



## 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 September 27, 2022

Chair Gene Strong called the regular meeting of the Board of Wahkiakum County Commissioners to order on September 27, 2022, 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, Sheriff Mark Howie, Undersheriff Gary Howell, HHS Finance & Accounting Manager Michelle Collupy, Treasurer Tammy Peterson, Building Inspector/Planner Dave Hicks.

#### 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 September 27, 2022. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

#### Consent Agenda

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Tischer and Cothren approving the consent agenda for September 27, 2022. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved. The consent agenda contained the following items:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2022
- B. Resolution No. 135-22 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 \$2,466.85
- C. Resolution No. 136-22 a resolution authorizing the expenditure of funds from the Inter Local Cooperation Cumulative Reserve Fund for the payment of vouchers properly chargeable to said fund in the amount of \$1,249.84
- D. Voucher Approval - \$91,096.40

## Public Comment

There were no public comments.

## New Business

### Appointments to Diking District No. 4

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Cothren and Tischer to approve of appointing Blair Peterson and Rene Sanchez-Meija to fill the two vacancies on Diking District No. 4. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

### Addendum to Contract with BTN Homes for the Small Animal Barn at the Fairgrounds

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners of Tischer and Cothren to approve of the addendum with BTN Homes, in the amount of \$32,280, with the balance of approximately \$23,000 coming from the County Properties Fund. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

## Auditor

### Hiring of Election/Recording Coordinator with Training

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners Cothren and Tischer to approve of the hiring process of the Election/Recording Coordinator for the Auditor's office. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

## Health & Human Services

### Hiring of a CD II Position

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioners to Tischer and Cothren to approve of the Chemical Dependency Counselor II position to be added to the budget starting on September 5, 2022. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

## Work Session Office Relocation Project

Sheriff Mark Howie discussed some of the revisions that were made to the plans and cost estimates for moving the Sheriff's Office to the basement offices. The estimated cost has been revised to \$146,869.

It was **M/S/A** by Commissioner Cothren and Tischer For the approval of the office relocation project in the amount of \$146,869 plus tax. Vote: Aye – Strong, Tischer and Cothren. Unanimously approved.

## Family Health Center Report

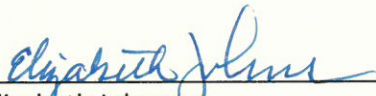
Jim Coffee, CEO of the Family Health Center provided an update on the Cathlamet clinic. The clinic will be back to having two providers at the clinic. The Covid booster will be available soon. The clinic hopes to resume Monday through Friday hours by the end of the year.

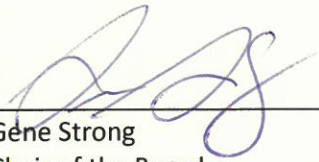
**Commissioner Reports**

The Board reviewed their work over the past week.

**Adjournment**

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Attest:   
Elizabeth Johnson  
Clerk of the Board

Approved:   
Gene Strong  
Chair of the Board