

August 19, 2019

The meeting of the Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:02 a.m. in their meeting room. Present were Chair Karen Skoog, Vice Chair Mike Manus, Commissioner Stephen Kiss, and Clerk of the Board Crystal Zieske. S. Kiss offered the invocation and led the flag salute.

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The Board discussed the completion of the Eagle Scout project at Pend Oreille County Park, upcoming community forum at Metaline Falls, business park, and POC Fair & Rodeo.

(2)

Counseling Director Annabelle Payne was present for an update. Also present was Gem State Miner Editor Sophia Aldous. Updates were given on staffing, Crisis MOU meeting with Kalispel Tribe and BH-ASO, Kalispel Behavioral Health staff meet & greet, Medicaid transformation, and Developmental Disabilities Resource Fair and Parent 2 Parent Coalition.

(3)

Public Defender Dana Kelley was present for an update. Newport Miner News Editor Don Gronning joined the update in progress. Public defender processes were discussed. D. Gronning left the meeting.

(4)

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:11 p.m.

(5)

Consent Agenda - Motion was made by S. Kiss to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda includes this week's Agenda, the Minutes of the Board's August 12, 2019 meeting and the following items:

Investment Earnings (year-to-date estimate, as of 8/16/19): \$150,686.24

2019 Annual Work Plan-Noxious Weed Control on Aquatic Weeds within the Box Canyon Project Boundary-Pend Oreille PUD  
*AGREEMENT NO. 2019-56, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING*

2019 Annual Work Plan-Noxious Weed Control on District Owned Wildlife Management Areas and Specific Resource Properties-Pend Oreille PUD  
*AGREEMENT NO. 2019-57, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING*

(6)

The Board met in executive session to evaluate the qualifications of applicants for public employment pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for 60 minutes, from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Also present was Human Resources Manager Terra Sirevog and 911 Coordinator Steve West.

(7)

Motion was made by M. Manus to approve the Chair signing the letter, "Amendment to engagement letter dated May 15, 2019" from the Office of the State Auditor's, which is a \$1,200 increase of expected audit costs. Motion was seconded by S. Kiss. Motion carried unanimously.

(8)

Motion was made by S. Kiss to approve the agreement between Pend Oreille County and M&D Development, Inc. for the purpose of consulting with the county on potential land acquisition. Motion was seconded by K. Skoog. Motion carried unanimously.

Agreement for Professional Services-M&D Development, Inc.  
*AGREEMENT NO. 2019-58, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING*

(9)

Colville National Forest District Ranger Gayne Sears's update was canceled, due to her fire assignment in California.

(10)

Public Comment –Phyllis Kardos, Bob Eugene, Gretchen Koenig, Sheryl Miller, John Endres, and one other person were present for comment. P. Kardos provided comment and written documents.

(11)

Meeting continued to August 20.

#### August 20, 2019

The Commissioners' meeting room was open for refreshments at 8:30 a.m.

(12)

M. Manus convened the meeting of the Elected Officials and Department Heads at 9:00 a.m. K. Skoog and Auditor Marianne Nichols were excused to canvas and certify the primary election. Present were S. Kiss, Economic Development Director Jamie Wyrobek, Newport City Administrator Russ Pelleberg, Community Development Director Greg Snow, Treasurer Nicole Dice, Sheriff Glenn Blakeslee, County Clerk Tammie Ownbey, Deputy Clerk Laura Stuiivenga, Assessor Jim McCroskey, Weed Control Coordinator Sharon Sorby, Weed Board Education & Outreach Coordinator Lisa Alkire, Treasury Manager Lisa Vallieres, Judge Robin McCroskey, Commissioner Programs Christine Rahoun, Public Works Director Craig Jackson, Jail Captain Bill Zamora, Newport City Councilman Ken Smith, T. Sirevog, C. Zieske, and area residents Robert Rumsey and S. Miller.

J. Wyrobek and R. Pelleberg gave a presentation on the REDI grant, goals of which are: create and develop a "strong sector/industry cluster" in Newport's South Bench Planned Development Area, capitalize on the growing regional and nearby Spokane market, and successfully recruit new businesses to the Planned Development Area. K. Skoog and M. Nichols joined the meeting in progress. G. Snow reported on his participation in Professional Development Academy and showed a video of General Colin Powell's "13 Rules of Leadership." A roundtable discussion followed.

(13)

Public Hearing-Amending 2019-2024 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The hearing was opened, and the notice was read. Present were County Engineer Don Ramsey, Senior Design & Construction Engineer George Luft, and C. Jackson. Also in attendance were Tracy Morgan, Sheryl Miller, and Robert Rumsey. The amended 2019-2024 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program was presented and PowerPoint shown. Discussion included D. Ramsey explaining that the 2020 Pavement Preservation Project consists of constructing HMA prelevel and chip sealing Deer Valley Road (MP 7.88- MP 13.23) and LeClerc Road South (MP 6.30- MP 15.54)

and adding the project as item 3 in Project Group B-Preservation and Rehabilitation, for \$740,000.00. The amendment also includes an update to the road project name on Project Group D, item 3, to “Development Park Road.” Joining the hearing in progress were Larry Young and John Posk. Providing comments were T. Morgan and L. Young. The hearing was closed.

(14)

C. Jackson was present for a Public Works update. Also present were Office Manager/Risk Manager Teresa Brooks, D. Ramsey, and G. Luft. T. Brooks reported on requirements for food vendors on county property, upcoming anti-harassment training, 2019 Washington Counties Risk Pool (WCRP) summer conference, and property insurance. C. Jackson presented information on Jeffries Approach near Fertile Valley Road. B. Eugene joined the update in progress. T. Brooks and G. Luft left the meeting.

a) Motion was made by S. Kiss to authorize Public Works to purchase a 60” x 62’ DuroMaxx culvert pipe for the Northshore Diamond Lake Road project this fall from Arrow Construction Supply, in the amount of \$17,260.56. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously.

b) C. Jackson stated he received notification from Dawson Construction that they are unable to provide the quantity of maintenance sand requested in the bid, so he recommends the Board void the purchase agreement. Motion was made by M. Manus to void the 2019 Winter Maintenance Sand Road District #3 Materials Purchase Agreement, rescinding the award of the 2019 Winter Maintenance Sand Road District #3 to Dawson Construction. Motion was seconded by S. Kiss. Motion carried unanimously.

c) Motion was made by S. Kiss to award the 2019 Sheriff’s Evidence Building Electrical Contract to Preferred Electric Company of Republic, WA. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously.

d) C. Jackson gave reports on Sullivan Lake Bridge parking area, litter along Deer Valley Road, and upcoming employee BBQ at Deer Valley landfill.

e)

Motion was made by M. Manus to approve the amendment to the 2019 to 2024 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program by adding the 2020 Pavement Preservation Project as priority item 3 in the Pavement Preservation and Rehabilitation Group. Motion was seconded by S. Kiss. Motion carried unanimously.

Amending the 2019-2024 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program  
*RESOLUTION NO. 2019-19, COMMISSIONERS’ RECORDING*

f)

S. Kiss asked about Ione landfill scales out of operation and status of Cedar Creek Bridge project.

g)

Motion was made by S. Kiss to approve the request to hire a Road Maintenance Technician to replace an outgoing employee. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously.

(15)

Motion was made by M. Manus to approve the invoice for K. Skoog's High Performance Leadership Class for \$495.00. Motion was seconded by S. Kiss. Motion carried unanimously.

(16)

Motion was made by M. Manus to accept the resignation of Brad Berg from the Noxious Weed Advisory Board and to send a letter of appreciation for his service. Motion was seconded by S. Kiss. Motion carried unanimously.

(17)

Motion was made by M. Manus to accept the resignation of Brad Hanson from the Planning Commission and to send a letter of appreciation for his service. Motion was seconded by S. Kiss. Motion carried unanimously.

(18)

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:04 a.m.

(19)

The Board briefly participated in a conference call with Assistant to the President & National Economic Council Director Larry Kudlow and other Senior Administration Officials on the American economy.

(20)

The Board met in executive session to review the performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for 30 minutes, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Present were T. Sirevog and G. Snow. The Board requested an additional 15 minutes, from 2:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

(21)

G. Snow visited with the Board about Professional Development Academy.

(22)

S. Kiss presented invoices approved for payment by the Hotel/Motel Tax Advisory Board as follows: PORTA, \$768.37; Newport/Priest River Rotary Club, \$1,200.00; and Angel Paws/President Liz Coon, \$855.04. Motion was made by M. Manus to approve the Hotel/Motel Tax invoices. Motion was seconded by S. Kiss. Motion carried unanimously.

(23)

The Board met in executive session to review the performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for 60 minutes, from 3:11 p.m. to 4:11 p.m. The Board requested an additional 10 minutes, from 4:11 p.m. to 4:20 p.m.

(24)

Correspondence Received:

- 8.12 B. Berg-Letter of resignation from Noxious Weed Control Board
- 8.13 B. Hanson- Letter of resignation from Planning Commission
- 8.14 P. Kardos-(Provided during public comment) Documents re: county visioning
- 8.15 PO EDC-8.21.19 Agenda & 7.17.19 Minutes

(25)

Correspondence Sent:

B. Berg-Letter of appreciation for service on Noxious Weed Control Board

B. Hanson-Letter of appreciation for service on Planning Commission

(26)

As of this date, the Board approved vouchers for payment as listed and made available by the Auditor's Office. The following vouchers/warrants/electronic payments are approved for payment:

	<u>Salary and Claim</u>
Current Expense	\$ 29,626.67
Counseling Services	\$ 5,711.46
Fair	\$ 2,747.96
Road	\$ 18.86
Veterans Assistance	\$ 250.00
Emergency 911 Communications	\$ 313.02
Solid Waste	\$ 62,720.08
Equipment R&R	\$ 14,352.61
IT Services	\$ 11,109.54
Sheriff's Trust	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 127,000.20

Checks 183055 through 183168 totaling \$121,741.00 and Electronic Funds Transfer 24471 totaling \$5,259.20, dated August 19, 2019.

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Meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chair of the Board

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board