

1 **RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS**

2 **OKANOGAN COUNTY**

3 **DECEMBER 31, 2018**

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8 9:00 AM Review Commissioners' Agenda and Consent Agenda
9 9:30 AM Briefing Amount Commissioners'
10 11:00 AM Public Hearing- Adopt 2019 Jr. Taxing District Budgets – Cari Hall
11 11:30 AM Quarterly Update – Economic Alliance – Roni Holder Diefenbach
12 1:30 PM Update – Planning – Perry Hudson
13 4:00 PM Employee Evaluation – Maurice Goodall
14 4:30 PM Review Meeting Minutes
15 To Follow Approve Consent Agenda

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17 The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners' met for its regular session on December
18 31, 2018, with Chairman, Commissioner Jim DeTro; Vice Chair Commissioner Chris
19 Branch; and Member, Commissioner Andy Hover, and Laleña Johns, Clerk of the Board,
20 present.

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22 **Review Commissioners' Agenda and Consent Agenda**

23 Commissioners' reviewed their agenda and consent agenda items.

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25 **Briefing Amount Commissioners'**

26 Commissioners' discussed their meeting schedules.

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28 **Public Hearing- Adopt 2019 Jr. Taxing District Budgets – Cari Hall**

29 Commissioner DeTro opened up the hearing and asked for public comment, seeing no one;
30 he closed public comment and opened up to commissioner discussion.

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32 Commissioners' discussed the public hearing notice.

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34 **Resolution 164-2018 Amending Res. 138-2018 Jr. Taxing 2019 Budgets**

35 Commissioner Branch moved to approve resolution 164-2018 which amended resolution
36 138-2018 to include the accurate 2019 budgets of the Junior Taxing Districts. Motion was
37 seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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39 **Discussion**

40 Stella Columbia came in to receive some direction about a person who submitted a letter of
41 interest who believes she is a Fair Advisory Committee (FAC) member, but isn't.

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43 **Motion Letter Jennifer Howard**

44 Commissioner Hover moved to approve a response letter to Jennifer Howard's request for
45 FAC membership explaining that she was not selected as a member of the Fair Advisory
46 Committee. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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48 Ms. Columbia explained the State Fair representative had suggested that a youth sit on the
49 FAC to represent youth in the county. Commissioner Hover replied in order to consider that

50 type of specific appointment the BOCC would need to define what youth means, amend the
51 FAC policy to include youth and amend the resolution setting out the details of the FAC
52 memberships.

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54 **Quarterly Update – Economic Alliance – Roni Holder Diefenbach**

55 Roni Holder-Diefenbach

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57 Ms. Diefenbach updated the board on the Economic Alliance.

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59 She reported on the federal opportunity zones (OZ) designations and efforts being made by
60 representatives of those zones within our region to market the entire region under the name
61 North Star. The effort has included OZs within the Reservation of the Colville Confederated
62 Tribes, Ferry County, Wenatchee, E Wenatchee, Tonasket, Brewster and Pateros.
63 Commissioner Branch has been participating in these discussions. It is intended that a
64 website be developed that will be updated with all the offerings of each OZ within the
65 region. IRS regulations are still being fully developed with research being conducted in all
66 areas.

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68 Ms. Deifenbach recently met with the city of Tonasket to learn the types of projects they
69 have in mind for the OZ. Communities need portfolios they can show investors.

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71 Ms. Diefenbach reported on businesses for sale. She is helping get the word out to those
72 who are interested in buying a business that is already established. She is posting the
73 speakers that speak at Economic Alliance board meetings. The presentations are being
74 posted to the webpage as well to provide public access to the info because many are not
75 able to attend the meetings.

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77 Ms. Diefenbach plans to put on a starting your small business boot camp. The grant
78 included people coming in through Kauffman to bring in different speakers, participate in
79 mentoring program, and course work on line. Bring in different businesses to provide
80 specialty training marketing, and advertising.

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82 Eric Swanson, Omak School, is working towards an occupational task force to tie in
83 construction trades, CDL's for those students not planning on attending a four-year college.
84 The Omak High school built a vocational center, but funding has been up and down the
85 classes have fallen off. They are trying to bring it back so they are coordinating with other
86 schools that might provide different training specialties and seeing if there are interested
87 people in mentoring.

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89 Broadband services within the county were discussed. The county has not decided on
90 anything yet, but they did support the application for the Methow area. There are two
91 organizations in Okanogan County vying for the same pot of money. Roni suggested a joint
92 application be submitted, she was being asked to write letter of support for many
93 considering the grant, she wanted to support them but thought more of a coordinated effort
94 be done to include all of Okanogan County. School kids need access to the internet to
95 complete school work.

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97 The county needs to figure out the level of service it would provide and figure out how to
98 maintain that service at all times.

99 **Update – Planning – Perry Hudson**

100 Member of the public Katie Haven, audio and video recording the meeting representing
101 Okanogan Watch Group

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103 Planning Study Session

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105 *Comprehensive Plan*

106 Update-End of scoping

107 Director Huston reported that the end of this week is the end of the scoping period for the
108 Comp Plan. WDFW has submitted theirs. Identify the significant issues the environmental
109 impact statement will be written. It was broken out by geographic regions, but now it's
110 broken out by WRIA.

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112 *WRIA 49 Watershed Plan Update*

113 Operating procedures

114 Next meeting January 3, 2019

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116 *Planning Unit membership-Appointments*

117 Letters on behalf of the initiating governments were drafted for the appointments to the
118 planning unit of WRIA #49. The letters were provided for commissioner signature.

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120 *Grant application-update*

121 Director Huston reported on the clarity still needed by DOE. Vanessa wanted to discuss
122 operating procedures so that might be the hang up. He will discuss further with Vanessa on
123 Thursday. He doesn't have an approved application.

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125 *Request for Qualifications-update*

126 Director Huston reported that three submittals to the RFQ were received and distributed to
127 Planning Unit members. Without a contract there is no funding. With direction of the board,
128 we may wish to hold off on the facilitator consulting work unless the board wishes to foot the
129 bill until funding is in place. The money is assumed to be coming, said Director Huston.
130 Commissioner Branch asked if most of the expenditures would be staff time and
131 publications. Yes that would be the expense. If there is an agreement with the Facilitator
132 already then are we spending time on the project without funding? Commissioner Hover
133 believes the documents should be put together first. Commissioner DeTro said he is not
134 comfortable fronting the money before having the documents in place to receive it.
135 Commissioner Branch explained his concerns about how long the process has taken and
136 wondered the planning unit could keep moving forward and with work supported by staff like
137 goal development. Commissioners' are not inclined to enter into an agreement with the
138 Facilitator until there is funding in place to pay for the service.

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140 *Airport Protection Overlay*

141 Tonasket

142 Director Huston discussed the comp plan and text in the zone code regarding Airport
143 related zoning, but we do not have the maps. He will start with Tonasket with their airport
144 protection overlay. The end result is around the airport facility for example there will be
145 zones for approach and take off with appropriate restrictions such as agriculture as the fruit
146 orchards are bird attractants. Director Huston will prepare the documents which the county
147 will enact. Commissioners' will be able to review the documents after the Planning

148 Commission sometime in February. Notices will go out in publication.

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150 *Code Enforcement*

151 Siegert

152 Westmoreland

153 Abatement process-budget

154 Director Huston explained a code enforcement action. He said it is a criminal offense. In
155 providing opportunities for folks to become compliant he has done all he can with this
156 subject. There are some challenges and a question he posed to the commissioners'. Does
157 the board wish to set up an abatement process? Director Huston discussed the options
158 putting a lien against the title of the property or develop an abatement process for dealing
159 with this particular situation. It doesn't meet the standard of residential structure.
160 Commissioner Hover said consistency is necessary for an abatement program, but will risk
161 be assessed first of the structure, cost, or what. Director Huston stated the board would
162 need to establish. He will do some research. Commissioner Branch felt that without
163 enforcement the rules have no value. He suggested at the very minimum to invoke the fines
164 for the most obvious violations that have a well-established remedy like lack of a building
165 permit.

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167 How would the board choose to move forward with violations such as this?

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169 Planning Administrative Session

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171 *Oroville EMS*

172 Addendum #2

173 December 18, 2018 Oroville City Council

174 Lifeline Information-review

175 Public Outreach

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177 **Motion Oroville Rural EMS District**

178 Commissioner Hover moved to adjourn as the BOCC and reconvene as the Oroville Rural
179 EMS District. Motion was seconded all were in favor, motion carried.

180 Commissioner Branch moved to approve the Oroville Rural EMS Agreement Addendum No.
181 2 between Oroville Rural EMS District and LifeLine. Motion was seconded, all were in favor,
182 motion carried.

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184 Director Huston recommended a joint Public Hearing for the levy with the city of Oroville. He
185 doesn't have the details yet such as a date. Commissioner Branch asked if the hearing
186 would be for the purpose of determining whether or not putting it on the ballot again.
187 Commissioner Hover stated he would rather wait until later before putting the expense in
188 the public hearing. He suggested having meetings to get the word out but not until later.
189 There was further discussion regarding getting the word out early with a fact sheet.

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191 Commissioner Hover moved to adjourn as the Oroville Rural EMS and Reconvene as the
192 BOCC Motion was seconded all were in favor, motion carried.

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196 **Motion - Voucher Approval - Commissioners'**
197 Vouchers certified and audited by the Auditing Officer as required by RCW 42.24.080 and
198 those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090 have been
199 recorded on a list, and made available to the Board. As of this date, the Board did vote, by
200 unanimous vote, to approve the regular vouchers in the amount of \$876,438.09 and payroll
201 vouchers in the amount of \$1,032,991.72. Warrant numbers as cited on the attached
202 blanket voucher list. Motion seconded and carried.

203 **Motion Public Health Voucher**
204 Commissioner Hover moved to approve the Public Health Vouchers in the amount of
205 \$6,851.64 Warrant numbers as cited on the attached blanket certification voucher list.
206 Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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208 **Motion Appointment Letter Fair Advisory Committee–Bruce Duncan #11**
209 Commissioner Hover moved to approve the appointment letter of Bruce Duncan to the Fair
210 Advisory Committee position No. 11. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion
211 carried.

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213 **Motion Resolution 165-2018 Promotion Steve Nearents-Chief Appraiser**
214 Commissioner Branch moved to approve resolution 165-2018 which promoted Steve
215 Nearents to Chief Appraiser within the Assessor's Department. Motion was seconded, all
216 were in favor, motion carried.

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218 **Motion Resolution 166-2018 Budget Adjustment Assessor**
219 Commissioner Branch moved to approve resolution 166-2018 a budget amendment in the
220 amount of \$1,700 within CE and Assessor budget. Motion was seconded, all were in favor,
221 motion carried.

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223 **Motion Planning Unit Appointment Letters**
224 Commissioner Branch moved to approve letters of appointment to the planning unit for
225 WRIA #49 and read the names to be appointed. Christopher Johnson, Shawn Davisson, Christa
226 Levine, Mayor Neal, Robert Fuchs, Sharma Dickinson, Josh Crofoot, Jason Hubbard, Jerry Barnes,
227 Rachel McClure, Chester LaFontaine, Rocky Devon, Roni Holder-Diefenbach, Anna Burica, Jerry
228 DeBacker, Jennifer Weddle, George Thornton, Melody Kreimes, Sarah Walker, Mike Kelly, Jim
229 Soriano, Rick Gillespie, Ernie Rasmussen, Trinity Stucker, Brad Armstrong, Nicole Kuchenbuch, Rod
230 Haeberle, Dick Ewing, Tory Wulf, Jon Wyss, Lee Webster, Kurt Danison, and Matthew Stevie. He
231 noted some scrivener's errors to be corrected before signing. Motion was seconded, all were
232 in favor, motion carried. (attached)

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234 **Employee Evaluation – Maurice Goodall**
235 Commissioner Hover moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes at 4:00 p.m. under
236 RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee inviting Maurice
237 Goodall. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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239 Executive session was extended at 4:15 for another 5 minutes.

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241 Executive session ended at 4:25 p.m. no decision was made.

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244 **Motion Employment Agreement Anna Lyon**
245 Commissioner Hover moved to approve the employment agreement of Anna Lyon. Motion
246 was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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248 **Motion Exception to the Rule**
249 Commissioner Hover moved to make an exception to the LTAC rules of requiring all printed
250 material paid for with LTAC dollars to have the words paid for by Okanogan County LTAC
251 funds or logo printed on it. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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253 **Approve Consent Agenda**
254 Commissioner Hover moved to approve the consent agenda items 1-5. Motion was
255 seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

- 256 1. Commissioners' Proceedings December 24 and 26, 2018
- 257 2. Emergency Management – Approve DEM to purchase Salamander badging system
- 258 3. Emergency Management – Approve Annual Everbridge Contract
- 259 4. Cascade Loop – 2019 LTAC Contract
- 260 5. Resolution 163--2018 Fairground's Change Fund

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262 The board adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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