

45 county. Any objections related to the county or agency responded to their request they would be
46 required to go down this alternate path. A public hearing would need to be scheduled and an
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49 This is a categorically exempt from SEPA amendment.

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51 Mr. Gecas discussed information regarding public records requests he is working on.

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53 Director Huston discussed a needed public hearing date for the additional comprehensive plan
54 updates. Yakama Nations has expressed some concern about the process and not being
55 included in that. Commissioner Branch stated the tribes are working on creating their own water
56 authority. DOE is still putting stuff together capacity grants \$150,000 and the other grant
57 introduced to us at watershed meeting and none of it is sorted out. It is clear from Vanessa the
58 county should assume the lead agency status and contract with conservation district to do the
59 leg work. It will be simpler even though DOE didn't come out and say that. Commissioner
60 Branch expressed concern about the funds and process for obtaining them.

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62 Oroville Tonasket irrigation district meeting will need to be cancelled stated Director Huston.
63 Commissioner Branch said someone from Oroville should be part of the conversation.

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65 The irrigation well is up and running at the fairgrounds. There is a lot of mowing to do. There is
66 also the third bid for the needed tractor purchase from Central Machinery Sales, Inc. The
67 treasurer wants to ensure if we go into debt that is doesn't affect our debt ratios statutory debt
68 ratio. She will look at that prior to approving the purchase. Commissioner Hover stated the
69 differences in the bids specs and suggested the most cost effective purchase. The Mahindra
70 has a better warranty, financing is the same, but is the suggested purchase. The board would
71 like a resolution to memorialize and also have the expense budgeted for in the fairgrounds
72 budget. The brush hog was brushed off but the PTO valve seal needs to be repaired. It is good
73 tractor to keep, but the Massey Ferguson needs work it could be the starter. The mower 4035 is
74 doing well. The cub cadet mower smokes badly after it is warmed up. It is burning oil and seems
75 to smoke more under loads. The commissioners' would like the PTO valve seal replaced. A jig
76 is needed to pull it out.

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78 One of the fairground DOA grants was approved \$80,000. Commissioner Hover would like to
79 discuss with the tribe their ideas for use of the track before signing the grant agreement.

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81 The roof top compressor is being replaced on the Juvenile Admin Building.

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83 Commissioner Hover left at 10:00 a.m. to attend mediation meeting for two hours.

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85 **Update Human Resources / Risk Management – Tanya Craig and/or Debi Hilts**
86 **CANCELLED** due to mediation meeting.

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89 **Continued Public Hearing – Supplemental Appropriation - Sheriff \$5,400**
90 Commissioner DeTro opened the continued public hearing up to staff, seeing no staff to
91 comment he closed staff and opened up to commissioner discussion.

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93 **Motion Resolution 48-2018 Supplemental Appropriation Sheriff Vehicle**
94 Commissioner Branch moved to approve resolution 48-2018 a supplemental
95 appropriation within current expense and vehicle reserve funds in the amount of \$5,400.
96 Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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98 Commissioner DeTro left at 10:35 a.m. to travel to the WIR conference in Idaho this
99 week.

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101 **Update – Public Works – Josh Thomson & Ben Rough**
102 Commissioner Branch was the only commissioner in attendance for the update.

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104 Ben Rough provided his agenda and discussed the items listed there.

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106 *Open Positions*
107 For the first time in a long time all positions including the temporary summer positions
108 are filled. With the future resignation of Engineer Tech, Amanda Moody, it is the
109 exception and Public Works may not fill it right away.

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111 WSU three party agreement for lease of the Public Works office space for Extension
112 Office. WSU recommended an MOU and any obligations between WSU and county
113 should be taken care of by the agreement already in place in the agreement. Mr. Rough
114 explained the issue to Mr. Gecas, and Mr. Gecas thought the current agreement
115 covered this as well.

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117 *WSU 3rd Party Agreement*
118 The Jail trustee uses at Solid Waste was discussed. Mr. Rough said they help with
119 recycle center, litter pickup on the landfill grounds which frees up the other employees,
120 and the department does depend on the trustees for labor especially during the
121 summer.

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123 This weekend is Memorial Day weekend so the Transfer Stations will be closed on
124 Saturday. Notices and public service announcements were done and flyers posted at
125 each site to inform customers of the closure.

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127 Ben Rough informed the commissioners' that there was a fire at the landfill with no
128 injuries and nothing was damaged. The fire was around 100x170 and the cause is still
129 unknown. Employees have received training in the past on these types of situations.

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131 Mr. Rough discussed the Apple Maggot meeting that occurred.

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133 MR. Rough explained Public Works use of card readers for fee payments. The cost will
134 be passed on to the customer. It will allow people to pay by credit or debit card. The

135 option to take the fee is there but it will be a convenience fee the customer will pay. The
136 solid waste fee schedule has not been adopted as one fee schedule it has been pieced
137 together over time. It is difficult to find the actual fee when they are scattered around.
138 He intends to put all the fees together under one resolution no matter. Public Works
139 thought a new county website would include pages for each department.

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141 Commissioner Branch requested the Clerk of the Board ask Ms. Craig about the status
142 of the new county website.

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144 Employee agreement that says if I get CDL through this program that says if the
145 employee leaves county employment then they would pay the cost of the CDL license
146 the county paid for. Mr. Rough explained it was thought the Engineer had the authority
147 to sign those agreements. Commissioner Branch suggested they be approved by the
148 county so the board is aware of them. Mr. Rough will reach out to David Gecas.

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150 HVAC Unit repair and replacement at the public works building was discussed. Mr.
151 Rough thought Public Works should begin saving for replacement units. There is also
152 the issue of replacing just the compressor or the whole unit. He will consider other
153 maintenance costs such as reroofing, replacements of HVAC units, doors, windows,
154 and must be considered.

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156 Engineer Thomson gave his staff report.

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158 *Maintenance Road Conditions*

159 Engineer Thomson provided over time numbers of work done late and due to
160 breakdowns. There was also time spent on flood damages.

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162 No more major flooding is expected based on the information available. We still need to
163 watch the levees and dams as the water goes down. The shoulders are being eroded.
164 Sinlahekin Road by Blue Lake is completely gone. It won't be a cheap fix and we won't
165 likely get assistance for the Corp. They will try to get it passable but it will be more
166 difficult to keep that open.

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168 Palmer Lake area road was damaged and the shoulders are getting worse on the south
169 end by split rock.

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171 The Evans Road project was discussed as that road is being chip sealed.

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173 The Similkameen Trail repairs were discussed. At the last conversation, the PUD had
174 not yet identified funds for the repairs. Maintenance dollars are needed all around.

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176 Peter Dan project advertises tomorrow. Engineer Thomson explained with the change in
177 the slop the project was approved the additional expense. A budget amendment will be
178 needed on this project, but 100% of what is spent will come back.

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180 HWY 7 Tonasket Bridge South project is proceeding but flooding may still be an issue
181 when it commences.

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183 A meeting in Ephrata about RAP funding is happening tomorrow that the Engineer will
184 attend tomorrow.

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186 Edelweiss Sewer update was provided.

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188 Engineer Thomson discussed the items listed on the consent agenda and provided
189 clarity of those items to the board.

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191 Commissioner Hover returned at 1:30 p.m.

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193 Commissioner Branch convened the board.

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195 **Citizen Comment Period**

196 Commissioner Branch closed citizen comment period due to no citizens being present
197 to give comment.

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199 **Motion Executive Session RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)**

200 Commissioner Hover moved to go into executive session at 1:30 pm for 20 minutes
201 inviting David Gecas, Perry Huston, and Dan Higbee to discuss legal matters which the
202 agency reasonably believes may be commenced against the county. Motion was
203 seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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205 Commissioner Branch exited executive session at 1:50 pm to extend executive session
206 another 10 minutes.

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208 Executive session ended at 2:00 pm no decisions were made.

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210 **Motion MOA Sheriff's Employee Association**

211 Commissioner Hover moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between
212 Okanogan County and Okanogan County Sheriff's Employee Association representing
213 commissioned employees regarding commissioned employees work schedule
214 modifications to 10/40 alternative. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion
215 carried.

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217 **Motion Resolution 50-2018 Declaring Property Surplus Hubbard Rd & Garbage Truck**

218 Commissioner Hover moved to approve resolution 50-2018 declaring county owned
219 property, parcel No. 3526030002 and Cargo Star Garbage Truck, to be surplus to the
220 needs of the county. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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222 **Motion Resolution 51-2018 Declaring Property Surplus for Demolition Purposes**

223 Commissioner Hover moved to approve resolution 51-2018 declaring county owned
224 property surplus a small building on fairgrounds, to the needs of the county and ordering
225 the property to be demolished. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

226 **Motion Resolution 52-2018 Declaring Property Surplus Public Works Truck**
227 Commissioner Hover moved to approve resolution 52-2018 declaring county owned
228 property, a 1998 Chevy truck VIN #1GCGK24RXWZ204371, surplus to the needs of the
229 county public works department and authorizes the sale of the truck to Fair Facilities
230 fund #127 for \$1,825. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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232 **Motion Resolution 53-2018 Tax Title Property Sale**
233 Commissioner Hover moved to approve resolution 53-2018, approving the sale of tax
234 title properties, parcel #'s 2400451600, 2400460100, 2400431700, & 2400630600,
235 located near Brewster to the adjoining land owner. Motion was seconded, all were in
236 favor, motion carried.

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238 **Motion End User Agreement & Credit App.-Stanley Masterkey Codes-AM Hardware**
239 Commissioner Hover moved to authorize the vice chairman Commissioner Branch to
240 sign the end user agreement and credit application with AM Hardware with respect to
241 Stanley Masterkey Codes and systems. Motion was seconded, all were in favor, motion
242 carried.

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244 **Approve Consent Agenda**
245 Commissioner Hover moved to approve the consent agenda items 1-11. Motion was
246 seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

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248 1. Commissioners' Proceedings May 14 & 15, 2018
249 2. Ratify Appendix G: Cooperation Agreement for Flood Fight – Public Works
250 3. Reappointment – Okanogan County Housing Authority – Yvonne Bussler-White
251 4. Reappointment – Okanogan County Housing Authority – Ron Whiteside
252 5. Grant Agreement – Archives & Record Management – Secretary of State – Public Works
253 6. Bid Award – Public Works Water Tanks – Steve Peck Fabrication LLC
254 7. Bid Award – Central Landfill Truck Scale – Correll's Scale Service
255 8. Interlocal Agreement – Solid Waste Services – City of Brewster – Public Works
256 9. Interlocal Agreement – Solid Waste Services – City of Conconully – Public Works
257 10. Interlocal Agreement – Solid Waste Services – City of Okanogan County – Public Works
258 11. Resolution 47-2018 – Amending Comprehensive 6 Year Transportation Improvement Program 2018-2023

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260 Maurice Goodall updated the board about the EOC status and answered questions of
261 the board in regards to the needs. There will be needed in the future a budget
262 supplemental.

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264 **Discussion – Oroville EMS Levy Coordination – City Council of Oroville**
265 Perry Huston
266 Lifeline Bob Curtis Wayne Walker

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268 Jo Ann Denney, Walt Hart, Edward Nailon, Mayor Jon Neal

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270 The commissioners' asked Director of Planning Perry Huston to facilitate the meeting
271 with the City of Oroville council.

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273 Director Huston laid out the status.

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275 Promissory note will need to be submitted by Lifeline but those are still insured by the
276 city.

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278 Commissioner Hover explained the commissioners' position with the current levy
279 collections not covering the current cost of the contract. The contract allows either party
280 to open up the contract if the levy fluctuates either way by 5%.

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282 Commissioner Hover further discussed by adding an addition \$.05 to the \$.30 already in
283 place would allow the district to run in the black and be able to save funds for major
284 building and equipment expenses. It makes sense to get a preliminary idea of what Life
285 Line needs to operate. Mr. Walker was asked how much money Lifeline is willing to
286 loose. Mr. Walker responded that operationally the item hurting them the most would be
287 staffing costs. He didn't have good numbers on how many people utilize the service
288 when they fall down and who are on Medicaid. They get many calls for assistance, but
289 are not necessarily transported. Life Line is looking at between Medicaid and transport
290 rate at about 50% loss. The thing that hurts the most is the minimum wage increase at
291 \$13.50 per hour after next year. As we discuss the levy from Life Line's perspective the
292 rate will have to go up. He would be happy to provide his full numbers to justify the
293 statement. He will submit for all years of operations. They have kept their head above
294 water but the increase in wage costs is reality. It means a 42 hour work week which
295 means hiring more people in order to reduce overtime. Come 2020 Life Line should be
296 above the power curve. Mr. Walker stated the ambulances will not need to be replaced.
297 He said there is still the issue of the Tonasket EMS building for Tonasket EMS needs
298 which is a priority for Life Line right now and they are working on that. After that then the
299 request is for the Oroville building to have two separate bedrooms with doors. Right now
300 it is open floor plan with not much privacy or noise abatement. The other thing is to
301 there is no kitchen, so it would be a request to put in a regular kitchen stove. One other
302 outstanding question is whether or not the cardiac monitors will be supported since
303 there was a memo about that. At some point parts will not be available and if it breaks
304 down that will need to be replaced with a new unit.

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306 Director Huston explained that up to \$.50 per 1000 could be authorized for up to 6
307 years, 10 years or establish as permanent.

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309 Mr. Walker said that no one likes increased taxes but the board will have to deal with
310 that. He said if the board only authorizes \$.05 it just won't cut it. He apologized for not
311 having the numbers with him to justify his statement, but the minimum wage alone will
312 be a huge cost. Life Line isn't doing anything different than the Methow EMS and their
313 levy is much higher. Ferry County enjoys the cheapest EMS levy around and they are
314 really struggling. As the future goes costs will increase no matter what. It is a big jump
315 for the people in the district and would double their amount but that is really where the
316 future is. There is a lot of uncertainty and whether it is going to continue to be viable for
317 Life Line. Their perspective is they don't need to get rich or line their pockets, they don't
318 have a giant underground vault where the money is. They are not looking to make a
319 profit. Commissioner Hover stated he would like to see that on paper. Mayor Jon Neal

320 said there is also the big hit due to schools and everyone understands an increase is
321 needed for the districts to be viable.

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323 The commissioners' discussed their projections and need for the information from Life
324 line. He can have the report with profit and loss to the board by the first full week in
325 June. Mr. Walker explained the call volume in the winter months is very low in Oroville.
326 Operationally Mr. Walker doesn't see any foreseeable problems with the building. He
327 will email the Clerk of the Board and she will disperse to the board and city and then
328 coordinate another meeting with the city to go over it.

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330 Mr. Walker asked what happens if both city and county has a levy and one or the other
331 doesn't pass. Maybe that isn't a concern. Jon Neal replied that everyone has that fear
332 but people are grateful for the service.

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334 Dispatch services were discussed. JoAnn explained how those costs are divided by the
335 city between police, fire, and ambulance.

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337 Commissioner Hover will do the outreach to the assessor's office for the information on
338 the valuation.

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340 The board adjourned at 4:50 pm.

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