

CHELAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF JULY 29&30, 2024

**MONDAY, JULY 29, 2024**

**9:00:25 A.M. Opening – Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Pro Tempore Smith calls the meeting to order. Present for the session are Commissioner Gering, County Administrator Cathy Mulhall, Budget Director Nicole Thompson, and Clerk of the Board Anabel Torres. *Commissioner Overbay is excused from session.*

**9:01:41 A.M. Employee Recognition**

Lori Lewis	District Court Probation	20 Years
Tracie Schultz	Superior Court Clerk	15 Years
Amy Ovenell	Superior Court Clerk	10 Years
Brad Scott	Community Development	10 Years

**9:03:38 A.M. Public Comment Period**

- Kendall Newell
- Jeff Holman

**9:11:41 A.M. Closed Public Comment Period**

**9:11:28 A.M. Consent Agenda**

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Gering and Smith, the Commission unanimously approves the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Vouchers as submitted and listed
3. Payroll Changes:
  - a) Jarred Berg Clerk New Hire
  - b) Marissa Mason District Court Resignation
  - c) Lisa Hodson Juvenile Step Increase
  - d) Jaime Cuellar Juvenile Step Increase
  - e) Yamile Chavez Juvenile Step Increase
  - f) Myrna Alvarez Juvenile Step Increase
  - g) Bryan Maloney Natural Resources Promotion
  - h) Scott Bailey Natural Resources Promotion
  - i) Megan Campbell Public Works New Hire

**9:11:50 A.M. Board Discussion**

- Pioneer Fire Update
- Washington State Transportation Commission
- Upper Valley Commissioners & Chelan County PUD
  - Franchise Agreement

**9:20:40:32 A.M. Executive Session RE: Performance of a Public Official**

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Gering and Smith, the Commission unanimously approved to moving into a 5-minute Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(i), performance of a public employee.

*Extend Executive Session by 6 minutes– Public Notified*

**9:31:15 A.M. Back in Session**

**9:32:25 A.M. Recess**

**10:00:21 A.M. Back in Session**

**10:00:45 A.M. County Administrator Cathy Mulhall**

Discussion

1. Emergency Budget Appropriation
2. Administrative Update

**Action**

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Gering and Smith, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Resolution #2024-60 RE: Annexation of Unincorporated Property into Chelan County Fire District #3 (2024-02-F3 Shae)

**10:09:09 A.M. Executive Session RE: Performance of a Public Official**

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Gering and Smith, the Commission unanimously approved to moving into a 10-minute Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(i), performance of a public employee.

*Extend Executive Session by 10 minutes– Public Notified*

**10:35:15 A.M. Back in Session**

**10:35:15 A.M. Recess**

**11:00:42 A.M. Back in Session**

**11:01:45 A.M. Economic Services Director Ron Criddlebaugh**

Discussion

1. Reallocation of ARPA Funds (Goal 4)
2. Request for Qualification Re: Tourism Impact Study
3. Resolution RE: Updating Fire Danger Ratings
4. Interagency Agreement with the Washington State Department of Agriculture
5. Departmental Update

**11:20:51 A.M. Action**

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Gering and Smith, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Reallocation of ARPA Funds (Goal 4)
2. Resolution RE: Updating Fire Danger Ratings
3. Authorize Proceeding with WSDA Interagency Agreement

**11:21:17 A.M. Workshop RE: Fire Flow -Chris Peterson**

**12:19:40 P.M. Recess until Tuesday**

**TUESDAY, JULY 30, 2024**

**9:08:30 A.M. Back in Session**

**9:08:45 A.M. Prosecuting Attorney Robert Sealby**

Discussion

1. Departmental Update

**9:24:00 A.M. Executive Session RE: Pending Litigation**

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Smith and Gering, the Commission unanimously approved to move into a 10-minute Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(i), to discuss potential litigation with Prosecuting Attorney Robert Sealby.

*Extend Executive Session by 10 minutes– Public Notified*

**9:34:00 A.M. Moved Back to Regular Session**

**9:34:10 A.M. Continued Departmental Discussion**

**9:41:00 A.M. Public Works Director Eric Pierson**

Discussion

1. Transportation Improvement Board Letter of Funding Commitment for American Fruit Road Improvement Project
2. Transportation Improvement Board Letter of Funding Commitment for Knowles Road Phase 1
3. Petition for Vacation of a County Road Known as the Lakeshore Drive – Van Slykes Plat by Wapato Investments, LLC
4. Event Permit - Manson Hydrofest
5. Open Item

**9:46:14 A.M. Executive Session RE: Performance of a Public Official**

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Gering and Smith, the Commission unanimously approved to moving into a 10-minute Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(i), performance of a public employee.

**9:56:51 A.M. Moved Back to Regular Session**

**9:57:25 A.M. Action**

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Smith and Gering, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Sign Transportation Improvement Board Letter of Funding Commitment for American Fruit Road Improvement Project
2. Sign Transportation Improvement Board Letter of Funding Commitment for Knowles Road Phase 1

**9:59:02 A.M. Continued Board Discussion**

**10:07:03 A.M. Recess**

**10:17:21 A.M. Back in Session**

**10:17:30 A.M. Community Development Director Deanna Walter**

Discussion

1. Department update
2. STR Reminder Postcard

**10:46:19 A.M. Small Scale Recreation Workshop**

**11:19:51 A.M. Recess**

**11:24:09 A.M. Back in Session**

**11:24:18 A.M. Natural Resources Director Mike Kaputa**

Discussion

1. Contract change with Aspect Consulting for Eagle Creek driveway culvert replacements
2. Amendment to agreement with Hanson Professional Services, Inc., for Malaga Waterfront Park BNSF Crossing design and grant application support
3. Agreement with WA Military Department for Mobile Generator for Critical Water Facilities in the City of Cashmere
4. Change order #1 with Wildfire Home Protection for Upper Wenatchee FRB machine thinning
5. Substantial Completion with Columbia Helicopters for Upper Wenatchee Habitat Restoration Project: Helicopter Wood Transport
6. Other

**11:39:35 A.M. Action**

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Gering and Smith, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Contract change with Aspect Consulting for Eagle Creek driveway culvert replacements
2. Amendment to agreement with Hanson Professional Services, Inc., for Malaga Waterfront Park BNSF Crossing design and grant application support
3. Agreement with WA Military Department for Mobile Generator for Critical Water Facilities in the City of Cashmere
4. Change order #1 with Wildfire Home Protection for Upper Wenatchee FRB machine thinning
5. Substantial Completion with Columbia Helicopters for Upper Wenatchee Habitat Restoration Project: Helicopter Wood Transport

**11:39:39 A.M. Continue Departmental Discussion**

**11:52:40 A.M. Executive Session RE: Contract Negotiation**

Executive Session Upon motion and second by Commissioners Smith and Gering, the Commission unanimously approves to move into a 5-minute Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (d)

**11:58:44 A.M. Moved Back to Regular Session**

**11:59:02 A.M. Continued Board Discussion**

**12:005:23 P.M. Adjourn**

Board adjourns until Monday, August 5, 2024.

Weekly Voucher Approval for Payment	20240729B4-1
Current Expense	\$ 319,393.64
Other Funds	<u>\$2,912,408.74</u>
Total All Funds	\$3,231,802.38

BOARD OF CHELAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

KEVIN OVERBAY, CHAIR

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ANABEL TORRES, Clerk of the Board