

BOCC Notes  
February 1, 2016

Present:

RC - Ray Campbell, BOCC

SK - Sheilah Kennedy, BOCC

AL - Albert Lin, Prosecuting Attorney

LJ - Lanie Johns, Clerk of the Board

PH - Perry Huston, Director of Planning & Development

Josh - Josh Thomson, PW Engineer

PW - Public Works employees other than Josh

Absent - Jim Detro, BOCC (JD or DT)

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*Note-taker's comments & clarifications in italics. Notes verbatim inasmuch as possible, otherwise summarized.*

Arrived at about 9:09. PH was involved in a very active discussion with BOCC, Ray Campbell and Sheilah Kennedy, along with A.L., att'y.

As I sat down, Albert came over and engaged me in conversation about laptop computers as I was trying to hear. The discussion was fairly animated, but I was unable to hear.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION #1: - 20 min.**

Ray Campbell then interrupted the discussion saying he thought they should go into executive session. Sheilah suggested an executive session for 15 minutes for litigation. Perry wanted to add something about discussing the qualifications of a public employee. Motion was made for 20 min. Executive Session for SK, RC, PH, Al. LJ leaves too. *Purpose for excluding public not announced except as stated. Time of return not announced.*

9:36 - BOCC returns, thanks Albert for his work. Albert leaves.

(As they enter) PH to SK - What was the title of that timber sale? SK - West Fork. PH - We'll go explore.

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## **WEST FORK TIMBER SALE**

RC talking extremely quietly, I can't hear. I say, "Is it possible to turn on the mic's?" No one answers. I ask again. Lanie says she just did.

SK - Do we want to go ahead and verify that they/we are going to clear tomorrow? *(This apparently refers to something discussed in exec. session in re West fork Timber sale. RC has decided to go to Olympia, so their schedule for tomorrow must be modified.)* RC - I am going to testify tomorrow over there. This timber sale is going on. I want to be sure it's going to happen in this county. There is opposition there. It's always the same groups opposed. I want to be sure there is a reasonable voice. LJ - So we need a room? RC - Red Lion? I stayed there once before. if that doesn't work, La Quinta ...they didn't charge last time. LJ - that worked out all right, then. RC - Tonight and tomorrow because I'll be there Wednesday also. LJ - Tuesday and Wednesday. Lanie leaves.

SK - Talking about someone who apparently contacted her. Discussion with RC about times for him to come in - SK have him come in this morning at 11:00? We continued him from last week. RC - hate to put him off. SK - If not, I can sit down with him later with Josh and talk about road issues. She leaves - asks me to excuse her. Only one present is RC, on his computer.

9:45 - Lanie enters. Says to RC they will have a confirmation for him.

9:46 - Kathy enters, to RC - "Here is your updated confirmation."

SK - Mr. Graves said he would come in at 1:30 today.

RC - (I can't hear. Something about 1:30 and Perry - "Oh, Ok. I see. Sorry.")

9:48 - Lanie re-enters. All silent again.

### **Scheduling discussions**

RC - Whispering to Sheilah. SK - it's on the 20th? 24th, from 5-8 at the flour mill. RC, LJ, SK - Low talk about scheduling. SK - Also, Feb. \_\_ will be that celebration of life for Anna's husband. I'll be going for sure. Checking cell phone. Feb 10th at 2:00 at (Okanogan?) Grange.

9:55 - Lanie. Sent out a cancellation of tomorrow. Sending out to Josh and Kenny about 1:30 today. 9:58 - RC leaves, returns quickly with paperwork. I ask LJ what was canceled. LJ- Tomorrow canceled because no quorum (*Due to RC heading to Olympia to testify.*) All day.

*Lanie - (to me, re e-mail I sent to her yesterday.) "We do not record regular BOCC meetings. We are required to tape certain hearings. If a topic is of interest to the BOCC, they may ask that I record that, then I do."*

SK - LJ Consent agenda moved up to 3:00. LJ - Albert got message that we canceled staff tomorrow. Should he cancel discussions with Sandy? SK - I will be here and available.

10:02 - BOCC still on computers. Lanie sending/answering e-mails re scheduling. LJ - We are required to fill out an accountability worksheet at beginning of each year. I am behind. The revenue sheet has one line....our books show a different line. We had a grant reimbursing spending line....creating an issue on my end, because I can see where it was supposed to be deposited, but staff said the line was changed to another number and we are depositing there now. SK - when did auditor change the number? LJ - trying to figure out. RC - We need to get it (cleared up) LJ - I think I'm going to be finding this with a lot of grants. Can't find the revenue on clerk's grant. Strange because we asked them to set up a certain category for that. but not in the clerk's line. SK - I think I remember seeing that. LJ - inconsistent with what we are supposed to be doing. Telling you because you may be told I'm holding things up. It's true. Unfortunately, staff isn't ready yet. Be aware I may be working on it this week. Want to let you know because of .... understanding nodding heads on part of both Lanie and SK. LJ- I believe a couple of (?) - last year that carried the (?) not sure if they go back to that one. SK listening attentively. RC on other things.

SK - Cattle guard franchises. Since JD not here, request we pull cattle guard 1-76. In case of any kind of conflict whatsoever - smiles at me, nods head. That should be rescheduled once DT is back. (16th?) Under our packets, it shows professional services agreement that should probably be..... ??*This cattle guard is referred to later and appears to be owned by Sheilah and her partner, thus her concern re conflict until DT is present.*

### **Misc. financial documents, Tonasket visitor center water.**

SK - Then I was looking at Sheriff's record 8-2015. It's in there twice. Both look the same. Maybe something minor was tweaked? Both show end date of Feb. 29th. SK, LJ - too soft to hear.

10:15 - RC returns. Wants to be sure Lanie records that no decisions made during previous exec session.

SK - Same with Tonasket Visitor's center. LJ- one with operating costs, one with capital.....SK - I see.

SK - Did you hear from clerk of Okanogan re water? LJ - Did not send us the report, but did tell us where it was on our website.

10:20 - RC - asks something about cattleguards. SK - Just going to pull Delfeld one, to avoid possible conflicts "because it is our cattleguard. "

### **Rodeo Trails water system issue**

SK - Maybe it's because they are proposing for 20-year improvement plan? (Rodeo Trails water replacement.) Water system only comes to...no, it goes to Valley Lumber and may go to that park, but no further than that. Don't know why they would extend to Fair anyway, because outside of city limits (RC agrees, says I would send a question about that.) SK - I don't see where they are going to annex anything. ... I see. Extension to sports complex to improve fire flows. Sports complex next to Valley Lumber. City maintains, had a grant. RC - Confirms location. SK - To provide for future expansion to the North. Shiflet's alfalfa fields, mini-storage, then fairgrounds. RC - asks questions quietly, can't hear. SK - thinks he's under contract with Vjeraska's.

10:30 - Lanie goes out, reenters with paperwork for RC and SK.

SK - Before we do that, I need to ask for an Exec Session re union negotiations & contracts for 10 min. PH enters as she speaks. RC makes the motion for Exec. Session. PH to be included in session.

## **Executive Session #2: 10:30 - 10:40 (10 Min.)**

They leave close to 10:30. Lanie stays. I ask for clarification of the title of first Executive Session, she gives it (above.) *Purpose for excluding public not announced. Time of return not announced.* PH, RC, SK Re-enter about 10:40. All silent.

## **Bids for Restroom Facilities at Fairgrounds:**

SK - Question: Capital facilities at restroom at fairgrounds. We are getting ready to put this out to bid. What do we let people know ahead of time ...LJ - once engineer has provided Scope of Work and estimates, we can give people the bottom line but not the individual costs of the items.

## **Executive Session vs Closed Session - definitions**

LJ - re union negotiations - I will be calling it a "Closed Session" from now on. RCW's will not let you go into Executive Session for that, but you can go into closed session. I'm going to start making that distinction now.

10:55 - All on computers. 11:00 - Someone enters and is greeted as Mr. (Dealy?) Asks Lanie whether she's going to get "Eric's thing" done today. Lanie asks him if he'd like a copy of the draft. Says he can get a copy of this and the job description. Gives him the paperwork. He thanks them and leaves. They joke around together as he leaves.

## **Scheduling items**

11:02 - Josh just confirmed that he will not be here at 1:30.

11:12 - Tanya enters, whispers with Lanie. They converse and leave.

About 11:15 - PH enters, hands me the print-off of announcement of scheduling changes for today, leaves.

## **Public Health/Board of Health grants - signing vouchers**

11:29 - Lanie - Department Heads signing vouchers for grants (?) *Quiet, hard to follow.* Sk did we grant them authority to sign, or does Public Health grant them the authority? Almost like Public Health - any grant - who is going to sign vouchers, and then the BOCC maybe accepts that? Lanie - When I looked at charter.

There is appointment of administrative ...SK - we have not done that yet with this particular Charter...it keeps being continued. LJ - In this regard...not the county vouchers at all. Why would...I can't remember who requested the.... Sk -if it's their funding, their employees, all the BOCC does is to appoint the administrative person? That person should be the one to do that. Used to be 3 people in the past, but now we are getting consistent with the new charter...both LJ and SK are trying

to figure it out. Looking at computers. Lanie - I think you are right. SK Bd of Health makes the motion...then the chairman....Sk - wants consistency with whatever is needed.

### **Meeting/Hearing in Oly - West Fork Logging Sale (Salvage?)**

11:55: Hearing or meeting in Oly - the one Ray is going to attend tomorrow: SK - From what I understand, it's in the DNR building - Capital building is here, WSAC is here, it's about 3-4 blocks from the capital. RC - 3-4 blocks from capital. Room 172.

### **Lunchtime? (*When does meeting adjourn?*)**

12:00 or so - RC leaves. 12:10 - I ask Sheilah if they come back at 1:30. She says yes. Then says sometimes we don't leave.

12:15 - Lunch time? No one adjourned. SK and RC have come back. Lanie not here.

Lunchtime discussion (appears to be regarding the meeting in Olympia)

RC - Somewhere East of summit, by Buzzard Lake. SK - looks like they already had some sales in that vicinity. RC - How much of that burned? SK - Nice if they could do an overlay of the two fires. RC - At highway 20...fades in and out. Stayed just to the west of the summit. SK - so on the West side, all the way to Chiliwist, back and around. RC - the Chiliwist is lower down...Beaver Ck area.... also creeps way up the hill...Chiliwist all burned. jumped Hwy in Beaver Ck area. Fish & wildlife plan....Maltais place,,,Charles place... all that in the canyon, Finley canyon like a funnel - and down the Chiliwist. All of that. E. side of S. Summit did not burn. (Cannot hear RC. He leaves again at 12:20.)

12:24 - RC re-enters. RC and SK involved in very quiet but seemingly intense conversation. RC looking at cell phone, describing something to SK. Extremely quiet talking. Mics apparently off. Word heard "resources"...RC talking, SK nodding. SK - so isn't that an ongoing thing where every year, ....has to fight for ....Sk continuing to nod head. What time is that supposed to be? RC 2:30 (?) . Where at? Can't hear. 4:00. RC covering mouth. SK - I can do it. Smiling at each other. SK - I will do that. RC - appreciate it. Sk - I will let her know. RC - I did call him yesterday. ...Howard (?) might be there. RC hands SK a piece of paper and appears to be writing directions down for Sheilah, who is nodding head. Impossible to hear Ray. Standing over Sheilah with coat on. SK: "OK. I will see what I can represent well (attempt, anyway.)" *Probably in reference to West Fork Sale, from the context. (When does meeting adjourn? When in session?)*

RC - Puts on coat leaves about 12:34. I ask if they are adjourned, or when they adjourned. I can't tell what is a part of the meeting and what is not. Sheilah says they don't always adjourn. Often there are conversations that go through lunch. After a couple more interchanges between me and SK, both SK and LJ agree that they don't really adjourn until the end of the day. *(No way of telling whether the meeting is still going on or not.)* LJ and Sheilah still at their computers when I leave to take break about 12:45

1:25 - I return. Josh, PW, SK, LJ already present, conversation.

### **1:30 - Public Works (Change in schedule.)**

#### **Graves Road issue: Plowing**

Pat Graves Is requesting that the schedule be changed from stopping at Goldmark's. Over in Section 14 is where I live. about 23 miles one way from Goldmark's. Snowplow has been stopping here. If I wait at least another day - I can't go out to the north nor to the south. I have a least one way out. I have myself, wife, son, his wife, 4-year old child. I found out a few weeks ago the road was blocked. RC - What is schedule? PW - secondary route. RC - means second day route. Based on how many people in area? PW: Yes. We have to cut off at some point. They are always being adjusted and changed. We don't mind looking at them. To add this on, we need to take off at another place. RC - Is this because of lack of personnel and equipment, or what? I thought we were putting on more people to cover you. PW- we only have 2 temporaries on. That's what we felt like we could get by with this time. We are trying to cover holes as well as possible.

RC - In previous years, low snowfall so not a big issue. What was done in years past when we had heavy snowfalls? PW - We have areas there, some extreme drifting. Pat's son used to catch school bus there so we stretched the route to his house. Since then, we added another route to Cameron Lake and no one was catching the bus at Pat's. By the time driver goes to Spence's where bus turns around. 4 more homes bet. Spence's and Goldmark's. He does that. If he did another 3 miles down the pass, could not get back in time for bus. Pat is in a no-man's spot. If you want to include Pat so he can go out north end, we would leave school bus on own with one lane plowed and sanded.

SK - His grandchild will be 5 and will be going to school, so we need to solve this. Discussion about how far away Timm's is. I suggest you call Rick Timm call you up - for years there was a real problem. They have their own grader. They have a problem from time to time like we do. It's not the people who are doing the work, it is the plan. If you go up Omak Lake road, ....discussion ensues over which roads

are how long, where they go, etc. PW says that adding another truck along that route, it will still add some resources somewhere.

Graves: How did you do it in the past? PS - didn't go up to Cameron Lake during that time period. You are right, as the demands of service increase, we have to change. Josh - You may have to start earlier and then you'll be out in front on the way back. If the service extends, .....RC - to do the 3 miles, depends upon conditions. PW - 1/2 hour probably . RC - What would it take to do it wide enough for the school bus? PW - this year is , as far as fog and visibility it has been really bad. slowed the plow route down considerably. Probably the difference in doing the end of the route - maybe an hour.

RC - can the guy put in an extra hour earlier of overtime? PW - yes. RC - if it takes more time, get it done anyway. PW - Pat being where he is, in a day we look at (especially this year with wet snow) we have not been able to get away from high traffic areas - we sacrifice areas like Pat's for the slick, compact places that are more dangerous. RC - when conditions require it, and it's reasonable, and extra hour of overtime should be ok. Pat - if you start at 6AM, how long do trucks warm up? PW - Heated shop, so not long. PW - we are trying to be ahead of the school bus at all times, want them to cooperate re late start. Has been good to this point. RC - If you take the extra hour, if not sufficient for school, let them know. PW - Driver would like to be out there earlier. SK - For the limited amount of time, it would probably balance out with times when we have no snow. PW - if overnight "event" it is different. Pat - 8 people live out there. Some of them may have been there for over 100 years. It would be good if I could know when you are going to come out. 3 other people work in town. Now, south is the only way out.

SK - At any given point...Timm's have a 3rd grader and they drive him back and forth ...a very large taxpayer .....budgets are smaller, but we can still reorganize to address everyone's needs. PW - would like to think our service is at a level when he could know when to expect us. It has been pretty consistent in the past. I told Pat we can look at any way to feasible make changes to help this situation. We haven't shortchanged anyone, even Timm's.

RC - You are right. We have had a lot more phone calls. This isn't just Pat, there are other areas of concern. Tax payers with kids, etc. who need to get in and out. PW - Does this address your concerns? Pat - I'm in a corner. I have a limited number of options. No matter what, it will be a loser to me. I could say you are discriminating against me. First priority of the county should be agriculture people. If you don't take care of the large land owners, they are the basis of the economy. Wheat

farmers, orchards, small business. It has to work out at some point. It would be nice if you could get out of your house. Most ranchers are also working in town. The way it is. I need to get out one way or the other. I could also buy the equipment. Or maybe I should move.

SK - Can we give Mr. Graves a time frame on leaving early? PW - if an event is forecasted, we will start an hour early. RC - we need to see if there are other routes that have the same problem. PW - I can show you how we prioritize them. Hundreds of people in same situation. I can show you why we do what and where. We are leaving some people out. RC - I wish I had seen these maps a long time ago. PW - At a meeting, I'll bring up the map and show you other areas that are in the same situation. SK - Do we have more trucks than drivers or more drivers than trucks? PW - about equal. If one plow is down, one person down. Two for a grader. If heavy snow, we will use the graders. They are most efficient. SK - Is this something we need to consider in hiring contractors that have graders that could possibly put plows on their dump trucks to take isolated routes. Please look at this . In major storm event, you could have a contract to cover the people we cannot cover now.

Graves finished.

### **Josh Thomson, Public Works:**

#### **Personnel - Need contract administrator for coming busy season.**

Josh: We are coming into construction season and do not have contract administrator. We would like to hire someone who knows position or train them for the position. Something similar as to what we did with Tech 2 or Tech 3, etc. SK - problem I see if we go back to Tech 2,3 is you have a lot of work to do with the unions. This is under the Tech 4 position. Once Wade left and came back, we were going to try to get another Tech 4 to cross -train with him. Has it happened? Josh - No. We are so buried, everyone struggling just to keep up with their own jobs. Amanda - bright, will pick it up, but has only been here 3 days. SK - are there other Tech 4's that have experience? One, but he is overloaded with other stuff. We'll pool everyone we have to get the job done, but it's one of the busiest seasons we have had. SK - other possibility is contract it out and have someone else oversee contract portion. PW - We have a lot of responsibility . There is a lot that WE have to certify ourselves. If we screw up, we are responsible. We can get help with part of it. Something about having to cover 7 million \$\$ on 7 devils. Sheilah mentions a contracting company...Josh says they are in Wenatchee, which is something of a problem. SK - Would like to ask for next Tues meeting at latest, probably before so we can review, some options on what we can't do, what's available. Not everyone has

a contract officer. What do cities do? Who does that for them? Josh - they typically don't have the staff... other counties have someone internal who oversees every contract. They have someone there running the entire project. RH2 - the contractor in Wenatchee. A VERY EXPENSIVE option. More than double. Have to pay someone per diem. (Josh said he checked thoroughly. Over double what he had estimated.) PH - What is the context of amount? Josh - 75,000 vs 150,000. I used to do that job, so I know. Usually 10% of the bid. SK - Bruce Smith just retired from Granite Construction. He might be somebody that Josh can contact to see if he is interested in overseeing. He has done that before. If we do any changes to the contract description, this will create a whole new job that needs to be approved by the Union.

Josh - Not so sure about that. The differences in the Tech level, is only the level of responsibility . They all have that in their description. A tech 3 could do a lot of the work, just not supervising certain things. RC - if the person is not yet up to a Tech 4, does that leave a gray area? Josh - test of the verification is usually an audit. Sometimes things can be corrected, etc. Josh - I'd be happier with a Tech 4, but we could't get one. I'd be ok with a Tech 3.

SK - a Tech 2 has been there 10 years. Have they received cross- training? They have been doing a full-time job. The job descriptions are all the same. They have a lot of things in them. SK - This is the same area that brings us back to the same discussion. Why have a Tech 2,3,4 job description that all have that you can advance with experience and knowledge. Why aren't we doing that? People are hired to do everything in the job description. why aren't they doing the whole thing? Josh - poorly written, but it says they MAY be doing things within this description, not that they will do ALL these things. SK - It says I 'm going to be able to do all these jobs and will do all these jobs, and that's what their pay is for...plus other duties as assigned. SK - I want to see recommendations/options by next week for our review and consideration. PH - An observation. BOCC might want to consider... you have a job description with everything included. Begs question if it's even possible. It also begs question if all those duties should be paid the same. SK - a slippery slope. We have eliminated positions as people retired. PH - you don't pay by volume, but should not. If same skill set listed in all jobs but only one person does it, it may be time to consider pulling that skill set out and make specialized position - some jobs don't lend themselves to this. I'm just suggesting that maybe we look hard at all the jobs. Cross-training should stay there. What should actually be the expectation:? SK - We are now going into one of the busiest years we have seen, and they will be starting in the next 2 weeks. PH - to keep wheels on the car,

you need another discussion maybe a year down the road. SK - I'd like to address both years right now and be done with it.

**Josh - Grange road.** Problem with the oil. Down to gravel. The oil supply co will come out and look at it. When I looked, it looks like an oil problem to me. Individual rocks are coming off. We are not seeing problems with the substrate. SK - Does the supplier stand behind their oil? Josh - I think he said it wasn't in their contract. John Gelstin called PW back. He's scheduling something on Feb. 15th. PW - probably worst year for potholes since (he) has been here.

## **Perry Huston: Planning Study Session**

### **Edelweiss Open Space Contract: Granting requested extension? (No)**

Approved contract August 8 last year. They are supposed to sign and return. If not signed, assumed not accepted. Volkman sent letter after end of year asking if they could be allowed to sign the contract. Fires kept them busy, etc. State code allows BOCC to consider circumstances, local Code does not. We are asking if you are going to let them sign the contract or do they have to start over again? RC - what is the verbiage? What is it about? The Open space. Clarified a new application, not a transfer.

PH Problem is our local code doesn't say that BOCC can consider circumstances. Their excuse was the wildfires. (Perry called it an excuse - wildfires didn't get there. Local Code doesn't allow considering circumstances. ) RC - No fires there in 2014 either. Sk - reads Cty Code. Item C - if item not returned in 30 days, county shall assume it has been rejected. Any correspondence from them at all last year? PH - asked Perry if it could be extended. He said no. Not in local code. RC - questioning whether they would even qualify under state code. Using fire as an excuse. PH - weight of evidence. If tried to return in 40 days, it would be more compelling. SK - has to agree. Safe to say we were all impacted by last 2 yeras by fires, but even with that, if we had had something on record...PH - when we apply local Code, we are fairly rigid on our dates. If my decision, I reject out of hand. PH - couldn't figure out why the local Code left out the extension. Either intentional or omitted. RC - stepping across the line leaves us open to similar situations.

AL - Says it's a "presumption" in another WAC, dealing with open space, "conclusively presume." Unless owner can show proof that prevented from returning by events beyond his/her control . PH - letter and conversation says when the letter came in, the fires were there. He was immersed in conversation in re the fires of

last summer. RC says he needs further explanation. PH - received letter right around Christmas time. RC - I'm not sold yet. L - The obligation is to present some compelling evidence. Although our Code doesn't say, do we have the flexibility? AL - Let's say that because of fires, shut their business down, etc. that evidence would overcome the presumption. You could provide evidence that they were prevented from returning agreement because of events beyond their control. AL - they need to explain to you WHY. SK - Can we reject it unless they can come up with compelling info? PH - Based upon submittal, not inclined and cite the WAC. Give 20 days with more compelling argument. Whole process took about a month and a half. SK - is it still current info or do they need to do updated info? PH - a bit dealing with penalties, etc. SK - Concerned that even though we were all affected by fires, we had to conduct business as usual. Why didn't they contact us 30 days later? SK - defers to RC, his district. RC - not convinced by their reasons that it was a huge hurdle. Give them the opportunity to respond.. SK - if we allow it for them, how many others will we be allowing it for? RC's ecision - I don't want to open the gates for others. We don't need that overflow. Al - you can say they did not show proof. RC - they had their opportunity. PH - I will write a letter and run it past you. AL - suggests wording that based on the info provided, you did not overcome ...."based on the info provided."

Lanie returns 2:40. Not sure how long she was gone. Woman from Weed Board and Extension Office wants update on Jones Hall due to questions from public. Ben working on PS & E. Ben - contractor putting together. I have some preliminary plans. I can forward to you. PH - We are walking through budget have some numbers now. We will let you know.

*PH says short on time, will run through other items briefly:*

### **Methow Watershed Council -**

Meeting on Wed on special project. I will brief them on instream flow changes at that time.

**VSP** - sent e-mail to Ron Schulz. no word back yet. PH will change in the ad that BOCC would pay mileage. They are not allowed to do that. SK - Should we follow up with a phone call? Almost 30 days since we sent e-mail and contract. He made a point of getting out to a lot of communication, but now nothing happening.

**Executive Session #3: Qualifications for Public employment, not to exceed 30 minutes. Motion passed. Purpose for excluding public not announced. Time of return not announced. Left about 2:45. Re- enter 3:23. About 38 min. No announcement as to times or decisions made.**

## **Planning Commission**

PH - Went back through with PC. Should reduce to 7 members (2 from each dist - one at large.) They agree. There is a person from Sheilah's district interested in a position.

## **Critical Areas -**

PH- still out there. Will need to follow. SK - suggests after legislative hearings over. Go back to regular Wed. schedule and start working on that. (*Nods of agreement.*)

## **Capital facilities - later**

## **Budget - later**

**Jail project, Ameresco-** someone should be here to look at jail project. Waiting to hear from Ameresco. Sheilah will be here.

**RCO -** Parking lot. People will return.

## **Fair Facility Manager**

When do you want to pick up Fair Facility manager? SK - re Person who applied. Not sure they would meet qualifications. RC doesn't think they do. PH - We have 2 people we did interview. When shall we discuss them? SK - DT gone until 16th. RC - wait until he gets back. Schedule on the 16th. Hoping to have them in place for work on bathroom. They are supposed to oversee it.

3:25 - Mic suddenly goes on. I can actually hear everyone QUITE EASILY.

**Oroville EMS - We will do a final draft.**

**2/16 work plan - will re-orchestrate.**

**USFS meetings canceled for tomorrow.**

## **Tonasket EMS**

SK - Wants discussion when DT gets back on Tonasket EMS. Are we going to move forward in filling that position, or are we going to consider putting that out to contract? I know we kind of talked about bits and pieces, but I am not clear on direction we are going to go. LJ - director position. They have someone the board has interviewed. Wendy is an EMT and showed some interest. They will be talking about that this week, hoping that the commissioners can also ?appoint her. Tem-

porarily. PH - Other structural things need to be reviewed - this is a good time . You will have tough row to go with 1/2 million dollar business for the type of money you are going to offer her. This would be a good time to look at it. You have a lot of wonderful people trying to “keep the wheels on the cart.” We can’t just keep the wheels on the cart with this - liability, other decisions. Suggest you look very hard at the structure you have . The last one you have in place running an ambulance crew with volunteers. Having volunteers running that kind of an operation is a hell of a lot to ask. RC - smiles , nods. What we just went through, took a while for everyone to understand the significance of it all. PH - if the BOCC is prepared, we can gather info and work with the board.

**5 Minute Executive Session #4:** on RCW 42.30.110 1(g) - Sheilah asks for it, Ray seconds. *Purpose for excluding public not announced. Time of return not announced.* Left about 3:24. Return 3:44. (about 10 minutes.) PH included, says there was no decision. *(This RCW relates to what BOCC can address in executive session re qualifications for an applicant for public employment or to review performance of a public employee. Discussion of salaries, wages, and other conditions of employment, electing to take final action hiring, setting salary of an individual employee or class of employees, or discharge or discipline shall be taken in open public meeting. )*

*(I ask - Are mic’s working? Lanie was not aware of any change at 3:25 when I could suddenly hear.)*

**Consent Agenda Approved.**

**Addiitonal resolutions?**

*\* (I Missed one. )*

**\*\$670 per month travel allowance** for BOCC for those who choose to take it. Sheilah will not take this stipend. Neither will Ray. *(In previous notes, it was indicated that DeTro does take it.)*

**\*Extending Temp help for Sheriff’s office.**

**Around 3:55:** Long side discussion between Sheilah and LJ. RC is signing resolutions.

**Community Action - Side discussion** between Lanie and Sheilah while Ray signing resolutions: *( I wasn’t really listening until the end.)* Con-

versation: SK - Part of \$\$ includes Lael's time and her staff. So why can't others who do work apply for their time? That needs to be clarified in that contract. Sheilah - a temporary solution for folks living under the bridge. It can change. This is the concern I have. LJ - Re-schedule this for end of month. Will check to see if she (Lael?) is available on the 23rd. SK - At this point, any work she does under the existing contract would be reimbursed, but we want to check the contract.

4:02 - Sheilah leaves. Water bottle still there. 4:05 - Ray leaves. Coat still there. Lanie looking through papers (*assuming they are the signed resolutions. Are they adjourned? Will wait and see.*)

4:06 - Sheilah comes back in. Seems to be signing resolutions, then leaves.

About 4:10 - I ask Lanie if they are adjourned. She says yes. Ray returns. I thank him for Public Comment sessions more often on Tuesdays, stating that it is important for working folks to know ahead when/if there will be a comment session. I ask if they could schedule these for a regular week(s) each month, but no answer on that.

About 4:15 - Notetaker leaves