

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 27, 2015**

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) for Lewis County, Washington, met in regular session on Monday, April 27, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. **Commissioners Edna J. Fund, P.W. “Bill” Schulte, and Gary Stamper**, were in attendance. **Chair Fund** determined a quorum, called the meeting to order and proceeded with the flag salute. **Commissioner Stamper** moved to approve the minutes from the 10:00 a.m. meeting held on Monday, April 20, 2015. **Commissioner Schulte** seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 3-0.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

The BOCC introduced Dave Sherman and recognized him for 20 years of service to Lewis County and his retirement at the end of this month.

NOTICE

Commissioner Schulte moved to approve the Notice Agenda item one. **Commissioner Stamper** seconded the motion.

1. **Notice: Declaration of certain vehicles and equipment as surplus property and notice of intent to sale. Public Auction will be held at 8:00 a.m., May 19, 2015, at Ritchie Brothers Auction, Chehalis, WA. Items may be previewed Monday thru Friday beginning May 11, 2015. Resolution No. 15-131**

Tim Elsea, Director of Public Works, stated Lewis County Code 3.30 requires that the BOCC declare county property surplus to allow for its disposal, and advertise notice of disposal of surplus property. The items listed on Exhibit “A” are no longer useful to Lewis County. The attached list of vehicles and equipment have reached their useful life and have been replaced or scheduled for replacement. We recommend this surplus equipment be sold at auction on May 19, 2015. The advertising for surplus property and sale will be completed by Lewis County in accordance with the surplus property ordinance. Items listed on Exhibit “A” will be sold at Ritchie Bros Auction on May 19, 2015.

Motion Carried 3-0

CONSENT

Commissioner Schulte moved to approve the Consent Agenda, items two through five. **Commissioner Stamper** seconded the motion.

2. **Resolution No. 15-132 Approval of warrants and payroll for payment.**

Chair Fund stated this Resolution approves 247 regular warrants for a total payment against the County in the amount of \$940,006.36. This Resolution also approves payroll warrants dated April 20, 2015, for a total payment against the County in the amount of \$268,589.00.

3. Resolution No. 15-133 Agreement between Lewis County and U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Commissioner Schulte stated the EDA is providing a grant in the amount of \$30,000 to pay for 50% of the feasibility study and business plan for the potential purchase of the Tacoma Rail Line.

4. Resolution No. 15-134 Proposed acquisition of right of way for Pe Ell McDonald Road bridge repair project.

Tim Elsea, Director of Public Works, stated this resolution authorizes the acquisition of additional right of way for a scour repair project on Pe Ell McDonald Road Bridge Mile Post (MP) 8.68. To protect Pe Ell McDonald Road Bridge MP 8.68 at Stillman Creek, it is necessary to do scour repair work. The repair project will require additional road right of way from three adjacent property owners. RCW 8.08 authorizes counties to acquire property under the threat of eminent domain when deemed necessary by the BOCC. Pursuant to the requirements of RCW 8.08, this resolution instructs the County Engineer to acquire right of way as shown on the attached Exhibit Map from three property owners along Pe Ell McDonald Road for the project in Section 14, Township 12 North, Range 4 West, W.M. All such acquisitions shall be in accordance with adopted procedure as per Resolution 14-160 and under its eminent domain authority.

5. Resolution No. 15-135 Approving a grant to complete design and construction of the Packwood Airport runway.

Lee Napier, Director of Community Development, stated Lewis County has the opportunity to complete the design and construct runway improvements with financial assistance from the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) and Department of Transportation (DOT) Aviation Division. Lewis County has the opportunity to complete the design and construct the runway improvements with financial assistance from the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) and Department of Transportation (DOT) Aviation Division. Community Development requests approval to submit to both the FAA and DOT Aviation Division grant applications. The runway improvement will ultimately be constructing and widening the current 38-foot width to the FAA standard 60-foot width, replace the Medium Intensity Runway Edge Light (MIRL) system and providing a Runway Safety Area (RSA) that meets current FAA design standards.

Motion Carried 3-0.

HEARING

CDBG-Citizen input on community development and housing needs

Commissioner Fund announced the hearing and asked for a staff report.

Danette York, Director of Health and Social Services, stated the purpose of this public hearing is to review community development and housing needs, inform citizens

of availability of funds and eligible uses of the state Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and receive comments on proposed activities, particularly from lower income persons residing in Lewis County. Hearing notice was published on April 16, 2015 in The Chronicle and April 15, 2015 in the East County Journal. CDBG handouts were available at the front of the room. \$100,874 is proposed to be available for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016 to Lewis County who will subcontract with Community Action Council of Thurston, Lewis and Mason Counties (referred to as CAC). Funds are to be used to fund public services that principally benefit low and moderate income persons in Lewis and Mason counties. Thurston County is no longer eligible for funding under this grant. This hearing also serves to receive comments on the county's and CAC's past performance and use of the funds for fiscal year July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015.

Chair Fund asked if there were any questions. There were none. She closed the question and answer portion of the hearing and opened the formal hearing.

Danette York asked that her previous comments be adopted into the record.

Ron Averill, Centralia, stated this grant used to be administered by Thurston County and the population grew so large that they are no longer eligible for the funding. Lewis County does benefit from this grant.

Chair Fund asked if anyone else would like to testify. There was none. She closed the hearing.

There being no further business, the BOCC's business meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m. on April 27, 2015. The next public meeting will be held Monday, May 4, 2015. Please note that minutes from the BOCC's meetings are not verbatim. A recording of the meeting may be purchased at the BOCC's Office.

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ATTEST:

Edna J. Fund, Chair

**Karri Muir, CMC, Clerk of the Board
Lewis County Commissioners**

P.W. Bill Schulte, Vice-Chair

Gary Stamper, Commissioner