

ASOTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 10, 2022

Regular Meeting

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

Regular meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.

(1)

Shinn moved to approve the minutes of October 3, 2022, as written. Seubert seconded, motion carried.

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Eric Boggan, Vocational Program Manager

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Boggan presented the State of Washington Department of Services for the Blind, Amendment 2 to Contract No. VR200012. The amendment increases the reimbursement rates effective October 1, 2022

Seubert moved to approve, Shinn seconded, motion carried.

Jennifer Zipse, Conservation District Assistant & Outreach Technician

(4)

Zipse on behalf of the Asotin County Conservation District asked the Commissioners for permission to continue issuing the Agricultural Spot Burning Permits through the years of 2023 and 2024.

Shinn moved to approve, Seubert seconded, motion carried

Other Action Items:

(5)

Miscellaneous

- Seubert presented an Agreement for Bus Parking Between Asotin-Anatone School District & Asotin County. The agreement allows the School District to park a bus at the County shop located in Anatone, for \$25 per month to the School District for access to power to plug the bus in during winter.

Seubert moved to approve, Shinn seconded, motion carried.

- Whitman presented AIA Contract A133-2019 Between Asotin County and Kenaston, Leone & Keeble to perform construction Manager/General Contractor services during the construction of the new Criminal Justice Center, as awarded during the October 3rd Commissioner meeting. Ronald Hewett of Kenaston was on hand to sign the contract as a representative of the contractor. Whitman noted that the County is happy to be partnering with a local contractor for this project.

Shinn moved to approve, Seubert seconded, motion carried

Cynthia Tierney, Community Services Director

(6)

Tierney presented the Washington State Department of Commerce Federal Interagency Grant Agreement with Asotin County through Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, Public Services Grant Contract Number 22-62210-001 for public services through Community Action Partnership to low and moderate-income persons in Asotin County. This program was once called the Future Stories Program.

Seubert moved to approve, Shinn seconded, motion carried

Tierney presented the Interagency Agreement Between The Washington Traffic Safety Commission and Asotin County Community Services. The public safety grant funds will be used to bring pedestrian awareness to drivers in the City and County.

Shinn moved to approve, Seubert seconded, motion carried

Committee Reports

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Steve Pozzanghera, WDFW Region 1 Director

(8)

Pozzanghera discussed the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's intention to pursue the acquisition of the Wheeler Property which consists of 11.1 acres across from Boggan's Oasis. The public has used the property to launch boats for decades without legal permission to do so. WSDOT has an easement over the northern portion of the property for a gravel stockpile. Senator Schoesler's Budget proviso provides \$500,000 that can be used to acquire and improve the site. The proviso includes language that with the acquisition of the property WDFW will not promote access easements numbered 106165 and 113860. The next step would be WDFW accepting public comments. After the comment period, the department will come before the Commissioners again. Seubert has been working with the area landowners and believes this to be the most elegant solution to the area's issues. Shinn agreed that this is a good solution. The County does not have the authority to block the acquisition. Pozzanghera noted that a more permanent launch area and bathrooms are possible development options.

The Board agreed by consensus that this is a good plan and that the WDFW should move forward with the process of acquiring the property.

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Media

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Claims approved and ordered paid:

# 001	Current Expense	\$ 21,164.85
# 101	County Road	\$ 9,501.16
# 104	County Fair	\$ 690.25
# 123	Comm Dev Block Grant	\$ 7,731.00
# 125	Boating Safety	\$ 184.00
# 127	Emergency Svcs Communication	\$ 45.00
# 129	Community Services	\$ 8,068.63
# 143	American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	\$ 7,836.00
# 146	Special Real Estate	\$ 313.20
# 170	Trial Court Improvement	\$ 223.59
# 410	Regional Landfill	\$ 2,347.64
# 460	Regional Stormwater	\$ 2,590.01
# 460.002	Stormwater Asotin City Capital	\$ 49.65
# 501	Equip Rental & Rev	\$ 47,755.63
# 502	Central Services	\$ 1,161.58
		\$ 109,662.19

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The following voucher (warrant) numbers are approved for payment:

320592 through 320693 for a total of \$109,662.19.

The following voucher (warrant) numbers and direct deposit are approved for Payroll:

199970 through 20083 and 320502 through 320589 for \$468,611.68

Board adjourned at 9:57 a.m. until their next scheduled meeting at 6:30 p.m. on October 17, 2022.

Charles Whitman, Chairman

October 17, 2022

Stacey Harman, Clerk of the Board