

**Okanogan County Board of Commissioners**  
**5/22/17, PM**

Present:

Jim DeTro (JD ) BOCC  
Chris Branch (CB) - BOCC  
Andy Hover (AH - BOCC  
Perry Huston (PH) - Director of planning and development/ Admin officer  
Lanie Johns ( LJ) - Clerk of the Board  
Connie Davisson (CD) - Discussion Colville Tries Partnering re Comprehensive Planning for recreation.  
Mr Andrews - (Andrews) Colville

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**Meeting Summary: Colville Tribe:** wishes to collaborate with several counties on recreation and tourism plans & grants. Received a positive response from commissioners. Commissioners mentioned consideration of Reservation regarding tourism/recreation in Comprehensive Plan. **Comp Plan:** in-depth discussion (3 sections below); Commissioners intend to review and revise current plan as needed and may review 2012 draft; BOCC will request that Planning Commission review certain sections of Comp Plan. PH mentions that PC had given input to 2012 draft map regarding areas that might not have enough water for 1-5 acre lots. Updates: **WATV map** for District 3 review by agencies (will later progress to District 2 and District 1.) **Critical Areas Ordinance** - BOCC will bypass the 2014 version required by mandate (unfinished) and move on to the the 2017 - 2018 version. **Shorelines Master Plan** - nearing adoption. dates established for review meeting with Ec'y (June 6), review re Sandy Mackie's suggestions for change(June 14th) and one more meeting needed between these two dates. Misc: Lk Osoyoos Manag't Dist, Exempt Wells, Transportation Plan, Airport zoning, Fairgrounds, Employee Negotiations.

**1:30 PM: Colville Tribe Presentation** - Opportunities for collaboration regarding recreation, tourism. Discussion - County Comprehensive Plan inclusion of tribes.

Tribal Grants development specialist - Connie Davisson

CD: Current recreation plan - 2011. 10 year plan a lot of things are incomplete. Older data with RCO (REc cons office) we will update our plan.

We have 2 projects with RCO.

Kellar boat launch. 25% in Park. From 2946. Conveyed to tries in 1970.

50% match on Ferry. have used inkd services and community funds for natl resources.

Others from tribe in audience who introduced themselves.

Henry Hicks - Parks and Rec, Nation resources  
Mr. Andrews - planner for the Tribe  
Mr. Rosenbaum.

Goals:

Limited on boundary lines and jurisdiction, municipalities. Wondering if anyone would like to partner on these efforts to meet common needs. May 11- met with Ferry BOCC. Showed great interest. We will continue. Would like to know if Ok County or municipalities would be interested. Elmer City and Coulee Dam are interested. Another thing that would help is our ecotourism and development of a reservation scenic tour loop. Have been partners with a company out of Canada, and so we have our loop developed and pictures in. Hope it will attract more people into the area and create more business, etc. One successful plan with RCO was Columbia County, Before, they had separate plans but thought they would be more successful in working together, with memorandums of agreements, etc.

CB - Do we have one with the tribes?

(Yes. Intergovernmental agreement - probably good basis for moving forward.)

CD: I did develop a guideline, 6-7 month process to get this completed. May 3, 2018 is our deadline. Rough schedule Oct 31. Are there question? Types of projects you have , needs to being met.

CB - You already know our plans? (No.) He points out Ted Murray in back of room. He has spearheaded recreational planning to date.

CD - are there areas lacking maintenance?

CB - Not from my perspective, but probably there are some.

AH - Partnership?

Andrews - in Dayton, they had one lead, and two others jumped in. Developed plans, met with communities. Put priorities on a list. Then compared priorities and negotiated to see what they would do. Ferry - Malo, Danville, Curlew - they want to have Republic be the lead and they would do the plan for Ferry, we would do one for tribes, then go to Elmer city and Coulee Dam.

CB - They would be cooperative but separate? (yes. )

Connie - Everyone in each area would ID inventories, Community driven plan. Go to Community. Then take both of these, go to core team with reps from all the municipalities, etc. Would look through the analysis and what community is saying and identify priorities by the communities.

Hopefully we can ID common priorities - they would be pushed up priority list. We would also be looking for the funding. Problem - once you get the grant funding to do projects or create new ones, and the promises would need to figure out how to sustain into the future.

CB - More and more they are looking at our ability to maintain into the future. Did we have any project ID's on the Reservation in our planning? (No one sure.) Glad you brought up tourism.

We were careful not to promote tourism in areas where the tribes didn't want it. We were basically waiting for the tribes to say. Would probably be the same for our planning efforts. If we could ID project within the res, by a vetting process, would be helpful.

Andrews - Probably- Omak has a host of rec facilities. When it comes to projects for the tribes, state counts Omak facilities for the tribes. We are trying to get our own for Nespelem, other towns.

Connie - Will do outreach by surveys on websites, go out to communities, "dot" surveys (5 stickies, etc.) Conduct personal interviews. Suggestions from very rural areas - have available at PO or library, people on core team responsible. Want to be sure that our population through the surveys are well-represented in the plans. If you only have people with computers, will not have adequate representation.

CB - What the interlock agreement might look like. Not something you just thought together in one meeting.

AH - Is it monetary, just having agreements in place then we know each other's needs and work together to see if overlap?

Connie - there are the priorities, how we will get the funding? Will not be able to get funding for everything. Will aim to do the priorities. Columbia County probably serves as a core to work with the other municipalities.

CB - The way I initially see it, the fact that Ok county is on reservation. ...There hasn't been an effort to include that part in our planning efforts. Answers to questions not clear yet - but if we look at it this way, ...this is my district, important to me. This is our opportunity to include that part of the county (reservation) Only want to do it is to work together, for both tribal and non-tribal.

Connie - People would like to get to these areas....The fear of the unknown and in the future, with current political situation - this will help.

Andrews - finances itself is a problem. On the 25% plan ,we had no problems coming up with the money. ...*(he goes through a procedure I couldn't follow. )*The last time we ere at Recreation and Conservation office in Oly, they indicated twice they ere going to drop that match 10%.

CB - Would look forward to that.

CB - Depending upon the funding sources,...the part you don't know yet - names lots of things. Some are 75% match. There are opportunities, but you don't get to that part until you do your plan.

CB and Connie - working together the plans will be stronger, will get more points toward grants.

CB - Again the issue of where you want people to do an issue.

Andrews - Shooting ranges, archery ranges are issues. There are programs.

Connie - Step Two - if the county is interested in jumping onboard, once I can get the cooperatives agreement and see the language, we can develop an agreement to send out to you. Not the interlock agencies, but developing a cooperative recreation plan. The interlock is the foundation supporting this.

CB - One of the differences between reservation and non-res, is the cities off the res will have their own plans. Over the years, have done cooperative efforts, and now some gov'ts probably haven't developed their plans, Coulee, Elmer, Nespelem.

Andrews - Trying to get the towns to become 501 C 3's.

Connie - (*Talking about a grant they received to operate at the truck stop at Moses Lake. A bit confusing to record.*) We can serve as....just got a large grant for...18-wheelers - saving on emissions. We are the first ones in Wa state. To reduce emissions for AQ (\$300,000?) (*Something*) will calculate the number of hours that determines the impact savings on fuel and emissions. At the truck stop in Moses Lake.

CB - Some of them running all the time (*trucks.*) I'm looking forward to seeing what we could come up with. it helps us serve the rest of the county. When we get over to Ferry county, it's another world, but here are opportunities there too.

Connie - Do you each have individual e-mail address? I could send electronic copy of our current plan and the cooperative plan from Dayton county and the time schedule I have come up with. Any feedback on any of this would be great. I will coordinate the project. You would be working with me.

PH - Using this as an opportunity to discuss another topic. We have a Parks and Rec plan, trails, etc. We always lack any kind of (??) umbrella - for example, Method Valley Sports Trails operates on us. No budget for Whistler Canyon, Similkameen trail - no budget. Something to look at.

(PH) I'll introduce this as a concept (*apparently addressing BOCC*) - if you are picking up comp plan, rec infrastructure is useful, but if you don't have the entities to capture the dollars the tourism might bring, doesn't work in final analysis. Otherwise, they are just documents you get off the shelf to apply for a grant. This might be a shot to open that umbrella wider to see how the Parks and Rec plan might inform the other documents.

CD - Tribes have been stepping up education for entrepreneurs. A good rec plan and development, tourism loops and marketing for condos open up opportunities. Grand Coulee is a ghost town.

CB - If product not developed to some degree, will lose out. Money is being spent to some degree, but ....

Connie - No plat to hook up their RV..etc. Guy in uniform. We will have a 31 lot RV park soon.

CB - Just learned what the state likes is good there, without a tribal license - in that one particular spot. (*Woods landing?*)

Andrews - 35 programs - people are like ostriches. This Thursday will have a status system that will allow all programs to have input into one system for statistics. I want to do the reservation statistics. Sometimes they are not accurate. We need these statistics. qualitative, quantitative. Speaks 1-3 PM in our auditorium Thursday in case you can get to it.

CB - appreciate you coming.

All say they hope they can work together. Cards are exchanged.

CB - to Perry - We will steal some of your time.

PH - My time is your time.

**Exec session 10 minutes for contract.**

2:15 - AH is going back to the negotiations with employees re contract

**2:15 -Planning Update, Perry Huston - Comprehensive Plan**

I sent over to you again the action on water that I've been messing with. Also included with that attachment the parts of the 2011 - 2012 Com Plan and earlier iterations, general planning objectives. List of things....

JD - I realize water is always - look what has happened in last half year. Didn't we address water in the Comp Plan by reference to the Dept of Health?

PH - in the adopted plan, the approach was ..... importance of site-specific review. In response to concerns about contamination of aquifer recharge areas, the policy was that if you build according to Dept of Health regs, (*inaudible, too muffled and fast.* ) If there appeared not to be enough water, you didn't get your project. (*Question: Were there projects denied?*)

In earlier drafts - there was more of a connection between assessment of water availability and density. The Critical Areas Ordinance the 2012 draft didn't really deal with acquirer recharge areas, but right now the Conservation District is working on that. You will either deal with it in Critical Areas or Comp plan or both.

What the earlier drafts did was to have more language about how those sorts of considerations..how they informed other regulatory bodies. Comp plan primarily informs the ??/ (*fades out.* )What I sent out under the banner of how we might create more robust ranges in Comp Plan - I went back to some of those early drafts.

How you wish to deal with the issues - the method in my madness is that at some point, when you decide to move ahead with what you want to do, I need to know if you want to create a BOCC proposal that goes to Planning Commission (PC) and back to the process, or send what is on the books to the PC and have them work up a draft...what I need to know so I can initiate a proces.

CB - Given the way things have gone, and how I am interested in developing some items ...I did offer some edits.

PH - Albert gave me some edits too.

**CB - The things i gave came from WRIA plan...if we had had it in 2008 or 9, we would be further ahead now in the issues. Honestly, if we had....a list of objectives under a goal, or strategies to accomplish - I pulled it up;...**

JD - If we brought it back to the PC, it will go backwards, not forwards.

PH - PC has in the past expressed appreciation of some kind of direction from the board. If there are some things the BOCC is not interested in pursuing, they'd prefer not to waste their time on them.

**One observation (PH) - A fair amount of the language in the 2011-12 draft, although it did not survive, it was still a lot of what the PC did when they looked at the zone map. They spent a couple of meetings circling on the map areas where they didn't believe their was enough water to support 1 or 5 acre lots. So they did those things anyway. Having that language in the comp Plan, why not? That was part of the foundation they used. And the comp plan should reflect that.**

*(Note taker question - how about looking at the input of the 11 county -wide "Neighborhood Groups" that were deleted from the Comp Plan and the submissions of the Lower Valley Advisory Committee work that took 2 years of meetings?)*

Aquifer recharge, in light of the recent decision, we need to look more closely at this so we know where our water is.

CB - If you do not have a lot of study especially on unconsolidated aquifers like we have . over time, these plans develop, .....we haven't continued with finding out where these aquifers are... now with the watershed planning even in WRIA 49, we can at least get a reasonable ideas as to whether or not we should be cautious.

You can overdevelop in the source if you don't have enough info., but in the future you will find out. If you overdevelop, it is hard to find solutions and difficult for people to deal with. The studies give us enough info that we can take a cautious approach

PH - In November, the building permit code and designating areas where you don't go through water availability analysis...no one paid attention in October, but now....there is some analysis in some areas, whatever approach. That suddenly could be much more important. Obviously, we need to be able to map that, if you will.

The direction, sooner or later - I need to know how you wish to pursue this. Sit down as a Board and set a general direction?? My recommend - when you send back to PC (must happen at some point) it would be good to know how much direction or guidance you want to send back to them. That will dictate the review schedule.

CB - Yes, I want to meet.

JD - I want Andy to be here before we decide.

PH - Moral to the story - sooner or later, I will be looking for orders on how to proceed in putting the Comp Plan back.

CB - We should look back to see where others' concerns lie. I am looking for as much efficiency as to whom they have to serve and what future boards will need to deal with in re revenues for a road that serves a subdivision for which there is no budget.

PH - There are a growing list of issues that are becoming more important every day. Going to creating a tourism base; recreation plan will be important; but how are we going to develop the methods to support the infrastructures to capture the \$\$ for that? Exempt wells - can't be used for commercial activities. This could have a huge impact unless you intend to direct all those toward cities, etc. for growth. Com Plan should direct this.

## **Comprehensive Plan**

**PH:** Commercial development - My opinion - some of the things mentioned in 2011-12 draft are likely going to become more important: water banking, TDR's. In rural areas, didn't work well because of lack of value. On west side, where land prices high, it worked better.

If we are looking at new uses and 2cfs, or development in 49, is there rowing opportunity for someone to buy the development off one lot to develop another one? Under the banner of mitigation.

CB - PD's were meant to achieve that.

PH - Fairly easy to implement a program where, in order to develop your lot, you must mitigate the impact. You can give a water right to do development. Another option, something to think about...lot #4 - you do a development agreement that restricts some lots to no structures or one structure (drawing on the easel a hypothetical subdivision.)

CB - A good blending of our Comp Plans with the cities - their densities will be greater than ours. That 's why this goal - substantial attention to municipal water to be sure conservation is being practiced. Nothing out there that makes developments do what we do.....Where growth controls sprawl, and investment evident. We can focus on growth in these areas - the cites and towns. Not everyone wants to live there, but that is going on. Some towns have the water rights. Unfortunately, Twisp doesn't and that was an exception. There are issues we can focus upon. We had those in Lake Osoyoos area, and infrastructures are being developed.

PH - Our watershed plans and (goals?) into the CompPlans - now arguably more important. When AH is back, we will put on our agenda.

CB - Making sure we get back to basic principles for planning efforts..... if we can agree on those, we can make progress.)

## Shorelines Master Program

PH: Ecology met with me and Branch, went through changes they wanted to address. Some were just wordsmithing. We have that from Lennard. if the BOCC are willing to bloc out the time, June 6th from 2:30 on, we could go over those things that Lennard and the rest of us talked about. Lennard is coming on June 14th to meet with Hubbard and me to go over the changes that Mr. Mackie made notes on . Some of them are to clear up for consistency - others we weren't too sure what he was getting at. The theory is that we sit down with Lennard and figure out the things we need to tidy up or, if something else that requires policy level discussion, we would bring it back to you.

If we can meet on the 6th and 14th, we should be able to move forward. Does June 6th at 2:30 -

CB - that is another session date (legislative?) But I am good with it. We may need to meet outside of regular times.

PH - recommends blocking out a few hours to see what kind of discussion you want to offer up to Planning Commission?

What do you want to go back to the PC? At some point, will need to do enviro review. We have some idea of the kinds of revisions we need to make it easier for the public? How should we orchestrate scoping? My theory at this point, since we are going back - we wanted to build the past review as a foundation - need to augment Whatcom -Hirst ..... or what we do from this day forward?

AH - June 6th, 2:30 I'm available. My wife's birthday. It's good.

PH - Directs Lanie to carve the date and time in stone.

**Shorelines Schedule: June 6th (Tues) 2:30 PM, with BOCC. Changes Lennard Jordan wants to make. June 14th - to go over Mackie's notes with suggestions for changes. After the 6th, would need at least one more meeting to go over the work prior to the 14th. Should be able to talk about adoption then.**

## WATV's

AH - questions: so we met with WDFW on WATV's? Where are we with DNR and USFS?

CB - will contact DNR, the new director.

AH - We need to get him in here . We need buy-off from agencies, then get with public. Should have them both here at the same time?

## Exempt Wells/Ecology

AH - Have we contacted Ecology to let us know what their role is with exempt wells as they see it now?

PH - We will work with Sage Park to put this together. She is Central Office director.

### **Draft Transportation Plan**

CB - WE have a draft on Transportation Plan - want to turn it over to DNR because it's in the review stage. it's in the OCOG..... (Okanogan Council of Governments)

### **Comprehensive Plan- Review again with Hover present**

PH - Re comp plan - Fills Andy in: I will be seeking direction from Board as to how we want to work together to send to Planning Commission . Your seatmates would like to meet to see what you are most interested in before just sending it back to PC.

AH - Yes. Sit down and look through the different sections to see if it makes plan for the county in the next 20-30 years.

PH - I sent out last week that one section and went back into 2011-12 drafts to the general planning directions - gives some of the language that was considered. This is historical information.

### **Defining the rural lifestyle:**

AH - Saw letter in Chronicle with no name on it. Talked about how this process might doom the county - How could they think this? I would be interested in knowing. (Note: - I believe he is talking about the last issue, the traditional left-hand column editorial that is normally without a name at the bottom. Date should be 5//16/ or 5/17.)

PH - have to start by defining the "rural life" Cannot talk about too much development, etc. first. Must define.

AH - Must define what the rural life style is.

PH - That basically is the goal of the Comp Plan. You guys adopt the Plan

AH - to JD: "100 cows to one person is your definition." The rural lifestyle. All chuckle.

JD - Still more comfortable with more cows than people!

PH - This will be a ruling subject on your agenda until you tell me where you want to go with it. May start identifying some dates for later.

### **Legal instructions in re proceeding with Comp Plan discussion in view of litigation:**

AH - Since Albert is here - will we now have a running conversation about the Comp Plan? But we are in litigation about the Com Plan. How do you see this interaction going?

AL - Carefully. Board will need to judge, with the advice of counsel and discussions - if we think litigation is the issue, we can stop at that point. But it is the board's desire is to revisit this - we

can just go through step by step and determine whether or not there are litigation issues. We shouldn't shut down just because there is litigation.

**PH - What are scenarios? If we win, going to redo Comp Plan anyway. If we lose - going to do it anyway.**

CB - Whether you are in litigation or not ....I am not going to say anything that causes people grief. I am looking at something fresh - I can go behind that as to what I think should be done, ie on water.

AH - The only place it might be kind of hard - is legislation from the bench. They say you have to do this.

PH - "The record that is before the tribunal of truth is locked!"

*(Note taker question: Is the public supposed to understand what is going on here?)*

AL - Assuming the court will make a decision: The board can evaluate what the decision may or may not be. We cross that bridge when it comes. I think it is consistent with what the board wants to do to have the conversation. With Yakamas, the board is willing to look at all of these issues fresh. My recommendation is to do so. If there is a troubling issue that arrives, we can deal with it at that point in time.

## **Critical Areas Ordinance Update**

We are beginning to move into 2017-18 update as required by statute. It will have to go back to the Planning Commission . How do you want to send it back? A package for revisions? Sent back 2012 back? (What PC recommended before.) Do you want to work up a draft with identified key subjects? Send back to PC?

JD - Why should we.... if we open it up right now, putting cart before the horse? (He was thinking of Shorelines instead of CAO.)

AH - CAO went to PC and they did a fairly good job.

JD - Until we get our VSP answered, will it do any good?

PH - Right now, in the 2012 draft - the VSP is not regulatory, but a list of benchmarks for accomplishments and assessment of that effort.

CB - Focused on Ag uses? Yes.

PH - what you have in DAP's (???) the Ag activities - see VSP.

AH - before going back to negotiations, CAO when it came out was a fairly decent document? At the time? Not sure that the 3 of us looking at it...

CB - We should run through it and look at areas to see if there is anything that stands out....send it back with those points in mind.

AH - Agree

**PH - For example, aquifer recharge program came up ,. The VSP has now identified that. You could send back to the PC with directions to review that part and whether to address some things in CAO or Comp Plan**

JD - long-term forest health plan and ...Hillary Franz has this on our agenda (*In Olympia. Note taker believes Timber Counties committee*) every month. They are talking about taking a hard look at Firewise program to see if it ...(*dwindles out*)

*PH - CAO issues:*

- 1) Aquifer Recharge Areas - Septic Contamination, other issues.
- 2) Wildfire - Human structures to defend
- 3) Steep slopes - structures
- 4.) Frequently Flooded Areas - Structures. (now parking lots are frequently flooded areas.)
- 5) Habitat

PH - You might write a memo to the PC with a bullet point list of areas you want them to review.

CB -We might want to set up a document for comment, and we are the commenters.

Discussion of the forecast and flooding.....

Will AH come back? (AH had left to conclude employee contract negotiations )

JD - If he's smiling, go ahead. If frowning, adjourn.

### **Methow Watershed Council**

I created a resolution. Look at the 2nd draft. Appoints Ashley to MWC. In the past, the MWC vetted candidates, makes recommendation. Their recommendation was Ashley. last Thursday, couldn't find in minutes when you had taken up this question, so I abstained from a vote. I would recommend we move ahead and ratify that appointment. I have a prepared a resolution to ratify.

CB - We had a brief conversation.

AH said it was unanimous.

PH - yes the MWC was in agreement. I prepared a resolution making that appointment.

CB - So with initiating governments, some other entities have to sign off . Twisp, Winthrop. Branch reads a memo about it. WE are recommending Ashley be appointed. Presumably the other initiating gov'ts, Winthrop and Twisp....

PH - They sent letters instead of a resolution.

BOCC - They want to wait for Andy.

### **Lake Osoyoos Management District**

PH - Info brought in May: Mr. Watershradt (?) interested in forming Lake management district on Osoyoos. Have been working with my planning dept for a bit now. Wanted you to know they have done some outreach...differs from other management districts because there is an election but not tied to a specific ballot. My crew is in the process of generating mailing list for each area. Public hearing, proposal for management of district, after hearing can remove areas but not add to it. Please take a look.

JD - Why did they exempt assessment for Veranda Beach?

PH - they have their own payments to make.

### **PLANNING BUDGET**

I identified some needed vehicle repairs. Waiting to make the capital purchase until all info is in. Important piece of equipment, especially in case of fires. My dept does a lot of work on base camps. Would keep the other rig for a back-up. Are BOCC comfortable? I will get county to obtain this piece of equipment. Need to move \$\$ around for repairs/maintenance. Are BOCC removing the management controls that would make all of that unnecessary? I am still inclined to put these adjustments before you anyway. Mh predisposition.

Lanie - AH wants lines to be in the negatives so he can see where these need to be considered for budget process.

PH Very good.

CB — If you are so inclined to present it, we don't need to publish it.

PH - I can put it into a memo. We are talking about \$800..... Rambling discussion. I will keep you posted in my study session.

### **Expenses - legal fees reduced /Hearing Examiner expenses increased**

PH - You have reduced legal fees, but my hearing examiner sessions are getting much longer and needing more preparation. I am monitoring this. Also, am watching our travel line - it's where we pay miles for PC. As they ramp up.....

CB - Is this mileage to meetings in Okanogan?

PH - Yes. Will keep you apprised through this process.

## **Tonasket EMS**

PH - Just an update . I went Wednesday and freshened up the assets list, different pieces of building, we were there all afternoon. BOCC wanted, in order to streamline statements to auditor, I'll assign value to that equipment, assign to Lifeline....need to figure out the value of all that. Will figure out with phone calls. Only annual payments - insurance on the building until surpluses or whatever, and audit (\$8500 in other years. declining scale.) Will back this out and do the math on the rest, work out the pay't schedule.

CB - does any equip look like it's dated enough??

PH - Will make a list of things i recommend to surplus. Then you ID the method of disposal.

## **Restroom Project**

Contractors - should have a moved onsite today. Josh will be the guy on the ground there. Lanie points out that with this successful step, she will be in position to close out the grant. General order #5 - I am in position to pass this project off to Lanie for close-out, Josh has picked up the on-the-ground rep position. With BOCC indulgence, I will pass this off.

AH - May I - I need 5 minutes of Exec Session re Contract (with union.)

## **Grandstand**

Grandstand - we have decided to walk away from the grant. Suggest a letter explaining this.

CB - I was hoping they might give us more time.

PH - I could prepare a letter to that effect.

LJ - I did notify them informally and told them a letter would be provided.

JD - Could you do that?

LJ - Yes, have language ready.

PH - Also recommend a letter to Port(man?). We had been working with them....rather than letting it die on the vine, send a letter thanking them. We might reapply for a grant..can cross that .....

PH and Lanie will do the communicating.

LJ - Status of the State budget? probably won't matter.

## **State Legislature**

PH - Legis has not adopted budge?

JD - NO! we would have gotten the news.

CB - What I got from Josh - something along the lines of encouraging us to stay engaged. When they reach a budget (today at 11:30 - ?) they will be making fiscal decisions that will have an impact. This Thursday....?? So, No. No action.

## **PH: Methow Watershed Council - Integrated Water Plan, 2066**

PH - Last time - resolution regarding watershed council appt. and I have a briefing on the meeting Thursday. Purpose behind that was that at next meeting, they will talk about how they want

to approach water in 2066, or integrated water plan, instream flow revision, detailed implementation plan. I have suggestions to put into a white paper for them unless you do not want me to do that.

CB - Suggests that he present the white paper to the BOCC first.

PH - Will get it to you.

That's your agenda (*Note - his agenda did not really match up with printed agenda handed out at the meeting.*)

CB - *airport zoning?*

### **Airport Zoning**

PH - Discussed with staff - I was under impression we were going to take each airport zone at a time. All agree that each one is unique. Com Plan supports the program. Text is in the zoning code. Site specific map that ID's each site.

CB - We have airport people involved.

PH - I'll send a note out to the different city planners and the folks on the list of important people and tell them to freshen up their proposals.... we need to sit with them about how to do enviro review. Obviously the SEPA - someone needs to do the checklist and baseline info. Then it needs to go to PC and back to you. I will prepare for you.

CB - The approach is to reconvene. Hopefully doesn't get into too much redoing the project. We put a lot of work into them.

PH - I don't know if there have been any changes at the different airports. We have all the info.

CB - Another thing to check on is if those communities want (and they should) to submit to FAA after comments or they might have a surprise. The airports that didn't .....making sure that the FAA's requirements- since they have taken funding, they need to live up to the assurances they made.

PH - We talked about a long time ago, do not remember.

CB - We need to check on this. Omak has been struggling with the grant administrator for quite some time. She can be fairly sticky about some items. I have the contact for FAA, the folks who review.

PH - We had the FAA involved with maps? When we were forming the text. We had (...*couldn't follow.*) I will send this e-mail. out.

CB - I think you are right . At state level, they were good to work with. We all worked with you. Oroville worked with you. We already lost one of those pilots. Better get more before we lose more.

PH - Will get the process back up.

### **Miscellaneous**

CB - Need to go forward with Planning Commission assignments.

PH - we were going to create letters and then I will coordinate with Lanie to get the letters figured out. The letter was an invitation to re-apply.

PH - Anything else?

PH leaves 3:35.

BOCC discussion of auditor meeting - ballot boxes - will be terrible for rural counties. we have to put up \$10,000 for each box , run them around the counties.

CB - At WSAC meeting - we talked. One of the best things we had, we could mail our ballots in.

### **Employee Negotiations**

AH - Finished with employee negotiation. They will write up, we will review. I saved my month's wage...(????Smiling.) I missed Joy being here. They want our recommendation by tomorrow.

### **Unknown topic**

AH -I've heard from a lot of people/ The thing I know from Jerry - a farmer, rancher - that aspect of the ....this board cannot be.....

CB - We make sure we have that (????) *(Note - No idea what they are talking about. Something about Salmon Recovery Board, I think.)* So far, I can't compare you to Jerry and the way he performed, but you are representing.....Jerry was 49 WRIA.

AH - I talked to him about Salmon Recovery.

CB - Did he have recommendations on replacement? A'h - No, he just wanted to leave, told me why. I feel like that a person from natural resources.....

End of conversation.

About 3:45 - Note taker leaves.