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**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS**

**OKANOGAN COUNTY**

**APRIL 17, 2023**

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**9:00 AM** Review Commissioners Agenda and Consent Agenda  
**9:15 AM** Public Comment Period  
**9:30 AM** Commissioners' Staff Meeting  
**10:00 AM** Discussion Zone Code Revisions-Pete Palmer  
**10:30 AM** Briefing Among Commissioners  
~~**11:30 PM** Update Fairgrounds Naomie Peasley Cancelled~~

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The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners met for a regular meeting at 123 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Okanogan, Washington on April 17, 2023 with; Chairman, Commissioner Chris Branch Vice-Chairman, Commissioner Andy Hover; Member, Commissioner Jon Neal; and the Deputy Clerk of the Board, Crystal Hawley, present.

AV Capture and Zoom provided audio and video accessibility for public interaction.

**Executive Session**

Commissioner Hover moved to go into Executive Session at 9:05 a.m. for 10 minutes under RCW 42.30.110.1 (i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. Inviting Planning Director, Pete Palmer and Chief Deputy Prosecutor, Esther Milner. Motion was seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Executive Session ended at 9:15.

**Review Commissioners Agenda and Consent Agenda**

The commissioners reviewed their agenda and consent agenda.

**Public Comment Period**

There was no public comment.

**Commissioners' Staff Meeting**

Planning Director, Pete Palmer, Emergency Manager, Maurice Goodall, Fairgrounds Naomie Peasley

Emergency Management

Mr. Goodall explained that Owhi Lake is 5.5 miles northwest of Nespelem in the Nespelem watershed. There were hoses across Owhi Lake Road pumping water into a 4-foot culvert. Mr. Goodall said that any had concerns that the road would give away.

There was a rock slide on State Route 155.

51 Mr. Goodall wanting to remind the commissioners that there is a flood meeting this coming  
52 Wednesday.

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54 Fairgrounds

55 Fairgrounds Naomie Peasley, provided her department update. Shelley had sent out an email  
56 explaining the engineer's report said the horse barns is structurally sound. The Commissioners  
57 discussed the pros and cons to reserve the barn or to build a new one. There was 80,000-85,000  
58 in damage to the barn. Commissioner Neal said that he thought it should be done the right way  
59 the first time.

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61 Maintenance

62 Joe Poulin, Maintenance Supervisor, provided the commissioners his department update. He  
63 provided the commissioners several quotes for the portable heat pump. Amazon quote was  
64 \$15,742.08, plus ceiling tile kit \$297.95, Sunbelt quote was in the amount of \$19,915.07 and  
65 Airrex \$20,094.64.

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67 Planning Department

68 Planning Director, Pete Palmer provided the commissioners her department update. Arnie  
69 Marchand emailed Ms. Palmer on his concerns. He is going to follow through with applying for  
70 JARPA. Commissioners discussed the JARPA request from Arnie Marchand. Mr. Marchand  
71 expressed his opinion on the request about the removal of a river channel.

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73 Ms. Palmer also wanted to let the commissioners know she is working on Mike Murphy's  
74 complaint on the structure in the valley short plain. There has been fines issued to the property  
75 owner. The county doesn't have the funds to clean up the property.

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77 The Planning Department will be revoking the permit for the Metal Recycling business south of  
78 Oroville for being out of compliance.

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80 **Discussion Zone Code Revisions-Pete Palmer**

81 Planning Director, Pete Palmer and the commissioners discussed the zone code revisions.  
82 Commissioner Hover added water available section under general provisions of the code.

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84 Chapter 17A.010.140 was removed because the commissioners felt it needed to be rewrote by  
85 the county attorney.

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87 The following chapters in the county code were highlighted for review:

88 17A.010.110

89 17A.020.266 Continuous

90 17A.020.295 Density

91 17A.020.545 Limited Division

92 17A.020.353 Permit Exempt Well

93 17A.040.060 Density

94 17A.040.090 Lot Coverage

95 17A.050.090 Lot Coverage

96 17A.060.040 Accessory Uses (D)

97 17A.090.060 Density (B)

98 17A.130.060

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100 The commissioners discussed the meaning of multi-family under chapter 17A.020.330.

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102 Commissioner Hover would like to come up with language on the Methow Review District  
103 17A.130.040 (B).

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105 **Briefing Among Commissioners**

106 The commissioners briefed among themselves.

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108 **Motion**

109 Commissioner Hover moved to accept the petitioner's proposed settlement to resolve the LUPA  
110 matter, 22-2-00453-24 and authorized the Prosecutor's Office to accept the proposed settlement  
111 in the County's behalf and to approve and sign the stipulation and order resolving the matter.  
112 Motion was seconded. All were in favor. After discussion, motion was carried.

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114 The board adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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