

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Skamania County Courthouse**  
**240 NW Vancouver Ave. Lower Level, Room 18**  
**Stevenson, WA 98648**  
**Minutes for Meetings of September 13-14, 2021**

The Board of Commissioners convened on September 13, 2021, at 12:15 a.m. for a Special Meeting to participate in a Washington State Association of Counties Virtual Assembly to be updated on county issues around the state and have opportunities to network and learn from peers on a variety of current and emerging issues facing counties.

The meeting recessed at 12:57 p.m.

The Board of Commissioners met for a staff meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 14, 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 events, the Washington State Fair Association conference, grants, and rental agreements. Sophie Miller, Senior Services Program Manager reported on the meal site, transit bus, personnel, audits, and classes offered to Seniors. Toni Farris, Probation Officer reported on new clients, court dates, and a home confinement contract. Heidi Penner, Financial Management Administrator reported on updating the annual report, the State Auditor's Exit Conference scheduled for the following week and compiling the 2022 Budget book. Debbie Slack, Clerk of the Board reported on agenda items to set a public hearing,

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The Commissioners' business meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 14, 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 Debbie Slack, Clerk of the Board.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Mahar to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Minutes for meeting of July 20, 2021
2. Resolution 2021-28 Authorization to Purchase and Invitation to Bidders for two 50-yard drop boxes with retractable lids
3. ~~Set public hearing on October 12, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. for Supplemental Budget #3 for 2021. Pulled from consent agenda to consider as separate item to change public hearing date~~
4. Outdoor Public Assembly Permit to Wind River Business Association for Bigfoot Bash at Logtoberfest
5. Contract renewal with Administrative Office of the Courts for 2021/2022 Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)/Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) programs
6. Contract Amendment #2 with Area Agency on Aging & Disabilities of Southwest Washington for nutrition services
7. Financial Assistance Grant Agreement with Washington State Department of Ecology to help fund a Drop Box recycling program for the Skamania County Solid Waste Division

Discussion: Consent agenda item #3 was pulled to consider as a separate item to change date of the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mahar moved, seconded by Commissioner Hamlin and the motion passed unanimously to approve vouchers for the period dated September 14, 2021, in the total amount of \$164,020.10 with \$58,193.54 being Current Expense, covering warrant numbers 183294 through 183362.

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Mahar and the motion passed unanimously to approve a notice to set a public hearing on October 19, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. to take public comment and consider approval of Supplemental Budget #3 for 2021.

The Board reported on various meetings they attended. Commissioner Hamlin reported on a lease with the Forest Service for buildings at the Wind River Business Park. He also heard from a constituent about noise from road construction near Beacon Rock State Park. Other meeting included the forest collaborative field trip, City of Stevenson Administrator, Leanna Kinley, and Phil Dodd of Wind River Trust. He also discussed Bridge of the Gods construction timeline, PUD and Broadband, and WSAC and re-districting. Commissioner Mahar reported on a Seniors Advisory Board meeting, Governor Inslee call, and Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities of SW Washington. Commissioner Lannen reported on congressional issues that included Secure Rural Schools funding and a conveyance in Willard. He also reported on the Skamania County EDC annual luncheon, flu vaccines, Skamania County Chamber of Commerce, Forest Service Road work, and Quantic quote for Payroll, Human Resources, and Budgeting.

The Board met for Department Head reports. Allen Esaacson, Community Health Data and Finance Manager reported on Behavioral Health, Public Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Housing. He also asked for a workshop to discuss rehiring of a Behavioral Health Manager position, a constituent call, and flu and COVID vaccines. He announced the resignation of the Developmental Disabilities Coordinator. Public Works Director, Tim Elsea reported on Engineering, County Roads, ER & R, Solid Waste, Information Technology, Buildings and Grounds, and Wind River Business Park. He updated the Board on road projects, Solid Waste closures, and credit card program. He also reported on the renewal of a lease at Drano Lake parking lot for four spaces.

The meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened the same day at 10:37 a.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, Richard Mahar, and T.W. Lannen, Chair present.

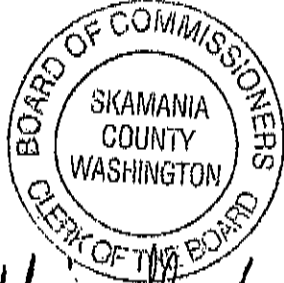
The Board met in an Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) potential litigation for thirty minutes. At 11:45 a.m. the Chair announced they would need ten more minutes. The session ended at 12:12 p.m.

The meeting recesses at 12:01 and reconvened on Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. with Commissioners Richard Mahar and T.W. Lannen, Chair present.

The Board met in a workshop to discuss Redistricting with the Assessor, Gabe Spencer and staff, and Auditor, Robert Waymire, and staff. The GIS Department presented populations changes from 2010 to 2020 in Census Block Groups, and Skamania County 2020 Census Population and County Commissioner Districts. There was no action taken until it is known if Congressional Districts make changes to their boundaries.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

ATTEST:



Debbie Clark  
Clerk of the Board  
January 11, 2022

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SKAMANIA COUNTY WASHINGTON

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Aye 3  
Nay 0  
Abstain 0  
Absent 0