

Board of Okanogan County Commissioners  
November 15, 2021  
Monday AM

AH—Andy Hover, BOCC, vice-chair, District 1  
LJ—Lalena Johns-clerk to the Commissioners  
CH- Cari Hall, Auditor  
LM-Leah McCormick, Treasurer  
LC-Lauri Caswell  
MG-Maurice Goodall, Emergency Mgt.

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*Volunteer took the notes via Zoom. AV Capture not available right now.*

**Summary of significant discussions:**

*\*a significant amount of technical difficulties, including sound going out at times.*

*BUDGET MEETING: Emergency Management, Superior Court line item issues discussed.*

*Also discussion among those present about different options for moving departments to other buildings.*

9:00 Budget meeting begins. Emergency Management, Superior Court were the main topics considered.

10:00: Executive Session with Ecology begins

10:48 Part of the discussion during the budget meeting had to do about the possibilities open to the county for some departments to change building locations.

At present the Court/Justice components are not in same building and this creates logistical difficulties. However, Judges will always need to be in main building to address In Custody court matters. Speculation about the amount of available space in various buildings was discussed casually.

11:33 FAIR REPORT Naomi Peasley: **NP** One of the Entrance Doors to the Agriplex is broken and is being fixed. The well driller has determined that the water problem is an electrical problem. NP has submitted her Capital Improvements list and asked the Commissioners if there were any questions. NP also states that sometimes it is difficult to communicate with the Fair Advisory Board about the Budget. She feels that they do not understand the budget process. She asked if she is the one to tell the board “no” to the board about spending items. AH clarified that the Commissioners are actually responsible for telling the board what they can and cannot spend; NP can advise them about decisions but if there is more discussion, she can refer to the Commissioners (my interpretation) AH suggested that Cmr. Branch meet with the Board to explain things, and that it would be a good idea for the Advisory Board a few times a year to keep on top of things.

11:56 Meeting Adjourns.

