

2022 Board and Committee Assignments

Commissioner Jacob Anderson, District #1

Columbia Gorge Regional Airport Board

Resolution #00421 dated January 12, 2021, appointed Commissioner Jacob Anderson to serve as the county's representative on the Columbia Gorge Regional Airport Board to an unexpired three-year term expiring December 31, 2022.

Background: Klickitat County entered into a Joint Operating Agreement with the City of The Dalles, Oregon on November 1, 2002, which continued the Regional Airport Board created under the Interim Joint Operating Agreement to operate the Airport on behalf of the City and the County. Klickitat County has the authority to appoint the Board members for three positions, one of which must be a member of the Klickitat County Board of Commissioners.

Meetings are held on the third Friday of each month beginning at 7:00 AM at the airport in Dallesport.

Bridge Replacement Advisory Group,

Jacob Anderson was designated to serve as the County's representative on the Bridge Replacement Advisory Group on January 12, 2021, for the term of office, expiring December 31, 2024.

Columbia River Policy Advisory Group Meetings

Jacob Anderson serves as the County's representative to attend the Commissioners Policy Advisory Group. Dave McClure also represents Klickitat County's interests with meetings occurring on a regular basis in Moses Lake, Ellensburg, and/or Olympia.

Southwest Washington Regional Health Care Advisory Board:

Resolution No. 00721 dated January 12, 2021, appointed Commissioner Jacob Anderson to serve as Klickitat County's member representative and Erinn Quinn, Public Health Director, as an alternate member on the Southwest Washington Regional Health Care Advisory Board representing Klickitat County for a four-year term which expires **December 31, 2024** (coincides with the term of elected office).

Klickitat County Board of Health (term of elected office) 12/31/2024

All members serve on the Board of Health. RCW 70.05.030: Counties—Local health board—Jurisdiction. In counties without a home rule charter, the board of county commissioners shall constitute the local board of health, unless the county is part of a health district pursuant to chapter 70.46 RCW. The jurisdiction of the local board of health shall be coextensive with the boundaries of said county. The board of county commissioners may, at its discretion, adopt an ordinance expanding the size and composition of the board of health to include elected officials from cities and towns and persons other than elected officials as members so long as persons other than elected officials do not constitute a majority. An ordinance adopted under this section shall include provisions for the appointment, term, compensation, or reimbursement of expenses.

Klickitat County Reserve Officers' Board of Trustees.

The Board of County Commissioners authorized the Klickitat County Sheriff's Office to allow qualified Reserve Deputies to participate in the Volunteer Fighters and Reserve Officers' Act (RCW 41.24) through Resolution No. 03619 dated, April 2, 2019. Pursuant to RCW 41.24.460 a municipality that adopts appropriate legislation extending the relief provisions of this chapter to its reserve officers shall create a reserve officer board of trustees to administer this chapter composed of (a) Two (2) members of the county legislative authority and the county auditor, or designees; (b) the sheriff; and (c) one (1) reserve officer, elected by reserve officers of the county. Commissioners Jacob Anderson

and Dan Christopher were appointed to serve on the Klickitat County Reserve Officers' Local Board of Trustees on January 12, 2021, Resolution NO. 00921. Appointments are the length of the term of office, which ends December 31, 2024.

Klickitat County Public Corporation Board of Directors (term of elected office) 12/31/2024

Klickitat County Public Economic Development Authority Board of Directors (term of elected office)

All members serve on the EDA Board. KCPEDA typically meets quarterly beginning in January depending on the work schedules for the various members.

Columbia Gorge Bi-State Renewable Energy Zone Committee (under the MCEDD umbrella).

CGBREZ meetings are held periodically a few times per year at the Columbia Gorge Community College Boardroom in The Dalles.

****Klickitat County Finance Committee (Chairman is Ex-officio member):**

This committee is comprised of the Treasurer, Auditor, and Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Per RCW 36.48.070 the treasurer acts as chair, the auditor as a secretary with the BoCC Chairman serves as Ex-officio member. The finance committee meetings are all open to the public and subject to the Open Public Meetings Act. The committee is required to adopt investment policies and establish rules and regulations for carrying out the provisions of RCW 36.48.010 through 060 that are not inconsistent with the law. Meetings are called by the Treasurer in coordination with the schedule of the Auditor and Chairman.

****Landfill Gas Improvement Committee (chairman or designee serves as county representative)**

****Klickitat County Law Library Board of Trustees (Chairman serves as an ex-officio member):**

Pursuant to RCW 27.24.010 every county with a population of eight thousand or more but less than three hundred thousand **must** have a board of law library trustees consisting of five members to be constituted as follows: The chairman of the county legislative authority is an ex officio trustee, the judge of the superior court, and the members of the county bar association shall choose three of their members to serve on the board. The term of office of a member of the board who is a judge is for as long as that individual continues to be a judge, and the term of a member who is from the bar is for four years. Meetings shall be held at least once per year, and if more often, then at such times as may be prescribed by rule. The board of law library trustees shall have the power to 1) make and enforce rules for their procedures and the government, care and use of the library, and the guidance of employees; 2) remove any trustee, except an ex officio trustee, for neglect to attend the meetings of the board; 3) employ a librarian and assistants and/or prescribe their duties, fix their compensation and remove them at will; 4) purchase books, periodicals and other property suitable for the library and to accept gifts and bequests of money and property for the library, and to sell the property which is unsuitable or not needed for the library; and 5) to examine and approve for payment claims and demands out of the county law library fund.

** Appointment usually rotates with the Chairman.

Commissioner David Sauter, District #2

Columbia Gorge Housing Authority

Resolution #13521 dated December 21, 2021, reappointed Commissioner David M. Sauter to serve on the Columbia Gorge Housing Authority representing Klickitat County for a three-year term, which expires **December 31, 2024**.

Background: Ordinance #0111802 adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on November 18, 2002, approved the formation of a joint housing authority by the County, Skamania County, and the City

of Goldendale pursuant to RCW 35.82.300 to be named the "Columbia Gorge Housing Authority. The area of operation of the Authority includes the combined area that lies within the territorial boundaries of unincorporated Klickitat County and Skamania County and the territorial boundaries of the City of Goldendale. Pursuant to the bylaws the Authority shall be governed by a board of five (5) commissioners composed of two commissioners each to be appointed by the respective boards of county commissioners of the County and Skamania County (any or all of which may be county commissioners), and one commissioner to be appointed by the Mayor of the City (which may be the Mayor) with each commissioner holding office for a term of three (3) years.

Columbia Cascade Housing Corporation Board member (Also serves on the CCHC Budget Committee)
Cascade Meadows Senior Apartments Board member (appointed 09/22/2010)

Southwest Washington Agency on Aging and Disability Council of Governments (requires a letter advising whom the COG representative will be/no formal document is required)

SWAAD which was formed by Interlocal Agreement in 2008 is a multi-county association consisting of the counties of Clark, Cowlitz, Klickitat, Skamania, and Wahkiakum having a mutual interest to facilitate the organization and operation of an Area Agency on Aging (designated Planning and Service Area number 7 of the Department of Social and Health Services Aging Network) and to administer grants for programs for older individuals and adults with disabilities. The COG serves as the administrative body of the SWAAD. The COG voted to change from bi-monthly meetings to quarterly meetings in the 2012 calendar year with meetings held in March June, September, and December.

Commissioner David Sauter serves as Klickitat County's primary representative to the COG with Senior Services Director Sharon Carter serving as an alternate for the **2022 calendar year**. (Requires a letter advising whom the COG representative will be/no formal document required. The primary representative can be appointed for more than a one-year term; however, the alternate member must be appointed each year with terms no longer than one year).

Mid-Columbia Economic Development District Board of Directors

Resolution #13421 dated December 21, 2021, designated *Commissioner David Sauter* to serve as Klickitat County's representative on the Mid-Columbia Economic Development Board for the **2022 calendar year**. An appointment will also mean serving as a member of the Executive Committee, which generally meets the third Wednesday of each month by conference call or a sit-down meeting.

(Also serves on the MCEDD Loan Committee: Meetings via teleconference or in-person every first and third Tuesday at 8:00 AM unless otherwise canceled or rescheduled.)

Mid-Columbia Economic Development District (MCEDD) is composed of five counties bordering the Columbia River: Hood River, Wasco and Sherman counties in Oregon, and Skamania and Klickitat counties in Washington. These five counties established MCEDD in 1969. The founding members realized that the sharing of a common workforce, common geography, and common demographics bound together their economic fates. By joining, they benefit through better access to economic development loans and grants, pooled technical assistance, marketing, and administrative resources, and a regional approach to economic development efforts.

MCEDD's mission is to promote the creation of family-wage jobs, the diversification of the economic base, and the growth, development, and retention of business and industry within the five-county district.

Klickitat County Regional Transportation Policy Committee

David Sauter was appointed (effective January 1, 2021) to serve as the Commissioner's representative on the local Klickitat County Transportation Policy Committee. **No action is required until such time as that appointment changes.** Notice of change (via letter) will need to be sent to the Regional Transportation Council. KCRTPC meets the first Wednesday of every other month (even months) beginning at 10:30 AM with meetings held at the Port Office in Bingen.

Klickitat County Board of Health (term of elected office) 12/31/2022

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Klickitat County Public Corporation Board of Directors (term of elected office)

Klickitat County Public Economic Development Authority Board of Directors (term of elected office).

All members serve on the EDA Board. KCPEDA typically meets quarterly beginning in January depending on the work schedules for the various members.

WSAC Board of Directors:

The Washington State Association of Counties is governed by a Board of Directors led by the Executive Committee. Each year an election is held prior to the Association's Annual Meeting to select officers for the next year. Counties appoint their representative(s) to the Board.

WSAC Executive Committee: David Sauter served as WSAC's Past President; having been elected to serve as President in 2015. Involvement will require attendance at association and affiliate meetings both in State and out of State representing WSAC but to a lesser degree than when serving as President.

Washington Association of Counties Legislative Steering Committee

David Sauter attends WSAC LSC meetings while the legislature is in session (In odd-numbered years -- the budget year -- the Legislature meets for 105 days, and in even-numbered years for 60 days. If necessary, the Governor can call legislators in for a special session for 30 days. Legislators can call themselves into special sessions with a two-thirds vote of the two bodies) and serve on various workgroup committees.

Commissioner Dan Christopher, District #3

Klickitat County Board of Health (term of elected office)

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Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program/Local Board

Resolution #00621 dated January 12, 2021, appointed Commissioner Dan Christopher to serve as the county's representative on the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program for two years effective January 1, 2021, expiring **December 31, 2022**.

This Board generally meets twice a year: in January to review applications and determine allocations and in July to review service levels and spending.

Background: A local board is responsible for the allocation of funds received from the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program through the Federal Emergency Management Act of which WGAP serves as fiscal agent. If the award is for a county, the National FEMA Board has required 1995 represented by the "highest-ranking county official". The County food banks will lose their primary source of funding for food without the county's representation.

Washington Rural Counties Insurance Pool Board of Directors

Commissioner Dan Christopher serves as Klickitat County's primary representative to the Washington Rural Counties Insurance Pool Board of Directors with HR & Administrative Services Director Robb Van Cleave serving as alternate for the **2022 calendar year** (annual appointment expires 12/31/22).

Note: Board meetings are generally held quarterly by actual attendance or telephone conference; noting the actual sit-down meetings are held in Ephrata.

Klickitat County Reserve Officers' Board of Trustees.

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Klickitat County Law Enforcement Officer and Firefighters Disability Board

Resolution #13621 dated December 21, 2021, appointed Commissioner Dan Christopher to serve on the LEOFF Board representing Klickitat County for an unexpired two-year term, which expires **December 31, 2023**.

Background: Pursuant to RCW 41.26.110(b) each county shall establish a disability board having jurisdiction over all members employed by or retired from an employer within the county and not employed by a city in which a disability board is established. The county disability board so created shall be composed of five members to include one member of the legislative body of the county to be appointed by the county legislative body.

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Klickitat County Public Economic Development Authority Board of Directors (term of elected office)

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South Central Workforce Development Council Board of Directors

Appointment (letter only) of a member to serve as the County's representative on the Workforce Development Council Consortium. (Dan Christopher has been reappointed to serve as the BoCC representative to this Board **effective January 1, 2021**.)

Note: There is no requirement for attendance by the commissioner representative at the regular council meetings. However, the four-county inter-local agreement does require that a meeting be held once a year that requires commissioner attendance. Meetings are held monthly on the second Tuesday at 4:00 P.M. and are held in Yakima at WDC Office at 120 S. 3rd Street, Suite 200-A. Advance notice is generally provided by email along with the materials to be covered, noting attendance is not required but welcome.