

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS**OKANOGAN COUNTY****OCTOBER 14, 2019**

The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners met in the Sheriff's Conference Room during regular session at 123 5th Avenue North, Okanogan, Washington on October 14, 2019, with Chairman, Commissioner Jim DeTro; Vice Chairman, Commissioner Chris Branch; Member, Commissioner Andy Hover, and Laleña Johns, Clerk of the Board, present.

Member of the public Teagan Christa Levine arrived around 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge was not said today.

2020 Budge Work Session – Superior Court & Juvenile

Dennis Rabidou, Judge Henry Rawson, Cari Hall, Leah McCormack, Lisa Schreckengost

Review Commissioners' Agenda and Consent Agenda

Commissioners reviewed their meeting minutes and consent agenda.

Briefing Among Commissioners' – Discuss Individual Weekly Meetings & Schedules

Members of the public Christa Teagan Levine taking hand written notes and Tina Monte Verde taking hand written notes and audio video recording the meeting.

The Board discussed the draft Grizzly supplemental comments. We cannot develop a management program unless the bear is native the state as it says in the RCW, no economic analysis of state wildlife impacts involving human conflicts is available.

WRIA planning scope for grant will be completed by the end of the week. Back dated end of July and items for amendment goes all the way through. Contracts at the end of the day but grant amendment will take around 30 days. Consider provision in the agreement that should something go bad they can claim up to what has been done now.

Update – Planning Department – Interim Director Angie Hubbard

The commissioners reviewed the draft letter regarding Grizzly Bear. The comment period deadline is October 24th, next Thursday. Ms. Hubbard said the climate change language Commissioner Branch requested is still to be incorporated. The no action alternative was discussed.

Commissioner Branch is working on the application for the Sewer Connection of the Harvest Shelter

Commissioner Branch left the meeting to attend to a Grant Application for Harvest Shelter Sewer project connection.

2020 Budget Work Session – Central Services Randy Clough Karen Beatty

Commissioners went through the Central Services Budget making some changes as relayed by Randy Clough.

Public Hearing – Budget Supplemental Appropriation – Current Expense/Prosecutor

Commissioner DeTro opened up the hearing to staff comment.

Prosecutor Noma explained the county contracted with legal counsel for legal services for special

counsel land use matters. He said he does not expect additional expenses from the special counsel.

Another matter was consolidated with two other matters, and hired Mark J Carrol and he billed \$4,689.90. Due to the costs above and beyond what was budgeted the Prosecutor submitted a budget supplemental request. There is another case requiring special medical expertise and he believes those doctors' bills will run into \$40,000. Conflict of interest case that Grant County has been appointed counsel. He doesn't believe those costs will hit this year.

Commissioner DeTro closed to staff and opened up to commissioners' discussion.

Commissioner Hover thought due to the departmental vacancies that there would be enough budget in wage lines before using the contingency.

Motion

Commissioner Hover moved to continue the public hearing to October 15 at 10:00 a.m. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Motion - Voucher Approval - Commissioners

Vouchers certified and audited by the Auditing Officer as required by RCW 42.24.080 and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090 have been recorded on a list, and made available to the Board. As of this date, the Board did vote, by unanimous vote, to approve the regular vouchers in the amount of \$859,369.26 and Payroll vouchers in the amount of \$916,265.80. Warrant numbers as cited on the attached blanket voucher list. Motion seconded and carried.

Motion Public Health Voucher

Commissioner Hover moved to approve the Public Health Vouchers including payroll in the amount of \$32,779.99 and regular vouchers in the amount of \$568.65. Warrant numbers as cited on the attached blanket voucher list. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

The board adjourned at 3:40 p.m.