

BOCC MINUTES-06/21/2022

085850 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in the Auditorium in the Whitman County Public Service Building, Colfax, Washington on **Tuesday, June 21, 2022** at **9:00 a.m.** Tom Handy Chairman, Arthur D Swannack and Michael Largent, Commissioners and Corey Mitzimberg, Deputy Clerk of the Board attended.

9:00 a.m. - Call to Order/Board Business/BOCC Workshop.

Remotely: Annie Pillers, Alan Thompson, Bailey Wiedmer, Bill Tensfeld, Brandy Dean, Chris Skidmore, Jacy Leach, Jessica Jensema, Joshua Vincent, Kelli Campbell, Sarah Hardy, Sharron Cunningham, Sandy Jamison, Mark Storey and Whitman County Prosecutors Office.

085851-085852 1-3. The following items were discussed but no action was taken.

- Aging and Long Term Care presentation rescheduled
- Mileage rate increase
- Comprehensive Plan Hearing
- Finance Office reconfiguration
- Health Plan Survey

10:00 a.m. - Recess.

10:15 a.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued/Flag Salute

In-Person: Mark Storey, Jessica Jensema, Nancy Belsby and Lisa Carloye.

Remotely: Alan Thompson, Bailey Wiedmer, Jacy Leach, Keaton Wheeler, Sharron Cunningham, Kelli Campbell, Kristina Cooper, Sarah Hardy, Joshua Vincent, Karen Hinnenkamp, Ashley and Olivia Harnack, Whitman County Gazette.

D085852A 4. Pledge of Allegiance

D085852B 5. Public Comment opened

- Chairman Handy shared the Comprehensive Plan Hearing will be rescheduled to July 5, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. due to a publication error.
- Chairman Handy said June 30, 2022 the Executive Director for SWEDA has resigned, giving a two week notice.
- Lisa Carloye, shared on map 6 in the Comprehensive Plan, the BNSF railway from Pullman to Colton to Uniontown then over to the Idaho border is abandoned per the GIS map provided by Washington State Department of Transportation. She also commended the Comprehensive Plan in it recognizes the importance of the mechanism of railbanking for preserving the rail lines. She appreciates the work done for preservation of recreation and agricultural land.

Consent Agenda:

D085852C 6. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to accept the consent agenda as presented.

085853 7. Treasurer's Wire Transfers and Check Report in the amount of **\$1,152,678.99**, Payroll warrants numbered 361258-361272 for **\$684,634.50** and General Claims/Veterans' Relief warrants numbered 361507-361586 for **\$186,292.17** approved.

085854 8. June 6, 2022 minutes approved.

085855-085857 9. Personnel change orders approved.

D085857A 9A. Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and **carried** to amend the agenda adding items 10A and 10B to set a hearing date and notice to publish for the Comprehensive Plan rescheduled hearing date.

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085858 10. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve the notice to publish for public meeting for Budget Amendment 2.

085858A 10A. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve the hearing date for the Comprehensive Plan to July 5, 2022 at 1:30 PM in the Public Service Building Auditorium.

085858B 10B. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve to publish a Notice of Hearing for the Comprehensive Plan.

085859 11. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve the resolution for updating the Palouse Empire Fair/Fairgrounds Fee Schedule for 2023.

085860 12. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve the Signature Delegation Form for the Auditors Office.

085861 13. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve the Signature Delegation Form for the WSU Extension Office.

085862 14. Comprehensive Plan Hearing Rescheduled to July 5, 2022.

085863 15. The regular meeting was recessed and the hearing convened by the Chairman for the Board of Health Code update.

Commissioner Swannack gave an introduction to the hearing, stating House Bill 1152 passed in 2021 requiring the County to amend the Whitman County Board of Health's code requiring an additional three non-elected members to the Board of Health in addition to the current three elected members, which are the Whitman County Board of Commissioners. To do this the code must be amended. The presented code amendment has been reviewed by the Whitman County Prosecutor and with a few edits has been approved. The amendment is now before the Board of Commissioners for adoption.

The hearing was opened to public comment.

There being no further comments the hearing was adjourned and the regular meeting reconvened.

085864 15A. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve the amended Board of Health Ordinance as presented.

085865 16. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve the Memo of Understanding between the Auditors Office, County Commissioners and Administrative Services. The transfer of and supervision of Finance Staff is pending Union Approval.

DIVISION UPDATES:

D085865A 17. The following division updates provided by Public Works staff.

Solid Waste Division:

D085865B 17A. Public Works Director, Mark Storey shared they are working with a consultant to get the scale shack and scale replacement project at the solid waste facility ready for rebid in July or early August.

CORRESPONDENCE:

D085865C 18. The following correspondence was received:

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085866 18A. A Notice of Expiration was received from the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board.

085866 18B. A membership request from the Colfax Arts Council was received.

085867 19. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

D085867A 20. Approved documents signed.

10:35 a.m. - Recess.

1:30 p.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued/Workshop.

Present: Debbie Anderson and Jill Mohr from the Colfax Arts Council, Janet Schmidt from WSU Extension

Remotely: Jessica Jensema, Lacy Leach, Joshua Vincent, Sarah Hardy and Mark Heitstuman, WSU Extension office.

085868-085869 21-22. The following items were discussed but no action was taken.

- Colfax Arts Council/Wall Mural
- WSU Extension Office update

2:15 p.m. - Recess.

D085869A THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in the Auditorium in the Whitman County Public Service Building, Colfax, Washington on **Monday, June 27, 2022** at **9:00 a.m.** Tom Handy Chairman, Arthur D Swannack and Michael Largent Commissioners, and Corey Mitzimberg, Deputy Clerk of the Board attended.

9:00 a.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued.

D085869B 23. Approved consent agenda items signed.

085869C 24. Treasurers Wire Transfers and Check Report in the amount of **\$170,110.21**, General/Veterans' Relief/Payroll warrants numbered **361624-361720** for **\$266,826.02** approved.

085870-085879 25. Personnel change orders and Small Business Grant Contracts approved

9:05 a.m. - BOCC Workshop.

In Person: Lynn Kimball

Remotely: Annie Pillers, Bailey Wiedmer, Bell Tensfeld, Chris Nelson, Crystn Guenther, Jacy Leach, Jessica Jensema, Keaton Wheeler, Kelli Campbell, Lance Bishop, Sandy Jamison, Sarah Hardy, Sharron Cunningham, Wraylee Flodin, John-Mark Mahnkey and Olivia Harnack, Whitman County Gazette.

085880-085881 25A-27. The following items were discussed but no action was taken.

- Presentation: Aging and Long Term Care of Eastern Washington
- Whitcom Payroll
- IRS Rate Changes
- Water 101
- Assessor Position Change
- TCP Mobile Application

9:30 a.m. - Recess

1:30 p.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued/Workshop

Present: Bailey Wiedmer, Kelli Campbell and Jessica Jensema.

Remotely: Annie Pillers, Crystn Guenthner, Sandy Jamison and John-Mark Mahnkey.

085882 28. The following items were discussed but no action was taken.

- 2023 Budget Discussion

2:30 p.m. - Adjournment.

D085882A Commissioner Largent **moved** to adjourn the **June 21** and **June 27, 2022** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Swannack and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in the Auditorium of the Whitman County Auditorium, Colfax, Washington, on **July 5, 2022**. The foregoing action made this **27th** day of **June 2022**.

ss/ ARTHUR D SWANNACK, COMMISSIONER
ss/ MICHAEL LARGENT, COMMISSIONER

Corey Mitzimberg
Clerk of the Board

TOM HANDY, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners