



BOARD OF KLICKITAT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**Meeting Minutes of:
Tuesday, September 26, 2023**

Morning Workshop Session

The Board of Klickitat County Commissioners met in regular session on September 26, 2023 beginning at 10:00 AM in the Board of County Commissioners Chambers at the Klickitat County Services Building, 115 W Court St. Goldendale, Washington 98620. Chairman Dan Christopher, Commissioner Lori Zoller and Commissioner Jacob Anderson were present.

10:00 AM Workshop Session Agenda; Public Works/Road Department Update:

Public Works Director Jeff Hunter and County Engineer Seth Scarola provided a Staff update on:

- Consent Agenda items, Construction Program and Road Design, West and East end maintenance projects, upcoming facilities work, events, other issues and follow ups.
- The Title 12 Road Standards, Purchasing of right of ways, and replacement of the Fairgrounds barn roof.

Human Resources and Administrative Services Director Rob Van Cleave discussed with the Board, the recent resignation of the Planning Department Director and the direction of the hiring process to fill the position.

Emergency Management Director Jeff King requested and received approval to include three (3) Resolutions to the Business Agenda, in the matter of rescinding the Klickitat County Burn Ban for zones 1, 2, and 3.

Board Discussion:

- The WSAC conference Chairman Christopher recently attended.
- EFSEC Order and the Airport Board.

11:34 AM Adjournment for Lunch:

- **Motion (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously). To recess for lunch at 11:34 AM.**

The Board of Klickitat County Commissioners Business Meeting reconvened at 1:00 PM, Opening with the Pledge of Allegiance. All three Commissioners were present.

Approval of Agenda:

- **Approved (M/Anderson/, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously): The Business Agenda was approved and amended as follows: *four (4) add-ons under New Business***
 1. *Letter of Support for KVH ERA grant*
 2. *Discussion on the Western Gray Squirrel*
 3. *Recommendation for the award of contract for the South Apron reconstruction, New Taxi Lanes and New Fuel and*
 4. *Resolutions in the matter of Rescinding of the Klickitat County Burn Ban.*

Citizen Comments

- Kathy Moco, recent events happening in Klickitat County
- Greg Wagner, EFSEC, Prosecuting Attorney
- Jenne Patterson, Broadband

1:32 PM Public Meetings/Public Hearings/Bid Openings:

Bid Opening: Chairman Christopher informed the Board about the Bid Opening for the Klickitat County Fairgrounds Sale Barn project with an engineer's estimate of \$1,029,851.08.

Commissioner Anderson opened three (3) bid proposals from the following Entity's with all Bid Bonds present:

Hale Construction N.W. Inc.	\$1,046,134.96
Lee Contractors, LLC	\$1,175,001.00
Pacific Tech Construction, Inc.	\$1, 084,887.00

- **Motion (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously) to return bids back to Public Works and the Klickitat County Fair Board for further review and recommendation.**

The Board gave concurrence to Public Works Director Jeff Hunter to apply for a grant on behalf of the fair board's new livestock barn.

Public Meeting: Assistant Planner Rebecca Hail provided a staff update to consider Final Approval of Short Plat No. SPL2022-18 to create 3 lots from parcel 06-10-2264-0001/00. The proposed short plat is located within a portion of Section 22, T6N, R10E, W.M. Klickitat County, in the Trout Lake vicinity. Applicant Susan Stone

- **Motion (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously): to approve Short Plat SPL2022-18**

Consent Agenda

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously): Consent Agenda with 11 items, pulling number six (6), included in error**

Behavioral Health

1. Authorization of purchase by Behavioral Health for the purchase of office furniture for the training/group room for a total cost of \$12,575.33.

Commissioners

2. Approval Letter of Appointment of Board member Miland Walling, City of Goldendale Council member, to the Mid-Columbia Economic Development Board (MCEDD) representing three incorporated cities. This appointment will be an unexpired two-year term, effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

Juvenile Department

3. Consolidated 2023-2024 Block Grant funding agreement **(C18423)** between Klickitat County Juvenile Department and the State of Washington Department of Children Youth & families. This agreement provides funds for Juvenile Services At-Risk Program, Special Sex Offender Disposition Alternative Program, and Community Juvenile Accountability Act Evidence Based Programs.

Planning Department

4. Memorandum from the Planning Department to schedule a Public Meeting to be held in the Board of County Commissioners meeting room Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 1:30 PM as follows: To Consider approval of Boundary Line Adjustment, BLA2023-11, parcel numbers 04-11-3118-1004/00 and 04-11-3118-1003/00 in Section 31, T4N, R11E, W.M. in the White salmon vicinity. Applicants Larry & Debra

Public Health Department

5. Consolidated Contract Amendment 14 **(C18523)** between Klickitat County Public Health and Department of Health. This contract amends Statement of Work for the following programs: Foundational Public Health, Office of Immunization, Sexual and Reproductive Health Program, WIC, Maternal Child Health Block Grant, Workforce Development, and Public Health Emergency Planning.
- ~~6. Contract Agreement between Klickitat County Public Health and Independent Contractor Jordyn Caven as the Breastfeeding Peer Counselor for the Health Department WIC program.~~
7. Interlocal Agreement **(C18923)** between Klickitat County Health Department and Washington State Department of Health for the purpose of allowing the Regional Medical Officer to act as the standing Health Officer in the event that Klickitat County Health Officer is unavailable or unable to fulfill responsibilities

Public Works

8. Letter of Support and **Resolution No. 10523** from Klickitat County Public Works to the Department of the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office for the purpose of applying for a grant from Washington State Local Parks Maintenance Grant Program for repair and maintenance of Trout Lake Park
9. Local Agency Agreement Supplement No. 2 **(C18723)** between Klickitat County Public Works and Washington State Department of Transportation for the purpose of federal funds to be approved for use during construction phase of White Plastic Edge Line, CRP 368.

10. Grant Agreement **(C18823)** between Klickitat County and Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation for the purpose of the County Superior Courtroom Rehabilitation Project. This project will rehabilitate the Superior Courtroom to provide added security, ADA accessibility and preserve and enhance historic architectural features of the Courtroom
11. Contract and Contract Bonds **(C18923)** between Klickitat County Public Works and Knife River Corporation NW for the Curve Warning Signs and Guideposts project. This contract provides for the improvement of Klickitat Appleton Road, County Road # 13860 by installation of new warning signs, posts, removal of existing signs, and posts and other work.
12. Notice to Advertise for a Public Hearing from Klickitat County Public Works for the establishment of the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2024-2029. A Public Hearing will be held in the Board of County Commissioners meeting room Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at 1:30 PM and 6:00 PM.

1:50 PM Payment Approvals/Pay Estimates/Change Orders:

Approval of First and Final Pay Estimate for the Rock Creek, Old 8 Bridge Painter Project CRP 363. Panther Industrial Painting, LLC, was the lowest responsive bidder with the total amount of \$268,969.00. This project is included on the 2023 Annual Construction Program and Road Fund Budget.

- **Motion (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously): Pay Estimate to Panther Industrial Painting, LLC**

Voucher Certification and Payment Approvals

- **Approved Warrants (M/Zoller, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously):**
Accounts Payable: #324862-324953; for a net of \$438,454.85, Combined Payroll: #240338-240601, County Benefit Warrants #324853-324861, Electronic Transfer #1013; For a combined total of \$1,601.618.22 for the date ending September 26, 2023

2:00 PM Miscellaneous Reports/Comments:

- Columbia Gorge Commissioner Valerie Fowler updated the Board on the Columbia River Gorge Commission. Commissioner Fowler requested suggestions from the Board for a "Meet the Gorge Commissioner" event to engage with the community.
- Director Van Cleave updated the Board on the Insurance Premium

2:25 PM New Business: with four (4) add-ons

- **ADD-ON NO. 1:**
Letter of Support for KVH ERA grant
- **ADD-ON No. 2:**

Recommendation for the award of contract **(C19023)** for the South Apron Reconstruction, New Taxi lanes and New Fuel Apron for the Columbia Gorge Regional Airport.

Motion (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously): Approval of the recommendation to award the contract

- Thank you to Norm Deo for his years of service to the Airport Board.
- **ADD-ON No. 3:** Rescinding Klickitat County Burn Ban
Zone 1 **Resolution No. 10223**, Zone 2 **Resolution No. 10323**, Zone 3 **Resolution No. 10423**, in the matter of rescinding the Klickitat County Burn Ban.
Motion (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously): Approval of rescinding the Klickitat County Burn Ban.
- **ADD-ON No. 4:**
Discussion of the Western Gray Squirrel. Mr. Jason Spadaro joined the meeting via zoom and informed the Board on the proposal to change the state listing status of the Western Gray Squirrel.
- Proposal to Mr. Dave McClure to draft a letter on behalf of Klickitat County regarding the lack of knowledge and habitat understanding for the Western Gray Squirrel.

Unfinished Business

- Timeline to appeal the EFSEC Order

Board Correspondence

- Letter from Mr. Dave Barta-Meeting takeaways from the recent Gorge Commission Meeting.

3:22 PM Meeting Adjourned

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously): There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until 9 AM Thursday September 28, 2023.**

**Reference Document on File. The Board of Commissioners' minutes are action minutes. A digital recording is on file as part of the official record and available on file 09-05-2023 BoCC Zoom meeting. Please Note: All Commissioner meetings and workshops are open to the public to attend. Meetings are recorded, Workshops are NOT recorded.*



Approved: Dan Christopher
Chairman of the Board



Date