

## Wahkiakum Board of County Commissioners

District No. 1 Commissioner: Lee Tischer

District No. 2 Commissioner: Daniel L. Cothren

District No. 3 Commissioner: Gene Strong, Chair

### MINUTES

#### Board of Wahkiakum County Commissioners

#### Regular Meeting

March 9, 2021

Chair Gene Strong called the regular meeting of the Board of Wahkiakum County Commissioners to order on March 9, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. in the third-floor public meeting room of the Wahkiakum County Courthouse located at 64 Main Street in Cathlamet, Washington.

Present: Chair Gene Strong, Commissioner Dan Cothren, Commissioner Lee Tischer, Clerk of the Board Beth Johnson, Public Works Director Chuck Beyer, HHS Director Chris Bischoff.

#### Flag Salute

Chair Gene Strong led the flag salute.

#### Regular Meeting Agenda

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Cothren and Tischer approving the regular meeting agenda for March 9, 2021. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

#### Consent Agenda

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Cothren and Tischer approving the consent agenda for March 9, 2021. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved. The consent agenda contained the following items:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2021
- B. Resolution No. 35-21 a resolution authorizing the expenditure of funds from the Emergency Medical Services Cumulative Reserve Fund for the payment of vouchers properly chargeable to said fund in the amount of \$7,137.03
- C. Resolution No. 36-21 a resolution authorizing the expenditure of funds from the County Properties Cumulative Reserve Fund for the payment of vouchers properly chargeable to said fund in the amount of \$3,568.53
- D. Resolution No. 37-21 a resolution authorizing the expenditure of \$301.45 from the Contingent Liabilities Cumulative Reserve Fund for the payment of claims related to medical expenses for a LEOFF member
- E. Resolution No. 38-21 a resolution authorizing the expenditure of funds from the Electronic Communications Cumulative Reserve Fund for the payment of vouchers properly chargeable to said fund in the amount of \$9,236.45
- F. Voucher Approval - \$756,376.34

G. Voucher Approval – Transfer Batch - \$29,760.00

**Public Comment**

Judge Heidi Heywood spoke in opposition of House Bill 1320 as it has the potential to negatively impact the county financially. Heywood will draft a letter to legislators for Chair Strong's signature; the board supported this by consensus.

**New Business**

Liquor License Renewal: The Duck Inn

Logan Britt, doing business as The Duck Inn, 1377 W SR-4 in Skamokawa has applied for a liquor license renewal. The Board unanimously had no objections.

Marijuana Retailer / License Change: Freedom Market

Kathleen Nelson, Breanna Alleman, Todd Bratton and Rachel Bratton, Freedom Market Cathlamet, Corp., doing business as Freedom Market Corp., 327 SR-4 in Cathlamet have submitted a Change of Corporate Officers/Stockholders application for their marijuana retailer license and medical marijuana endorsement. Vote: No Objection – Tischer and Strong; Object: Cothren; passed as 'no objection' based on majority vote.

**Health & Human Services**

Data Security Agreement with Department of Social and Health Services

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Cothren and Tischer to approve of the Chair's signature on the Department of Social and Health Services agreement on Data Security Requirements, DSHS contract number 2163-91256. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

**Public Works**

Notice of Completion of Work by County Forces: Columbia Street Improvement Project

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Cothren and Tischer to approve of the publishing of the Notice of Work by County Forces pertaining to the Columbia Street Improvement Project in the Wahkiakum County Eagle newspaper. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

Certification to County Road Administration Board for 2020

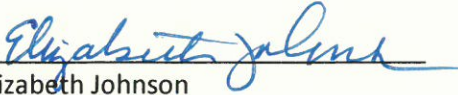
It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Cothren and Tischer to authorize the Chair's certification to the County Road Administration Board for the Annual Certification of calendar year 2020. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

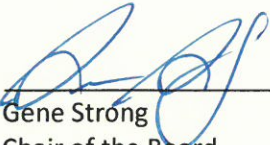
**Chamber of Commerce Report**

Stacey Lane, Wahkiakum Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, provided an update to the Board.

**Adjournment**

With no further business to come before the board, Chair Gene Strong adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Attest:   
Elizabeth Johnson  
Clerk of the Board

Approved:   
Gene Strong  
Chair of the Board