

PA Update

December 7, 2021

2:01 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Grose, Eric Eisenberg, Amber Smith, Austin Majors, Josh Metcalf, Kevin McDowell, Barbara Russell, Tiffanie Morgan, Becky Butler, Jonathan Meyer, Brittani Bonahoom, Lara McRea, Natalie Dunlap, Sherri Dokken, Lee Napier, County Manager Erik Martin (2:14 p.m.)

Guest: Eric Rosane

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Eric Eisenberg introduced Barbara Russell, the new Civil DPA.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), ecology and water banking

Eric said Ecology has a grant available for water banking. He noted that one-third of water rights secured under the grant would have to go back to the stream. Eric said it appears water banking would be eligible for funding under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). If so, it's possible the funding sources could be used together.

RFP

Jonathan Meyer said his office issued an RFP for case management software. He said his office is moving

Quasi-judicial hearing

Amber Smith provided a recap of rules related to quasi-judicial matters, such as the upcoming YMCA rezone.

Great Rivers Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization (GRBHASO) and Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA) funding

Eric said one-tenth of 1 percent funds have subsidized the ITA efforts in the past. He said a new contract is being developed that will correct a billing issue, change the county's per-case rate and pay the county to make up for prior shortfalls. Eric said Superior Court signs the contract. The commissioners approved allowing Superior Court to sign the contract. Becky Butler noted that the new contract includes a clause for an annual review to reconcile.

Executive session

At 2:18 p.m., Commissioner Pollock announced that the Board would be going into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for 5 minutes to discuss the McPeak litigation.

Executive session started at 2:19 p.m.

At 2:24 p.m., the Board extended executive session for 5 minutes.

Executive session ended at 2:29 p.m. Commissioner Pollock noted that no decisions had been made.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.