

BOCC Wrap-Up

February 3, 2020

9:02 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, County Manager Erik Martin (by phone), Eric Eisenberg, Steve Walton, Daleyn Coleman, Becky Butler, Lara McRea, Steve Wohld

Guests: Frank Corbin, Dr. Lindsey Pollock, Peter Lahmann

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Commissioner Fund made a motion to add two items to the day's Business Meeting agenda: call for bids for the South Lewis County Airport taxiway improvement project and approve a collective bargaining agreement with Teamsters 252.

Commissioner Jackson seconded.

Steve Walton reviewed some of the changes in the Teamsters CBA.

Motion passed 3-0.

At 9:06 a.m., Commissioner Stamper announced that the Board was going into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for 5 minutes to discuss pending or potential litigation related to the DNR.

At 9:11 a.m., the Board extended Executive Session for 2 minutes.

At 9:13 a.m., the Board extended Executive Session for 1 minute.

Executive Session ended at 9:14 a.m. Commissioner Stamper noted that no decisions had been made.

The commissioners reviewed a compensation analysis memo and directed Erik Martin to send it out.

Erik Martin left at 9:16 a.m.

Becky Butler reviewed a draft agreement with the Lewis County Seniors.

Daleyn Coleman and Steve Walton left at 9:17 a.m.

Rieva Lester said a gentleman has requested permission to open the Mayors' Meeting in prayer.

Commissioner Stamper said he'd like to see how the Napavine City Council addressed prayers during meetings. The commissioners said they would put the topic on an upcoming agenda. Commissioner Jackson said he would reach out to the gentleman making the request.

Commissioner Fund discussed a recent Office of the Chehalis Basin meeting as well as letters of support Lewis County and the cities of Centralia and Chehalis have inked regarding HB 1154.

Rieva Lester said the county received one application for the vacancy on the PFD and no applications for the Diking and Drainage District 1 vacancy.

The commissioners said they would review the application the following week as they understood there may be at least one other interested party.

Commissioner Stamper said he would reach out to the Morton mayor to discuss the Diking and Drainage District vacancy. Eric Eisenberg said his office would look into what it would take to create a new district if that district were to dissolve.

Rieva said she has not yet heard back from the Port of Centralia regarding the commissioners' request for the port to nominate an elected official for the Distressed Counties (.09) committee.

Commissioner Fund and Becky Butler discussed with the group bills before the state Legislature.

Commissioner Fund discussed the Great Rivers ASO.

The commissioners directed office staff to share Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler's broadband survey.

Rieva Lester noted that Cheryl Heywood of Timberland Regional Library will attend the March 16 Business Meeting to give the state of the library update.

The commissioners approved minute folders for the weeks of:

- Dec. 30, 2019
- Jan. 13, 2020
- Jan. 20, 2020

At 9:55 a.m., the commissioners recessed until 11:15 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 11:22 a.m. with all three commissioners, Becky Butler and Steve Wohld in attendance with guests Dr. Lindsey Pollock and Frank Corbin observing.

The group reviewed the draft Lewis County Seniors agreement.

Steve Wohld said the county is spending roughly \$60,000 annually on the senior center buildings, above and beyond the cash amount the county is contributing for the nutrition program.

The commissioners noted that the buildings are provided for nutrition and enrichment.

The commissioners approved the language in the draft with additional language about the rent for senior centers and the addition of page numbers. They also noted that the recapture language is to protect taxpayer dollars.

Becky Butler left at 11:38 a.m.

The commissioners signed a letter of support regarding the TRL Board of Trustees and a thank you letter to Mary Astrid.

The commissioners reviewed calendars.

Meeting ended at 11:59 a.m.