

1 **RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS**

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3 **OKANOGAN COUNTY**

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5 **JUNE 4, 2018**  
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8 9:00 AM Review Commissioners Agenda and Consent Agenda  
9 9:30 AM Briefing Among Commissioners – Discuss Individual Weekly Meetings & Schedule  
10 1:30 PM Update – Planning – Perry Huston  
11 *Planning Dept. Study Session*  
12 *Administrative Officer Study Session*  
13 4:30 PM Review Meeting Minutes  
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16 The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners met for its regular session on June 4, 2018,  
17 with Chairman Commissioner Jim DeTro, Commissioner Chris Branch, and Laleña Johns, Clerk  
18 of the Board, present.

19 Commissioner Andy Hover was absent due to attending the Upper Columbia Salmon Recovery  
20 Board meeting in Washington DC this week.

21 **Review Commissioners Agenda and Consent Agenda**

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23 **Briefing Among Commissioners – Discuss Individual Weekly Meetings & Schedule**

24 Commissioners discussed their meeting schedules.  
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26 Emily Sisson member of the public taking notes.  
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28 **Update – Planning – Perry Huston**

29 Char Schumacher  
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31 *Planning Dept. Study Session*

32 We have been awarded \$60,000 grant from ecology separate from the water shed planning  
33 grants. He suggested even though no process to access funds, but in the budget starting July 1  
34 he has money to put the Planner I back on payroll. With the \$60,000 grant a person could be  
35 hired to begin research and reconcile the well logs with ecology, our assessor, and all of those  
36 sorts of things. We would have a pure assessment on what permit exempt wells are out there,  
37 how many of operating, track cfs in WIRA 49. He has not posted anything yet in terms of  
38 soliciting applications. He would like to back fill the Planner I position and then proposed hiring a  
39 contract temp for just the grant work, nothing else. Commissioner Branch asked if the director's  
40 intent was to advertise the temp position now without first having the funds. Yes, the funds have  
41 not been applied for yet, we'll need a contract from DOE with scope of work, once he had that in  
42 hand and a clear way to the money the budget will need to be adjusted because that was not  
43 considered during budget adopting. He doesn't want to put any effort into the position until he  
44 has something to pay them with. As a starting point he would like to post the other Planner I  
45 position. He will prepare a notice for the Planner I spot then hook up with DOE on the grant  
46 funds. He will work with HR and Cari Hall.  
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48 *a. Exempt well tracking program*

49 Director Huston noted that he put together a well tracking program. It will essentially allow the  
50 information to be printed in report form from the front counter. Obviously some things still need  
51 to be buttoned down in terms of the 750 gallons per day type decisions before going hot with the  
52 system. He will begin putting in the current information as it comes up and get a lot of good work  
53 done. Commissioner Branch relayed that some information can be gathered by just talking to  
54 people in the vicinity before knocking on doors.

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56 *b. Comprehensive Plan-Map review*

57 Director Huston provided a draft letter to Phil Rigdon of the Yakama Nation Dept. of Natural  
58 Resources and the board reviewed it. The letter listed the Yakama Nations 17 policy concerns  
59 about revisions to Okanogan County's Comprehensive Plan that had not been addressed. The  
60 letter responds to each of the Yakama's 17 Policy concerns.

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62 Ms. Schumacher showed the plan draft via projector. The board began their review of the  
63 Yakama Nation letter by first discussing Chapter 12 Natural Environment. For Policy 3 concern,  
64 Director Huston explained there is no education program, but if the board is interested in that  
65 kind of statement, he sees it as a positive and supports education or incentive bases to water  
66 quality. Commissioner Branch said it could be broad. Director Huston will draft some language  
67 for future review. Commissioners were in favor of looking at some language.

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69 Director Huston explained the Sheriff's authority for water quality. Commissioner Branch asked  
70 how complaints would be handled by the Planning dept. if someone is seen putting building  
71 waste fill in near a vicinity of a fish bearing stream he would pass that info on to WDFW. Most of  
72 the time he'll send a first notice of alleged violation

73 Director Huston discussed aquifer recharge areas that would address the concerns of the  
74 Yakama Nation. Further discussed were the points made by the Yakama Nation we are  
75 responding to via the attached letter to Mr. Rigdon of Yakama Nations.

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77 With regards to filling and dredging, the SEPA exemptions were discussed in terms of lands  
78 covered by water. He suggested another section within 12 to look for and preventing  
79 degradation of critical areas with some other language rolled in under project with reference that  
80 it is used to evaluate regulation proposals.

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82 *c. WRIA 49*

83 Director Huston explained he is taking notes and developing a recommendation of what the  
84 work group looked like then build a potential list the initiating governments can look at. He has  
85 not spoken with either of the other initiating governments about the lead entity position. He will  
86 try and get the list of positions for solicitation.

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88 *Administrative Officer Study Session*

89 *a Lake Management District*

90 Director Huston explained a draft resolution was submitted for commissioner review regarding  
91 setting the public hearing for consideration of creating a Lake Management District on Lake  
92 Osoyoos. Commissioner Branch explained the comments he heard from those who own Ag  
93 lands on the lake. Director Huston found nothing in statute regarding lands that are later divided

94 into smaller residential lots and how those assessments are applied later on. Commissioner  
95 Branch said if the agriculture lands are in the boundaries of the district it seems like we could  
96 put some kind of language in the Ordinance that addresses the issue when it happens.

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98 **Motion Resolution 57-2018 Lake Management District Public Hearing**

99 Commissioner Branch moved to approve resolution 57-2018 memorializing the intent to create a  
100 lake management district to serve certain limited areas around Lake Osoyoos in Okanogan,  
101 County. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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103 **Motion Methow Valley EMS District**

104 Commissioner Branch moved to adjourn as the BOCC and reconvene as the Methow Valley  
105 EMS District. Motion was seconded all were in favor, motion carried.

106 Commissioner Branch moved to approve the Methow Valley EMS District vouchers in the  
107 amount of \$56,296.50. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

108 Commissioner Branch moved to adjourn as the Methow Valley EMS and Reconvene as the  
109 BOCC Motion was seconded all were in favor, motion carried.

110 **Motion DIVCO Service Agreement**

111 Commissioner Branch moved to approve the DIVCO Advantage maintenance contract for the  
112 period of August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019 and authorized the chairman to sign. Motion  
113 was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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115 Note: Commissioner Branch signed the Delegation of Authority to designate Commissioner  
116 Hover to Canvass and Certify the 2018 Primary Election.

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118 **Review Meeting Minutes**

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120 The board adjourned at 3:50 pm.

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