

**LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)**

**Business Meeting minutes**

**June 21, 2022**

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Grose

Recorder: Tammy Martin

Commissioner Pollock called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m., determined a quorum and then proceeded with the flag salute.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Peter Lahmann wanted to let Lewis County offices and departments be aware that WorkEx has internship participants that are paid through Veterans Affairs to work in the private and public sector.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

*Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve minutes from the June 14, 2022, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 22-177. Commissioner Grose seconded.*

**Resolution 22-177:** Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Chief accountant Grace Jimenez, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants 856,151 through 856,357 were issued in June for payments against the county totaling \$1,177,727.50. She said payroll/tax deposit warrants numbered 795,899 through 795,902 and Automatic Deposits 40,965 through 41,551 also were approved for payments against the county totaling \$1,180,745.61. Grace noted a skip in sequence for warrants 856,114 through 856,150, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

***Motion passed 3-0.***

**DELIBERATION ITEMS**

*Commissioner Grose made a motion to approve Resolutions 22-178 through 22-186. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0. The Commissioners later removed Resolution 22-183 from consideration.*

**Resolution 22-178:** Authorize the Director of Information Technology Services to execute a purchase order with Justice AV Solutions (JAVS).

IT Services Director Matt Jaeger discussed the resolution. Matt said this would authorize the purchase of court reporting equipment.

**Resolution 22-179:** Approve an amendment agreement between Lewis County and Washington State Military Department for the FEMA Emergency Management Performance Grant and authorize signatures thereon.

Emergency Management Planner Erika Katt discussed the resolution. Erika said this is to approve an amendment to the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG).

**Resolution 22-180:** List the bids received and contractor selected for the Centralia Alpha Road MP 15.79 Culvert Replacement Project, CMP 1810.

Public Works Director Josh Metcalf discussed the resolution. Josh said one bid was received. The bid is awarded to Steele Trucking Inc. for the construction of a culvert for fish passage.

**Resolution 22-181:** Emergency establishment of gross tonnage limits on Ceres Hill Bridge No. 102.

Public Works Director Josh Metcalf discussed the resolution. Josh said there were significant cracking in the concrete girders. The newly posted max tonnage is 15 ton. This is immediate and indefinite until a solution can be provided. If the bridge is used inappropriately, more damage can impact the cost to repair.

**Resolution 22-182:** Approve amendment C01-0133-22-B to professional service contract C01-0133-21 between Compass Career Solutions and Lewis County Public Health & Social Services.

PHSS Interim-Director Meja Handlen discussed the resolution. Meja said these services are for employment and inclusion services.

**Resolution 22-183:** Approve Amendment A in the amount of \$997,149 to contract H02-0141-21 between Housing Resource Center and Lewis County Public Health and Social Services.

PHSS Interim-Director Meja Handlen discussed the resolution. Meja said funding provided to Housing & Essential Needs (HENS) is for case management support.

Commissioner Swope made a motion to hold Resolution 22-183 until more clarification of contract services. Commissioner Grose seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

**Resolution 22-184:** Approve contract between Lewis County and Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) to oversee the administration of funds.

PHSS Interim-Director Meja Handlen discussed the resolution. Meja said this adds funds to provide services for those with developmental disabilities under the Developmental Disabilities Administration.

**Resolution 22-185:** Increase Lewis County's 2022 mileage rate effective July 1, 2022.

Admin-Assistant Tammy Martin discussed the resolution. Tammy said this is a rate increase is due to recent changes per the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The new standard mileage rate is 62.5 cents per mile effective July 1, 2022.

**Resolution 22-186:** Designate Lewis County representatives on the Washington Counties Risk Pool.

HR/Risk Interim-Daleyn Coleman discussed the resolution. Daleyn said this would appoint members to the Risk Pool.

*The motion as amended – to approve Resolutions 22-178 through 22-182 as well as Resolutions 22-184 through 22-186 – passed 3-0.*

## HEARING

**Resolution 22-187:** Approve a franchise to the City of Toledo to install, construct, operate and maintain water and sewer facilities in Lewis County road rights of way.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Josh Metcalf 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.

Josh Metcalf asked that his previous comments be adopted into the record.

Commissioner Pollock asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against the resolution. There were no comments.

Commissioner Pollock closed the hearing.

*Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolution 22-187. Commissioner Grose seconded. Motion passed 3-0.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ross McDowell said DEM participated in the Cascadia Rising earthquake preparation event. Ross said his team won a trophy in the Winlock Egg Day Parade. Ross said this was a valuable tool to distribute information on emergency preparedness.

Peter Lahmann said there will be a Veterans Affairs sponsored hiring event on June 23, 2022, at Lumen Field.

Colonel Averill said the annual Farm Bureau picnic will start at 4 p.m. on June 22, 2022, in Morton.

Commissioner Pollock said she participated in the Cascadia Rising experience.

Commissioner Swope participated in the Torch Run for Special Olympics. He wanted to thank Sara Sons for her efforts.

## 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, June 28, 2022, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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