

May 22, 2023

The meeting of the Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in their meeting room. Present were Chair Brian Smiley, Vice Chair Robert Rosencrantz, and Clerk of the Board Crystal Zieske. Commissioner John Gentle was excused for the week. C. Zieske offered the invocation and led the flag salute.

(1) R. Rosencrantz gave reports from POC Republicans, South Pend Oreille Fire & Rescue, and PO Conservation District meetings. B. Smiley reported on the Economic Development Council, Ione Town Council, and Parks Board meetings.

(2) Consent Agenda - Motion was made by R. Rosencrantz to approve the Consent Agenda, as prepared for May 22, 2023. Motion was seconded by B. Smiley. Motion carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda includes this week's Agenda, the Minutes of the Board's May 15, 2023 meeting and the following items:

Investment Earnings (year-to-date estimate, as of 05/19/23): \$ 422,232.52

Payroll Change Notice:

Counseling Services-

Jodi Rumph, Longevity, \$75.00/mo., Effective 6/1/2023

Public Works-Roads

Daniel "Danny" Holmes, Summer Road Technician, \$18.00/hr., Effective 5/18/2023

Trevor Saari, Summer Road Technician, \$18.00/hr., Effective 5/18/2023

Gary Simpson, Summer Road Technician, \$18.00/hr., Effective 5/18/2023

Nick Tucker, Summer Road Technician, \$18.00/hr., Effective 6/20/2023

Public Works-Parks

Lindsay Soss, Summer Park Technician, \$18.00/hr., Effective 5/18/2023

Counseling Services-

Mark Stenzel, Clinical Supervisor I, Full-time, Step 3, \$7,121.95/mo., Effective 6/1/2023

Prosecutor-

Alexis Cumston, Victim/Witness Program Coordinator, Full-time, Step 1, \$3,333.80/mo., Effective 6/1/2023

Sheriff-Corrections

Cameron Ferguson, Corrections Officer, Resignation, Effective 6/1/2023

DSHS and County Agreement on General Terms and Conditions  
*AGREEMENT NO. 2023-23, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING*

(3) Sheriff Glenn Blakeslee was present for an update. Present via Zoom was ITS Administrative Assistant/Civil Deputy Glennis Stott. Topics included staffing shortage, upcoming Washington Association of Sheriffs & Police Chiefs conference,

(4) Motion was made by R. Rosencrantz to approve the Payroll Change Notice for Dara Thomas, increasing the longevity to \$120.00/month. Motion was seconded by B. Smiley. Motion carried unanimously.

*Absent*  
  


Payroll Change Notice:

Assessor-

Dara Thomas, Longevity, \$120.00/mo., Effective 6/1/2023

(5) The Board recessed for lunch at 11:56 a.m.

(6) The meeting resumed at 1:30 p.m.

(7) Motion was made by R. Rosencrantz to approve and send a letter to John Wilson of Rocky Gorge Road, in support of his Forest Legacy easement, regarding issues he's previously discussed with PO Conservation District. Motion was seconded by B. Smiley. Motion carried unanimously.

(8) Bid Opening-2023 Maintenance Gravel. Present was Engineering Technician/Contracting & Procurement Agent Mike Kirkwood. Present via Zoom was an unidentified caller. The hearing was opened, and the notice was read. Bids were received from:

Newport Equipment Enterprises Inc., of Newport, WA, from the Diamond Lake pit, for \$15.00/ton for WSDOT Top Course and \$15.00/ton for Alternate Crushed ¾" minus;

Peak Sand & Gravel, of Sandpoint, ID, from Priest River pit, for \$11.00/ton for WSDOT Top Course;

Versatile Industries Inc., of Ione, WA, from the Metaline Falls pit, for \$12.50/ton for WSDOT Top Course;

Toner Sand & Gravel, of Elk, WA, for \$11.50/ton for WSDOT Top Course;

Green Dream International, of Erie, PA, from Highway 2 pit, for \$16.50/ton for Alternate Crushed ¾" minus;

Bode's Sand & Gravel, of Elk, WA, from the Chattaroy pit, for \$13.50/ton for WSDOT Top Course, and from N. Newport Highway pit, for \$16.50/ton for WSDOT Top Course.

and Wm. Winkler Co., of Newman Lake, WA, from the King's Lake pit, for \$10.00/ton for WSDOT Top Course.

Clarifying questions were asked by R. Rosencrantz. M. Kirkwood requested permission for time to review the bids for completeness and to prepare bid tabulations. Recommendation of awards will be presented at a later date. The hearing was closed.

(9) Prosecuting Attorney Dolly Hunt was present for a legal update. Topics included the drug possession law, public records request policy, and Treatment Sales Tax proposal.

(10) Colville National Forest District Ranger Carin Vadala was present for a Forest Service update. Discussion included Slate Project Area fire suppression. A demonstration of the Risk Management Assistance Dashboard was provided.

(11) Public Comment –No members of the public were present for comment.

(12) Meeting continued to May 23.

May 23, 2023 at Metaline Town Hall

The meeting resumed at 9:02 a.m. with B. Smiley, R. Rosencrantz, and C. Zieske present.



(13) Public Works Director Craig Jackson was present for an update. Also present was District 3 Foreman Paul Miller and via Zoom were Fleet Accountant/Risk Manager Teresa Deal, Office Manager/Cost Accountant Christy Parry, and Assistant Public Works Director George Luft.

Motion was made by R. Rosencrantz to officially delay the opening of the gate to POC Park and of the Park's overnight camping, upon the recommendation of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, until a park host can be secured. Motion was seconded by B. Smiley. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Jackson presented a PowerPoint on road usage charges. P. Miller reported on the condition of Robarge Road and Robarge North, which are being reverted to gravel, and the washout on Boundary. C. Jackson detailed the pathway along River Road, then discussed a Smackout Pass change order. Other topics included magnesium chloride on Fan Lake Road, personnel at district shops, road revenues, impact of Initiative 747, and POC Park host pad.

(14) Counseling Services Director Nicole Vangrimbergen was present for an update. Also present was Mental Health-Criminal Justice Program Administrator Lucretia Gill and via Zoom was T. Deal. Updates were provided on staffing, including the hiring of a Clinical Supervisor, Blake's bill, and substantial increase in Substance Use Disorder Treatment services.

Motion was made by R. Rosencrantz to approve and sign the 2023 Molina Healthcare of Washington, Inc. Provider Services Agreement amendment. Motion was seconded by B. Smiley. Motion carried unanimously.

Molina Healthcare of Washington Contract Amendment (*Amending A-2019-01 and R-2020-112*)  
*RESOLUTION NO. 2023-50, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING*

Motion was made by R. Rosencrantz to approve and sign the Better Health Together Project Specific Agreement resolution for clinical supervision. Motion was seconded by B. Smiley. Motion carried unanimously.

Better Health Together Project Specific Agreement  
*RESOLUTION NO. 2023-51, COMMISSIONERS' RECORDING*

(15) Public Comment –Mayor Pete Daggett was present for comment and Sonya Scaufaire was present via Zoom. P. Daggett (Cemetery Road) provided comment.

(16) Grant Writer Stacy Carter was present via Zoom for an update. Topics included library of resources and documents, projects, and Economic Development Summit. Fair Board members Glenn Miller and Kay Driver were also present via Zoom with Stacy, to request ARPA funds for fairgrounds improvements.

(17) The Board recessed for lunch at 11:58 a.m.

(18) The meeting resumed at 1:30 p.m.

(19) Selkirk Sasquatch Events Owner Susie Bisson was present for an update. She shared information about the event, "A Flash of Beauty," which received POC Hotel/Motel Tax funds.



(20) North Pend Oreille Valley Lions Club President/Advertising Committee Chairperson Gayle Pollack and Treasurer Irene Weiland were present for an update. A review of the Rail Riders program was provided, as well as use of POC Hotel/Motel Tax funds.

(21) Correspondence Received:

- 5.12 LEPC- 3.30.23 Agenda
- 5.13 NETCHD- 5.24.23 Agenda & 3.22.23 Minutes
- 5.14 USDA- Letter re: Three Rivers Ranger District Environmental Assessment Draft
- 5.15 TEDD/RTPO- 5.24.23 Agenda
- 5.16 NEW RTPO- 5.24.23 Agenda

(22) Correspondence Sent:

J. Wilson-Letter of Support for Forest Legacy Easement

(23) As of this date, the Board approved vouchers for payment as listed and made available by the Auditor's Office. The following vouchers/warrants/electronic payments are approved for payment:

	<u>Salary and Claim</u>
Current Expense	\$ 75,543.41
Counseling Services	\$ 1,148.17
Fair	\$ 550.00
Park	\$ 1,549.06
Road	\$ 2,340.80
Trial Court Improvement	\$ 122.43
American Rescue Plan Act	\$ 10,609.01
Solid Waste	\$ 3,940.97
Equipment R&R	\$ 4,157.66
IT Services	\$ 9,078.75
Sheriff's Trust	\$ 969.00
Sales/Excise Tax	<u>\$ 2,488.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 112,497.26

Checks 210781 through 210845 totaling \$107,281.43 and Electronic Funds Transfers 46485 through 46486 totaling \$5,218.63, dated May 22, 2023. Includes Jr. Taxing Districts.

(24) Meeting adjourned at 3:14 p.m.

APPROVED:   
Chair of the Board

ATTEST:   
Clerk of the Board