

Directors' Update

December 10, 2025

9 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, County Manager Ryan Barrett, Wes Anderson, Angie Hodge, Becky Butler, Matt Patana, John Abplanalp, Tim Mixer, Rocky Lyon, Alex Murray, Caroline Garibay, Sara Sons, Jeff Hursh, Rudy Rodriguez, Ashley Hamilton, Meja Handlen, Erika Katt, Mindy Brooks, Casey Mauermann, Graham Gowing, Natalie Kamieniecki, Sherri Dokken, Tom Stanton

Guest(s): Chip Duncan

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Public comment: None.

DEM update: County Manager Ryan Barrett provided an update on local flood response.

County Engineer Wes Anderson discussed a resolution to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to provide 2026 Annual Hydrologic, Hydraulic, and Geomorphic Services for public works projects.

John Abplanalp discussed a resolution to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to Solicit Qualified Providers to Deliver Animal Shelter Operations Services in Lewis County.

Mindy Brooks discussed a resolution to disband the Washington State Boundary Review Board for Lewis County, Washington.

Rocky Lyon discussed a resolution to appoint Samuel Schellenger to the Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee and setting terms thereof.

Tim Mixer discussed a resolution for the declaration of surplus equipment.

Wes Anderson discussed a resolution to initiate county road construction projects and assign County Road Project (CRP) numbers.

Rudy Rodriguez discussed a resolution to approve 2026 "Lodging Tax" contracts with various organizations for funding from Tourism Promotion Fund No. 1980 for tourism-related activities.

Ryan Barrett discussed a resolution to approve a collective bargaining agreement between Lewis County and AFSCME Local 1341 for January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027.

Becky Butler discussed a hearing for Lewis County 2025 budget, emergency and supplemental appropriations to and transfers within current expense and other funds.

Commissioner Swope made a motion to move two notice items, two consent items, six deliberation items and one hearing to the Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2025, BOCC agenda. Commissioner Pollock seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Announcements / new business

Office and department representatives provided updates, including the following:

- Wes Anderson said the east side of the county will have significant road damage.
- Sara Sons invited county employees to participate in a Polar Plunge contest Jan. 1.

Law and Justice boiler project: Matt Patana said proposals for the Law and Justice boiler project have come in about \$50,000 higher than anticipated. Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve up to \$350,000 for the county's Law and Justice boiler project. Commissioner Pollock seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Labor negotiation contract: Commissioner Swope made a motion to approve an additional \$5,400 for the county's contract with Cabot Dow for his work on the county's interest-arbitration eligible contracts. Commissioner Pollock seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:24 a.m.