LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

May 10, 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

Rieva Lester noted that Kyle Wheeler had submitted an image as public comment.

YOUTH ADVOCACY CENTER OF LEWIS COUNTY

Youth Advocacy Center (YAC) of Lewis County child forensic interviewer Samantha Mitchell discussed the YAC's efforts to help child-abuse victims.

Commissioner Swope directed JP Anderson to work with Samantha to address the Youth Advocacy Center's needs.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve minutes from the May 3, 2022, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 22-140. Commissioner Grose seconded.

Resolution 22-140: Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Chief accountant Grace Jimenez, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants numbered 854,597 through 854,690 and 854,720 through 854,874 – as well as direct disbursements numbered 4762, 4778 through 4787, 4795 through 4804, 4808, 4817 through 4819, 4825, 4833, 4848, 4854, 4570 through 4571, 4613 through 4614, 4616 and 4879 – were issued April 29 - May 5, 2022, for payments against the county totaling \$1,367,627.36. She said payroll/tax Automatic Deposits numbered 39,801 and 39,802, dated May 10, 2022, also were approved for payments against the county totaling \$22,389.81. Grace noted a skip in sequence for warrants 854,691 through 854,719, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Grose made a motion to approve Resolutions 22-141 through 22-146. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 22-141: Ratify Agreement No. SWMWRRED-2002-LeCSWU-00009 with the Washington State Department of Ecology to reduce recycling contamination.

Solid Waste Manager Rocky Lyon discussed the resolution. He said the resolution approves a grant to help improve the area's recycling efforts. He said the grant requires a 25 percent match from the county. Rocky said the free dump voucher program has not yet restarted. Commissioner Grose said he'd like to see the Legislature adopt deposits on glass bottles.

Resolution 22-142: Approve Agreement No. 22-PA-11060300-010 with the USDA Forest Service, Gifford Pinchot National Forest, to add funding totaling \$10,000.00 effective through November 30, 2024.

Noxious Weed Control Program Coordinator Charles Edmonson discussed the resolution. He said the agreement expands noxious weed services already being provided.

Resolution 22-143: Approve a contract with Spectra Contract Flooring for Law and Justice flooring project.

Capital Projects Manager Doug Carey discussed the resolution. Doug said the project is to replace the 20-year-old carpeting on the first floor of the Law and Justice Center. Doug said most of the other floors have had sections of carpeting replaced. He said the plan is to address the other floors in the future.

Resolution 22-144: Approve a lease agreement between Lewis County and the Lewis County Historical Museum.

Capital Projects Manager Doug Carey discussed the resolution. He said the county leases the building from the railroad and subleases it to the Historical Museum. Doug noted that the county will no longer provide janitorial services for the building.

Resolution 22-145: Declare an emergency, dispense with normal bidding requirements and select vendor to provide replacement domestic hot water boiler at the Lewis County Jail.

Capital Projects Manager Doug Carey discussed the resolution. He said the resolution is to replace the single boiler in the jail that is leaking and is not repairable. He said there would be significant safety and health issues were the boiler completely fail. Doug said JRT Mechanical has indicated it has a replacement unit available.

Resolution 22-146: Establish the rate of pay for a non-union extra help senior financial analyst.

HR Director Chris Panush discussed the resolution. He said the Auditor's Office has a need for extra help and that the resolution would set the rate of pay at a Grade 129.

Motion passed 3-0.

HEARING

Resolution 22-147: Approve a franchise to National Frozen Foods Corporation to install, construct, operate and maintain water facilities in Lewis County road rights of way.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Martin Roy gave the staff report. He said the five-year, non-exclusive franchise replaces an expiring franchise for National Frozen Foods.

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

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

Martin 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 Swope made a motion to approve Resolution 22-147. Commissioner Grose seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Martin Roy said he is leaving Lewis County at the end of the month. He praised his cohorts' efforts and thanked his leadership for allowing him to serve the public. The commissioners and Josh Metcalf thanked Martin for his work over the years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

Commissioner Grose said the Mossyrock Cemetery District is having some troubles with an annexation and has reached out for help.

Commissioner Swope said Public Works will hold its ROAD-eo on May 19 in Onalaska.

Commissioner Swope said he may be out of office May 17.

Rocky Lyon invited Commissioner Swope to attend an upcoming SWACC meeting.

PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 17, 2022, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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F. Lee Grose, Commissioner