



**BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Weekly Agenda Meeting

Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 10:00 am

BOCC Basement Conference Room, Room 33B, 128 N 2nd Street, Yakima, WA 98901 or Zoom  
IN PERSON OR VIRTUAL

8/8/2023 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Called to Order at 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Chair LaDon Linde, Commissioner Amanda McKinney, Commissioner Kyle Curtis, Legal Counsel Don Anderson, Clerk of the Board Julie Lawrence, Deputy Clerk of the Board Erin Franklin, and guests.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment Received.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Curtis MOTION: To Approve Consent Agenda

Commissioner McKinney SECOND

Approved Unanimously.

Commissioner Curtis gave a reminder that all BOCC meetings are open to the public and can be attended both in-person or virtually. All meetings are recorded, and the meeting links and recordings can be found on the BOCC webpage.

5. AUDITOR

A. Accounts Payable Warrant Approval

Issue Date: 7.31.23.

6. COMMISSIONER

A. 7.21.23 Work Session Minutes

B. 7.27.23 Special Meeting Minutes

C. 7.31.23 Work Session Minutes

D. 8.1.23 Regular Agenda Minutes

E. Resolution 191-2023

Appointing Ted Durfey to the Drainage District 16A Board.

Fiscal Impact: \$0

F. Resolution 192-2023

Appointing Jorge Trujillo to the Drainage District 16A Board.

Fiscal Impact: \$0

7. COUNTY ROADS

A. Resolution 190-2023

Setting a Public Hearing Date to Consider and Evaluate Proposal(s) Submitted to Yakima County to Lease a Parceled Portion of the Naches Branch Line (Parcel 181431-12007).

Fiscal Impact: Cost of Legal Advertisement

B. Agreement 198-2023

Contract With Central Washington Asphalt, Inc., for the N. Keys Road and Yakima Valley Highway Grind & Overlay Project.

Fiscal Impact: \$1,995,000.

8. HUMAN RESOURCES

A. Agreement 196-2023

Letter of Agreement between Yakima County Sheriff's Office Administrative Staff Group and Teamsters Local Union 760.

Fiscal Impact: \$0.

B. Agreement 197-2023

2023 Memorandum of Agreement between Yakima County Board of County Commissioners and Yakima County Law Enforcement Officers Guild, Uniformed Deputy Sheriffs, for Collective Bargaining Agreement Effective April 1, 2021 - December 31, 2023.

Fiscal Impact: \$0.

9. PROSECUTOR

A. Agreement 200-2023

Grant Agreement with Children's Advocacy Centers of Washington to Support the Continued Development of Children's Advocacy Center Services in Yakima County.

Fiscal Impact: \$11,784 Awarded to Yakima County.

B. Agreement 201-2023

SFY 2024 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant to Provide Services to Victims and Witnesses of Crime.

Fiscal Impact: \$65,541 Awarded to Yakima County.

10. PUBLIC SERVICES

A. Agreement 199-2023

Amendment #1 to Agreement between the Department of Ecology and Yakima County Public Services Department for the UIC Well Retrofit or Removal Project, Extending the Expiration Date to June 30, 2024.

Fiscal Impact: \$0.

11. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Public Hearing #1

Public Hearing to Consider an Application Filed by Flock Group Inc dba Flock Safety for a Systemwide Franchise to Construct, Operate, and Maintain Automatic License Plate Reading Equipment In, Along, Over, and Under Various County Rights of Way Within Yakima County, Washington.

*Presenting: Jase Testerman, County Roads*

Jase explained that County Roads received this franchise application on July 7th. He stated that this is a fairly standard process that is done for other utilities as well, such as phone lines. Flock Safety has subcontracted with law enforcement departments to install this equipment, and just needs authorization to be able to work within County rights of way. Any future applications for additional locations will fall under this same agreement.

Public Comment: No Public Comment Received.

Commissioner McKinney MOTION: To Move This Item to Resolution at a Future Agenda

Commissioner Curtis SECOND

Motion Passes Unanimously.

B. Public Hearing #2

Public Hearing to Consider Changing Ordinance 5-2022, Establishing the Maximum Speed for all Vehicles Traveling Upon Certain County Roads, or Parts of Such Roads, Outside Incorporated Cities and Towns within Yakima County, Washington, Providing Penalties for its Violation.

*Presenting: Ivan Klingele, County Roads*

Ivan explained that normally, changes to speed limits stem from petitions by residents, and are followed by speed studies and public hearings. In this case, County Roads was preparing a list of all roads within Yakima County that are 35 mph or less, or unposted, and discovered roughly 6 roads that had posted speed limits for over a decade but weren't included in the ordinance. This update is to formalize those posted speed limits and correct the oversight; none of these speed limits will be changed. In response to Commissioner Linde's questions, Ivan stated that County Roads isn't sure how these roads were missed originally, but has not received any complaints or petitions for changes from residents regarding the posted speed limits.

Commissioner McKinney noted that residents can always petition to change these speed limits in the future if desired.

Public Comment: No Public Comment Received.

Commissioner Curtis MOTION: To Move This Item to Resolution at a Future Agenda

Commissioner McKinney SECOND

Motion Passes Unanimously.

C. Public Hearing #3

Public Hearing to Amend the 2023 to 2028 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program to Include One Additional Project (HWY 97 Crossing).

*Presenting: Brett Sheffield, County Roads*

Brett explained that earlier this year, County Roads received a Federal Rail-Highway Crossing Program grant for almost \$2 million to reconstruct the Toppenish-Simcoe Railroad Crossing on SR 97. County Roads has tried to improve this crossing for a long time. Railroad Consultant Engineering has been hired to develop the design, and County Roads will work with WSDOT and Frontier Rail to determine the best practical repair. They will need to close SR 97 for about 2-3 weeks, and are looking into workable detour routes. Commissioner McKinney noted that this project does need to appear on the Transportation Improvement Program plan in order to move forward, and she and Commissioner Linde expressed their excitement that County Roads will be able to address this project now that funding is available.

Public Comment: No Public Comment Received.

Commissioner McKinney MOTION: To Move This Item to Resolution at a Future Agenda

Commissioner Curtis SECOND

Motion Passes Unanimously.

12. NEW BUSINESS

*(Commissioner Linde called for an Executive Session after the Public Hearings.)*

The Board met in Executive Session for 40 minutes at 10:20 a.m. to discuss current litigation as allowed by RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The Board returned at 11:00 a.m., and no further action was taken.

13. ADJOURN

Commissioner Curtis MOTION: To Adjourn

Commissioner McKinney SECOND

Motion Passes to Adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

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APPROVED DATE

DATE/Minutes

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LaDon Linde  
LaDon Linde, Chair

Amanda McKinney  
Amanda McKinney, Commissioner

EXCUSED

Kyle Curtis, Commissioner  
*Constituting the Board of County Commissioners  
for Yakima County, Washington*