

Update with County Manager

March 11, 2019

11 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Fund, County Manager Erik Martin, Amber Caulfield, Lara McRea, Becky Butler

Guests: Dr. Lindsey Pollock, Alex Brown

Recorder: Rieva Lester

APWA banquet

Erik Martin said the APWA banquet is April 25. He said the cost is \$75. All three commissioners said they plan to attend.

County Manager authority

Erik discussed authority given to the County Manager. He said he'd like formalization via resolution. He said he would draft a resolution. The commissioners agreed to have him move forward on a delegation of authority document.

Central Services

Erik discussed the Capital Facilities Committee's draft plan for county complex. He said the plan would include the purchase of additional property. He said KMB will give the board a presentation once the plans are further finalized.

911/DEM

Erik said he met with members of the 911 Joint Executive Cooperation the previous week. He said the group discussed the formation of a citizens task force and members voiced concerns about the direction the task force may go, including whether the task force would take too long to get up to speed, how impartial members would be, how accurate they'd be and how informed they'd be. He said the 911 Joint Executive Cooperation felt the task force would need the infrastructure and personnel studies Steve Mansfield is working on. He said some are pushing for a determination about 911 in 2019. Erik said Steve still believes citizens should be involved. He said the 911 Joint Executive Cooperation wants the studies done before the citizens task force forms. Erik reiterated that the citizens task force ideally will be made up of individuals not actively involved with 911 but with past experience or knowledge.

Erik discussed the feasibility study TCOMM has requested. He said it was proposed that the county and three other entities share the roughly \$200,000 to \$250,000 cost.

Commissioner Jackson noted that TCOMM is a private company, not governmental agency, and that that is attractive.

HR

Erik said a hearing will be held soon regarding the Motor Pool investigation.

Erik said Operations, Guild and 911 union discussions continue.

Erik said HR is working through a sick and vacation payout issue arising from the Assessor's Office.

Erik said Becky and Archie Smith have done some background work regarding electeds' salaries. Becky said some other counties have set the salaries to 95 percent of the commissioners' salaries or tied raises to non-reps' raises. She said some counties have tied electeds' salaries to the Superior Court judges' salaries. Commissioner Jackson said he wouldn't want to tie raises to the judges' salaries. Becky said Archie is working on comparables. The commissioners said they'd rather explore options other than using the Salary Commission.

Erik said he met with Arny Davis regarding the accountant position in the Treasurer's Office. He said Arny is confident in his plan to replace Vickie Roth when she retires.

Public Works

At 11:36 a.m., Commissioner Jackson announced that the Board was going into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for 10 minutes to discuss the airport manager position.

At 11:46 a.m., the Board extended Executive Session for 5 minutes.

At 11:51 a.m., the Board extended Executive Session for 2 minutes.

Executive Session ended at 11:53 a.m.

Commissioner Fund left at 11:54 a.m.

At 11:55 a.m., Commissioner Jackson recessed the meeting until 10 a.m. March 13.

Meeting resumes March 13

The meeting resumed at 10:03 a.m. March 13, 2019, with Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Fund, Erik Martin and Candy Hallom in attendance and Rieva Lester serving as recorder.

Commissioner Fund said she has asked DPA Eric Eisenberg if the county can appoint a proxy to represent the county on Twin Transit. She said Arny Davis and Bud Blake have expressed an interest in being Twin Transit's interim manager.

Commissioner Fund and Commissioner Stamper discussed the vacancy Commissioner Jackson left on the Twin Transit board, a position for which the BOCC must appoint a successor.

Erik Martin and Candy Hallom left at 10:16 a.m.

Commissioner Stamper said he would be willing to join Twin Transit if he wouldn't have to be chair. Commissioner Fund noted that Twin Transit already has named its new chair, so Commissioner Jackson's successor could serve as secretary.

Commissioner Stamper said he would support Commissioner Fund if she wanted to fill the vacancy. Commissioner Fund said her plate is full and that she'd like to focus on matters before the Legislature. She said she would support Commissioner Stamper if he wanted to fill the vacancy.

Commissioner Fund said Twin Transit will be reviewing its charter and may explore whether it would be prudent to change the rules related to who serves as board members.

The commissioners reviewed their calendars.

Meeting ended at 10:55 a.m. March 13, 2019.