



BOARD OF KLICKITAT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**Meeting Minutes of:
Friday, March 29, 2024**

Special Meeting

The Board of Klickitat County Commissioners met at a Special Meeting on March 29, 2024 beginning at 1:01 PM in the Board of County Commissioners Chambers at the Klickitat County Services Building, 115 W Court St. Goldendale, Washington 98620. Chairman Lori Zoller, Commissioner Jacob Anderson were present and Commissioner Dan Christopher joined via Zoom.

1:01 PM

Chairman Lori Zoller opened the Special Meeting and updated the Board on the Klickitat County Jail.

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Anderson):** to authorize Staff to immediately move forward with all steps necessary to contract with NORCOR to provide jail services under RCW 70.48.090 with the intent to close Klickitat County Jail no later than April 12, 2024. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Christopher called Point of Order stating Commissioner Zoller was in violation of Robert's Rules of order.

- **(Yay/Christopher, Opposed/Zoller, Anderson):** Chairman Zoller called for a vote of the Point of Order
- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Anderson, Nay/Christopher):** Chairman Zoller assumed a motion to withdraw her motion.

1:20 PM Closed Session/Executive Session

Chairman Zoller announced they would be going into a "closed session" to discuss collective bargaining proposals/negotiations, grievance, mediation, and/or arbitration proceedings all associated with collective bargaining in accordance with RCW 42.30.140(4) for 30 minutes, ending at 1:50 PM. It was announced that the Closed Session will be extended 30 minutes ending at 2:20 PM. Issues of a "general" nature will be discussed in open session.

2:22 PM Meeting Reconvened

Commissioner Anderson read aloud a statement in regards to the Klickitat County Jail.

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Anderson, Nay/Christopher):** To direct Staff to move forward with negotiations with NORCOR providing jail services for Klickitat County under RCW 70.48.090. Staff and Commissioner Zoller are further authorized to negotiate with the cities of White Salmon, Bingen, and Goldendale for jail services that are currently provided. The BOCC is directing staff to prepare a supplemental budget removing the Jail sub department and moving the funds into a non-departmental budget. The BOCC is directing staff to take all steps necessary to remove jail services from the Sheriff's department, bring forward a transition plan and a resolution to the BOCC for adoption April 2, 2024. This is with the intent that we will close the jail no later than April 12, 2024.

2:26 Meeting Adjourned

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously):** There being no further business before the Board.

**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 03-29 -2024 BoCC Special Zoom meeting. Please Note: All Commissioner meetings and workshops are open to the public to attend. Meetings and Workshops are recorded.*


Approved: Lori Zoller

Chairman of the Board





Date