



**BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Meeting

Work Session

Monday, August 28, 2023, at 9:00 am

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

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**Meeting Link:**

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**Meeting ID:**

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**Meeting Passcode:**

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**Meeting Phone Number:**

1-206-337-9723 (ID & Passcode Above)

8/28/2023 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Called to Order at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Chair LaDon Linde, Commissioner Amanda McKinney, Commissioner Kyle Curtis, Legal Counsel Don Anderson, Clerk of the Board Julie Lawrence, Financial Services Director Craig Warner, DOC Director Jeremy Welch, Facilities Director Brian Griff, Sheriff Udell, Tip Hudson (WSU Extension), Jenny Lloyd (WSU Extension), Alison White (WSU Extension), Patty Ratzlaff (WSU Extension), John Strong (Master Gardeners), Camille Smith (Master Gardeners), Claire Sheehan (4-H), and guests.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment Received.

3. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (5 Minutes)

Director Jeremy Welch was in attendance to answer questions regarding Agreement 246-2023. Commissioner Curtis asked for a clarification on proviso and whether it was possible that in year one and year two the proviso funding will actually be larger than than what's what's stated in the contract.

Director Welch explained that proviso is provided by the state through legislature and the amount of funding has slowly decreased over the past few years.

4. DISCUSSION REGARDING NEW YSO OFFICE AND NEXT STEPS (20 Minutes) - Commissioner Linde

Commissioner Linde discussed his concern regarding the price tag received from HOK for the proposed new Sheriff's Office. He stated that he would like the Board to take an opportunity to look at the facilities in Benton County and Chelan County, which were built for much less.

Commissioner McKinney and Commissioner Curtis concurred that the Board must pursue the most cost-effective solution and agreed to tour the facilities.

The Board requested that Brian work with Julie, Sheriff Udell, Benton County, and Chelan County to schedule a day for the Commissioners to visit each site.

5. WSU EXTENSION (60 Minutes) - Tip Hudson

Members of the WSU Extension office gave a presentation on the WSU Master Gardner Program, Youth & Family Outreach, 4-H Youth Development Program, and Rangeland & Livestock Management Outreach Program.

6. FINANCIAL SERVICES (15 Minutes)

Craig Warner discussed two requests from YCDA. The first was for the 2023 YCDA Annual Meeting Sponsorship and the second was for the YCDA Commitment Level. The proposal to allocate \$250,000 per year for the next five years was discussed. Commissioner Curtis mentioned that, based on his conversation with YCDA and their plans for the capital campaign, he was inclined to support the \$250,000 commitment. Commissioner Linde also expressed his support for the increased funding.

Commissioner Curtis MOTION: Yakima County to Commit to YCDA a \$250,000 Commitment Level for the next 5 Years

Commissioner Linde SECOND

Motion Passes.

The Board also agreed to a 2023 YCDA Meeting Sponsorship of \$3000.

7. COMMISSIONER UPDATES/ GENERAL DISCUSSION

The Commissioners gave updates on individual committee/board assignments for the week of August 21, 2023 - August 25, 2023.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Curtis inquired about the status of two items; the solar project code update and agritourism code update. He expressed his desire to progress on these matters and requested a work session for the agritourism code update.

Matt Pietrusiewicz joined to ask the Board to table Resolution 210-2023 for County Roads. The Board agreed to this request.

9. ADJOURN

Commissioner Curtis MOTION: To Adjourn

Commissioner Linde SECOND

Motion Passes. Meeting Adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

APPROVED DATE  
DATE/Minutes

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*Amanda McKinney*  
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*Kyle Curtis*  
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