution 22-117, so the resolution did not move forward.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve minutes from the April 12, 2022, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 22-118. Commissioner Grose seconded.

Resolution 22-118: Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Chief accountant Grace Jimenez, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants numbered 853,815 through 854,841 and 853,876 through 854,132, in addition to direct disbursements numbered 4788 through 4793, as well as 4805 and 4807, were issued in April for payments against the county totaling \$2,454,485.72. She said payroll/tax Automatic Deposits numbered 38,615 through 39,196 also were approved for payments against the county totaling \$1,140,924.48. Grace noted a skip in sequence for warrants 853,842 through 853,875, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Grose made a motion to approve Resolutions 22-119 through 22-125. Commissioner Swope seconded. (The commissioners later voted to amend the motion to exclude Resolution 22-119.)

Resolution 22-119: Provide preliminary plat approval for the subdivision of Douglas Lane Acres - application Number LP19-00001.

Community Development Director Lee Napier discussed the resolution. Lee said Environmental Services Water Division.

Commissioner Grose made a motion to amend his original motion to exclude Resolution 22-119 and to instead hold the item until April 26, 2022. Commissioner Grose seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 22-120: Approve a Consolidated Contract between Lewis County and the State Department of Health.

Public Health and Social Services Director JP Anderson discussed the resolution. He said the resolution approves amendments to the contract, including expanded scopes of work and increased funding.

Resolution 22-121: Appoint members to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC).

Emergency Management Planner Ericka Katt discussed the resolution. She outlined updates to the list, including adding Ross McDowell and herself in addition to Austin Majors.

Resolution 22-122: The proposed acquisition of additional right of way for Salzer Valley Road Slide Project.

Public Works Director Josh Metcalf discussed the resolution. Josh said recent storms have caused damage that will require the acquisition of road right of way from four property owners.

Resolution 22-123: Establishment of a gross tonnage limit for certain emergency vehicles on the Shorey Road Bridge, bridge number 069.

Public Works Director Josh Metcalf discussed the resolution. Josh said the resolution would restrict restricts EV3 vehicles – with a gross tonnage exceeding 33 tons – from operating on or over the Shorey Road Bridge.

Resolution 22-124: Ratifying a contract supplemental agreement for On-Call Geotechnical Engineering (GEO2019), with Landau and Associates.

Public Works Director Josh Metcalf discussed the resolution. Josh said the maximum amount is being increased by \$200,000 to address additional work needed as a result of recent landslides.

Resolution 22-125: Establish the rate of pay for a non-union extra help Administrative Assistant Senior located in the 911 department.

HR Director Chris Panush discussed the resolution. He said the resolution would authorize placing the 911 Administrative Assistant Senior position at a Grade 121.

The motion, as amended to reflect the approval of Resolutions 22-120 through 22-125, passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Swope said the Economic Alliance will host an upcoming luncheon at Jeremy's to discuss a hydrogen project.

PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

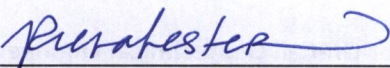
The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 26, 2022, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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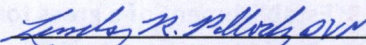
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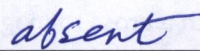


ATTEST:


Rieva Lester, Clerk of the Board

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