

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Skamania County Courthouse
240 NW Vancouver Ave. Lower Level, Room 18
Stevenson, WA 98648
Minutes for Meeting of May 11, 2021

The Board of Commissioners met for a staff meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Stevenson, WA with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and T.W. Lannen Chair present. Alex Hays, Manager of Community Events and Recreation reported on working with the Fair Board on Bluegrass and Fair. He also gave updates on the well and working with the City of Stevenson, swine weigh in and working on other odds and ends. Toni Farris, Probation Officer reported on her office having a busy week and working with Prosecutor Adam Kick on training that would bring in more revenue. Sophie Miller, senior Services Program Manager reported on the Dog Mountain Shuttle with lower riders at this time, she mentioned CAT has been a great help with the shuttle. He reported she is hired a couple of on-call drivers and received notice from Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities of Southwest Washington on some additional funding. Heidi Penner, Financial Management Administrator reported on the annual report, the debit card account, and the US Treasury guidance for American Rescue Plan funds. Commissioner Hamlin requested a workshop on cell phones within the next few weeks.

The meeting recessed at 9:17 a.m.

The Commissioners' business meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2021, at the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar and T.W. Lannen, Chair present.

The Pledge of the Allegiance was led by Skamania County Sheriff, Dave Brown.

There was no public comment.

A written comment from Mitch Patton was entered into the record regarding building inspections.

Commissioner Mahar moved, seconded by Commissioner Hamlin and the motion carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Minutes for March 9, 2021
2. Minutes for March 16, 2021
3. Minutes for March 23, 2021
4. Minutes for March 30, 2021
5. Resolution 2021-16, Updating the Skamania County Community Action Plan
6. Contract Amendment #1 with Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities of Southwest Washington for Senior Nutrition Services contract
7. Acknowledge resignation of Tammy Manner from the Homeless Housing Council
8. Re-appoint Lisa Alexander to a two-year term on the Homeless Housing Council
9. Re-appoint Robert Hamlin to a two-year term on the Homeless Housing Council
10. Re-appoint Tamara Cissell to a two-year term on the Homeless Housing Council
11. Contract with Hood River County Transportation District to provide shuttle service for Dog Mountain
12. Contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. per Interlocal Agreement with Cowlitz 911 for security update service and maintenance for dispatch console systems

Commissioner Mahar moved, seconded by Commissioner Hamlin and the motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period dated May 11, 2021, in the total amount of \$81,472.31 with \$40,561.62 being Current Expense, covering warrant numbers 181547 through 181605.

Adam Kick, Prosecuting Attorney asked the Board to consider approval of a walk-in item regarding a Letter of Engagement for professional services related to Real Estate purchase. The Board will consider it later in the day.

Commissioner Lannen requested an Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) Performance of a Public Employee.

The Board reported on various meetings they attended. Commissioner Mahar commented on Governor Inslee's press conference. He also reported on Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board, Lower Fish Recovery Board, and WSAC Virtual Academy. Commissioner Hamlin reported on MCEDD Executive Committee and SWCA meeting. He also spoke with Phil Dodd of Wind River Trust. Commissioner Lannen reported on his monthly session with Philip Watness, Skamania County Pioneer Editor. He also had a meeting on the PUD extension agreement, a concerned citizen concerned about dog behavior, a talk with Kevin Waters of the EDC, and discussions with Alan Peters and the Planning Commission, and the Interpretive Center Board.

The Board met for Department Head reports.

- Tamara Cissel, Community Health Deputy Director submitted a report on Behavioral Health, Public Health, Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities. She also reported on a Pfizer auditorium clinic with 101 vaccines scheduled for that day. She mentioned she would like to talk to the Board about succession planning and positions at Community Health. A workshop will be scheduled in the next few weeks.
- Tim Elsea, Public Works Director/County Engineer submitted a written report on Engineering, County Road, ER & R, Solid Waste, Planning, Environmental Health, Building & Fire Safety, Information Technology, Buildings and Grounds and Wind River Business Park.

The meeting recessed at 10:06 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m. the same day with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and T.W. Lannen Chair present.

The Board met in an Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) Performance of a Public Employee for 30 minutes. At 11:00 a.m. the Chair announced they would need 5 more minutes. The session ended at 11:05 a.m.

There were difficulties with ZOOM

At 11:10 a.m. the Board met for a workshop on the Brownfield Grant which was cancelled.

The meeting recessed at 11:11 a.m. and reconvened the same day at 2:15 p.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar and T.W. Lannen, Chair present.

The Board met with Alan Peters of the Planning Department to discuss Ordinance 2021-01, Adopting Development Standards for Accessory Alternative Energy Facilities. The Board agreed the Ordinance could be submitted as a consent agenda item for a future meeting.

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Mahar and the motion carried unanimously to approve a Letter of Engagement with William F. Almon, Attorney-at-Law for professional services related to a real estate purchase.

The meeting recessed at 2:32 p.m. and reconvened on Thursday, May 13, 2021, at 3:26 p.m. with Commissioner Robert Hamlin and Richard Mahar, Vice-Chair present.

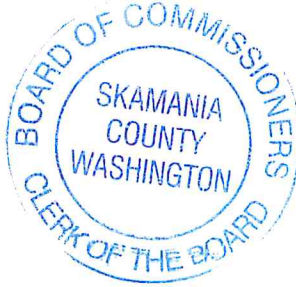
An Executive Session that had previously been asked for by the Board was cancelled.

The meeting adjourned at 3:27 p.m.


ATTEST:




Clerk of the Board




**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Commissioner



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Aye 3
Nay 0
Abstain 0
Absent 0