



BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

Work Session

Friday, November 4, 2022, at 9:00 am

BOCC Conference Room, Room 232, 128 N 2nd Street, Yakima, WA 98901 or Zoom

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11/4/2022 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Called to Order at 9:01 a.m.

PRESENT: Chair Amanda McKinney, Commissioner LaDon Linde, Commissioner Ron Anderson, Legal Counsel Don Anderson, Clerk of the Board Julie Lawrence, Deputy Clerk of the Board Erin Franklin, Financial Services Director Craig Warner, and guests.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment Received.

3. AGENDA ITEM REVIEW (15 Minutes)

Julie Lawrence reviewed for the Board all Agenda items submitted for Tuesday's Regular Agenda Meeting, and also gave a preview of the following week's Agenda items.

Regarding the November 8, 2022, Agenda, Commissioner Linde asked Julie to look into an incomplete sentence from the October 28, 2022, Work Session Minutes. He further noted that Resolution 284-2022 needed to be changed to reflect two appointments for city representatives instead of one. Finally, he requested that Resolution 278-2022 be tabled in order to give him time to reach out to Corporate Counsel with a few questions. Craig also provided background information on the three agreements with Gordon Thomas Honeywell submitted by Financial Services, involving adjustments to liability insurance.

For the November 15, 2022, Agenda, the Board agreed to move Agreement 328-2022 to Regular Agenda and have Troy Havens or Joel Freudenthal present.

4. BOARD OF HEALTH CITY REPRESENTATIVE CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

The Commissioners conducted brief individual interviews with the three candidates for the two open Board of Health City Representative positions: Janice Deccio (Yakima Mayor), Patricia Byers (Yakima City Councilmember), and Lupita Carrillo (Tieton City Councilmember). Each candidate was asked the following questions:

1. What about your background and experience suggests that you offer a unique perspective to the Board of Health?
2. What do you feel are the most pressing priorities regarding public health in Yakima County?

3. We have just gone through a pandemic. What do you think are the lessons learned from a public health perspective, and should we react any differently in future pandemics when they occur?
4. Did you support the decision of Governor Inslee to mandate masks and COVID vaccination? Why or why not?

5. CLOSED SESSION

The Board met in closed session at 9:43 a.m. as allowed by RCW 42.30.140(4)(a). Commissioner McKinney returned at 10:45 a.m. as agreed upon, and extended the closed session an additional 45 minutes. The Board returned at 11:30 a.m., and no further action was taken.

6. ARPA DISCUSSION

Craig Warner updated the Board that he had sent out letters, along with informational packets, to the other cities who had not initially applied for flock cameras. The deadline to respond is November 18, 2022 (two weeks from today). Craig also shared that he had met with Clifton Larson Allen about the features of their portal tool for ARPA applications. Finally, he stated that CLA is working on a proposal and cost estimate for securing their expertise on which projects would be eligible for upcoming infrastructure funding. The proposal and estimate will likely be ready early next week.

7. COMMISSIONER UPDATES/ GENERAL DISCUSSION

Commissioner Linde requested more time to prepare his edits to Commissioner McKinney's draft EFSEC letter; Julie Lawrence was directed to add this item to Monday's work session. Commissioner McKinney noted that representatives from EFSEC were in town yesterday and had not reached out to the Board of County Commissioners. It was also revealed that they do not yet have a plan for addressing the grouse population or mitigating the threat of fire, and that they intend to run massive power poles through and around the prospective solar facility sites. Commissioner Anderson asserted that this is further confirmation of the need for local oversight as opposed to that of the state.

8. NEW BUSINESS

The Commissioners had no new business to discuss.

9. ADJOURN

Commissioner Anderson MOTION: To Adjourn

Commissioner Linde SECOND

Motion Passes to Adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

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APPROVED DATE NOV 15 2022
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Ron Anderson, Commissioner
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