

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board
Ferry County Commissioners
Monday February 24, 2020**

Commissioner Davis opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Also present: Commissioner Johnna Exner, Clerk of the Board Amanda Rowton, Deputy Clerk of the Board Jennifer Knowles and interested members of the public.

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Changes and Additions to the Agenda

'School Bond' discussion was added to the Agenda.

'Planning Update' was added to the Agenda during the 'Candidate Recommendations for Appointment' time slot.

'Bill Affecting Elections' discussion was added to the Agenda.

Legislative Update

Lobbyist Zak Kennedy and Lobbyist Jim Potts were present (via conference call). Mr. Kennedy gave a legislative update. No action was taken.

Board Organizations for the Following Week

No action was taken.

Correspondence & Board Reports

No action was taken.

Approved Minutes

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the BOCC meeting minutes as presented for February 18, 2020. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for Personnel

Risk Manager Robert Young and Planning Director Bill Folks were present. The Board went into Executive Session at 9:45 a.m. for 15 minutes. The Board came out of Executive Session at 10:00 a.m. No action was taken.

Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for Personnel

Risk Manager Robert Young, Building Inspector Mike Nee, Payroll Specialist Rosanna Champion, and Planning Director Bill Folks were present. The Board went into Executive Session at 10:00 a.m. for 30 minutes. The Board extended for 15 minutes. The Board extended for an additional 15 minutes. The Board came out of Executive Session at 11:00 a.m. No action was taken.

Candidate Recommendations for Appointment and Planning Update

Republican Party President Lorna Johnson and Planning Director Bill Folks were present. Ms. Johnson presented the Board with District 3 Commissioner recommendation letter (ex. #1). The

Republican Party had a 2 ½-hour meeting to interview and to discuss candidates for the District 3 Commissioner position. The letter contains the names of the three recommended candidates. The candidates are as follows:

1. Howard Hambleton
2. Morgan Jannot
3. Michael Heath

Discussion was held on a meeting with the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Planning Department. Discussion was held on the possibility of the Conservation District taking care of Curlew Lake, they will be looking into funding for it. Mr. Folks asked the Board if the Planning/Building Office can close the office on Fridays to customers so they can get caught up on work during the busy season. The Board would be willing to allow for a partial closing of the office on Fridays. The office would possibly be open for 1-2 hours on Friday mornings to customers. The Board asked Mr. Folks to think about what would work for them and come back to discuss it with the Board. Mr. Folks is developing a demolition permit for disposal purposes. No action was taken.

Consent Items

Performing Arts, Tourism, and Recreation Fund Contract Between Ferry County and Husky Auto & Truck 2020 was signed by the Board. (ex. #2)

Performing Arts, Tourism, and Recreation Fund Contract Between Ferry County and Republic Visitors Convention Bureau was signed by the Board. (ex. #3)

Lunch

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Public Works Update

Ron Charlton and Mary Kalinowski were present. Ms. Kalinowski presented the Board with a Public Works Agenda (ex. #4). They need to advertise for bulk gas and diesel fuel delivery services. Discussion was held on ecology blocks. The blocks are in Omak and they will go pick them up. The expense will come out of distressed area. Public Works received six citations in the amount of \$6,600 for the accident in Keller, they are going to appeal it. Culvert funding was approved by FEMA. Some roads in the county are eligible for ERFO (Emergency Relief for Federally Owned roads) funding. No action was taken.

Economic Impact of the Fairgrounds Rate Change

Kathy Ciais was present. Ms. Ciais received a phone call from the BMW group. The BMW group has been having their rally in Ferry County for about 10 years. They have cancelled this year due to price increases at the Fairgrounds. They rent out Ms. Ciais's motel every year, and the motel will lose a lot of revenue due to the cancellation. The BMW group spends money at the local grocery stores, gas stations, and restaurants in Ferry County. No action was taken.

Bill Affecting Elections

Auditor Dianna Galvan was present. Discussion was held on the House Bill that could affect elections. *The Board will sign onto the letter regarding the elections bill.* Discussion was held on the proper procedure in appointing a new commissioner. No further action was taken.

School Bond

Republic School Superintendent Kevin Young was present. Republic needs a new Junior High and High school. Discussion was held on the bond. They would have to run a special election. Discussion was held on the buildings, heating, water, and grants. Commissioner Davis would like to get together with Mr. Young and with Jim Burnside and put a package of information together for the community. Rochelle Rodak has volunteered to be the Bond Committee Chairman, and Nancy Giddings volunteered to be on the Bond Committee. No action was taken.

Working Session

Discussion was held on the appointment of the new County Commissioner. Discussion was held on the Republic School Bond. No action was taken.

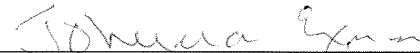
Adjourn

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

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FERRY COUNTY, WASHINGTON



CHAIRMAN, Nathan Davis



VICE CHAIRMAN, Johnna Exner



MEMBER, Howard Hambleton

ATTEST:


Clerk of the Board, Amanda Rowton