

May 2, 2022

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 John Gentle, Vice Chair Robert Rosencrantz, Commissioner Brian Smiley, and Clerk of the Board Crystal Zieske. R. Rosencrantz offered the invocation and led the flag salute.

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Joining the meeting via Zoom were Bob Rumsey and Selkirk Sun Owner Sonya Scaufaire. The Board discussed upcoming site visits. Joining the meeting via Zoom was Norm Smith.

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J. Gentle provided an update from the Martin Hall meeting. B. Smiley reported on his two presentations at Cusick High School, in conjunction with National County Government Month. He gave a report from the Selkirk Trailblazers meeting and the Ukraine Support Rally held at Metaline Falls American Legion. Present via Zoom were B. Rumsey and S. Scaufaire.

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J. Gentle was excused from 10:06 a.m. to 10:11 a.m.

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Joining the meeting via Zoom were Phyllis Jean Kardos and Jeff Taylor.

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Community Development Director Greg Snow was present via Zoom for an update. Also present via Zoom were B. Rumsey, S. Scaufaire, P. Kardos, J. Taylor, and N. Smith. G. Snow noted an increase in applications for building permits and docks. Ben Richards joined the update in progress via Zoom. Other topics included the hearing examiner schedule resuming last week and interlocal agreements for Shoreline Master Program updates with towns and City of Newport. The department has processed 95 building permits this year, with 24 new homes, and 122 site evaluations processed. G. Snow addressed a Board question regarding voluntary compliance. Joining via Zoom was Gretchen Koenig.

(6)

Consent Agenda - Motion was made by R. Rosencrantz to adopt the Consent Agenda, as prepared. Motion was seconded by B. Smiley. Motion carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda includes this week's Agenda, the Minutes of the Board's April 25, 2022 meeting and the following items:

Payroll Change Notice:

Communications-

Sara Wickham, Full-time, Step 1, \$3,207.96/mo. to 3/5th-time, \$18.51/hr.,
Effective 5/1/2022

Counseling Services-

Cynthia Little, Receptionist, Resignation, Effective 5/10/2022

Sheriff-Corrections-

Levi Lee, Step 4, \$3,788.99/mo.; Longevity, \$25.00/mo., Effective 5/1/2022

Request to Advertise & Hire: Counseling Services Receptionist at Step 1-3 DOE

Designation Of Agency To Operate 2022 County Fair
RESOLUTION NO. 2022-57, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING

Establishing A Revolving Fund For 2022 County Fair
RESOLUTION NO. 2022-58, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING

Community Health Plan of Washington 2022 Behavioral Health Enhancement Fund Payment Agreement
RESOLUTION NO. 2022-59, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING

Interagency Agreement IAA22553 Between Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts and Pend Oreille County Superior Court
AGREEMENT NO. 2022-25, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING

Employment Agreement Acting Director Pend Oreille County Public Works-George Luft
AGREEMENT NO. 2022-26, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING

(7)

J. Gentle was excused to participate in the virtual Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) Virtual Assembly, and the Board recessed for lunch at 11:55 a.m.

(8)

The meeting resumed at 1:15 p.m.

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J. Gentle provided an update from the WSAC Virtual Assembly. Present via Zoom was B. Rumsey.

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Facilities Maintenance Supervisor Ben Eggleston was present for a Buildings & Grounds update. Also present was Facilities Maintenance Tech II Klayten Baldwin, and via Zoom were LNeVille and B. Rumsey. Topics were Garden Avenue paving project and improvements to dumpster area at Sheriff's Office. S. Scaufaire joined the update in progress via Zoom. Also discussed was the availability of office space in the county and proposed changes.

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Motion was made by B. Smiley to approve the revised POC Purchasing Policy. Motion was seconded by R. Rosencrantz. Motion carried unanimously. Present via Zoom were B. Rumsey, LNeVille, and S. Scaufaire.

(12)

J. Gentle was excused from 3:05 p.m. to 3:11 p.m. Newport Miner News Editor Don Gronning joined the meeting via Zoom. Gerald Pelland joined the meeting. B. Smiley was excused from 3:20 p.m. to 3:48 p.m. Eric Dobrenski joined the meeting, and Steve Haroldson joined via Zoom.

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Public Comment –G. Pelland, E. Dobrenski, B. Rumsey, LNeVille, S. Scaufaire, S. Haroldson, and D. Gronning were present for comment. G. Pelland (noise), E. Dobrenski (noise), LNeVille (in-person hearings), and S. Haroldson (sound) provided comment.

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Meeting continued to May 3.

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The meeting resumed at 9:00 a.m. with J. Gentle, R. Rosencrantz, B. Smiley, and C. Zieske present.

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R. Rosencrantz gave a report from Newport City Council meeting. Present via Zoom were iPhone and S. Scaufaire.

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Public Works Acting Director George Luft was present for an update. Also in attendance were Road District Manager Kevin Thomas, Forester Ryder Bricker, and present via Zoom were Solid Waste Manager Amanda Griesemer, Office Manager/Risk Manager Linda Darcy, S. Scaufaire, and iPhone. An introduction was given of Road District Manager K. Thomas, who began work yesterday.

Topics of discussion included Jabberwocky Lane easement or right of way options, Sacheen Lake Terrace, River Ranch Road, Cordes Road, and the upcoming meeting with Kalispel Tribe and Local Programs. Two submittals have been received for the On Call Surveying. Joining the update was Human Resources Manager Terra Sirevog.

A. Griesemer provided updates on the statewide litter problem, methane testing and monitoring conducted on landfills, and the PaintCare program. G. Luft requested a pay increase for the ER&R mechanics, but the Board stated it will not take action and reminded that the job reclassification project is being conducted. G. Luft presented a request to provide an offer for a surveyor and notified the Board of a septic system issue at the POC Park house.

Motion was made by B. Smiley for the Board of Commissioners to sign and send a letter of support for the proposed pathway along LeClerc North County Road. Motion was seconded by R. Rosencrantz. Motion carried unanimously.

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4-H Youth Development/Master Gardeners Volunteer Coordinator Beverly Sarles was present via Zoom for an update. Also present via Zoom were A. Griesemer and S. Scaufaire. B. Sarles presented a PowerPoint, "WSU Extension-Creating a Culture of Life-long Learning." Topics covered were 4-H Gardening Fun 101 online class, Master Gardeners program, SNAP-Ed activities, and Newport Library Community Garden and activities.

(18)
B. Smiley reported on the North Pend Oreille Chamber of Commerce meeting.

(19)
T. Sirevog was present to discuss the part-time County Engineer position and draft Employment Agreement.

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The Board recessed for lunch at 11:46 a.m.

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The meeting resumed at 1:15 p.m.

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Emergency Management Deputy Director JoAnn Boggs was in attendance for a Spring Outlook presentation with National Weather Service Warning Coordination Meteorologist Andy Brown. An overview of the seasonal and flood outlook was presented. S. Scaufaire joined the meeting in progress via Zoom. Joining the meeting at its conclusion was Mike Manus.

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ITS Director Shane Flowers was present for an update. Present via Zoom was S. Scaufaire. An update was provided on support and computer purchases, as well as electronic timesheets and recent conferences attended. S. Flowers reported that the public kiosk at County Courthouse should be ready in May. Also discussed were security cameras and county website.

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Motion was made by R. Rosencrantz to approve salary table adjustments with reclassification of Mental Health Master's level providers and approve Mental Health Professional job description to facilitate reclassification of positions and salary eligibility. Motion was seconded by B. Smiley. Motion carried unanimously.

(25)

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 3:04 p.m. to 4:04 p.m. Present was T. Sirevog.

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T. Sirevog was present, and the Board reviewed the request from the Sheriff's Office for hiring bonuses for three unfilled positions within the Communication Division. The Board was in full support. T. Sirevog recommended submitting the proposal to the union for approval, and the Board asked her to amend the County Policy Regarding Sign-On Bonus.

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Correspondence Received:

- 5.1 DNR-Letter re: Preharvest Review Meeting for East Uplands District Timber Sale
- 5.2 Martin Hall-4.28.2022 Agenda & 3.24.2022 Minutes
- 5.3 North PO Chamber of Commerce-5.2.2022 Agenda
- 5.4 NETCHD-5.4.22 Agenda & 3.16.22 Minutes
- 5.5 POC Fair & Rodeo Association Board-5.3.2022 Agenda & 4.5.2022 Minutes
- 5.6 ALTCEW-4.29.22 Agenda & 2.4.2022 Minutes
- 5.7 G. Pelland-(hand-delivered at Public Comment) Letter re: Noise Ordinance
- 5.8 G. Pelland-(hand-delivered at Public Comment) cc: Selkirk Sun Letter to the Editor

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Correspondence Sent:

Letter of Support for Proposed Pathway along LeClerc North County Road

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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	\$ 51,813.66
Arts, Tourism, & Recreation	\$ 1,500.00
Counseling Services	\$ 7,137.13
Fair	\$ 137.79
Park	\$ 54.50
Trial Court Improvement	\$ 21,727.65
Emergency 911 Communications	\$ 1,537.22
Low Income Housing/2060	\$ 2,115.85
Homeless Program/2163	\$ 1,482.97
American Rescue Plan Act	\$ 3,979.30
Solid Waste	\$ 8,204.92
Unemployment Compensation	\$ 5,593.14
Sheriff's Trust	<u>\$ 737.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 106,021.13

Checks 203010 through 203048 totaling \$106,021.13, dated May 2, 2022.

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Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Chair of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of the Board