

Directors' Update

March 27, 2024

9:01 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, County Manager Ryan Barrett, Josh Metcalf, Lee Napier, Meja Handlen, Becky Butler, Gary Fredricks, BJ Kuykendall, Rachel Lester, Daleyn Coleman, Aimee Albright, David Bailey, Jimmy Goodman, Robert Bradley, Doug Carey, Caroline Garibay, Charles Edmonson, Alex Murray, Arny Davis, Shelly Stewart, Kate Chatterton, Tammy Martin, Casey Mauermann, Coleman Rogers, Eric Eisenberg, Jenn Libby-Jones, Justia Madrigal, Matt Thuston, Mindy Brooks, Rudy Rodriguez, Sara Sons, Sarah Hensley, Sherri Dokken, Tom Stanton, Susie Palmateer, Stacey Werner, Allen Unzelman, Kevin Nelson, Sophia Limacher, Judge Toynbee, Rachel Hunt

Guest(s): Patty Howard, unnamed guests

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Public comment: None.

Wednesday Workshop

Chehalis Treatment Court program: Mental Health Court Program Coordinator Sophia Limacher requested the creation of an Assistant Program Coordinator position, which would provide support to the Mental Health Court Program Coordinator in partnership with the city of Chehalis, with the city and county splitting the costs of the program. Judge Andrew Toynbee, Susie Palmateer and Allen Unzelman echoed the benefits of the proposed program.

The commissioners said they are in support of the proposal, noting that the next step will be to sign an interlocal agreement with Chehalis.

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Becky Butler discussed a notice of hearing for Lewis County 2024 budget emergency and supplemental appropriations to and transfers within current expense and various funds.

Lee Napier discussed a resolution to approve the Lewis County Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update community engagement plan and project charter.

Meja Handlen discussed a resolution to approve Contract #W01-0194-23 Amendment A between WISE and Lewis County.

Rieva Lester discussed a resolution to list the bids received and newspaper selected for Lewis County legal printing for July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

Josh Metcalf discussed a resolution to ratify a contract amendment with HDR for the Packwood Sewer System Project.

Josh Metcalf discussed a resolution regarding the proposed acquisition of additional right of way for Carr Road at MP 0.20.

Charles Edmonson discussed a resolution to appoint Tina Moore to the Lewis County Noxious Weed Control Board as the representative for Weed District 5.

Becky Butler discussed a resolution to designate Lewis County representatives on the Washington Counties Risk Pool.

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to move one notice item, two consent items and seven deliberation items to the Tuesday, April 2, 2024, BOCC agenda. Commissioner Swope seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

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MOU with WSU Extension: Gary Fredricks discussed a proposed agreement with WSU for Extension services. He noted that WSU Extension has hired a new 4-H leader effective April 1.

Becky Butler noted that WSU needs to address the portion of the salaries that Solid Waste funds.

The commissioners said they would revisit the topic April 1.

Homeless youth services: Commissioner Swope said he would like the county to allocate \$35,000 to help 16 area high school students have access to Centralia College's dorms from April 1 to Aug. 31. Commissioner Swope and Meja Handlen discussed the benefits of the proposal. The commissioners directed Meja to draft a resolution for the proposal.

At 9:48 a.m., Commissioner Brummer announced that the Board would be going into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) until 10:09 a.m. to discuss the following:

- Jordan David Coleman tort claim under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)
- Proposed Ordinance 1354 under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)
- Mountain View Cemetery under RCW 42.30.110(1)(c)

At 10:09 a.m., Commissioner Brummer extended executive session until 10:14 a.m.

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Executive session ended at 10:17 a.m. Commissioner Brummer noted that no decisions had been made.

Becky Butler said the commissioners have been invited to an April 2 broadband meeting with Gluesenkamp-Perez's office.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.