

Board of Okanogan County Commissioners
Tuesday December 21, 2021 Am

Present:

Chris Branch (CB) – BOCC Chair, District 1

Andy Hover (AH) – BOCC Vice Chair, District 2 (*in & out, in negotiations*)

Jim DeTro (JD) – BOCC, District 3

Lanie Johns (LJ) – Clerk of the Board

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Summary of Significant Discussions or Actions: Facility assessments ongoing, map of new precincts, legislative districts in draft, also, comp plan timeline to be publicized, Methow Valley Irrigation District Franchise approved, Fuel bids decided, and Public Works update. Request from MV News for information regarding Judicial appointment

9:10

Joe Poulin (JP), Maintenance Supervisor reports on ongoing facility assessments being conducted with no report yet. Also, awaiting hearing back from Divco re; HVAC systems. Also, frozen pipes in courthouse this AM, in the restrooms – window was left open.

9:14

Pete Palmer (PP), Planning Director reports she e-mailed map draft for redistricting line – precinct lines don't match the district lines. PP has 6 different meetings to attend with Marijuana group and the Aviation group. Still working on Comprehensive Plan document to get to Jenna by noon, then publicizing as per timeline.

PP also reported her office is putting together their own emergency response plan, until full one is in place. Would like to discuss with the other department heads. CB suggested at the new Dept head meeting.

County Treasurer cancelled finance meeting today. AH is in Union negotiation today.

CB and LJ discuss statewide face coverings exceptions – sleeping and bathing.

9:36 LJ reports e-mail from consultant on Loomis Fire Dept project. Currently surveying Loomis residents. LJ also reports that Marcy Stamper from the MV News requesting documents regarding the Judicial selection last week. CB would like to wait until AH is in to discuss this.

10:55 AH is back

11:00 Continuation of hearing for the Franchise of the Methow Valley Irrigation District. Jo Ann Stansbury and Josh Thomson from Public Works. Current document states no intent to override previous agreements. No public testimony today. Moved, seconded, and carried to adopt Resolution 169-2021 #u04-21 MV Irrigation District Utility Franchise

11:08

Josh Thomson (JT), County Engineer gives update on maintenance and road conditions. Overtime last weekend for snowplowing, some drifts on the Cameron Lake Road.

JT discussed trying out the new computer system to see what all it can do. Also, talking with other county public works departments to see how it is working for them.

JT talks about their recommendations for the fuel bids. Coleman Oil is primary due to lower price. CB and JT talk about possibility of WDFW moving into current public works building. JT states they came and looked, and it doesn't appear to be feasible for them.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:26