

BOCC Wrap-Up / County Manager Update

October 30, 2023

9 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock, County Manager Ryan Barrett, Steve Wohld, Becky Butler, David Bailey, Jimmy Goodman, Lee Napier, Meja Handlen, Josh Metcalf, Doug Carey, Sheriff Rob Snaza, Undersheriff Wes Rethwill, Amber Smith, Mindy Brooks, Nic Scott, Kate Chatterton, Rudy Rodriguez, Coleman Rogers, Robert Bradley (9:04 a.m.), Linda Mastin

Guest(s): Patty Howard, unnamed guest

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Public comment: None.

At 9 a.m., Commissioner Swope announced that the Board would be going into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) until 9:30 a.m. to discuss the following:

- Swigert Road
- Vader water
- Mountain View Cemetery
- Evers litigation
- Non-disclosure agreements (NDAs)

At 9:30 a.m., Commissioner Swope extended executive session until 9:40 a.m.

Executive session ended at 9:40 a.m. Commissioner Swope noted that no decisions had been made.

WSAC vacancies: Commissioner Swope and Rieva Lester reminded the commissioners that applications for vacancies on WSAC's statewide boards are due Nov. 2.

2024 budget follow-up: Becky Butler said Parks and Rec will review its budget later in the day, fee schedule will be Nov. 6, the Coroner's Office has provided information about transport, costs for opioid deaths and whether opioid settlement can be used. Auditor / Treasurer later in the day.

2023 budget amendment: Becky said the upcoming amendment currently is for \$3.3 million.

Secure Rural Schools: Commissioner Pollock discussed her recent trip to Washington, D.C., to address Secure Rural Schools funding.

County Manager contract renegotiation authority: Ryan Barrett said an employee has asked to renegotiate the terms of their contract. The commissioners directed Ryan Barrett to renegotiate the terms of the individual's contract.

Thank you letter for Planning Commission member: The commissioners agreed to sign a thank you letter to Kathy Chastain.

Salary Commission: Rieva Lester said the appointments for the Salary Commission have lapsed. The commissioners directed staff to reach out to the appointees to see if they'd be interested in serving again.

Planning Commission vacancy: Commissioner Pollock said she feels Jeff Skutley has applied for the position. The commissioners directed staff to prepare a resolution to appoint Jeff to the Planning Commission.

Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging (LMTAAA) vacancy: Rieva Lester said the county received two applications. The commissioners said they would like to review the applications Nov. 1.

Meeting ended at 9:58 a.m.