

Update with Coroner

July 17, 2018

10 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Stamper, Warren McLeod, Erik Martin

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Warren McLeod said the Coroner's Office is on track with budget, aside from indigent cremations. He said there have been nine indigent cremations year to date with two more pending. He said indigent cremations cost \$500 apiece.

Warren said there have been 470 deaths year to date. Following is the breakdown: three homicides, 10 suicides, seven accidental deaths, two undetermined, 17 pending, two public assists, two agency assists and two department assists.

Warren said the mortuary will honor its bid for decedent removals. He said the cost is \$270 per removal.

Warren said that if Lewis County did its own decedent removals, the upstart would cost \$127,400, including operating costs of \$45,000.

Warren said Casey Peters is working with the Drowning Prevention Coalition to target schoolkids.

Erik Martin left at 10:18 a.m. and returned at 10:21 a.m.

Meeting ended at 10:23 a.m.