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RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OKANOGAN COUNTY

AUGUST 29, 2022

9:00 AM New Bond Fund for Tracking Purposes-Treasurer McCormack & Auditor Hall

9:15 AM Public Comment Period

To Follow Review Agenda and Consent Agenda

9:30 AM Commissioners' Staff Meeting

10:30 AM Opioid Settlement Participation-Chief Civil Deputy Esther Milner

11:00 AM Executive Session RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)

11:50 PM Discussion/Action-Recommendation Code Amendment to 17A.290 Cannabis and 17A.220 District Use Chart-Planning Director

The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners met for a Public Hearing at 123 5th Avenue North, Okanogan, Washington on August 29, 2022 with Chairman, Commissioner Andy Hover; Vice-Chairman, Commissioner Chris Branch; Member, Commissioner Jim DeTro; and the Deputy Clerk of the Board, Crystal Hawley, present.

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

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Discussion-New Bond Fund for Tracking Purposes-Treasurer McCormack & Auditor Hall
Pam Johnson, Leah McCormack, Lisa Schreckengost, Cari Hall, was present.

Treasurer, Leah McCormack, explained that she had reached out to bond council regarding the county's bond money.

Pam Johnson, would like to set up a separate fund for the bond money between the auditor's office and treasurer's office, this would help keep better track of the bond proceeds going in. In doing the research, it was too hard to track all interest going into the bond on the regular basis. The treasurer's office also has to watch the amount of money going into the bond as well, because there is a limit on how much interest the county can earn with it being a tax-exempt bond.

Commissioner Hover, explained that the county has benchmarks that have to meet for spending bond proceeds.

Ms. Johnson said that the county has to spend 5% of the sale proceeds within six months.

Motion

Commissioner Branch moved to have the Clerk of the Board prepare a resolution to establish a separate fund 171 for the bond proceeds. Motion was seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment Period

No public comment

Executive Session RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g).

52 Commissioner Branch moved to go into executive session under RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g). until
53 9:30. Motion was seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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55 Commissioner extended until 9:40

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57 Executive session ended at 9:40. No decisions made.

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59 **Review Agenda and Consent Agenda**

60 The commissioners reviewed the agenda and consent agenda.

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62 **Commissioners' Staff Meeting**

63 Maurice Goodall, Naomie, Pete Palmer, Planning Director,

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65 Maurice Goodall provided his department update.

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67 Naomie Peasley, Fairgrounds Manager, just received insurance for the Fair Youth Foundation
68 and asked if the commissioners had a contract at attach it to? The commissioners said no. RV
69 park will be closing after Wednesday for the season. Sheep barn demo is almost done. She is
70 dealing with well issues and she has already been working with the rodeo and horse barns and
71 horse people to get through fair this year. Ms. Peasley was hoping to use the county's water fill
72 station, so they can properly water the horses throughout the weekend. Commissioner Hover told
73 Ms. Peasley to get a hold of Josh in Public Works.

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75 Ms. Peasley explained that eleven food vendors have not turned in their contracts. Commissioner
76 Hover asked if she could contact all the vendors that haven't submitted their applications.

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78 Pete Palmer, Planning Director, had two items to report to the commissioners. Chris Johnson
79 was hoping to get a letter of support for Methow Salmon Recovery Foundation's (MSRF) Sugar
80 Channel Reconnections Implementation project proposal through the WA Salmon Recovery
81 Funding Board Large Cap Supplemental. It is a project that has support from WDFW, US Army
82 Corps, Town of Twisp, and CCT. The project proposes significant restoration actions in a large
83 reach of the Methow River in unincorporated Okanogan County between the towns of Winthrop,
84 to the north, and Twisp, to the south. The actions proposed will maintain flood protections for
85 public infrastructure and private properties while securing needed floodplain reconnection,
86 expansion of previously isolated side-channel and peripheral habitats, as increased habitat
87 complexity for juvenile salmon species.

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89 Commissioner Hover would like to make a few calls before agreeing to sign the letter of support.

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91 Ms. Palmer provided a map of the Sub Units B & C in the Methow Valley area that moved the
92 boundary line down below Carlton. She explained that there was community meeting of 15 or so
93 people in the Methow Valley. It was suggested that the county move the boundary between Sub
94 Unit B and C further south below Carlton as shown on the amended Sub Unit Boundary Map that
95 Ms. Palmer provided.

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97 The Comprehensive Plan under 6.8 more completely areas say's the following:

98 It is the intent of the County to ensure the updated Comprehensive Plan remains responsive to
99 the wide range of landscapes and demographics within the County's borders. To reflect these
100 differences, the County may create and adopt More Completely Planned Areas (MCPA) to help
101 inform development regulations such as Zoning and Subdivision Codes. Since 1971, Okanogan
102 County has utilized MCPA Plans to provide for land use planning at a sub-area scale, and will

103 consider the creation of new MCPAs in the future as deemed appropriate and necessary to most
104 effectively reflect the desires of the communities which comprise Okanogan County. The goals
105 and policies developed within a MCPA Plan adopted by the County shall apply only to the
106 geographic area of the MCPA as the Board of County Commissioners has defined its geographic
107 boundaries at the time of MCPA Plan adoption. The content of MCPA Plans shall not be applied
108 outside of the area for which it has been created and adopted. Two existing MCPAs— the Methow
109 Valley More Completely Planned Area and the Methow Valley More Completely Planned Area
110 Mazama Community Master Plan Sub Unit A— were adopted as part of the 2014 Comprehensive
111 Plan. Prior to re-adoption of these plans, they will be revised after the adoption of the
112 Comprehensive Plan to ensure that the land use designations and goals and policies within the
113 Methow Valley More Completely Planned Area and the Methow Valley More Completely Planned
114 Area Mazama Community Master Plan Sub Unit A are compatible with the goals and policies of
115 this Comprehensive Plan. Note: these plans were previously adopted by the BOCC.

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117 **Motion- Resolution 121-2022 Amending Boundary Map for Sub Units B & C**

118 Commissioner Moved to approved Resolution 121-2022 amending boundary map for Sub Units
119 B & C in the Methow Valley More Completely Planned Area. Motion was seconded. All in favor.
120 Motion was carried.

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122 **Discussion Opioid Settlement Participation-Chief Civil Deputy Esther Milner**

123 Commissioner Hover explained that he was at a virtual assembly regarding Opioid Settlement
124 Participation. If all of the counties and incorporated cities sign One Washington Memorandum of
125 Understanding between Washington Municipalities, the county would receive a full settlement.

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127 **Motion- One Washington Memorandum of Understanding between Washington**
128 **Municipalities for the Opioid Settlement Participation**

129 Commissioner Branch moved to approve chairman Hover to sign One Washington Memorandum
130 of Understanding between Washington Municipalities for the opioid settlement participation and
131 Motion was seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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133 **Motion- Exhibit F Subdivision Settlement Participation Form**

134 Commissioner Branch moved to approve chairman Hover to sign Exhibit F Subdivision Settlement
135 Participation Form Opioid Distributors in Washington State. Motion was seconded. All in favor.
136 Motion carried.

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138 **Motion- Allocation Agreement Governing the Allocation of Funds Paid by the Settling**
139 **Opioid Distributors in Washington State.**

140 Commissioner Branch moved to approve chairman Hover to sign Allocation Agreement
141 Governing the allocation of funds paid by the settling opioid distributors in Washington State.
142 Motion was seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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144 **Motion- Check Box Within the Allocation Agreement Opioid Distributors in Washington ST.**

145 Commissioner Branch moved to approve chairman Hover to check the box within the Allocation
146 Agreement Governing the allocation of funds paid by the settling opioid distributors in Washington
147 State to execute the MOU for purposes of the Allocation Agreement. Motion was seconded. All in
148 favor. Motion carried.

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150 **Executive Session RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)**

151 Commissioner Branch moved to go into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) until
152 11:50 for ongoing ligations, inviting Planning Director, Pete Palmer, Civil Deputy Prosecutor Esther
153 Milner, and Jenna R. Mandell-Rice. Motion and seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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155 Executive session ended at 11:50 with no decisions made.

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157 **Discussion/Action-Recommendation Code Amendment to 17A.290 Cannabis and 17A.220**
158 **District Use Chart-Planning Director**

159 Pete Palmer, Planning Director came to the commissioners to discuss recommending code
160 amendment to 17A.290 Cannabis and 17A.220.

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162 Ms. Palmer explained on August 22, 2022 the Okanogan County Planning Commission held a
163 public hearing on the amendment to Okanogan County code 17A.290, Cannabis Operations.
164 There was one written comment to received indicating, “no comment” and no verbal testimony
165 provided during the public hearing.

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167 The Planning Commission supported the recommendation of the Planning Department and
168 directed staff to do the follow:

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170 1. Include the revisions suggested by the Okanogan County Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor,
171 Esther Milner that are not substantial revisions, rather corrections or grammatical.
172 2. Correct the color/test error in the Rural 1 designation on the District Use Chart, labeling it
173 to all operations under a conditional use permit if the parcel meets the 5-acre minimum.
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175 The Planning Commission would also recommend full adoption of the amended OCC 17A.290
176 and a adopt an annual registration fee of \$500 per year for all Cannabis Operations in Okanogan
177 County per operation site due by January 1st of every year.

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179 **Motion Ordinance 2022-08**
180 Commissioner Branch moved to approve Ordinance 2022-8 adopting amendments made to OCC
181 17A.290 Cannabis Operations and 17A.220 district use chart in the Okanogan County,
182 Washington. Motion was seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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184 The board adjourned at 12:00 p.m.
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