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RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OKANOGAN COUNTY

NOVEMBER 29, 2021

9:00 AM Review Commissioners Agenda & Consent Agenda
9:30 AM Briefing Among Commissioners-Discuss Weekly Meetings & Schedule
10:00 AM Public Hearing 2022 Current Expense & Road Levy Certification RCW 84.55.120
10:30 AM Public Hearing Budget Supplemental Appropriation Fund 120-Communications
10:35 AM Public Hearing Budget Supplemental Appropriation-Emergency Services Fund 121
10:40 AM Continue Briefing Among Commissioners
11:00 AM Review Meeting Minutes

The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners met in Regular session at 123 5th Avenue North, Okanogan, Washington on November 29, 2021 with Chairman, Commissioner Chris Branch; Vice-Chairman, Commissioner Andy Hover Member, Commissioner Jim DeTro and the Clerk of the Board, Laleña Johns, present.

AV Capture provided audio and video of the meeting held today, while ZOOM provided best audio accessibility and public interaction.

Review Commissioners Agenda & Consent Agenda

Commissioner Hover suggested they county go into executive session to discuss potential litigation regarding the Comp Plan inviting David Gecas.

Briefing Among Commissioners-Discuss Weekly Meetings & Schedule

Commissioners discussed ARPA report due in October, but not submitted according to Commissioner Branch. He said that he had attempted to submit the report but there was a technical problem its acceptance, and had submitted an inquiry regarding acceptance. Commissioners were not worried about it. Commissioner Branch discussed his review of the ARPA rules and uses of the funds to justify the purchase of the Forest Service Building in a resolution. The county wants to make sure people have access to the justice systems. Adaptation of our existing structure is clearly an allowed use while we need to make a case for the actual acquisition of the building. Commissioner Branch had made an earlier inquiry on this matter, receiving a reply that indicated that it was forwarded to a Committee of the Treasury but they were backed up with requests. He is working on a resolution.

Motion Executive session

Commissioner Hover moved to go into executive session at 9:30 a.m. for 10 minutes inviting David Gecas and Pete Palmer to discuss RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) regarding the Comp Plan. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Executive session was extended another 10 minutes at 9:40 a.m.

Executive session ended at 9:50 a.m. no decisions were made.

Public Hearing 2022 Current Expense & Road Levy Certification RCW 84.55.120

Assessor Larry Gilman, Chief Deputy Jan Million

52 Commissioner Branch opened up the hearing calling for staff report. Assessor Gilman explained
53 he was here to answer questions the board may have.

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55 Commissioner Branch closed staff discussion and opened up to the public. Hearing no public to
56 comment, he closed public testimony and opened up to the board.

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58 **Motion Resolution 149-2021 Current Expense 2022 Levy**

59 Commissioner Hover moved to approve resolution 149-2021 approving the county Current
60 Expense Fund levy to be collected in 2022 including a 1% increase over the previous year as
61 allowed by law. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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63 **Motion 2022 Current Expense Levy Certification**

64 Commissioners Hover moved to approve the Current Expense 2022 levy certification in the
65 amount of \$6,301,513. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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67 **Motion Resolution 150-2021 Road Fund 2022 Levy**

68 Commissioner Hover moved to approve resolution 150-2021 approving the county Road Fund
69 levy to be collected in 2022 including a 1% increase over the previous year as allowed by law.
70 Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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72 **Motion 2022 Road Levy Certification**

73 Commissioner Hover moved to approve the 2022 Road Levy Certification in the amount of
74 \$5,146,924. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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76 Commissioner Branch closed the hearing.

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78 Assessor Gilman explained what the combined number includes.

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80 **Public Hearing Budget Supplemental Appropriation Fund 120-Communications**

81 Chief Communications Mike Worden

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83 Commissioner Branch opened up the hearing calling for staff report. Chief Worden explained he
84 was here to answer questions the board may have. He said the 911 system is ready to be
85 upgraded and upgrades paid for this year. Timelines for supplemental is now to prepare for the
86 invoice payment in December or early January. He would like to get started in December this
87 needs to be in place. These costs are budgeted in 2022 and will be reduced by the amount paid
88 in 2021. Federal Grant and state 911 contract will reimburse most of the expenditure.

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90 No Commissioner Branch opened the hearing to the public testimony. No public wished to
91 comment he closed the hearing to public testimony and opened up to the board.

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93 **Motion Resolution 151-2021 Budget Supplemental Appropriation Fund 120-Communications**

94 Commissioner Hover moved to approve resolution 151-2021 a budget supplemental
95 appropriation within Communications fund 120 in the amount of \$85,000. Motion was seconded,
96 all were in favor, motion carried.

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98 Commissioner Branch opened the hearing to the public. No public wished to comment so the
99 hearing was closed to comment and opened up to the board.

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101 **Public Hearing Budget Supplemental Appropriation-Emergency Services Fund 121**

102 Emergency Manager Maurice Goodall, Lauri Caswell

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104 Mr. Goodall said these funds are coming in and this adjusts the budget to be able to spend. One
105 thing to consider is the \$23,000 is billed to us and we will receive it back as income next year.

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107 Commissioner Branch opened the hearing to public comment and none were given, and the
108 hearing was closed to testimony and opened to commissioners' discussion.

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110 **Motion Resolution 152-2021 Budget Supplemental Appropriation EM Fund 121**
111 Commissioner DeTro moved to approve resolution 152-2021 a budget supplement appropriation
112 within fund 121 in the amount of \$9650. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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114 Water is expected to rise about 14 feet due to recent rainfall and warm temps, reported Mr.
115 Goodall.

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117 **Continue Briefing Among Commissioners**
118 Commissioners continued their discussion about ARPA funds and reporting.

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120 **Review Meeting Minutes**
121 Meeting minutes were provided to the board for review.

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123 The board adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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