

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board
Ferry County Commissioners
Monday June 6, 2022**

Commissioner Heath opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Also present: Commissioner Nathan Davis, Clerk of the Board Amanda Rowton, Deputy Clerk of the Board Marie Lacovara and interested members of the public. Commissioner Derek Gianukakis was absent due to another meeting.

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Changes and Additions to the Agenda

Correspondence & Board Reports

Approved Minutes

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the QCFG meeting minutes as corrected for May 20, 2022. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the BOCC meeting minutes as presented for May 23, 2022. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

Pay Raise Request

Prosecutor Kathryn Burke, Risk Manager Paivi Morse and Jaina Bledsoe were present. Discussion was held on the Prosecutor's request to give a pay raise of \$3,000.00 each to her current office staff. No raises were approved. Ms. Bledsoe brought up the subject of Mrs. Burke brings her child to work with her and believes that Mrs. Burke should be paying for childcare instead of bringing her child to work. Ms. Bledsoe believes that Mrs. Burke is causing a distraction in the office and is misusing tax payer funds by having her child in the work place. No action was taken.

Maintenance Update

Lead Custodian Trenton Wellman and Risk Manager Paivi Morse were present. Discussion was held on the status of the log cabin and color options for the outside of the building. No action was taken.

USFS Update

District Ranger Travis Fletcher was present. Discussion was held on current litigation, an upcoming meeting about wolf issues that Mr. Fletcher will be attending, continuous work being done on USFS projects, road issues caused by this weekend's rainstorm and staffing issues. Tonasket's District Ranger has retired so Mr. Fletcher will be taking on additional job duties and will also serve as the Tonasket District Ranger until they can find a replacement. No action was taken.

Lunch

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:02 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Public Hearing for Ordinance 2022-03 and 2022-04

Lorna Johnson was present. Hearing was opened at 1:00 p.m. and closed at 1:02 p.m. The Ordinances that were submitted are below.

Ordinance 2022-03 Ferry County Park and Trail Day Use

Ordinance 2022-04 Ferry County Park Camping Regulation

Public Hearing Budget Amendment 2022

Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib and Chief Deputy Auditor Ben Davies were present.

Hearing was opened at 1:15 p.m. and continued until June 13, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

Auditor Discussion

Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib, Chief Deputy Auditor Ben Davies and Sheriff Ray Maycumber were present. Discussion was held on the various wording in the proposed union contract and what wages are to be back paid. Back pay is understood to be based only on the employee's base salary. On page 12 section 11.2 it is understood that the Sheriff also has the ability to deny any vacation cash out request based on what is available within the Sheriff's budget and not just the ability to defer the request. The extra insurance that is being requested will be paid by the Sheriff's office and not be the responsibility of payroll. Grants were mentioned in the contract and currently Stone Garden is the only eligible grant that is available at this time. Please see consent items below.

Bid Opening for Indigent Defense

Hearing was opened at 1:30 and closed at 1:30 p.m. Bids that were received are below.

Legal Solutions Law Office of Pamela Lamica for \$20,000.00.

Lake Roosevelt National Park Update

Dan Foster and Director Ron Charlton (Ron joined the meeting at 2:15 p.m.) were present. Discussion was held on the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail. A new Ice Age Flood brochure and a history of the trail were presented to the board. Discussion was also held on seasonal staff shortages and staff working on solutions for various issues that are occurring with the fish cleaning stations. No action was taken. (Ex. #1)

Public Works and Solid Waste Update

Director Ron Charlton, Controller Mary Kalinowski and Solid Waste Manager Leanne Hawley were present. Discussion was held on the recycling out at the transfer station and the cost to collect it. The transfer station would like to stop offering recycling on paper and plastic due to cost. Discussion was also held on how the system is currently calculates fees and if it is possible to make changes to the program. Discussion was also held on the security of the transfer station and what could be done to make it more secure afterhours. The property next to the transfer station has been leased out and the Vaagen Land access for that property goes through part of the transfer station. Please see consent items below. (Ex. #2)

Discussion was also held on BLM wanting to do logging above racetrack and where in the budget the new parks and recreation position will be placed. No action was taken

Consent Items

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the Appointment of Monte Kurtz to the Ferry County Recreation and Resource Board. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #3)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve Warrant ACH Direct Deposit in the amount of \$19,998.63. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #4)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve Warrant #345861-345895, #345906 and EFT in the amount of \$534,084.84. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #5)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve Warrant #345907-346004 in the amount of \$617,295.78. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #6)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the Transfer of Funds from Tourism to Distressed Area in the amount of \$5,400.00. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #7)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-03 – Ferry County Park and Trail Day Use. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #8)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-04 – Ferry County Park Camping Regulation. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #9)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve Warrant ACH Direct Deposit in the amount of \$6,820.66. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #10)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the Working Agreement between Ferry County Sheriff's Department and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees AFSCME-AFL-CIO Local 1135F from January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2024. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. (Ex. #11)


Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve Issuing a One-Time Inflation Bonus to all Non-Union County Employees in the amount of \$1,000.00. Funds are to be taken out of ARPA funding. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the Transfer Stations Request to No Longer Offer Recycling on Plastic and Paper products. The Solid Waste Manager will advertise the change for two weeks and the change will take effect July 1, 2022. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.


Adjourn

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

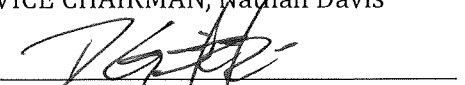
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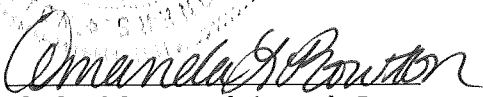
VICE CHAIRMAN, Nathan Davis



MEMBER, Derek Gianukakis



ATTEST:


Clerk of the Board, Amanda Rowton