

Board of Commissioners Meeting

November 9, 2022

Chairperson Cameron (via zoom) called a regular Board of Commissioners meeting at 5:30pm. This meeting was available to the public via Zoom. The following attended:

Commissioner Hallanger

Commissioner Headley

Commissioner Olson

Commissioner Hutcheson

Chief Neves

DC Huff

FA Ballinger

Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings:

A motion was made by Commissioner Hallanger to approve the October 26, 2022 board meeting minutes as is. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

None

Awards & Recognition:

None

Verbal Reports:

2023 Budget: Staff is working on the 2023 preliminary budget and will be ready to present it at the November 23 meeting. Initial results of the lid lift shows that the measure is passing with 55% of the recorded vote.

Written Reports:

None

Action Items:

Resolution 838-2022: Declaring Property Surplus & Authorizing Sale of Surplus: The commitment for title insurance documents requires the Board to pass this resolution to complete this transaction.

A motion was made by Commissioner Olson to approve Resolution 838-2022: Declaring Property Surplus to the Needs of the District and Authorizing Sale of Surplus as is. Commissioner Hutcheson seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

2023 Healthcare Program Renewal: FA Ballinger prepared the 2023 Healthcare Program Renewal Application on behalf of the District and it is ready for approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hutcheson to approve the 2023 Healthcare Program Renewal, to be signed by Chairperson Cameron. Commissioner Headley seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Coweeman Park Purchase Agreement: The documents to purchase property at Coweeman Park was presented with edits that were reviewed and discussed by the Board. One change includes us issuing an earnest check for \$10,000 instead of a promissory note.

A motion was made by Commissioner Headley to approve the Real Estate Purchase Agreement with edits presented and to be signed by Chief Neves. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Chief's Report:

- Initial results of the lid lift has it passing at 55%. A huge thank you to our staff, their families, the union and our Board for supporting this effort and helping to make it successful. We appreciate all of you!
- Taught ICS 400 class last week.
- Working through county mutual aid issues.
- Attended Commissioner's Conference a couple of weeks ago, and it was a good training.
- Current painting the exterior of the high school classroom and high school bay.
- Mass casualty incident in Toutle last week.
- Our new hires are doing extremely well at the Fire Academy. They continue to be top performers in the academy. They will graduate in early December.
- We are half way through the volunteer academy.
- DC Huff reported that we were informally told by City of Kelso staff that the developer has rejected all mitigation requests at this point. It now sounds like it will go to arbitration. More research and information will be done by staff and we will report back when we know more.
- The County Hazard Mitigation Plan will be brought to a meeting this month for approval.

Payroll:

A motion was made by Commissioner Hallanger to approve payroll totaling \$307,583.06 for warrant numbers 63437-63447 and EFT's dated November 4, 2022. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Vouchers:

A motion was made by Commissioner Hutcheson to approve vouchers totaling \$691.31 for warrant number 63436 dated November 2, 2022; \$43,073.21 for warrant numbers 63448-63477 dated November 10, 2022 and VOID \$691.31 for warrant number 63435 due to a misprint dated November 2, 2022. Commissioner Headley seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.

Announcements:

- Reminder that the next meeting is a special meeting on November 17 at 3:00pm at St 21.
- The audit started this week for a 3 year period (2019-2021). An entrance conference will be scheduled soon.

Executive Session:

Chairperson Cameron recessed the regular meeting at 5:45pm to enter into Executive Session to discuss a legal matter with potential litigation (per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)) for approximately 15 minutes.

Chairperson Cameron closed the Executive Session and re-opened the regular meeting at 5:59pm.

Chairperson Cameron recessed the regular meeting at 6:00pm to enter into Executive Session to discuss potential labor negotiations (per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)) for approximately 30 minutes.

Chairperson Cameron closed the Executive Session and re-opened the regular meeting at 6:30pm.

Chairperson Cameron recessed the regular meeting at 6:30pm to enter into Executive Session to discuss potential labor negotiations (per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)) for approximately 20 minutes.

Chairperson Cameron closed the Executive Session and re-opened the regular meeting at 6:48pm.

Chairperson Cameron recessed the regular meeting at 6:50pm to enter into Executive Session to discuss performance of a public employee (per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)) for approximately 60 minutes.

Chairperson Cameron closed the Executive Session and re-opened the regular meeting at 7:41pm.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Cameron at 7:41pm.

Commissioner

District Secretary