

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

JANUARY 31, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the Douglas County Public Services Building, East Wenatchee, Washington. Commissioners Straub, and Steinburg, were present, the Clerk of the Board Tiana Rowland was present. County Administrator James Barker in attendance. Commissioner Sutton and Civil Prosecuting Attorney James Mitchell in attendance via zoom teleconference.

I. 08:30 AM Pledge of Allegiance and Call to Order.

II. 08:31 AM The Board Met with Administrator Jim Barker.

1. Staff Report

Administrator

Jim Barker, Administrator:

A. County Administrator's decisions and directives, request for public records, and departmental equipment expenses for the Douglas County Office of Public Defense were reviewed and approved.

B. Commissioner Straub provided an update following his discussion with Okanogan County Commissioner Hover, provided a proposal will be submitted shortly. Further discussion was held on the proposal of a regional jail to serve Douglas, Chelan, and Okanogan Counties.

C. The Department of Ecology has signed off on the County's Shoreline Master Plan amendments, there is a 30-day comment period not after their issuance of final approval notice.

D. WSDA provided their report for apple maggot trappings within the County, there have been no trappings within Douglas County in 2021.

E. Discussion held on terminating or relocation of the Chelan Douglas Health District testing site location at second street in East Wenatchee the former Law and Justice Building.

F. The Board is in agreement to continue to move forward with the second street former Law and Justice Building for the clean-up in order to house the Office of Public Defense and Veteran Services.

G. The Coroner's office location will be established at the Simon street City of East Wenatchee Police Department

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III. 09:00 AM The Board Met with County Engineer Aaron Simmons and Development Review Engineer Mike Neer.

A. Update provided to the Board on the Microtrenching draft permit for the Sun Cove broadband line in the area. The County has not developed a comprehensive condition list, but rather is evaluating based on project specific applications. The Board would like to move forward with established conditions as this issue will continue to be an area of concerns for years coming.

IV. 09:05 AM The Board Met with County Auditor Thad Duvall and Chief Financial Officer Karen Goodwin.

A. Review of the Statement of Expenditures in comparison to the Budget.

B. Review of the Okanogan County bed days and budgetary expenses, further review of the proposed budgetary expenses based on the counter proposal provided last week.

V. 09:30 AM The Board Met with Land Services Staff.

A. Commissioner Straub provided an update to staff regarding the interim appointment of a Land Services Director in order to provide a robust search process for the Land Services Director position. This position will support the Board and staff to maintain operations until the Director position is filled.

B. Lance Merz provided the Board with and update on a permit issue and stop work order for the grading and permitting occurring near south Nile and the highland golf course. There is currently a geotechnical report required for the construction of a home or structure prior to issuance of a permit. At the discretion of the Building Official the need for the geotechnical report was needed due to the potential need for mitigation issues for the homes located below the current grading site. The Board approved moving forward with filling a title notice for the parcel, the notice provides the new parcel owner the conditional need for the geotechnical report prior to development, this notice will be provided if the parcel is sold.

Staff will be reaching out to Highlander Association to ensure some off the concerning mitigation efforts in keeping golf balls and trash off the property.

VI. 10:08 AM The Board Met with Solid Waste Director Becci Piepel.

A. Waste Management has approached both counties, and would like to start a recycling revenue sharing program for those constituents outside of the cities. The Revenue sharing agreement would be a 50/50 split half going to the customer and half going to outreach programs for recycling education. Waste Management would be responsible for the educational programing, however Douglas and Chelan County will have review of the materials.

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Executive Session RCW(42.30.110)(1)(g) Personnel:

Attendees: Commissioners Steinburg, Sutton and Straub, County Administrator Jim Barker, Solid Waste Director Becci Piepel and Clerk of the Board.

At 10:25 AM Commissioner Straub called for executive session pertaining to personnel for 15 minutes. At 10:35 AM the Chairman called to end executive session with no action taken.

VII. 10:39 AM The Board Held an Administrative Session on the Following Items.

A. Human Resource Officer Dayna Prewitt joined session and requested an executive session of personnel considerations.

Executive Session RCW(42.30.110)(1)(g) Personnel:

Attendees: Commissioners Steinburg, Sutton and Straub, County Administrator Jim Barker, Human Resource Officer Dayna Prewitt and Clerk of the Board.

At 10:46 AM Commissioner Straub called for executive session pertaining to personnel for 20 minutes. At 11:07 AM the Chairman called to end executive session with no action taken.

B. County Administrator provided an update related to the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council for the permitting of the Badger Mountain Solar project. The participation on the Committee is quasi-judicial and will require Ms. Giulio to remain ex parte in her communication with any solar or alternative energy facility organizations. The Council will hold a hearing to determine the appropriate findings for the anticipated solar project.

C. Review of the Deputy Clerk of the Board job description. Approval of the job description and salary range 10.

D. The Clerk of the Board provided an update on the applications received for the Voluntary Stewardship Program Working Group vacancy. The Working Group will hold a meeting to review qualified applicants and submit the applications for the Board's consideration and appointment.

E. The Board has elected not to meet Tuesday, February 1st as there are no appointments schedule and staff updates have been provided today.

1) Approved Vouchers

		Check Numbers	Total Amount
1.	Vouchers	00353886-00353962	\$246,580.96
2.	ACH	None	\$0.00

With no further business, the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 11:50 AM to meet again on Monday, February 7, 2022 at the Douglas County Public Services Building, East Wenatchee, Washington.

FEBRUARY 2, 2022

There were no appointments scheduled, no session was held. There being no further business, the Clerk of the Board in accordance with RCW 42.30.90 adjourned for the Board of County Commissioners to meet again on Monday, February 7, 2022 at the Douglas County Public Services Building, East Wenatchee, Washington.

The minutes are hereby read and approved.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DOUGLAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Marc S. Straub Chair



Dan Sutton Vice-Chair



Kyle Steinburg Member

ATTEST:



Tiana Rowland, Clerk of the Board