

**Board Of Okanogan County Commissioners**  
**Tuesday May 31<sup>st</sup>, PM**

Present:

Chris Branch (CB) – BOCC Vice Chair, District 1

Andy Hover (AH) – BOCC Chair, District 2

Jim DeTro (JD) – BOCC, District 3

Lanie Johns (LJ) – Clerk of the Board

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**Summary of Significant Discussions or Actions:** Government affairs expert with Charter Communications discussed private/public partnership to extend broadband infrastructure in the County – Affordable. Discussion among BOCC regarding purchase of a tractor for fairgrounds for \$18,000. Sheriff’s Office recommends bids for Medication for Opioid Abuse Grant along with a consultant. Family Health Center to do nursing oversight and peer navigation services, Ideal Option out of Kennewick to be the contract medical provider.

1:30 It was decided that no Wednesday meeting was needed.

1:35 Public Comment period – no public comment.

1:45 Went into Executive Session under 4230.110.1(g) evaluating application for public employee until 2:06\*\*\*\*\*

2:07 Went into Executive Session under 4230.110.(1)(g), evaluating qualifications with Tanya Everett, HR & Risk Manager. Until 2:25\*\*\*\*\*

2:30 Government Affairs Expert from Charter Communications/Broadband presented possibility of public/private partnership for increasing broadband infrastructure in Okanogan County. Charter would be able to match the funds for the grants.

2:57 JD & AH discuss with CB purchase of a tractor for \$18,000. they decided to do a little more shopping first.

Moved, Seconded, and carried to approve \$1,723,830 in vouchers & \$71,220.81 for Public Health payroll and vouchers.

3:11 Sheriff's Office: Sheriff Hawley and Undersheriff Aaron Culp present Bid Recommendations to

utilize for Medication for Opioid Abuse Grant, along with a consultant. Family Health Center Advance for Peer Navigation Services for \$87,024, Family Health Center for Nursing oversight at \$204,128 yearly, and Ideal Option out of Kennewick for Medical Provider Services at \$75,000 yearly. Moved, Seconded and Carried to approve these bids.

3:22

CB spoke briefly about cost of Shoreline Review per Brian Boesel.

3:31

Meeting Adjourned until Monday @ 9:00.