



BOARD OF CLICKITAT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**Meeting Minutes of:
Tuesday, September 17, 2024**

Regular Session

The Board of Klickitat County Commissioners met in regular session on September 17, 2024 beginning at 9:00 AM in the Board of County Commissioners Chambers at the Klickitat County Services Building, 115 W Court St. Goldendale, Washington 98620. Chairman Lori Zoller, Commissioner Dan Christopher and Commissioner Jacob Anderson were present, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

9:00 Approval of Agenda

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously):** The Business Agenda was approved and amended as follows: one (1) add-on being the Jail Administrator Background Investigation Agreement discussion during the Jail Update with Director Van Cleave. Noting that in place of the Sheriff's Department update Jeff King of Emergency Management will be providing a Department update and there will not be a Republic Services update this afternoon, two (2) being the discussion of the Forest Legacy grant request letter of support.

Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously):** the Klickitat County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes for September 3, 2024 as presented.

Public Comments

- Roger Nichols, Jail vents, FAA Values
- Scotty Anderson, Support for the Department of Corrections Director
- Delmer Eldred, Cost of the Hood River-White Salmon Bridge
- Ann Sleat, Candidates Night, Dallesport Water Vessels
- Anthony Rizzi, Candidates Night, echoing the comments of Ann Sleat
- Andrew Smith, Candidates Night, Thank you to Commissioner Anderson
- Lynn Ward, requested and received approval from the Board to transfer the 2015 Ford Explorer from the Motor pool to the Building Department.
- Sheri Bousquet, County resources used for Wind turbine fire

9:54 AM Commissioner Christopher made a pledge to give the District 3 Funds of \$50,000 to the Goldendale Community Enrichment Splash Pad project.

Consent Agenda

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously):** Consent Agenda with seven (7) items.

Emergency Management

1. Quotation Report and Authorization to Purchase and install six (6) security cameras at Klickitat County Radio sites and relocate one (1) existing camera installed at a radio site. The purchase will include six (6) AXIS Q6135-LE Cameras, six (6) sets of camera installation hardware and one (1) Professional Services equipment installation for the total purchase price of \$59,964.34.

Juvenile Department

2. Interagency Agreement **(C15224)** between Klickitat County Juvenile Court and Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts for the support of the CASA/Volunteer Ad Litem Program for the purpose of increasing the number of children served by court appointed special advocates (CASA)/volunteer ad litem in dependency matters.
3. Interagency Agreement **(C15324)** between Klickitat County Juvenile Court and Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts for BECCA Programs and Services for the purpose to engage services of the Contractor to administer Truancy, At Risk Youth and Child in Need Services (Becca) programs and services.

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, September 24, 2024 at 1:00 PM as follows:
 - Consideration of Binding Site Plan BSP2020-03 & RV 2020-01, parcel numbers 04-10-1200-0023/00 and 04-10-1200-0023/01 within Section 12, T4N, R10E and Section 7, T4N, R11E in the Husum and BZ Corner vicinity. Applicants Under Canvas, Inc.

Public Health

5. Consolidated Contract Amendment 20 **(C15423)** between Department of Health and Klickitat County Public Health Department to make necessary changes within the scope of the contract to amend the Statement of work for an increase of \$1,138,323 in the Public Health Funding.

Public Works

6. Rural Arterial Program Final Prospectus through the County Road Administrative Board Rural Arterial Program for the Sleepy Hollow Road, Phase 1 project.
7. Rural Arterial Program Final Prospectus through the County Road Administrative Board Rural Arterial Program for the Sleepy Hollow Road, Phase 2 project.

Payroll Warrant Certification and Payment Approvals

- **Approved Warrants (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously):** Accounts Payable Warrants in the amount of \$1,109,527.85 and Payroll/Benefit Warrants in the amount of \$821,825.43 for the date ending September 16, 2024.

Public Works: Pay Estimate

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously):** Approval of Pay Estimate #4 for Sundale/Old Hwy 8, CRP 359 in the amount of \$598,771.35.

9:57 AM Department Update/Planning Department

Planning Director Scott Edelman provided a staff update on:

- The promotion of Associate Planner Lori Anderson to Senior Planner

Senior Planner Lori Anderson introduced the newly hired Assistant Planner Rachel Fahlenkamp

- Planning Commission, Comprehensive Plan/Solar Ordinance

10:11 AM Department Update/HR & Administrative Services

HR & Administrative Services Director Robb Van Cleave provided a Staff update on the Klickitat County Jail transition.

Director Van Cleave requested and received verbal approval to extinguish the Risk Reduction funds to purchase six (6) suicide prevention mattresses, nine (9) suicide prevention smocks and nine (9) suicide prevention blankets.

ADD-ON #1:

- **Motion (M/Christopher, S/Anderson. Passed unanimously)** Specialized Services Agreement (**C15524**) between Klickitat County and Public Safety Testing, Inc. (PST) for the purpose of pre-employment background investigations, workplace investigations, and other services to public agencies.

10:15 AM Department Update/ Emergency Management

Emergency management Director Jeff King provided a Staff update on:

- Cellular Service Provider Outreach project, Radio Site, Winter Storm Damage, Surplus equipment, Blue Mountain Agreement, Consent Agenda items, 9-1-1 Call taking and Public Safety Radio dispatching, Public Education, Emergency Management Program, Grant projects, Wildfires, meeting with Washington Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz, DNR Land Lease for the Flat Top Radio Site, Volunteer Firefighter training and Employee of the month

10:53 AM Department Update/ Public Health

Public Health Director Erinn Quinn provided a Staff update on:

- Environmental Health, Food training, Clinical Health, Consent Agenda items, Behavioral Health, Jail support, advertisement of open positions within the Behavioral Health Department.

ADD-ON #2: discussion

The Board came to consensus to add the Forest Legacy letter of support to the September 24th Consent Agenda.

11:00 PM Miscellaneous Reports/Comments

Commissioner Anderson updated the Board on the Hood River-White Salmon Bridge Authority trip to Washington DC

11:11 AM Recess for Lunch

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

The Board of Klickitat County Commissioners Business Meeting reconvened at 1:00 PM, all three Commissioners were present.

1:00 PM Public Hearing

Planning Director Scott Edelman presented the Klickitat County Planning Commission consideration regarding the decision of Appeal of SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) related to Rezone Request ZON 2023-02.

Chairman Zoller opened the Public Hearing

Appellant Roger Gadway presented his testimony to the Board.

Appellant Fred Greef, Snowden resident, presented his testimony to the Board.

Justin Leigh, representing applicants Lee Monroe and Pat Wilson presented testimony to the Board.

Co-Applicant Lee Monroe presented his testimony to the Board.

Public Testimony in support of the Appeal

- Fred Greef, Snowden, in support of the appeal

Public Testimony opposed to the Appeal

- Jenne Paterson, Snowden, opposed to the appeal
- Cody Wilson, Snowden, opposed to the appeal

Director Edelman and Senior Planner Anderson presented Staff comments.

Chairman Zoller opened Public Testimony.

2:27 PM Public Testimony

- Fred Greef shared his rebuttal to the Board.
- Justin Leigh shared his rebuttal to the Board
- Fred Greef commented on the Applicants rebuttal.

2:40 PM Chairman Zoller closed the Public Hearing

2:40 PM Recess

Chairman Zoller called a three (3) minute recess

2:43 PM Chairman Zoller reconvened the meeting

2:43 PM Public Hearing

Planning Director Scott Edelman presented the Klickitat County Planning Commission consideration regarding the decision to Consider approval of Zone Change Request Application No. ZON 2023-02, Applicants, Patrick Wilson and Lee Monroe.

Applicant Lee Monroe presented his application consideration to the Board.

Chairman Zoller opened Public testimony

Public Testimony in favor to the Rezone

- None

Public Testimony in opposition of the Rezone

- Bee Lackaff, Secretary of Snowden Community Council, opposed to the Rezone
- Michelina Roth, Snowden, opposed to Rezone
- Roger Gadway, Snowden, opposed to Rezone
- Fred Greef, Snowden, opposed to Rezone

Applicant Lee Monroe shared his rebuttal

Applicant Pat Wilson joined via Zoom and shared his rebuttal

Director Edelman presented Staff closing comments.

Chairman Zoller closed the Public Hearing

3:26 PM

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Nay/Christopher):** Affirm the SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) related to Rezone Request ZON 2023-02.

3:40 PM

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Zoller. Nay/Christopher):** Approval of rezone based on recommendation and findings of the Planning Commission

3:48 PM Budget Revenue Workshop

Fiscal Manager Jenn Neil and Treasurer Greg Gallagher presented the preliminary 2025 Budget Revenues

4:53 PM Meeting Recessed

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously)** Meeting recessed until September 19, 2024 Budget Workshop.

Thursday, September 19, 2024

WORKSHOP

8:40 AM Budget

All 3 Commissioners were present along with Fiscal Manager Jenn Neil, Human Resources and Administrative Services Robb Van Cleave, Treasurer Greg Gallagher, Auditor Heather Jobe, Emergency Management Director Jeff King and various County Elected Officials, employees, and members of the public present in person and via Zoom.

Fiscal Manager Jenn Neil presented the 2025 preliminary budget expenses.

8:45 AM Auditor Heather Jobe presented the Auditors Office 2025 preliminary budget to the Board.

10:22 AM Treasurer Greg Gallagher presented the Treasurers Office 2025 preliminary budget to the Board.

10:46 AM Behavioral Health and Public Health Director Erinn Quinn presented the Behavioral Health Department and Public Health Department 2025 preliminary budgets to the Board. The Board came to a consensus for Director Quinn to hire an Assistant in 2025 using grant funding.

11:05 AM Fiscal Manager Jenn Neil had a discussion with the Board on the process and forum of the future budget workshops.

11:57 AM Lunch Recess

- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously):** To recess for lunch at 11:57 AM.

1:00 PM Chairman Zoller reconvened the Workshop.

1:06 PM Emergency Management Director Jeff King and Accounting Administrative Assistant Debi Stover presented the Emergency Management Department 2025 preliminary budget to the Board.

2:11 PM Building Department Director Lynn Ward presented the Building Department 2025 preliminary budget to the Board.

2:30 PM Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel presented the Prosecuting Attorney Office 2025 preliminary budget to the Board.

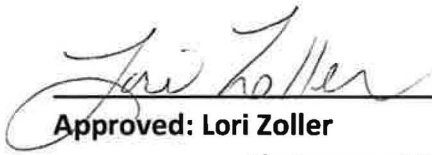
2:40 PM the Board had a discussion with Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel regarding the Coroner position.

4:13 PM Economic Development Director Richard Foster had a discussion with the Board regarding the vacant Office Manager position. The Board came to a consensus to change the Office Manager position to an Office Administrator I or II position.

4:55 PM Meeting Adjourned

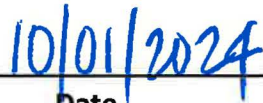
- **Approved (M/Anderson, S/Christopher. Passed unanimously)**

**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 9-17-2024 BoCC 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