

**Klickitat County
Board of Commissioners
Minutes – Meeting of Tuesday, September 17, 2019**

Topic	Agenda Item - Comment/Disposition
Morning Workshop Session – Tuesday, September 17, 2019	<p>Call to Order/Roll Call</p> <p>Chairman David M. Sauter called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Commissioners present: Jim Sizemore and David M. Sauter. Rex F. Johnston was absent.</p>
Public Works/Road Department Update	<p>Workshop Session Agenda</p> <p>10:00 AM – Public Works Department Update</p> <p>Attendance: Public Works Deputy Director Jeff Hunter, Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel and Centerville resident Dan Christopher.</p> <p>Public Works Deputy Director Jeff Hunter reviewed items on this afternoon’s consent agenda noting the resolution to amend the Fairgrounds use fee schedule now includes a discounted season arena rental rate to promote season rentals.</p> <p>A review of the Wahkaicus Bridge repair project, the installation of signs on the Glenwood Highway for the Safety Project and phase 2 of the striping that is scheduled to start September 19th.</p> <p>Deputy Director Hunter stated they are submitting their geotechnical report to Washington State Department of Transportation for approval or further comments; design and permitting work is continuing on Courtney Road and they will be submitting their application for a permit to the Gorge Commission by the of the month; repair work started yesterday on the Spring Creek Slide Repair and is anticipated to be completed next week.</p> <p>An update was given on the east and west end crews projects; an alternative option for the radio tower project with more coverage and reliability for the Klickitat Valley, the preparation taking place at the Fairgrounds for the upcoming Adult Horse Camp and a discussion of the upcoming workshop with developers and County Departments. The Board stated they support applying the Road Standard Manual equally for all developments.</p> <p>Deputy Director Hunter reported the Department of Ecology issued a release for the Rattlesnake Quarry and inquired if the Board would like to pursue to surplus the property, the Board was in support.</p> <p>Commissioner Sizemore held a brief discussion regarding the permitting for Courtney Road and the review process of the data that is collected, followed by an inquiry about how the capital improvement projects are chosen in conjunction with the Fair Board members.</p>

<p>Sheriff Department Update.</p>	<p>10:30 AM - Elected Official Report/Update</p> <p>Attendance: Sheriff Bob Songer, Undersheriff Mike Kallio, Information Technology & Budget Director Glen Chipman, Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel and Centerville resident Dan Christopher.</p> <p>Sheriff Bob Songer reported on call volumes from January 1, 2019, to September 16, 2019; civil papers served; the Deputy's and Posse's information booths as well as security at the local fair; the Klickitat County Office K-9 Unit fundraiser campaign noting that the dog has been ordered and Deputy Gaven Marble and the dog will start a ten (10) week academy around October 14th.</p> <p>Sheriff Songer stated the first weekend in October the town of Klickitat will be hosting their annual Home with Heroes event to honor firefighters, EMS, law enforcement officers, retired and active military personnel and encouraged citizens to attend.</p> <p>Sheriff Songer reviewed his new Sheriff's Office Dangerous Wildlife Policy and Procedures plan that took effect on September 3, 2019; Sheriff Songer stated he established the program in accordance with Washington State Law, (RCW 77.15.245(2a) which allows better protection for the Public Safety, the protection of domestic animals and livestock within Klickitat County. Deputies will respond to a sighting call just as any other call; assess the situation and proceed to follow the call all the way through, followed by a brief discussion of the cougar that was put down in the Goldendale city limits.</p> <p>Sheriff Songer reported he was invited along with Police Chief Loren Culp of Republic Washington to attend the Constitutional Sheriff & Police Officer Association in Mesa Arizona, Sheriff Songer will be awarded Constitutional Sheriff of the year and Police Chief Culp will be awarded Police Officer of the year.</p>
	<p>The Board recessed at 10:54 AM until 11:09 AM</p>
	<p>A discussion followed regarding sales tax revenue increases in the general fund; the State Statute set for counties to receive a portion of penalties from delinquent property tax payments, followed by a discussion of the Columbia Rivers Bonneville Lock & Dam and the use of the locks for transportation of commerce.</p>
<p>Lunch Recess</p>	<p>The Board recessed for lunch at 11:24 AM.</p>
	<p>Call to Order/Roll Call:</p>
<p>Regular Meeting for Tuesday, September 17, 2019</p>	<p>Chairman David M. Sauter reconvened the meeting at 1:00 PM. Commissioners present: Jim Sizemore and David M Sauter. Rex F. Johnston was absent.</p>
	<p>Agenda:</p>
<p>Business Agenda</p>	<p>Approved (M/Sizemore, S/Sauter. Passed unanimously): the Business Agenda with as presented.</p>

<p>Approval of Meeting Minutes</p>	<p>Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes</p> <p>* Approved (M/Sizemore, S/Sauter. Passed unanimously): the Klickitat County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes for August 27 and September 3, 2019, as presented.</p>
<p>Comments will be limited to seven (7) minutes per individual</p>	<p>Citizen Comment:</p> <p>Goldendale resident John Miller discussed a proposal to name Highway 97 in honor of the Veterans of World War II. Mr. Miller stated the name proposed is “The Memorial Highway”. The Board was in support of the proposal.</p> <p>Goldendale Mayor Mike Canon invited the Board to a special meeting being Monday night on Broadband and would like to collaborate with the County, followed by a request for the County to assist in funding for the Goldendale City Airport Fuel Project.</p> <p>Goldendale citizen Ty Ross asked if the County would be able to haul rock, grade, compact, and chip-seal around the fuel station area as well as extend and widen the runway, Mr. Ross noted that City equipment, as well as labor, would be used to help complete the project. The Board requested the design documents for the County Public Works Department as well as the Board to review.</p> <p>Natural Resource Project Coordinator Jacob Anderson requested support from the Legislative Authority on behalf of Mt. Adams Resource Stewards Executive Director, Jay McLaughlin to buy two (2) parcels of land in the Glenwood area. The Board was in support; Commissioner Sizemore noted if the ground is currently being grazed he would like to see the grazing continue.</p> <p>Clerk of the Board stated Klickitat Valley Health is launching a new program for women where Trudi Inslee the Washington State Governor’s wife will be doing a ribbon cutting; the Board requested Public Health Carla Bacon be in attendance.</p>
<p>Public Hearing: To consider approval to vacate Short Plat SP-93-13. This is a short plat located off Johnson Road in the Lyle vicinity on Parcels 03-12-1153-0001/00 and 03-12-1153-0002/00; Applicants: Wayne & Jennifer Harner.</p>	<p>Public Meetings/Public Hearings/Bid Openings:</p> <p>Approved (M/Sizemore, S/Sauter. Passed unanimously): in the matter of Resolution No. 11819 an approval to vacate Short Plat SP-93-13, located off Johnson Road in the Lyle vicinity on Parcels 03-12-1153-0001/00 and 03-12-1153-0002/00; Applicants: Wayne & Jennifer Harner.</p> <p>Attendance: Planning Director Mo-chi Lindblad, Assistant Planner Denise Lee, Public Health Director Carla Bacon, Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel, applicants Wayne & Jennifer Harner and Centerville resident Dan Christopher.</p> <p>Chairman Sauter declared the public hearing open and asked if Board members wished to disclose ex-parte contact or conflict of interest, hearing none he advised the purpose of the hearing is to consider approval to vacate short plat SP-93-13; the short plat is located off Johnson Road in the Lyle vicinity, and he requested a staff review.</p> <p>Assistant Planner Denise Lee reported the applicant is proposing to vacate SP-93-13 in</p>

	<p>its entirety; short plat SP-93-13 contains inaccurate legal descriptions of the two lots; the applicant is requesting to dissolve the 2 lots created by SP-93-13 and revert them back to Lot 22 of Highland Acres in order to correct their Title Report, Purchase Agreement, and Statutory Warranty Deed.</p> <p>Chairman Sauter opened the public hearing to receive public testimony.</p> <p>Applicants Wayne & Jennifer Harner stated that the previous property owner made improvements to the wrong property lot; they want to be a good neighbor/landowner and vacate the property and remove the subdivided property.</p> <p>Chairman Sauter closed the public hearing to further comment and called for Board discussion which was followed by a motion.</p>
	<p>Unfinished Business:</p>
<p>Continued discussion concerning the Criminal Justice Treatment Account</p>	<p>Attendance: Public Health Director Carla Bacon, Sheriff Bob Songer, Undersheriff Mike Kallio, Chief Jail Deputy Carmen Knopes, Information Technology & Budget Director Glen Chipman, Auditor Brenda Sorensen, Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel and Centerville resident Dan Christopher.</p> <p>Chief Jail Deputy Carmen Knopes provided an update on neighboring counties currently implementing their own Criminal Justice Treatment plan; how the plan process works was discussed; the number of evaluations given per week to incarcerated inmates, Deputy Knopes noted that treatments are far more successful while the inmates are incarcerated and would like to see the inmates receive the necessary treatment.</p> <p>The Board indicated they would like to control the funds and facilitate the program if the County has the resources; they would like to review a plan currently being implemented and the treatment provided is the reason for the Criminal Justice Treatment program not, the funds.</p>
	<p>Miscellaneous Reports:</p>
<p>Department of Natural Resources Discussion regarding how DNR manages Trust Land's revenue and determines when harvests are scheduled</p>	<p>Attendance: Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Regional Manager Larry Leach, DNR Trust Lands Liaison Lisa Anderson, Economic Development / Natural Resource Director Dave McClure, Natural Resource Specialist Jacob Anderson, Sheriff Bob Songer, Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel and Centerville resident Dan Christopher.</p> <p>Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Regional Manager Larry Leach provided a category breakdown for timber harvest in Washington State; the management of County Trust Lands; the endangered species habitat; the difference in growth and wood production between west and east side of the state, the attainable volume of the timber being harvested, noting the harvest schedule set in 2004 was unattainable and has since been updated.</p> <p>A discussion followed regarding DNR solar land leases; the Board stated their concerns with the long time leases that were used by ranchers being solar projects, the remaining</p>

	<p>lease should be purchased back; land classification was discussed; Klickitat County's energy overlay zones, noting the difference in footprint from a windmill and solar farm layout and the changes in land classification.</p>
	<p>Department Update/Report:</p>
<p>Human Resource Director Randi Post: Department update</p> <p>Executive Session: Discuss a public employee</p> <p>Executive Session: Discuss pending and potential litigation</p> <p>Executive Session: Discuss the discipline of a public employee</p>	<p>Attendance: Human Resource (HR) Director Randi Post, HR Specialist KC Sheridan, Building & Compliance Director Lynn Ward, Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel and Centerville resident Dan Christopher.</p> <p>HR Director Randi Post reported on the Consumer Price Index rates for Washington, the exempt salary threshold and the sliding scale proposal for wages in rural areas.</p> <p>At 3:02 PM Chairman Sauter announced that the Board would be convening into Executive Session with HR Director Post, HR Specialist Sheridan and Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to discuss a public employee. Chairman Sauter noted that the session would last for five (5) minutes. At 3:07 PM it was announced the Executive Session would be extended five (5) minutes.</p> <p>The Board convened back to Regular Session at 3:12 PM. No action was taken.</p> <p>At 3:14 PM Chairman Sauter announced that the Board would be convening into Executive Session with HR Director Post, HR Specialist Sheridan and Prosecutor Quesnel in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for a pending and potential litigation update. Chairman Sauter noted that the Executive Session would be for five (5) minutes.</p> <p>The Board reconvened back to Regular Session at 3:19 PM. No action was taken.</p> <p>At 3:20 PM Chairman Sauter announced that the Board would be convening into Executive Session with HR Director Post, HR Specialist Sheridan and Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to discuss the discipline of a public employee. Chairman Sauter noted that the session would last for ten (10) minutes. At 3:30 PM it was announced the Executive Session would be extended five (5) minutes.</p> <p>The Board convened back to Regular Session at 3:35 PM. No action was taken.</p>
	<p>Building & Compliance Director Lynn Ward provided an update on the public hearing scheduling requests to consider amending Klickitat County Code Title 15 and 16 moving the fee schedule.</p> <p>The Board stated they would like to have more information on the fee schedule process before proceeding and will remove consent agenda items five (5) and six (6) until a later date.</p>
	<p>Consent Agenda:</p>
	<p>Approved (M/Sizemore, S/Sauter. Passed unanimously): the Consent Agenda with five (5) items. Items number 5 and 6 were pulled.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * 1) Resolution No. 11919 in the matter of declaring the intent to adopt legislation to authorize the maximum capacity of the sales and use tax for affordable and supportive housing in accordance with Substitute House Bill 1406 (chapter 338, laws of 2019), and authorization for all County Officials, their agents, and representatives to undertake all action necessary or desirable from time to time to carry out the terms, of, and complete the actions contemplated by, this resolution, effective immediately. * 2) Memorandum from the Planning Department scheduling a public hearing to be held Tuesday, September 24, 2019, at 1:30 pm to consider approval of a 4-lot Short Plat, SPL 2018-25. This is a short plat located in the Glenwood vicinity on Parcel 06-12-1300-0011/01; Applicants: Danielson/Kuhnhausen. * 3) Interagency Agreement (C14219) IAA20046 between Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts and Klickitat County (Juvenile Department) for the support of CASA programs to increase the number of children served by court-appointed special advocates (CASAs) in dependency matters or to reduce the average caseload of volunteers to recommended CASA standards. This contract is effective July 1, 2019, and shall remain in effect through June 30, 2020. * 4) Interagency Agreement (C14319) IAA20078 between Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts and Klickitat County Juvenile Court for Becca Programs and Services to engage the services of the Contractor to process Truancy At-Risk Youth and Child in Need of Services (BECCA) programs and services within its jurisdiction and according to the intent of the Becca legislation chapter 13.32, RCW. This contract is effective July 1, 2019, and shall remain in effect through June 30, 2020. * 5) Pulled in the matter of setting a public hearing to consider amending Klickitat County Code Title 15, to move the fee schedule out of Title 15 to alleviate the public hearing process every year to adopt the fee increases. * 6) Pulled in the matter of setting a public hearing to consider amending Klickitat County Code Title 16, to move the fee schedule out of Title 16 to alleviate the public hearing process every year to adopt the fee increases. * 7) Resolution No. 12019 in the matter of amending the Fairgrounds use fee schedule; the resolution purposed will add the winter riding rates to include a discounted season rate in addition to minor verbiage changes. * 8) Resolution No. 12119 in the matter of repairing a damaged section of Spring Creek Road; Resolution No. 12219 in the matter of improving Trout Lake Highway Overlay Phase 2, these projects are included in the amended 2019-2024 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program.
	<p>Payment Approvals:</p>
<p>Voucher Certification and Approval</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Approved Warrants (M/Sizemore, S/Sauter. Passed unanimously): Accounts Payable: (#292845 - 293037) and Electronic Transfer (#867) \$290,706.17 for the date ending September 16, 2019. There were no Payroll warrants requiring approval.

	Board Pending:
Issues as determined by the Board of Commissioners	The Board discussed various issues which included: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The discussion of Columbia Land Trust's Open Space Open Space contract.• The implementation of House Bill 1406 by the County and local cities.• Chairman Sauter provided an update on his recent attendance at the Hood River / White Salmon Bridge meeting.
Adjournment	Approved (M/Sizemore, S/Sauter. Passed unanimously): There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 PM.
	* Reference Document on File Please Note: The Board of Commissioners' minutes are action minutes. A digital recording is on file as part of the official record and available on file BOCC-Meeting 9-17-19.



Approved: **David M. Sauter**
Chairman of the Board



Date