

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Minutes for Meeting of August 14, 2018

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on August 14, 2018 for a staff meeting at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and Tom Lannen, Chair present. Toni Farris, Probation Office reported on client numbers, Drug Court screening, and facilities. Sophie Miller, Senior Services Program Manager, reported on a casino shuttle, Veteran's Van, and grants. Alex Hays, Manager of Cultural Events and Recreation, reported on the 2018 Fair and thanked Buildings and Grounds, volunteers, Road Crew and Staff for all their help. He also discussed staffing schedules, opening ceremonies for the Fair and events that will take place after the Fair is over. Debi VanCamp, Human Resources Administrator, reported on budgeting, union negotiations, the on-call list and asked for a meeting with the Board and Adam later that day to discuss union. It was decided the meeting would be held at 11:30 a.m. Heidi Penner, Financial Management Administrator, reported on budgets, and a BARS alert concerning a number that will no longer be used in 2019. She submitted a list of budgets that use the number to the Auditor and Treasurer. She will revise the Title III budget and WSU Extension line items in the External Services budget to reflect the change in BARS numbers. Debbie Slack, Financial Management Coordinator/Clerk of the Board, reported on scheduling, conveyance letter, Planning Commission appointments, EDC contract, and scheduled an Executive Session the same day for 11:00 a.m. The FMO workshop was cancelled for that day.

The meeting recessed at 9:18 a.m.

The Commissioners business meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on August 14, 2018 at the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and Tom Lannen Chair present. The Pledge of the Allegiance was led by Robert Waymire, Skamania County Auditor.

There was no public comment

Commissioner Mahar made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hamlin. There was discussion concerning item #7 not having enough funds set aside. The motion carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as follows;

1. Minutes from August 7, 2018
2. Set Public Hearing on September 11, 2018 to consider Ordinance 2018-07, a proposed ordinance amending Title 15, Building and Construction, to revise types of work exempt from building permits.
3. Notice of discontinuance of liquor license for Zeek's Family Grill and Bar
4. Letter of appointment to Leana Johnson, City of Stevenson Administrator, to serve on the Board of Directors for Mid-Columbia Economic Development District representing the cities of Stevenson and North Bonneville
5. Letter of appointment to Sophie Miller, Senior Services Program Manager to fill a vacancy on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee
6. Change Order #3 with Granite Construction Company for shoulder rock on Washougal River Road, 2017 Overlay Project CRP-2017-091a
7. Contract with Fickett Structural Solutions for bridge inspections for "Fracture Critical" bridges.
8. Approve extension letter to Utilities and Transportation Commission for the Butler Road Railroad Crossing Project
9. Interagency agreement with Washington State Administrative Office for the support of Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) programs

10. Agreement with Skamania County Sheriff for Title III Program for 2018/2019
11. Agreement with North Country Emergency Medical Services for Title III Program for 2018/2019
12. Agreement with Underwood Conservation District for Title III Program for 2018/2019
13. Agreement with Skamania County Emergency Medical Services for Title III Program for 2018/2019
14. Agreement with Skamania County Fire District #1 for Title III Program for 2018/2019
15. Agreement with Skamania County Fire District #6 for Title III Program for 2018/2019

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Mahar and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers with warrant numbers 167351 through 167413 for the period ending August 14, 2018 in the total amount of \$81,828.56 with \$60,308.47 being Current Expense.

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Mahar and the motion carried unanimously to approve a Pre-Hire request for the Department to work with Human Resources to advertise and fill an additional appraiser position in the Assessor's office.

The Board reported on various meetings they attended. Commissioner Hamlin reported on a Brownsfield Assessment- EPA grant meeting. He also reported he will be working in the information booth at the Fair. He also met with Dena Horton, Legislative Aide to Senator Maria Cantwell, stopped by a Fire District #1 meeting to discuss a requested letter of support on the Wind River Nursery conveyance, and performed site visits at County campgrounds and the Wind River Boat Launch. Commissioner Mahar reported a Planning Commission meeting, and Skamania County EMS and Trauma Care meeting. Commissioner Lannen reported on a Skamania County EDC meeting, and Skamania County Chamber of Commerce meeting. He also discussed a forest research group that is reviewing the NW Forest Plan. He also reported on a letter received from Gina Owens, Forest Supervisor of the Gifford Pinchot National Forest regarding Lower Falls and the 90 road, and a report received from the Skamania County Sheriff on calls for services on National Forest and Gorge Scenic area locations. He also reported on talks with Shari Hildreth of Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler's office, attending the Forest Youth Success luncheon, and submitting a new application to the RAC. The Board also discussed attendance at an upcoming Forest Collaborative field trip schedule for Thursday, August 16th beginning at the Training Center, Wind River Nursery.

The meeting recessed at 9:51 a.m. and reconvened at 10:19 a.m. the same day with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and Tom Lannen, Chair present.

Department Heads presented the following reports:

- Kirby Richards, Community Health Director reported on Behavioral Health, Public Health and Developmental Disabilities. She also reported on air quality and monitoring issues. A County resident, Connie Lyons offered to donate up to \$1,000 for an air monitor to be placed in Carson.
- Tim Elsea, County Engineer, reported on Engineering, County Roads, ER&R, and Solid Waste as well as Planning, Environmental Health, Building & Fire Safety, Buildings & Grounds and Information Technology. He also reported on Wind River Boat Launch project, paving projects, Home Valley Walking Bridge, private road standards, Courthouse Flood, Wind River Business Park, and Home Valley Park. He also told the Board he has been appointed to the Washington State Association of County Engineers Executive Board.

The meeting recessed at 10:57 a.m. and reconvened at 11:01 a.m. the same day with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and Tom Lannen, Chair present.

The Board participated in an executive session, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), performance of a public employee for 20 minutes.

The meeting recessed at 11:22 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. the same day with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and Tom Lannen, Chair present.

The Board participated in a workshop to discuss the Courthouse Plaza project. Marie Perez of the Stevenson Downtown Association gave a presentation on the history of the project, future planning and responsibilities, financial aspects, and design phases. Representatives from the City of Stevenson and Prosecutor, Adam Kick were in attendance as well. Items discussed with the Board were maintenance of the plaza after completion, liability, ownership of the property, parking and traffic flow, water and electric bills, potential revenues, funding, and naming of the park. The cost list of this phase will be looked at by City and County Engineers.

The meeting recessed at 2:16 p.m. and reconvened at 2:30 p.m. the same day with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and Tom Lannen, Chair present.

The Board participated in a workshop to discuss a new fire hall for Fire District #2, and possible housing for the Skamania County Emergency Operations Center in Stevenson. Leana Johnson, City Administrator for the City of Stevenson, presented the Board a summary and background of the project. She also gave an overview of funding scenarios, public outreach, project timeline, and needs assessment. Dave Brown, Skamania County Sheriff reported on the County's role, the potential and need for the EOC to be in the Fire Hall, and possible in-kind services in lieu of cash commitment. It was agreed to hold a joint workshop in December with the City of Stevenson to discuss the potential partnership further.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Approved this 21 day of August, 2018.

ATTEST:



Heidi B Penner, FMA
Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

T. M. Lannen
Commissioner

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Aye 3
Nay 0
Abstain 0
Absent 0