

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**Skamania County Courthouse  
240 NW Vancouver Ave. Lower Level, Room 18  
Stevenson, WA 98648**

**Minutes for Meeting of May 17, 2022**

The Commissioners' business meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, WA with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, T.W. Lannen and Commissioner Richard Mahar, Chair present.

The Pledge of the Allegiance was led by Don Clack, Buildings and Grounds Manager.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Mahar and the motion carried unanimously to approve a Proclamation for National Police Week as read into the record by Commissioner Mahar, Chair.

Commissioner Lannen moved to approve the Consent Agenda except for item #7, to be removed for further consideration later in the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamlin, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Minutes of December 21, 2021, and January 6, 11, 19, 25, 2022
2. Acknowledge receipt of 2022-2023 Title III applications and set the date of July 19, 2022, for a public hearing to receive public comment and for final review and consideration of Title III project for funding.
3. Liquor license renewal for Gorge Crest and White Salmon Vineyards
4. Special occasion liquor license for Cape Horn American Legion Post 122
5. Authorization to Purchase a Forklift
6. Authorization to Purchase a Scissor Lift
7. Ordinance 2022-02, Expanded Local Board of Health Attachment A
8. Award and execute the 2022 Crushed Rock Contract to James Dean Construction, Inc.

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Lannen and Commissioner Mahar abstained from the motion to approve Consent Agenda Item #7 Ordinance 2022-02, Expanded Local Board of Health Attachment A. The motion carried.

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Lannen and the motion passed unanimously to approve vouchers for the period dated May 17, 2022, in the total amount of \$178,591.19 with \$78,603.86 being Current Expense, covering warrant numbers 186872 through 186943.

Emily Stevenson, Noxious Weed Program Manager updated the Board on the 2022 Season, personnel, youth outreach, an open house and pollinator garden demonstration.

The Board discussed a funding source related to an authorization to purchase seven new Mitel, Inc 6940 blue tooth compatible phones with headsets from ARPA funding or IT. No action was taken.

Commissioner Hamlin moved, seconded by Commissioner Lannen and the motion carried unanimously to approve three leases at the Wind River Business Park.

The meeting recessed at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened the same day at 10:15 a.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, T.W. Lannen and Richard Mahar, Chair present.

The Board met for Department Head reports.

- Tim Elsea, Public Works Director reported on Engineering, County Road, ER & R, Solid Waste, Buildings and Grounds, Information Technology and Wind River Business Park.
- Alan Peters, Community Development Director reported on Planning, Building and Environmental Health.

The Board reported on various meetings they attended.

The meeting recessed at 10:47 a.m. and reconvened the same day at 11:00 a.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, T.W. Lannen and Richard Mahar, Chair present.

The Board held a workshop with GeoX Energy to discuss geo-thermal exploration well.

The meeting recessed at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened the same day at 1:36 p.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, T.W. Lannen and Richard Mahar, Chair present.

The Board met with Mt. Adam's District Ranger, Erin Black, and Rebecca Hoffman, Monument Manager of the Mt. St. Helen's National Volcanic Monument. They discussed various recreation, timber, and personnel news on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest.

The meeting recessed at 1:56 p.m. and reconvened the same day at 2:30 p.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, T.W. Lannen and Richard Mahar, Chair present.

The Board met with Jessica Metta Executive Director of Mid-Columbia Economic Development Council for updates.

The meeting recessed at 2:54 p.m. and reconvened the same day at 3:15 p.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, T.W. Lannen and Richard Mahar, Chair present.

The Board met with Krystyna Wolniakowski, Executive Director of the Columbia River Gorge Commission and Donna Mickley of the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic area for updates.

The meeting recessed at 4:00 p.m. and reconvened the same day at 4:15 p.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, T.W. Lannen and Richard Mahar, Chair present.

The Board held a workshop to discuss the Good Neighbor Authority with Trevor McConchie, and Sean Tran of the Department of Natural Resources, and Samuel Grimm of the USDA Forest Service.

The meeting recessed at 5:02 p.m. and reconvened the same day at 5:30 p.m. with Commissioners Robert Hamlin, T.W. Lannen and Richard Mahar, Chair present.

The Board held a public hearing to take public comment and consider Ordinance 2022-03, Amending SCC 10.08.070 (Parking Restriction Wind River Road) restricting parking in front of the Post Office. M.P. 1.19 to M.P. 1.23 to automobiles, motorcycles, and light trucks only. Tim Elsea, Public Works Director gave a staff report. There was no public comment. Commissioner Lannen moved to approve the Ordinance, Commissioner Hamlin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

ATTEST:



Kim Sacks  
Clerk of the Board Lisa Sacks

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SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Commissioner Robert Mahar

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Commissioner T.W. Lanman

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Commissioner Robert Hamlin

Aye 3  
Nay 0  
Abstain 0  
Absent 0

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Skamania County Prosecutor