

Update with the EDC

September 8, 2020

4:01 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Stamper (by phone), Commissioner Fund, Commissioner Jackson, County Manager Erik Martin, Becky Butler, Tamara Hayes

Guests: Claudia Yaw, Larry McGee, Frank Corbin

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Matt Matayoshi said the EDC has allocated:

- \$180,000 in grants to businesses using funding from Commerce
- \$200,000 in grants to businesses using funding from Lewis County

Matt said the EDC also is working on allocating \$200,000 in grants to nonprofits using funding from Lewis County. He said the group received 33 applications.

Matt said the EDC expects to receive an additional \$100,000 from Commerce to allocate to businesses later in the month.

Matt said Benaroya has a commitment for its Winlock property. He said the project is expected to create \$1 million in sales tax as a one-time revenue. He said the project is expected to total \$80 million, generating \$900,000 for Lewis County. He said the Winlock School District is expected to receive roughly \$200,000, the general fund is expected to receive \$100,000 and that Roads is expected to receive roughly \$150,000.

Matt said Winlock is looking for help paying for a water line and extending its pump station. He said the city has submitted a .09 Distressed Counties application, which is set to be reviewed Sept. 11.

Matt discussed some of the North Military Road improvements Benaroya will provide, including curbs and sidewalks.

Erik Martin said the county learned of 22 new COVID-19 cases earlier in the day.

Larry McGee lauded area nonprofits for the work they've been accomplishing in the wake of COVID-19.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.