

December 30, 2019

The meeting of the Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:11 a.m. in their meeting room. Present were Vice Chair Mike Manus, Commissioner Stephen Kiss, and Clerk of the Board Crystal Zieske. Chair Karen Skoog was excused for the week. C. Zieske offered the invocation and led the flag salute.

(1)

S. Kiss reported on the Fire District 2 meeting.

(2)

Public Hearing-2020-2025 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and the 2020 Construction Program. Present were County Engineer Don Ramsey, Public Works Director Craig Jackson, Senior Design & Construction Engineer George Luft, Newport City Administrator Russ Pelleberg, and resident Bob Eugene.

The hearing was opened, and the notice was read. D. Ramsey reviewed the legal requirements of adopting the STIP and identifying projects for the annual construction program. He detailed each of the following STIP project groups: Bridges and Structures, Preservation and Rehabilitation, New Construction/Reconstruction/3R, Fish Passage, and Trails and Paths, including expenditures and funding sources.

Public comments were solicited. B. Eugene expressed appreciation to D. Ramsey and the Public Works department, made comments regarding the funding of the projects, and expressed concern regarding I-976 impacts. The hearing was closed.

D. Ramsey will make corrections to Scrivener's errors in his report and will return in the afternoon for presentation of final documents.

(3)

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

(4)

Public Hearing-Ordinance of Intent Pursuant to HB 1406. Present were Newport City Administrator Russ Pelleberg and resident Bob Eugene.

The hearing was opened, and the notice and proposed ordinance were read. Public comments were solicited. B. Eugene provided comment, encouraging the Board to pass the ordinance.

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Motion was made by S. Kiss to adopt the ordinance as authorized by the legislature to retain some sales tax money for homeless and needy folks for rental assistance and other programs that fit the intent of the bill. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance of Intent Pursuant to HB 1406
ORDINANCE NO. 2019-02, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING

(6)

D. Ramsey presented final documents for 2020-2025 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program. Also present was B. Eugene. D. Ramsey reviewed the 2020 Annual Construction Program and the 2019 Bridge Report.

Motion was made by S. Kiss to adopt the 2020-2025 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program and the 2020 Annual Construction Program for 2020. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously.

2020-2025 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program and Annual Construction Program for 2020

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-41, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING

D. Ramsey also discussed the County Road Administration Board (CRAB) report.

(7)

Prosecuting Attorney Dolly Hunt was present for a legal update. In attendance was B. Eugene. Discussed was a preliminary appearance contract.

(8)

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 December 23, 2019 meeting and the following items:

Investment Earnings (year-to-date estimate, as of 12/27/19): \$217,059.69

Payroll Change Notice:

Public Works-Roads

Raymond Murray, Temp On-Call Winter Maintenance Technician, \$20.93/hr.,
Effective 1/2/2020

Approval of Vacation Rollover-Jill Shacklett; Annabelle Payne

(9)

Public Comment –No members of the public were present for comment.

(10)

Meeting continued to December 31.

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The meeting resumed at 9:04 a.m. with M. Manus, S. Kiss, and C. Zieske present.

(11)

C. Jackson was present for an update. Also in attendance was G. Luft. An update of design standards was discussed, then G. Luft left the meeting. Topics of discussion were Sheriff's pole building, Fire Station plow agreements, brush cutting District 1, Prothman report, and fairgrounds.

Facilities Maintenance Supervisor Ben Eggleston joined the meeting and discussed a Building

Management Plan for all county buildings, and replacement of windows at the POC Park host house. B. Eggleston left the update. C. Jackson discussed the Public Works Department's Safety Policy review.

(12)

Auditor Marianne Nichols joined the meeting to discuss new Department of Licensing (DOL) hours for the public. The office will be open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

(13)

County Extension Director/4-H Youth Development Agent Mike Jensen was present for an update. He discussed Know Your Local Government, a new state Extension Director, and office space for a veteran's service officer.

(14)

Motion was made by S. Kiss to sending the letter to WDFW expressing our concerns about the acquisition of public lands. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously.

(15)

Motion was made by S. Kiss to approve the 1% COLA previously granted in the 2020 budget to Pend Oreille County non-represented and elected officials, effective 1/1/2020. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously.

(16)

Motion was made by S. Kiss to increase the County's medical contribution, as accounted for in the 2020 budget in the amount of \$20.00 for non-represented employees and elected officials, effective 1/1/2020. Motion was seconded by M. Manus. Motion carried unanimously.

(17)

Correspondence Received:

12.37 DNR/S. Harris-Letter re: Notice of Final Determination SEPA File No. 19-120901

12.38 Martin Hall- 12.19.19 Agenda & 11.21.19 Minutes

12.39 Tri County Economic Development District (TEDD)-Request for appointments

(18)

Correspondence Sent:

Matt Schanz/Northeast Tri County Health District-Letter re: Commissioners designated to serve on Board of Health

Tri County Economic Development District- Letter re: Commissioners designated to serve on Board

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Meeting adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Chair of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of the Board