

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OKANOGAN COUNTY**

MARCH 17, 2021

The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners met in Regular session at 123 5th Avenue North, Okanogan, Washington on March 17, 2021, with; Chairman, Commissioner Chris Branch; Vice-Chairman, Commissioner Andy Hover; Member, Commissioner Jim DeTro and the Clerk of the Board, Laleña Johns, present.

ZOOM provided best audio accessibility and public interaction. AV Capture was not available this afternoon.

Commissioner Branch stated the metal roof on the Arts and Crafts building actually looks good. He did not recommend reroofing it. Any leakage would be able to be addressed. He suggested getting a quote for the roof and an opinion from those listed on our small works roster. The Commercial building looks much worse.

The response letter to Department of Ecology (DOE) regarding Crown Columbia is due March 19 this Friday. Commissioners were to contact with Sage Park of DOE to find out what they should actually address in the letter. Commissioner Hover stated he would contact her. Commissioner Branch stated an email comment might suffice but he thought he would draft a letter.

Motion Executive Session

Commissioner Hover moved to go into executive session at 1:40 p.m. for 20 minutes inviting David Gecas Pete Palmer Angie Hubbard to discuss on going legal matters. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Executive session ended at 2:00 p.m.

Commissioner Hover moved to authorize the chair to send comments to ecology regarding Crown Columbia acquisitions proposal by the deadline of March 19. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Hover clarified that the county is opposed to the water right acquisition. Commissioner Branch relayed a brief piece of the comment. He said Ms. Park was receiving comments from others with concerns that it doesn't comply with RCW 90.03. Commissioner DeTro and Hover were alright with the comment as relayed. Commissioner Branch will verify with Ms. Park to ensure it is the type of comment needed. Commissioner Hover asked that a meeting with them with regards to this subject.

Commissioner DeTro asked that the fire debris waiver be extended another month because not all burn victims were able to cleanup and no they are fighting mud and won't get to it for another week or so. Commissioner Hover said he would prefer the board consider next week with Solid Waste before approving an extension.

Commissioner Branch is going to attend the Timber Counties meeting later today.

The board adjourned at 2:19 p.m.