

BOARD OF OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

3/23/2022

PRESENT:

Andy Hover (AH) - Chair, District 2

Chris Branch (CH) - Vice Chair, District 1

Jim DeTro (JD) - Board member, District 3

Lalena Johns (LJ) - Clerk of the Board

Carrie Hall, County Auditor

Auditor's Staff - Jamie

Jake Santasina - Leading exit conference for Federal portion of county's audit

Cynthia Medina - Assistant audit manager, lead on State County audit

Josiah Milner - Assistant audit manager.

*These notes were taken by an Okanogan County Watch volunteer. County Watch does not have the staffing to cover the occasional Wednesday meetings. Therefore, only subjects of discussion and time stamps for the AV Capture video of each session are available. Every attempt is made to be accurate. Note takers comments or clarifications are in italics. These notes are published at countywatch.org and are not the official county record of the meeting. For officially approved minutes, which are normally published at a later time, see https://www.okanogancounty.org/offices/commissioners/commissioners_proceedings.php. **Time stamps included below indicate the location of each video segment on the AV Capture video for 3/23/2022, which can be found here: Okanogan County, WA** Please use the clock on the wall in the video to find the below discussions.*

Summary : *Audit reports of State and Federal review are presented. Discussion held among auditor's staff and BOCC regarding complexities of ARPA funding rules and justification for funding of projects requesting funding under those rules, including discussion of whether/how connection with Covid-19 is required. Agreement upon letter appointing Albert Lin as County Prosecutor.*

1:30 - 1:45 - Audit reports regarding by State and Federal review:

Jake Stantasina : State auditor's office. Accuracy of County's 2020 financial report:
Compliance with federal grant regulations. The rest will be in April, meeting in 2 weeks.

Cynthia Medina - Assistant audit manager. Lead on county audit. Financial audit result. Opinion: adverse opinion: County does not intend to report under GAP. Internal controls: no opinion, but need to disclose important issues. None identified. Also, looks for noncompliance - if findings, must be reported. Nothing to report.

Josiah Milner - Assistant audit manager, stating that reports are available to the public.

1:45 - 2:30 - Discussion: Auditor and Staff, AH, CB.

Discussion of complexities of ARPA funding rules and justification for funding of projects requesting funding under those rules, discussion of whether/how connection with Covid-19 is required.

2:30 - Roni Holder-Defenbach, Economic Alliance presentation/discussion (on several projects)

3:00 - Alan Fahnestock presentation/discussion - Mazama fire well.

3:25 - Other business

3:25 - BOCC : Agreement to sign letter of appointment for Albert Lin, Prosecutor

3:26 - Various approvals and discussions of requests. Training in Pasco - meals, etc.
Ranzau Request for drinking water improvement, etc.

4:15 - Meeting Adjourned