

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

April 1, 2024

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners met this day in Regular Session in their office with the following present: SCOTT M. HUTSELL, Chairman, JO M. GILCHRIST and ROB COFFMAN, Commissioners, Tara Holden, Clerk of the Board and interested members of the public.

MINUTES March 18, 2024, minutes were approved as presented.

CLAIMS Claims were examined and ordered paid in the total amount of \$1,431,633.89

CLAIM	WARRANT	WARRANT	TOTAL
Current Expense/Small Funds	1383877	1383936	102,152.25
Current Expense/Small Funds	1383765	1383766	237,134.98
Current Expense/Small Funds	1383990	1383990	20,733.29
LC Noxious Weed Board	1383991	1384002	14,085.96
County Road	1383989	1383989	3,296.52
County Road	1383937	1383988	17,367.33
Solid Waste Management	1383989	1383989	340.98
Solid Waste Management	1383937	1383988	2,683.73
Equipment Rental/Revolving	1383989	1383989	312.00
Equipment Rental/Revolving	1383937	1383988	70,994.65
Pits & Quarries	1383937	1383988	7,245.93
Payroll 3/31/2024	2403280001A	240328158A	955,286.27
		TOTAL:	1,431,633.89

The claims listed above were distributed to the various funds indicated below:

FUND	TOTAL	FUND	TOTAL
Current Expense	96,679.23	Election	749.68
Enhanced 911	2,212.76	Emergency Communications	3,964.86
LC Noxious Weed Board	14,085.96	Law Library	322.17
County Road	20,663.85	Lincoln County Broadband Project	237,134.98
Solid Waste Mgmt	3,024.71	Lincoln County Broadband Office	673.32
Eq Rental & Rev	71,306.65	Public Health	5,709.61
Pits & Quarries	7,245.93	Public Safety	349.87
Auditor's M&O	150.73	Sex Offender Registration	87.66
Auditor's Trust	266.67	Treasurer's M&O	16.64
County Fair	8,453.75	Trial Court Improvement	417.40
DARE	562.22	Youth Program Co-Op	1,218.97
Educ & Grant Funded Projects	1,050.00	Payroll 3/31/2024	955,286.27
		TOTAL:	1,431,633.89

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COMMISSIONER'S ORDER 24-10 The Commissioners, by Order 24-10, rescinded order 22-13, and appointed Anne Filion to the unexpired term on the Board of Equalization left by Ralph Nachtigal's resignation from the board.

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COMMISSIONER'S ORDER 24-11 The Commissioners, by Order 24-11, appointed Samantha Wilkie to the Lincoln County Fair Advisory Board.

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AGREEMENT Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Lincoln County and Petrichor Broadband, LLC to provide services related to potential Broadband Equity, Access & Deployment (BEAD) grant funding.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners approved the Chairman's signature on the Agreement.

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AGREEMENT Capital Agreement between the Department of Commerce State Broadband Office and Lincoln County for the Lincoln County FTTx Project to Serve Deer Meadows and Seven Bays, #23-96810-023.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners approved the Chairman's signature on the Agreement.

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MEMO A request for out of state travel was submitted by the Treasurer to attend the WSACT conference in June.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners approved the Treasurer's request.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS The Commissioners presented their various committee reports. Commissioner Gilchrist requested the approval of a letter to be prepared for board signature to Congressman Newhouse, and Congresswoman McMorris Rodgers, for community project funding for Grant County Bridge 248 Rd 11 SE project, and Senator Murray regarding congressionally directed spending for Grant County Bridge 248 Rd 11 SE project.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners authorized the preparation of the letters, and electronic signatures affixed thereto.

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LETTER A letter to the Honorable Congressman Dan Newhouse regarding Community Project Funding by Grant County for Project Bridge 248 Rd 11 SE, was prepared by Commissioner Gilchrist, signed by the board electronically and forwarded on to the appropriate parties by the Commissioner.

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LETTER A letter to the Honorable Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers regarding Community Project Funding by Grant County for Project Bridge 248 Rd 11 SE, was prepared by Commissioner Gilchrist, signed by the board electronically and forwarded on to the appropriate parties by the Commissioner.

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LETTER A letter to the Honorable Senator Patty Murray regarding Congressionally Directed Spending for Grant County for Project Bridge 248 Rd 11 SE, was prepared by Commissioner Gilchrist, signed by the board electronically and forwarded on to the appropriate parties by the Commissioner.

MEETING Keith Nelson, IS Director, met to present an update on the Information Services Department.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION Verification of the publication of a Notice of Call for Bid for Legal County Newspaper was provided by The Lincoln County Record-Times.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners approved to dispense of the reading of the entire Affidavit of Publication.

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BID OPENING One (1) bid was received and opened from: 1) Free Press Publishing, Cheney, WA. Bid opening closed.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners referred the bid to the Auditor for further review and recommendation.

MEETING Margie Hall, Broadband Office Director, met to provide an update on the Broadband office.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION Verification of the publication of a Notice of Call for Bid for Lincoln County Fair Arena Lighting was provided by The Lincoln County Record Times.

BID OPENING Two (2) bids were received and opened from: 1) Arctic Lighting & Electric, Spokane Valley, WA; 2) Midland Electric, Inc. Davenport, WA. Bid opening closed.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners referred the bids to the County Fair Secretary for further review and recommendation.

MEETING Chandra Schumacher, Auditor, met to present an update on the Auditor's Office, and to discuss the possibility of issuing gift cards to fair award winners and as compensation for jury fees, to provide a solution to the cancellation of uncashed warrants in the future.

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MEETING Dave Orvis, Public Works Director, met to present a departmental update, which included a maintenance update on the blading and prepping of Redwine for magnesium chloride, and an 1,800-foot test plot on the gravel portion of Hawk Creek. Road restrictions will remain in place on Hawk Creek. The director requested permission to hire a transfer station operator at a grade 1, step 4, for compensation of prior experience of the applicant. Interviews will be conducted over the next two (2) weeks for the open accounting clerk position. The director requested permission to fill the Odessa operator position left vacant by the transfer of an employee to the Davenport district. In project updates, the Miles Creston G1034 and G1035 right of way is expected to be certified within the week. A request to review a petition to vacate the remaining undeveloped Adams Street in the Plat of the Townsite of Irby, was made and the director requested the board's permission to schedule a public hearing on May 6th and sign a road resolution for the preliminary vacation of the road. Public Works will submit the notice of public hearing to the paper for publication on April 11th and April 18th and post the notice of hearing at the termini of the road at least 20 days prior to the hearing. Mr. Orvis requested the board authorize the Chairman to electronically sign the April Engineer Certification, and permission to authorize the Notice of Award for the Hawk Creek Guardrail Installation once the paperwork was received from the contractor in the next two (2) weeks. Finally, the director requested permission to allow a Public Works employee to travel to Portland Oregon to attend a training in Olympia in March and April.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners authorized the director to hire a transfer station operator at a grade 1 step 4.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners authorized the public works director to fill the Odessa operator position.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners approved the petition application to hold a public hearing on the vacation of Adams Street in the Plat of the Townsite of Irby.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners authorized the Chair to electronically sign the engineering Certification.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners authorized the Chair to sign the Notice of Award for the Hawk creek Guardrail installation out of session.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners approved the out of state travel request.

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RESOLUTION 2665R The Commissioners, by Road Resolution 2665R, preliminarily vacated and abandoned part of the Main Street and part of the Adams Street in the Township of Irby.

ORDER An Order for Hearing in the matter of the petition of Norman Ott for the Vacation and Abandonment of a portion of the Main Street and a portion of the Adams Street in the Township of Irby at the hour of 10:00 o'clock on the 6th day of May was presented and signed by the Chairman.

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RESOLUTION 2692R The Commissioners, by Road Resolution 2692R, adopted the equipment rental rates for 2024 effective January 1, 2024.

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ASSURANCES The United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) Standard Title VI/Non-Discrimination Assurances DOT Order No. 1050.2A Compliance form was submitted for Chair signature.

MOTION By unanimous vote, the Commissioners authorized the Chair to sign the form.

Meeting Recessed to reconvene at 11:00 a.m. for further business.

Meeting Reconvened The meeting was reconvened at 11:00 a.m. with all members present.

PRESENTATION Jesse Gronner, CEO, Jen Bradford, Senior Director, Development, Jack Padon, Development Manager, and Ann Gravatt, Vice President, External Affairs with Triple Oak Power gave a presentation on the Great Bend Wind Project in Lincoln County. Several interested members of the public were in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Chairman Hutsell called for an Executive Session until 12:15 p.m., to discuss Computer Network Security per RCW 42.30.110(1)(a)(ii). The Prosecuting Attorney, IS Director and Auditor were in attendance. The Session was extended to 12:25 p.m. and then 12:30 p.m. No action was taken.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned to meet again in Regular Session on April 15, 2024.

The preceding pages AA. XX – AA. XX are a correct summary of all business transacted by the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners this 1st day of April 2024.

CLERK OF THE BOARD – TARA HOLDEN

CHAIRMAN – SCOTT M. HUTSELL
