

County Manager Update

December 4, 2023

10:15 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock, County Manager Ryan Barrett, Eric Eisenberg, Lee Napier, Becky Butler, Meja Handlen, Josh Metcalf, Matt Jaeger, Erika Katt

Guest(s): Julie Balmelli-Powe

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Public comment: None.

Incident weather: Erika Katt provided flooding and weather updates.

Winlock annexation: Not discussed.

American Rescue Plan Act update: Becky Butler provided updates regarding Treasury's changes to allowable ARPA uses. She said the Treasury will no longer cover most internal costs charged to ARPA. The commissioners directed staff to advocate for an extension for ARPA rules.

Lewis County Seniors: The commissioners reviewed the draft proposal for Lewis County Seniors funding for 2024. The commissioners requested the group provide a per-meal cost at its next update. They also directed staff to create a certification process by which the group will certify that funding provided by Lewis County will be used solely for the group's nutrition program.

2024 budget: Becky said the 224 budget hearing will take place later in the day.

Legislative request: The commissioners previewed the Legislative agenda being discussed Dec. 6.

Meeting ended at 10:50 a.m.