

ASOTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 20, 2023

Regular Meeting

The Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Asotin, State of Washington, met this date. Present was, Chris Seubert, Chairman, Brian Shinn, Vice-Chair, and Charles Whitman, Member.

Regular meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m.

(1)

Executive Session held at 5:00 p.m. for approximately 29 minutes regarding personnel per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g).

(2)

Executive Session held at 5:30 p.m. for approximately 22 minutes regarding personnel per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g).

(3)

Board recessed at 5:52 p.m.

(4)

Board reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

(5)

Shinn moved to approve the minutes of March 13, 2023, as written. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

Open to the Public

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- Barney Waldrup discussed the option of having Asotin County join Greater Idaho
- Jack Worle read a statement regarding the loss of the Forest Service activity in the valley

Jerry Chavez, EDFP, President/CEO, Valley Vision

(7)

Mr. Chavez spoke with the Commissioners about the role Valley Vision plays in attracting new businesses and retaining current ones. Valley Vision is currently revamping its by-laws to aid in charting a new direction. Mr. Chavez noted that current businesses still have concerns about the available workforce. He stated that economic development is not a foot race but focuses on setting and achieving long-term goals.

Charles Eaton, Public Works Director/County Engineer

(8)

Eaton asked the Board for permission to apply for an MPO Grant that would require a small match of approximately \$9,000. Eaton will need to amend the budget and present a resolution at a later date.

Whitman moved to approve. Shinn seconded, motion carried.

Other Action Items

(9)

Miscellaneous

- Asotin County Fair & Hells Canyon Rodeo Stock Contractor/Rodeo Contractor for Asotin County Hells Canyon Rodeo 2023, contract with P9 Rodeo Company, Payton Pinz was presented.

Shinn moved to approve. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

- A Sponsorship Agreement between Asotin County Fair and Inland NW Toyota Dealers was presented.

Whitman moved to approve. Shinn seconded, motion carried.

- Associate Development Organization Certification/Designation was presented. Every two years, the Department of Commerce begins the process of contracting with Associate Development Organizations (ADOs) by asking the Board of County Commissioners in each county requesting the designation of an ADO.

Shinn moved to redesignate the Southeast Washington Economic Development Association (SEWEDA) as the County's ADO. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

Committee Reports

(10)

Open to the Public

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- Richard Coyle discussed concerns regarding the proposed bond for a new Clarkston High School.
- Jack Worle asked the Commissioners for more information and updates on the progress of the new jail.

Media

(12)

Claims approved and ordered paid:

# 001	Current Expense	\$ 56,472.24
# 101	County Road	\$ 294,349.43
# 104	County Fair	\$ 2,477.41
# 112	Noxious Weed Control	\$ 4,581.34
# 114	Paths & Trails	\$ 2,645.85
# 129	Community Services	\$ 12,038.71
# 146	Special Real Estate	\$ 709.04
# 410	Regional Landfill	\$ 2,013.99
# 460	Regional Stormwater	\$ 112.68
# 460.001	Stormwater Asotin Co Capital	\$ 1,290.70
# 460.004	Stormwater ER&R	\$ 12,636.51
# 501	Equip Rental & Rev	\$ 7,088.14
# 502	Central Services	\$ 1,171.14
		\$ 397,587.18

The following voucher (warrant) numbers are approved for payment:
324834 through 324952 for a total of \$397,587.18.

Board adjourned at 7:22 p.m. until their next scheduled meeting at 9:00 a.m. on March 27, 2023.

Chris Seubert, Chairman

March 27, 2023

Stacey Harman, Clerk of the Board