

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Skamania County Courthouse**  
**240 NW Vancouver Ave. Lower Level, Room 18**  
**Stevenson, WA 98648**  
**Minutes for Meeting of July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

The Board met for a staff meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room on Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Commissioners T.W. Lannen, Richard Mahar, and Asa Leckie, Chair, were present. Reports were provided by Probation Officer Chris Wood, Financial Management Administrator Heidi Penner, Senior Services Program Manager Sophie Miller, Human Resources Specialist Cora Zettler, and Clerk of the Board Lisa Sackos. Community Events and Recreation Manager Alex Hays was absent.

The meeting recessed at 9:22 a.m.

The Commissioners' business meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, WA with Commissioners Richard Mahar, T.W. Lannen, and Asa Leckie, Chair, present.

The Pledge of the Allegiance was led by Commissioner Asa Leckie, Chair.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Lannen moved, Commissioner Mahar seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Minutes for meeting June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
2. Minutes for meeting June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
3. Minutes for meeting June 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
4. Minutes for meeting July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.
5. Agreement with One Washington for the Kroger settlement.
6. Agreement with the Washington State Department of Agriculture for a lean-to for the horse barn.
7. Agreement with the Washington State Department of Agriculture for the fairground bathroom restoration project.
8. Agreement with Goodwill of the Olympics and Rainier Regions for training and skills development for program participants.
9. Administrative amendment to the PTD0371 Capital grant from Washington State Department of Transportation to purchase an ADA minivan.
10. Intergovernmental agreement with Port of Cascade Locks to waive bridge toll for Skamania County Transit vehicles crossing the Bridge of the Gods.
11. Authorize the Sheriff's department to purchase a couch for the wellness room.
12. Contract with the Washington Military Department for reimbursement of 9-1-1 coordinator professional development and operational expenses for the Skamania County PSAP.
13. Interagency agreement with Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs for the registered sex offender address verification program.

Commissioner Mahar moved, Commissioner Lannen seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period dated July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in the total amount of \$338,759.35 with \$49,305.78 being Current Expense, covering warrant numbers 198913 through 198997.

The Board reported on various meetings they attended.

The meeting recessed at 9:48 a.m. and reconvened the same day at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners T.W. Lannen, Richard Mahar, and Asa Leckie, Chair, present.

The Board met for Department Head reports:

- David Waymire, Public Works Director, reported on Engineering, County Road, Building Division, Community Development, ER&R, Solid Waste, Information Technology, Building and Grounds, and the Wind River Business Park.
- Tamara Cissell, Community Health Director, reported on Behavioral Health, Public Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Housing.

The Board met with Chris Awwad for the County Forester report.

The meeting recessed at 10:34 a.m. and reconvened the same day at 11:00 a.m. with Commissioners T.W. Lannen, Richard Mahar, and Asa Leckie, Chair, present.

The Board met with the new Department of Ecology Southwest Region Director Bobbak Talebi and VFO Manager Shauna Hanisch-Kirkbride for a meet and greet and to discuss various topics of interest.

The meeting recessed at 11:48 a.m. and reconvened the same day at 2:46 p.m. with Commissioners T.W. Lannen, Richard Mahar, and Asa Leckie, Chair, present.

Commissioner Lannen moved, Commissioner Mahar seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to sign the amended letter of support for Yakama Nation to acquire land on the lower White Salmon River.

The Board met in Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), for discussion with legal counsel about current or potential litigation with Prosecutor Adam Kick and Clerk of the Board Lisa Sackos present. At 3:25 p.m., the Chair announced the session would be extended for 15 minutes. The session ended at 3:40 p.m.

Commissioner Lannen moved, Commissioner Mahar seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the letter of support to the City of Stevenson regarding the Courthouse Park Plaza Project.

The Board met in Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to discuss the qualifications of an applicant for public employment with Prosecutor Adam Kick and Clerk of the Board Lisa Sackos present. The session ended at 3:55 p.m.

Commissioner Mahar moved, Commissioner Lannen seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to adjourn the Skamania County Board of Commissioners meeting for Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

The meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

**ATTEST:**



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
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**Asa Leckie, Chairman**

  
Lisa Sackos, Clerk of the Board

  
Richard Mahar, Commissioner

  
T.W. Lannen, Commissioner