Board of Okanogan County Commissioners  
Tuesday, 9/29/2020 PM

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Present:
Jim DeTro (JD) - BOCC Chair, District 3
Chris Branch (CB) - BOCC Vice-Chair, District 1
Andy Hover (AH) - BOCC, District 2
Lanie Johns (LJ) - Clerk of the Board

SUMMARY: 1:30 PM, Public Comment: Questions on AV Capture. Clerk still required to take minutes, but not as much detail due to AVC recording. Time stamps may take a little while to work out, but planned. ZOOM discontinued whenever remote meetings are no longer required. Audio problems with AVC: being worked on by LJ & Central Services, consultant to be found. 2:00 Courthouse Curvilinear & Gables Project - project & funding reviewed with consultant. 2:40 PM - Minutes approvals, consent agenda, & vouchers: Res #126/2020 EMS additional employee; Res #127-2020, Full Time Custodian. Pay't for flu shots for staff approved. 3:00 - 3:30 Sheriff's Office: $175,000 Covid funding approved for jail, full body scanner to eliminate risk to staff and inmates during body searches. Contingent upon service agreement. Vehicle to be replaced after accident, $10-15,000 out-of-pocket, Res. #128-2020. AVC and Zoom became unavailable at 3:45 PM.

1:30 - PUBLIC COMMENT
AV Capture Questions: Looking ahead - Spohn questions answered.
*Lanie is still required to write minutes, but with less detail because we have AV capture. She will attempt to do time stamps, but it is challenging to do so while operating the two programs and with a couple of computers. Being worked on. Recording of ZOOM meetings by public still not permitted by county program. Time stamps may take a little while to work out, but planned for AVC archives. ZOOM will be discontinued whenever remote meetings are no longer
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2:00 - RUSSEL HOLTER: Courthouse Curvilinear & Gables Project (at courthouse)

CB - The contracts we are considering would be a part of the grant.

LJ - would be a part of our application, the scope of work.

AH - To match historically what is going on.

LJ - We have responsibility for a catch match. Some for HVAC just installed. Part of that is so we can go out and bid for the Construction part.

AH - Did anyone else turn in the RFQ? No. Professional services, so it didn't have to be done.

Holter - Because grant comes through dept of Archeology, etc. historic resources need to be in consideration and Secy of Interior standards. That's why this is a qualification that is needed so that the contractor and subs do not affect the historic nature of the courthouse.

Holter - He is the one who got he reflector tanks on the list of Historic places. Pateros was mad - thought if there was some significance, that might preclude them from being able to (interrupted) Got that taken care of 2 years before Carlton Complex, so FEMa paid for it.

AH - Have you been up to see our courthouse in person?

H - Not to physically walk it, but I've been to Okanogan.

AH - One of the main things is that the curved gables were all concrete or lathe and plaster.

H - It's a Flemish design.

AH - Must not have had much rain there. Obviously, crumbling.

AH - Do you know what we are proposing as to metal coverings for gable ends?

H - Not yet.

LJ - Gets into the detail. About the gable ends.

AH - what do you think of that?
RH - It's appropriate in this application. I would help commissioners create an argument stating that these material changes to the parapets on the gable ends will actually help to preserve the building in the long run. Should not be difficult to argue. ....because we are accepting state funds.

AH - a professional service under $35,000, he has done it before. Need to be sure that when we have the contractors do it, it's ok with the state what we are doing.

CB - Moves to accept the proposed agreement and scope of Work with ??? And sons....$9,000+.

LJ - what is next step for Russel? Will pay for proposal or create scope of work?

AH - So you will develop scope of work?

RH - I thought it was already in the grant proposal to the WA Trust.

AH - So you will just verify.

LJ - It has not been submitted.

CB - there is a draft. Will be completed in consultation with mr. Holter and sent off.

RH - no matter which grant, having a consultant versed in Scye of Interior standards makes it easier to get the grant.

AH - We are awarded the grant, contingent upon the state budget. But scope of work hasn't been sent in yet? So how did they know......? Was it just the windows and the gable covering?

RH - Front stairs on there,

LJ - Until 2021-2023 State budget is passed, will not know.

AH - So right now, with Russel, getting him paid is contingent upon us getting a grant.

CB - we have a match requirement as well.

RH - date of Chris Moore's letter?

RH - Oh. Hmm. Ok. So I guess we'd have to see whether or not it made into supplemental budget. Maybe I could call.

AH - that's what we are talking about, right? We won't do this unless we get the funding. So we wait...

LJ - it's in the capital budget, but they have to pass it.

AH - But if vetoed, we will not pay out $10,000. Need to figure out our timeline for the things we are going to do. So Russel, we are already approved for the grant - so would you step be to produce a scope of work for the contractors, then?

H - That would be the responsibility of the facilities, but I'd like to do the walk through and help write it so it would pass muster with the state architect. Both Wa trust and Dept of archeology na historic preservation will be happy to work with us to make the application conducive to all parties. Right now, not sure about the award amount. If it's nebulous, did we ask enough to cover all the contingencies that might come up.

AH - so $265,000?

LJ - Yes, with $25,000 cash match and ....... Total construction costs requested was $265,000, which we were granted. Would supply a contingency of $26,500. Included gables and entrance repairs.

JD - We may not have to spend all of that. Contingency is only insurance.

H - We have $295,000. HVAC cost?

AH - $167,000. match.

LJ - It was about 178,000.

RH - Awesome. That's $$ you do not have to put up.

AH - They ranked it as something else because it went not to only the preservation of it, but also.....

RH - Like capital facilities improvement. I think we have 2 weeks to complete or extend project.

AH - are we sure it's $265 + $26,500 plus $154.78 . We may have to put in $26,000.

RH - Could be less.

AH - Does all this this change anything for you?
RH - We'll just go with what the contract says and if there are additional costs, we'll look at for materials, etc. we can look at that later. Work for you?

AH - the consult with us is 10 hours? Meet here or over the phone? Or ongoing through the process?

RH - Part of the process. Phone, Zoom, walking site, etc. Spread throughout. I will be flexible with that. If it will be less than 8 hours, I'll just take it out of T 1.2 instead.....

AH - So the material best practices....will you come over and look at this?

RH - Think that would be important, also to take my own photos in case I have to give a presentation to Architects....they may not be able to come out and see the damage. I'd like to look at the masonry to see if there is more damage than meets the eye on the structure than was shown in the photos CB sent to me.

AH - Sounds good. So coming here would be the next best steps. That's good.

LJ- Joe Poulin will be on-the-ground person, and I will be the other contact.

RH - Will get back with you towards the end of the week re the scope of work and in the meantime I'll make a couple of overture calls to dept of arch and hist press (WA) and others herding contract details and budget. Be sure there are no concerns from Governor's office.

2:30 - end of meeting.

LJ - HR just brought forward the necessity of a motion for $$ to support flu shots. Cost is $25 per flu shot. Around $2,500 average over the years.

AH - Moves to authorize OK County to pay for flu shots for employees for 2021 up to $7,700. Motion passes.

2:40 PM - Back to approving minutes, consent agenda, & vouchers: Real 126/2020 EMS additional employee, Res 127/2020, Full Time Custodian.

CB: When we do update to our website, might be good to be in touch with fire districts. Right now, not easy to contact. They could put stuff on website and so forth, through our employees or linked to an external web page. They would need a process on how to submit info. Contacts in general need to be looked at.

Approved minutes: Sept 14th, 15, 16, 21, 22.
Consent agenda approved as written.
*Resolution 126/2020 Emergency Management Use of Other County Employee
*Resolution 127/2020 Authorizing Full Time Custodian

Vouchers approved.

3:00 - 3:30: Undersheriff's office (Aaron Culp) - Coronavirus relief funds. Full body scanner requested. Takes X-ray looking for contraband items. Fairly standard in prisons, many jails have them. Will probably be required over the coming years. For CARES Act, it gives social distance through the booking process, which is our most at-risk time. Risk to both staff and inmates as they come in for Covid-19. Also sometimes there is a strip search required. This is the most risky time for transmission, removing protective layers from an individual to do strip search. Body scanner eliminates the need to do that.

AH - How much?

Aaron Culp- Whitman County just approved to get one. They made an order from a CA Co. $175,000 total will probably be.

AH - Can you get it cheaper?

CulP- will meet with the company tomorrow. This vendor - on casters, can be moved, doesn't require re-calibration, small foot print, will fit inside a hall. No software license agreement. Maintenance contract.

AH - Can you find out the maintenance cost?

Culp - Yes.

CB - Whitman County used cares act funds? Yes.

Culp - Vendor has many such orders paid for in the same manner.

CB - Are these Covid funds targeted for sheriff?

Culp - No. General.

AH Roni- asked for add'l 200,000 adds several $$ 1.1 million. ....1.8million roughly so we have .5 million left. Have $1.2 million left to deal with. Still concerned about yearly maintenance costs.

Discussion of need to replace vehicle, a case in which a guy ran into a bathroom, K-9 vehicle involved. $60,000 value. $40,000 to replace. Will get $25,00 from the individual's insurance

AV Capture went off after this discussion; unable to get back into Zoom.