

BOCC Wrap-Up

May 24, 2021

9 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, Eric Eisenberg, Steve Wohld, Chris Panush, Josh Metcalf, Dianne Dorey, Willie Painter, Lee Napier, Undersheriff Rethwill, Lara McRea, Taylor Albright, Josh Metcalf, Alison Puckett

Guests: Claudia Yaw, Edna J. Fund, Nic Scott

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Resolution 21-203: Commissioner Pollock made a motion to add to the Business Meeting agenda Resolution 21-203: Listing of bids received and contractor selected for the 2021 Base Stabilization Project, CRP 2192A.

Commissioner Swope seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 21-205: Commissioner Swope made a motion to table Resolution 21-205: Dissolve the Lewis County Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials ("Salary Commission").

Commissioner Pollock seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

Non-Represented Employee cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) increase for 2022: Chris Panush said he would have a late add for the Directors' Update agenda.

Business Meeting time: The commissioners tentatively agreed to change the weekly Business Meeting to 10 a.m. Tuesdays beginning in July.

Salary Commission: Commissioners Swope said he is working with the PA's Office to address a succession plan regarding the Salary Commission.

PUD requests for letters of support: The commissioners approved sending letters of support regarding the PUD's Winlock project and its plan to create a fiber-optic backbone from Lewis County to Pierce County. Commissioner Swope said he'd like to hold off sending the letters for a couple of days.

Activity reports

- **Commissioner Stamper:** Visited Packwood regarding planned sewer facility. He said individuals have been asking about whether Packwood can become incorporated. Dianne Dorey said the population requirement is 1,500 full-time residents for an area to become incorporated.
- **Commissioner Pollock:** Spent time learning about sewer.
- **Commissioner Swope:** Attended Fire Commissioners meeting on May 17. Fire department indicated it wants the county to give it the site of the old transfer station. Met with Sheriff Snaza regarding body cameras. Met with Kelly Johnston, Rob Hill, Richard DeBolt, JP Anderson and Meja Handlen to develop plans for a housing summit. Met with Dr. Melnick, JP and Amber Smith regarding the Lakeview Inn COVID-19 facility. Visited Ron Mauer's property along the river and will meet with WDFW to discuss its plans.

TransAlta / IPAT lands: Eric Eisenberg said Paul Clark from federal OSM has sent documentation.

COVID-19, including policy change to reflect L and I's new guidance, cases, response, services, policies, funding, vaccines: The group discussed new guidance from the state L and I in response to the governor's relaxed mask policy for individuals who have been vaccinated. Steve Wohld suggested keeping the records (attestations or vaccine cards) at the elected / director level.

Hampton Lumber: At 9:38 a.m., Commissioner Stamper announced that the Board would be going into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for 15 minutes to discuss pending / potential litigation regarding Hampton Lumber.

Executive Session started at 9:39 a.m.

At 9:54 a.m., the Board extended Executive Session for 5 minutes.

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At 10:04 a.m., the Board extended Executive Session for 5 minutes.

At 10:09 a.m., the Board extended Executive Session for 3 minutes.

Executive Session ended at 10:12 a.m. Commissioner Stamper noted that no decisions had been made.

Meeting ended at 10:13 a.m.