



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**MAY 12, 2026
MEETING MINUTES**

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, May 12, 2026 beginning at 9:30 AM in the Board of County Commissioners Chambers at the Klickitat County Services Building, 115 W Court St. Goldendale, Washington 98620. Commissioner Ron Ihrig, Commissioner Todd Andrews and Commissioner Lori Zoller were present.

9:30 AM PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Public Works Director Jeff Hunter and County Engineer Seth Scarola provided an update on Consent Agenda items, construction and road design, maintenance projects on the west and east ends, upcoming facilities work, events, Solid Waste, and other follow-ups. Chairman Ihrig recognized the Public Works Department and presented the Certificate of Good Practice Appreciation and resolution from the CRABoard. The Board also noted the Dallesport Wastewater rates workshop is scheduled for June 18, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ROBB VAN CLEAVE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Administrator Robb Van Cleave and Senior Services Director Sharon Cater updated the Board on Consent Agenda items, Senior Picnic scheduled for Friday, May 15, at Daubenspeck Park in White Salmon, and a quote for vehicle repairs.

Administrator Van Cleave also updated the Board on the CGRA preliminary budget, reorganization efforts and the resolution to officially create the Community Development Department, the future adoption of the County Administrator structure, bargaining for the Department of Corrections, and contract renewals for Klickitat County fire districts.

10:09 AM Chairman Ihrig called a 10-minute recess, reconvening at 10:19 AM.

EFSEC REPRESENTATIVE UPDATE

Klickitat County EFSEC Representative Jan Sokol updated the Board on the preliminary stage of the Cascade Renewable Transmission project.

10:31 AM LUNCH

- **Approved (M/Andrews, S/Zoller. Passed unanimously):** To recess until 1:00 PM.

1:00 PM CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All three Commissioners were present.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Andrews. Passed unanimously):** Approval of the Business Agenda with one add-on being the discussion of the application of Open Space Open Space for Spatz under Unfinished Business.

COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Andrews. Passed unanimously):** Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes for May 5, 2026, as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Frank Rush
Gabrielle Gilbert
Kathy Moco
Andrews Smith
John Bruce

1:20 PM CONSENT AGENDA

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Andrews. Passed unanimously):** Approval of the Consent Agenda items, with 8 items, excluding items 8 and 9 to process after the Supplemental Public Hearing.
1. Senior Services/ Mt Adams Transportation Title VI and LEP Plan Update **Resolution No. 03926**
 2. Amendment to Contract 2026-TSB-08 between KCSS and CIM **(C10226)**
 3. Public Hearing Request to review performance of the Community Development Block Grant
 4. Approval of the Small Works Contract **(C10326)** with Southern Folger Contracting for the "Klickitat County Jail Hold 4 Door Addition".
 5. Interlocal Agreement **(C10426)** between the City of Bingen and Klickitat County for the provision of Probation Services within the Municipal Department of the District Court.
 6. Interlocal Agreement **(C10526)** between the City of Goldendale and Klickitat County for the provision of Probation Services within the Municipal Department of the District Court.
 7. **Joint Resolution No. 04026** of the Clark County Council and the Klickitat and Skamania Board of County Commissioners for the appointment of Jaynee Caveness to the Fort Vancouver Regional Library Board.
 8. ~~Sheriff's Department Authorization to Purchase rifle plates for the ballistic vests for a total cost of \$11,894.88.~~
 9. ~~Sheriff's Department Authorization to Purchase night vision and thermal scopes for a total cost of \$33,385.60~~
 10. Sheriff's Department Authorization to Purchase 17 Glock firearms and holsters for a total cost of \$15,044.58.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANTS/

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Andrews. Passed unanimously):** Accounts Payable Warrants in the amount of \$172,714.94 and Payroll Benefit Warrants in the amount of \$909,004.02 for the date ending May 11, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Andrews presented the Proclamation to observe May 15, 2026, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and May 10-16, 2026 as National Police Week in Klickitat County.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chairman Ihrig updated the Board on the applicants Daniel and Michelle Spatz Open Space Open Space withdrawal and denial letter.

1:30 PM PUBLIC HEARING- SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET 2026-1

Budget Manager Heather Gallagher provided an update on the Supplemental Budget Requests received for Quarter 1 of 2026.

Chairman Ihrig opened the Public Hearing.

Public Testimony

Andrew Smith

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Andrews. Passed unanimously):** Approval of the Quarter 1 Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 03126.

1:41 PM PUBLIC MEETING

Associate Planner Rebecca Hail provided an update on the request for final approval of Short Plat 2024-03, Paxon

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Andrews. Passed unanimously):** Approval of Short Plat SPL2024-03, Paxon.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS #8 and #9

8. Sheriff's Department Authorization to Purchase rifle plates for the ballistic vests for a total cost of \$11,894.88.
 9. Sheriff's Department Authorization to Purchase night vision and thermal scopes for a total cost of \$33,385.60.
- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Andrews. Passed unanimously):** Approval of the Authorization to Purchase rifle plates for ballistic vests for a total cost of \$11,894.88, and authorization to purchase night vision and thermal scopes for a total cost of \$33,385.60

2:09 PM ADJOURN

- **Approved (M/Zoller, S/Andrews. Passed unanimously)**

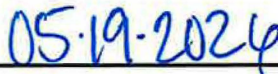
*Reference Document on File. The Board of Commissioners' minutes are action minutes. A digital recording is on file as part of the official record. Please Note: All Commissioner meetings and workshops are open to the public to attend.



Approved: Ron Ihrig

Chairman of the Board





Date