

April 25, 2022

The Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners met in regular session with Chairman Todd L. Kimball, present, member Jennifer R. Mayberry, present, and member Gregory A. Tompkins, present. Clerk of the Board, Diane L. Harris, was also present.

Pursuant to the Governor's proclamation dated March 23, 2020 the Commissioner Meeting was held via phone and internet.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**Chairman Kimball**

Roll call and establish a quorum

[Commissioner District 2 Chair - Todd L. Kimball: Present](#)
[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: Present](#)
[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A. Tompkins: Present](#)

Silence cell phones

Declarations re: conflict of interest - none

Pledge of Allegiance

Public comment period (time limitations may be imposed)

Doug Venn, Prescott Joint Park and Recreation District - comments

Action Agenda Items:

Review submitted Employee Payroll Action Forms - reviewed
Review vouchers/warrants/electronic payments - reviewed

Discussion re Public Works invoice that was pulled for additional information - High Desert Solar Screens warrant #4238350 in the amount of \$10,702.69 for solar screens for 52 windows at public works office.

MOTION: I move to approve warrant #4238350 in the amount of \$10,702.69 in the Public Works bill run.

[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: Motion](#)
[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A. Tompkins: 2nd](#)
[Commissioner District 2 Chair - Todd L. Kimball: Approve](#)
[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: Approve](#)
[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A. Tompkins: Approve](#)

Consent Agenda Items:

Resolution No. 22 089 – Minutes of County Commissioners' proceedings for April 18 and 19, 2022

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by this Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners that the minutes of the Walla Walla County Commissioners' proceedings of April 18 and 19, 2022.

Resolution No. 22 090 – Cancelling County Commissioners' Sessions of May 16 and 17, 2022

WHEREAS, due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts, it has been determined that there will not be a quorum of the Board of County Commissioners available for the regular Commissioners' meetings that would be held on May 16 and 17, 2022; now therefore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by this Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners that the regularly scheduled Board meetings on May 16 and 17, 2022 be cancelled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the next regular meeting of the Board will be held on May 23, 2022.

Resolution No. 22 091 – Proclaiming May, 2022 as Mental Health Awareness Month

WHEREAS, each May, the nation is asked to remember or continue to be aware that ongoing mental health issues affect as many as one in five Americans, as mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) reports millions of Americans are affected by mental health conditions every year. Here are facts about the prevalence and impact of mental illness: 1 in 5 adults in the United States experience mental health condition each year, 1 in 20 adults in the United States experience serious mental illness each year, 1 in 6 youth in the United States aged 6-17 experience a mental health disorder each year, and 50% of all lifetime mental illness begins by age 14 and 75% by age 24; and

WHEREAS, National Mental Health Awareness Month is a time to recognize the millions of American families affected by mental illness and to redouble our efforts to ensure that those who are suffering get the care and treatment they need. Nearly 10 million Americans suffer from a serious mental illness, such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, or major depression. Unfortunately, approximately 60 percent

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of adults and 50 percent of adolescents with mental illness do not get the treatment or other services they need. As a result, instead of receiving ongoing expert psychiatric care, these individuals often find themselves in emergency rooms, prisons, or living on the streets; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health Awareness Month is a reminder of the importance of working together to overcome any stigma associated with mental health issues and help those who are affected by providing support and advocating for equal care; now therefore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by this Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners that they shall sign a proclamation declaring May, 2022 as Mental Health Month in Walla Walla County.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to everyone's health and well-being, and is a part of overall health; and

WHEREAS, all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and

WHEREAS, prevention is an effective way to reduce the burden of mental health conditions; and

WHEREAS, there is a strong body of research that supports specific tools that all Americans can use to better handle challenges, and protect their health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, mental health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation; and

WHEREAS, with early and effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, each business, school, government agency, healthcare provider, organization and citizen shares the burden of mental health problems and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, public education and civic activities can encourage mental health and help improve the lives of individuals and families affected by mental illness; now therefore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by this Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners that they do hereby proclaim

MAY, 2022 as MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

in Walla Walla County and encourage citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools in Walla Walla County to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our citizens can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental health conditions.

Dated this 25th day of April, 2022, at Walla Walla County, Washington

Resolution No. 22 092 – Approving out of state travel for Technology Services Employees (Goodhue and Corn)

WHEREAS, Walla Walla County Technology Services Director, Chad Goodhue, has requested out of state travel approval for Chad Goodhue and Kendall Corn to attend the ESRI User Group Conference, to be held July 11-15, 2022 in San Diego, California; and

WHEREAS, advance authorization for out of state travel is required; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to County policy, an Employee Travel Authorization form has been submitted; now therefore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by this Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners that out of state travel as outlined above is approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that additional time to travel to or from said training, if needed, is also approved.

Payroll action and other forms requiring Board approval

MOTION:

I move to approve the Commissioners' consent agenda items, the minutes; cancelling County Commissioners' Sessions of May 16 and 17, 2022; Proclaiming May, 2022 as Mental Health Awareness Month; Approving out of state travel for Technology Services Employee (Goodhue and Corn); and payroll action and other forms, as listed on the agenda and referenced.

[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A Tompkins: Motion](#)

[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: 2nd](#)

[Commissioner District 2 Chair - Todd L Kimball: Approve](#)

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Action Agenda Items:

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County vouchers/warrants/electronic payments as follows: 4238923 through 4239141 totaling \$1,058,474.45; and 4239142 through 4239143 totaling \$307,914.87 (ER&R)

MOTION: I move to approve county vouchers/warrants/electronic payments as listed on the agenda and referenced.

[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: Motion](#)
[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A. Tompkins: 2nd](#)
[Commissioner District 2 Chair - Todd L. Kimball: Approve](#)
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Proposal 2022 04-25 EconDev – Port Approval of Port of Walla Walla expending funds for Prescott Joint Park and Recreation District – Prescott Pool Repair and Upgrades Improvement Project

MOTION: I move to approve Proposal 2022 04-25 EconDev – Port Approval of Port of Walla Walla expending funds for Prescott Joint Park and Recreation District – Prescott Pool Repair and Upgrades Improvement Project as listed on the agenda and referenced.

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Proposal 2022 04-25 TSD-1 Approval of contract to replace Endpoint Security Services software

MOTION: I move to approve Proposal 2022 04-25 TSD-1 (Technology Services Department) approval of contract to replace Endpoint Security Services software as listed on the agenda and referenced.

[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: Motion](#)
[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A. Tompkins: 2nd](#)
[Commissioner District 2 Chair - Todd L. Kimball: Approve](#)
[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: Approve](#)
[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A. Tompkins: Approve](#)

Proposal 2022 04-25 TSD-2 Approval to move phone services from Lumen PRI to Lumen SIP

MOTION: I move to approve Proposal 2022 04-25 TSD-2 (Technology Services Department) approval of contract to move phone services from Lumen PRI to Lumen SIP as listed on the agenda and referenced.

[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A. Tompkins: Motion](#)
[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: 2nd](#)
[Commissioner District 2 Chair - Todd L. Kimball: Approve](#)
[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: Approve](#)
[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A. Tompkins: Approve](#)

Proposal 2022 04-25 DCH Approval of hiring full-time temporary employee and offering benefits (Medical/Dental/Vision) requested and paid for by associated grant

Commissioners request to move this proposal to next week due to discussion regarding a change to county policy. Request Nancy Wenzel, Department of Community Health work with Shelly Peters, Human Services/Risk Management.

County Coroner Richard Greenwood provided backup regarding this agreement.

Resolution No. 22 092 – Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Medical Examiner Services between Spokane County and Walla Walla County

WHEREAS, Walla Walla County has proposed an intergovernmental agreement with Spokane County for Medical Examiner services; and

WHEREAS, the contract benefits the citizens of Walla Walla County; and

WHEREAS, the County Prosecuting Attorney and Risk Manager have reviewed said agreement; now therefore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by this Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners that they do hereby approve said intergovernmental agreement and shall sign the same.

MOTION: I move to approve intergovernmental agreement for Medical Examiner Services between Spokane County and Walla Walla County as listed on the agenda and referenced.

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Miscellaneous business to come before the Board

Review reports and correspondence; hear committee and meeting reports

Review of constituent concerns/possible updates re: past concerns

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Tony Garcia

Seth Walker provided information today.

Department update and miscellaneous

HUMAN RESOURCES/RISK MANAGER

Shelly Peters

Department update and miscellaneous

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Miscellaneous or unfinished business to come before the Board

Commissioner Tompkins discussed elected officials salaries for years 2025 – 2026. Recommending that the elected officials be 50% of superior Court Judges. Currently most elected officials make 42% of Superior Court Judges, Sheriff makes 56% of Superior Court Judges and Prosecuting Attorney the county pays 31% of the Superior Court judges pay.

Commissioner Mayberry – comments

Commissioner Kimball – comments

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In person open house to review draft plans for redistricting/reassigning voters due to the 2020 Census

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Public Hearing:

To consider a draft plan to redistrict County Commissioner Districts due to the 2020 census

David Valiant, Walla Walla County Auditor's Office Elections Supervisor – provided background information about the proposed plan.

Dorothy Knudson, 1336 Rancho Villa, Walla Walla - comments

Jan Corn, 2099 E Alder Street, Walla Walla – comments

Kari Isaacson, 712 W Langdon, Walla Walla – comments

Jeffrey Aaron Robinson, 2 E Birch Street, Walla Walla – comments

Danielle Garbe Reser, 1994 Last Chance Road, Walla Walla – comments

MOTION: **I move to close the public hearing.**

[Commissioner District 1 - Jennifer R. Mayberry: Motion](#)
[Commissioner District 3 - Gregory A Tompkins: 2nd](#)
[Commissioner District 2 Chair - Todd L Kimball: Approve](#)
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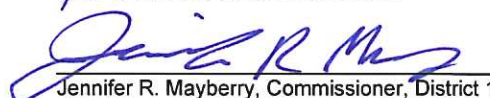
There was no further business and the Commissioners adjourned until Monday, May 2, 2022.



Diane L. Harris, Clerk of the Board



Todd L. Kimball, Chairman, District 2



Jennifer R. Mayberry, Commissioner, District 1



Gregory A. Tompkins, Commissioner, District 3
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