LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

September 20, 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

Peter Lahmann thanked community members and visitors who attended the recent flying saucer event at the Historical Museum. Peter also discussed an upcoming cybersecurity apprenticeship program. He noted that the training is being offered at no charge thanks to a grant.

NOTICE ITEM

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolution 22-298. Commissioner Grose seconded.

Resolution 22-298: Notice of hearing regarding the de-annexation of a portion of Cemetery District 2. The hearing will take place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at or after 10 a.m. Oct. 11, 2022.

Clerk of the Board Rieva Lester discussed the resolution. Rieva said Cemetery District 2 plans to deannex a portion of property that was orphaned by the creation of Riffe Lake. She said a hearing on the matter will take place Oct. 11.

Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Grose made a motion to approve minutes from the September 13, 2022 Business Meeting as well as Resolution 22-299. Commissioner Swope seconded.

Resolution 22-299: Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Chief accountant Grace Jimenez, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants 859,699 through 859,724 and 859,765 through 859,911 and direct disbursements 5699 through 5705 were issued in September for payments against the county totaling \$2,126,024. She said payroll/tax deposit warrants numbered 795,943 through 795,973 and Automatic Deposits 44,527 through 45,148 also were approved for payments against the county totaling \$1,218,303. Grace noted a skip in sequence for warrants 859,725 through 859,764, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve Resolutions 22-300 and 22-301. Commissioner Grose seconded.

Resolution 22-300: Approve Local Agency Agreements and Federal Aid Prospectuses between Lewis County and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for federally funded bridge projects.

Public Works Director Josh Metcalf discussed the resolution. Josh said the prospectuses include the following federal funding for local projects:

Senn Bridge Scour: \$1,128,500

Wildwood Bridge Scour: \$1,296,100

Davison Road Bridge Rehabilitation: \$2,087,200

Preventative Bridge Maintenance: \$4,991,400

Josh said the federal funding being provided totals \$9,503,200 and that local funds will total \$250,497.

Resolution 22-301: Approve an interlocal agreement with City of Chehalis for fire investigation services for the unincorporated areas excluding the service boundary of Riverside Fire Authority.

Community Development Director Lee Napier discussed the resolution. Lee noted she had not yet received a signed copy of the ILA from Chehalis.

Motion passed 3-0.

HEARING

Resolution 22-302: Approve a franchise renewal to Northwest Pipeline, LLC for the installation, construction, operation, and maintenance of a pipeline for purposes of transmission of natural gas products in, upon, under, along and across the rights of way of unincorporated Lewis County.

Commissioner Pollock introduced the hearing.

Real Estate Services Manager Shawn Kyes gave the staff report. He noted that the five-year, non-exclusive franchise replaces two franchise agreements that had expired. Shawn noted that the agreement had lapsed in 2006.

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

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

Shawn 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 Resolution 22-302. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

PRESS CONFERENCE

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, September 27, 2022, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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F. Lee Grose, Commissioner

