

CHELAN COUNTY BOUNDARY REVIEW BOARD

DECEMBER 15, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

6:22 Meeting called to order

Present:

Larry Cordes, Member
Duane Goehner, Member
Dennis Johnson, Member
Aaron Young, Member
Deanna Walter, Clerk
Susan Hinkle, Deputy PA
Commissioner Bugert

Draft minutes presented by Clerk

Motion by Duane Goehner to approve minutes as drafted

2nd – Aaron Young

Discussion – none

Vote – unanimous to approve

6:24 Discussion amongst board members regarding 2 candidates: Morgan Picton & Kate Redell

Duane Goehner would like to hear from the 2 candidates before selecting one. Noted that both candidates were invited to this meeting on Dec 9th via email

Susan Hinkle stated that although it would be nice to have the 5th member on board for the selection of the chair and vice-chair, you do have a quorum tonight. You also need to appoint your BRB Clerk and can select your own legal counsel. Susan vouched for Deanna Walter being appointed as the clerk for at least the first year.

Commissioner Bugert vouched for the PA office with Susan Hinkle as legal counsel.

6:38 **Motion** by Aaron Young to appoint Deanna Walter as BRB Clerk and to retain Susan Hinkle as legal counsel, or whomever is designated from the PA office

2nd – Dennis Johnson

Discussion – none

Vote – unanimous to approve

6:42 Back to discussion of 5th member. Dennis Johnson suggested a Chair and Vice-Chair be elected and would not be ready to select a 5th member without having an opportunity to meet with them and learn more about their background.

Aaron Young stated he knows both candidates and encouraged both to reach out to the BRB Clerk regarding interest in the position. Both are familiar with GMA, both from Chelan area with local roots and feels they can both balance the issues this Board will be dealing with.

Duane Goehner appreciated seeing representation from the Chelan area. He stated that during the Governor's vetting process for the 2 Governor appointees to this Board, there were supplemental questions. Maybe we could send some similar questions to learn more about the 2 current applicants.

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6:49 Commissioner Bugert mentioned that the BoCC is currently interviewing for the vacant Planning Commission positions and that they can pass along the names of non-selected persons if the BRB would like some additional options, but recognizes the desire to have representation from the Chelan area.

Larry Cordes asked what the process would be for interviewing these applicants. Discussion regarding employment interviews, executive sessions and selection included Susan Hinkle, legal counsel.

6:57 **Motion** by Duane Goehner to draft 2 questions (from each standing board member), send them to the Clerk, who will assemble the questions and send to applicants with timeline to respond. At next meeting, we will review responses & select a candidate

2nd – Aaron Young

Discussion – Larry Cordes asked if we are going to interview the candidates also.

Susan Hinkle responded: you should review answers in executive session. The Clerk will tell the candidates there will be an additional interview during the meeting in executive session.

Vote – unanimous to approve

7:09 Select Chair & Vice-Chair

Discussion amongst members regarding the role and that any one of the 4 members is capable of the role

7:11 **Motion** by Duane Goehner to elect Dennis Johnson as Chair

2nd – Larry Cordes

Discussion – Dennis Johnson accepts nomination

Vote – unanimous to approve

7:15 Chairman Johnson opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chair

Motion by Duane Goehner for nomination of Aaron Young as Vice-Chair

2nd – Larry Cordes

Discussion – Arron Young accepted the nomination

Vote – unanimous to approve

Chairman Johnson asked Commissioner Bugert whether the meetings will be only via zoom or if there would be an opportunity to meet in person.

Commissioner Bugert clarified that the Commissioners meeting room would be available to meet in person if that's what the Board would prefer.

Susan Hinkle stated that we just have to be aware of advance notice for public testimony and should include a zoom option so that due to COVID can include those not wanting to attend in person

Vice-Chair Young noted that once we get to the point of having public testimony, we need an in person format, but until then, zoom is convenient

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7:25 Chairman Johnson stated the January 26th meeting would be via zoom. On the agenda, we have the draft rules.

Susan clarified that the draft rules were modeled after other, existing Washington State BRBs

Duane Goehner had a question about the SEPA review section.

Susan Hinkle explained that section and clarified when it was applicable

Vice-Chair Young asked if not adopting rules this meeting would impact any action of the next meeting

Susan Hinkle stated that until jurisdiction is invoked, there is no issue in delaying.

Vice-Chair Young offered that this should be on the January agenda as a priority.

7:34 Agenda item #6 – Clerk needs to send notice of BRB jurisdiction to applicable Districts, RCW 36.93.020

Susan Hinkle stated that although it is a courtesy, and probably necessary, it is not statutorily mandated.

Motion by Vice-Chair Young to have the Clerk send notice to jurisdictions/districts per RCW 36.93.020, referring them to the website and copy in the standing BRB members

2nd – Larry Cordes

Discussion – none

Vote – unanimous to approve

Chairman Johnson mentioned the last item on the agenda, the Board budget.

Commissioner Bugert stated that the BoCC did include budget financing for the BRB, including advertising, supplies, misc expenses and per diem for members. Susan Ward will receive per diem forms. Per diem is \$50 per day/meeting

Chairman Johnson asked that the Board members submit their 2 questions for the candidates to the Clerk by 12/27 to be distributed to the candidates, giving them until 1/19/22 to respond. The Clerk will then distribute those responses to the existing Board members for review and further discussion at the 1/26/22 meeting.

7:47 **Motion** to Adjourn by Vice-Chair Young

2nd – Larry Cordes

Discussion – none

Vote – unanimous to adjourn

Adjourned