



**BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Meeting

Work Session

Friday, April 22, 2022 at 9:00 am

BOCC Conference Room, Room 232, 128 N 2nd Street, Yakima, WA 98901 or Zoom

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**Meeting Link:**

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**Meeting Phone Number:**

1-206-337-9723 (ID & Passcode Above)

4/22/2022 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Chair Amanda McKinney, Commissioner Ron Anderson, Legal Counsel Stefanie Weigand, Clerk of the Board Julie Lawrence, Deputy Clerk of the Board Erin Franklin, Financial Services Director Craig Warner, Human Resources Director Jacqui Lindsay, Director of Environmental Services David Haws, Water Resources Manager Joel Freudenthal

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

3. PUBLIC SERVICES (45 Minutes)

1. Bi-weekly Water Resources Update: Joel Freudenthal would like to update the board regarding YCWRS when Commissioner Linde is present. He discussed rising Gap-to-Gap project infrastructure costs and increases to matching funds required by the County sooner than anticipated. Joel will send the Board a summary of the new numbers and detail which grant applications are in process to potentially cover the difference. David Haws will also send out notes from the April 20, 2022, YCWRS meeting, regarding eventually replacing the current system and implementing some more short-term changes.
2. Joel also discussed YBIP Feasibility Studies for water storage, including storage in the Wenas Valley, which would require State money and oversight. He stated that more funds might open up now that the fish passage project in Cle-Ellum is almost complete.

4. HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE (15 Minutes)

1. Additions/Deletions to County Positions: Jacqui Lindsay shared that the Sheriff's Office wants to move two program specialist positions from one fund to another. The Auditor also wants to move one position from financial technician to accountant, which would be a difference of \$20,000 annually.
2. Referral Incentives: Jacqui discussed referral incentives for DOC employees. Commissioner McKinney requested some guideposts be drafted, such as length of employment (taking various probationary periods into consideration) and job performance for the new employee. Stefanie Weigand clarified that no special

consideration would be given to referred applicants over non-referred applicants, and every open position would remain equally open to all.

3. Proposed Pay Increase: Jacqui updated the Board regarding the proposed 5% pay increase. MOA drafts have gone out to the unions. Non-Union resolutions will be on April 26, 2022, Agenda for consideration.

4. Dispatch Pay: Human Resources also received a special pay request from the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner McKinney was in favor of extrapolating the current pay plan to include more pay grades in order to secure a new employee, while Commissioner Anderson requested more information on what other Dispatch offices currently offer in terms of pay and benefits. Discussion will resume on the April 25, 2022, Work Session when Commissioner Linde is back in office.

5. AGENDA ITEM REVIEW (30 Minutes)

Julie Lawrence reviewed with the Commissioners all Agenda items submitted for Tuesday's Regular Agenda Meeting.

6. COMMISSIONER UPDATES/ GENERAL DISCUSSION

Julie Lawrence reviewed for the Board all Agenda items submitted for Tuesday's Regular Agenda Meeting. The Board agreed to move Agreement 130-2022 from Consent Agenda to Regular Agenda so that Joel Freudenthal could make a presentation. Commissioner McKinney also asked that Facilities Director Brian Griff be present at the next Work Session to present plans and associated costs to address security concerns in the Commissioners' Office.

7. ADJOURN

Commissioner Anderson MOTION: To Adjourn

Commissioner McKinney SECOND

Approved Unanimously to Adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

All work sessions are recorded and will be available to view on the BOCC website at <https://www.yakimacounty.us/AgendaCenter/Board-of-Commissioners-2>.

APPROVED DATE  
DATE/Minutes

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