



Wahkiakum Board of County Commissioners

District No. 1 Commissioner: Lee Tischer, Chair

District No. 2 Commissioner: Daniel L. Cothren

District No. 3 Commissioner: Gene Strong

MINUTES

Board of Wahkiakum County Commissioners

Regular Meeting

June 13, 2023

Vice Chair Dan Cothren called the regular meeting of the Board of Wahkiakum County Commissioners to order on June 13, 2023, 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 Lee Tischer (via phone), Commissioner Gene Strong, Commissioner Dan Cothren, Clerk of the Board Beth Johnson. Undersheriff Gary Howell, Public Works Director Chuck Beyer, Building Inspector/Planner Dave Hicks.

Flag Salute

Vice Chair Dan Cothren led the flag salute.

Regular Meeting Agenda

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Strong and Tischer approving the regular meeting agenda for June 13, 2023. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Tischer and Strong approving the consent agenda for June 13, 2023. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved. The consent agenda contained the following items:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2023
- B. Resolution No. 84-23 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 \$470.04
- C. Resolution No. 85-23 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 \$14,215.03
- D. Voucher Approval - \$87,470.93
- E. Voucher Approval – Transfer Batch - \$84,470.93
- F. Voucher Approval – Transfer Batch - \$15,910.11
- G. Voucher Approval – Transfer Batch - \$26,893.87
- H. Voucher Approval – Transfer Batch - \$72,459.63
- I. Voucher Approval – Transfer Batch - \$19,968.00
- J. Voucher Approval – Transfer Batch - \$5,664.00

- K. Special Meeting Notice: Monday, July 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the River Street Meeting Room, Cathlamet. Elk Hoof Disease Presentation by Dr. Margaret Wild, lead scientist for WSU's elk hoof disease program

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

New Business

Liquor License Renewal

RDR, LLC; doing business as The 'O', located at 8 Fairgrounds Road in Skamokawa has applied for a Liquor License Renewal. The Board unanimously had no objection to this Liquor License Renewal.

Special Occasion Liquor License

The Finnish American Folk Festival of Naselle has applied for a Special Occasion Liquor License for their event on June 24, 2023, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Rosburg Hall, 28 Rosburg Community Hall Road in Rosburg. The Board unanimously had no objection to this Special Occasion Liquor License.

Letter of Support – Wahkiakum PUD Infrastructure Projects

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Strong and Tischer to approve of the letter of support for the Wahkiakum PUD for the infrastructure projects on Puget Island, Skamokawa and Western Wahkiakum water systems. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

Port District No. 1 / County Line Park: Matching Funds for Pathway Project Completion

Todd Souvenir, Port District No. 1 Manager, was present to discuss the pathway project at County Line Park. Last year about 2/3 of the pathways were repaired and upgraded. The Port submitted a grant application to partially fund the remaining pathways. The Port requested that the county split the remaining balance with the port.

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Strong and Tischer to assist Port District No. 1 in this walkway project with a 50% match, not to exceed \$3,000. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

Sheriff's Office

Contract with Washington State Department of Corrections

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Strong and Tischer to approve of the renewal contract with the Washington State Department of Corrections, (contract No. K11647, amendment No. 3). Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

Public Works

Contract for Recycle Bin Hauling

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Strong and Tischer to accept the bid received from Stanley Sanitary Services for 2023-2025 recycle bin hauling and to also approve the 2023-2025 recycle bin hauling contract between Wahkiakum County and Stanley Sanitary Services for \$46,329.66. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

Contract for Courthouse Landscaping Upgrade Project

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Strong and Tischer to approve of the courthouse landscaping upgrade contract with Forrest Mora Landscaping in the amount of not to exceed \$134,426.60. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

Building & Planning

New Road Petition – Wages Way

This existing unnamed driveway is west of Elochoman Valley Road. It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Strong and Tischer to approve of the New Road Petition for the name Wages Way. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

Commissioner Reports

The Board discussed their work over the past week.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Attest: Elizabeth Johnson
Elizabeth Johnson
Clerk of the Board

Approved: Lee Tischer
Lee Tischer
Chair of the Board