

BOCC Wrap-Up / County Manager Update

August 19, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock, County Manager Ryan Barrett, Meja Handlen, Mindy Brooks, Becky Butler, Josh Metcalf, Doug Carey, Jenn Libby-Jones, Ross Nielson, Lynn Richard, Chris Lanegan, Bradley Clark, Caroline Garibay, Charlene Kinder, Daleyn Coleman, David Bailey, Graham Gowing, Justia Madrigal, Rachel Lester, Sara Sons, Sarah Hensley, Sherri Dokken

Guest(s):

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Public comment: None.

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to add the following to the agenda for the Aug. 20, 2024, BOCC Business Meeting:

- Approval of minutes for Aug. 6, 2024, Business Meeting
- Resolution 24-350: Approval of warrants / payroll
- Resolution 24-351: Authorize the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners to sign the Community Certification Verification to maintain participation in the Community Rating System
- Resolution 24-352: Accept agreement for reentry demonstration initiative project
- Resolution 24-353: Approve Agreement #2363-48919 Amendment #2 between the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) and Lewis County

Commissioner Brummer seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Fair recap: The group discussed the soggy fair and the excellent work and response to the weekend storms and other hiccups.

911 governance update: Jenn Libby-Jones discussed a Combined User Committee (CUC) meeting that took place Aug. 15. She noted that Jonathan Meyer had been unable to attend unexpectedly and that the attendees have voted to move toward a separate legal governance after the November general primary.

PUD application for WSAC's Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) program: The commissioners said they are in support of the PUD's BEAD application. Willie Painter said he will provide a draft letter of support for the commissioners' consideration.

Youth Advocacy Center (YAC) contract renewal: The commissioners said they support use of opioid settlement funding totaling \$115,000 to renew the contract with YAC. They directed staff to move forward with the contract and to ratify it via resolution.

County buildings / Commerce grant / Lewis County Seniors: Doug Carey discussed obstacles regarding the transfer of county-owned real property to non-governmental entities.

Citizens Budget Committee: Becky Butler said Usha Brooks has returned to the area and would like to participate on the committee. The commissioners said they support including Usha on the committee.

Underfilling Community Development Administrative Assistant position: Mindy Brooks said she'd like to hire a .5 FTE. Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve the plan to underfill the Community Development Administrative Assistant position. Commissioner Brummer seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Twin Cities Sertoma Club liquor license: Rieva Lester said the Sertoma Club has requested a letter of support regarding the expedited approval of the group's liquor license application. The commissioners agreed to provide the letter of support.

Letter of support regarding Community Development permitting software: Mindy Brooks said

Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update: Mindy Brooks

Executive session: At 10:58 a.m., Commissioner Brummer announced that the Board would be going into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) until 11:13 a.m. to discuss Sierra Pacific Board of Tax Appeals.

- At 11:13 a.m., Commissioner Brummer extended executive session until 11:17 a.m.
- At 11:17 a.m., Commissioner Brummer extended executive session until 11:30 a.m.

Executive session ended at 11:30 a.m. Commissioner Brummer noted that no decisions had been made.

Meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m.