

BOARD OF OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DATE

Monday AM

JD—Jim DeTro, BOCC, District 3

AH—Andy Hover, BOCC, vice-chair, District 1

LJ—Lalena Johns-clerk to the Commissioners

WC—Will Carpenter, Okanogan County Pest Control

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**There was not a quorum this morning, the meeting did not begin until 11:00 am*

Summary of significant discussions:

Will Carpenter, Okanogan County Pest Control Year-End Report: Mostly focused on Apple Maggot mitigation. WC described a decrease in the number of (pupae?) counted, and that it looks like we have a good chance of not having to quarantine. Stresses that “consistency, transparency, and clarity” are important for working with WSDA. JD and AH thanked the Apple Maggot Working Group for all its hard work.

Forecasting Quorum issues: AH, LJ looking at items on the next few days and availability of commissioners for quorum. CH is absent at this time. JD will be available tomorrow, Oct. 5, all day. AH will be in tomorrow in morning, and will Zoom in afternoon.

9:20 Discussion—Pest Control Agent Year End Report: WC Describes the Apple Maggot problem as getting better, lower numbers of (pupae?) counted. AH: “If this is slowing down, what does quarantine for Okanogan Valley look like from WSDA point of view?” WC “I am going to say that if we can prove that pupae are down, we have a case for not being quarantined.” AH Thanks to Apple Maggot Working Group. WC “We have been working with WSDA over time; there is a printed report and (something on video.) Consistency, transparency and clarity are important for working with WSDA. Sometimes we are on the “back burner” with WSDA, but they have a lot on their plate, are bogged down and have a new layer of grant work.” JD Thanks for all the work done.

Budget: LJ explains that It was difficult for committee to meet in September, so Oct. 13 is new date. There are items that need a quorum: Infrastructure, and a request for wedding on the Courthouse steps.