

## ASOTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 13, 2021

Regular Meeting

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

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Whitman moved to approve the minutes of September 7, 2021, as written. Seubert recused himself from approving Minutes due to being absent from last weeks meeting. Shinn seconded, motion carried.

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Ted Sharpe, Project Manager

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Sharpe presented and asked the Commissioners to sign a letter to Senator Patty Murray asking for help find and obtain funding for the Snake River Road Project.

Seubert moved to approve. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

Karst Riggers, Building Official

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Riggers presented Conditional Use Permit Application 21-22, submitted by Joshua and Tamara Bruns asking permission to operate an Air B&B on the property located at 620 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Clarkston. The property owner will only be letting out one room in the house on a temporary basis. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

Whitman moved to approve. Seubert seconded, motion carried.

Karst discussed the upcoming shoreline review. He is waiting for clarification from the Department of Ecology on how to accomplish the review while adding Dayton and Asotin Municipalities.

Megan Stewart, Asotin County Conservation District Coordinator

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Stewart gave an update on the Voluntary Stewardship Program. The Two-Year Status Report has been approved and submitted. Due to the June cutoff date the report does not include any information on the July wildfire damage to the area. The information will be included in the next report. The five-year report that was submitted last December has been accepted. The Conservation District has been focused on education and outreach. A landowner outreach video for low-tech habitat restoration work was recently completed and can be reached using the following link, <https://youtu.be/4DP5RWGIY8>.

Wanda Keefer, Port of Clarkston Manager

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Keefer gave an update on the current fiber/broadband network projects. She is currently working on two separate grant applications. She asked the commissioners to consider submitting letters in support of the projects to help further the applications along. The criteria for emergency broadband funding has changed and is now calculated based on how many area students receive free/reduced price lunches through the school district. Based on these calculations approx. 788 households would benefit from the program. She asked the Commissioners to consider a partial funding match that would help secure grant funding.

Keefer discussed the ADA/Curb Grant application for waterfront upgrades. Due to the Army Corps of Engineers change to their dredging plan, there is likely going to be more sediment buildup. The Port would like to extend the existing cruise ship doc. The current mairinea lease expires in November. The property is in need of upgrades and is an eyesore. The Port would like the County's input and letters of support.

Miscellaneous

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The Regence Dental Plan renewal was presented. The policy for 2022 has a cost decrease of 5.95% from 2021 policy.

Seubert moved to approve. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

The Board approved by consensus for Chuck Whitman to sign a Conditional Use Permit Application to be submitted to Building and Planning, regarding the future jail location. The Planning Commission will host a public hearing on the matter. The hearing will most likely be held at the Fire Station on October 19.

Committee Reports

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Media

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Claims approved and ordered paid:

# 001	Current Expense	\$ 37,942.02
# 101	County Road	\$ 18,985.70
# 104	County Fair	\$ 196.55
# 107	Veterans Relief	\$ 129.92
# 115	DUI County	\$ 3,754.67
# 117	Anatone Community Hall	\$ 71.35
# 126	Building & Planning	\$ 42.12
# 127	Emergency Svcs Communication	\$ 45.00
# 129	Community Services	\$ 8,229.96
# 410	Regional Landfill	\$ 4,565.38
# 460	Regional Stormwater	\$ 3,372.79
# 501	Equip Rental & Rev	\$ 24,122.32
# 502	Central Services	\$ 463.53
		\$ 101,921.31

The following voucher (warrant) numbers are approved for payment:  
310256 through 310391 for a total of \$101,921.31.

Board recessed at 10:25 a.m. until scheduled executive session at 2:26 p.m.

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Executive Session held at 2:26 p.m. for approximately 74 minutes regarding Contracts per RCW 42.30.110(1)(d).

Board adjourned at 3:40 p.m. until their next scheduled meeting at 6:30 p.m., Monday, September 20, 2021.

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Brian Shinn, Chairman

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September 20, 2021

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Stacey Harman, Clerk of the Board