



Camas Commissioner Meeting Minutes July 31, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Commissioner Kramer. Also present were Commissioner Colter, Commissioner Ralph, Brianna Walter, County Clerk, and Jim Thomas, Prosecuting Attorney.

Commissioners reviewed the July 31, 2023 agenda. Commissioner Colter motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Ralph, approved.

Commissioners reviewed the July 24, 2023 Minutes. Commissioner Ralph motioned to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Commissioner Colter, approved.

Commissioners reviewed the July 24, 2023 meeting synopsis. Commissioner Ralph motioned to approve the synopsis as corrected, seconded by Commissioner Colter, approved.

Commissioners reviewed correspondence. Commissioner Kramer will invite Representative Steve Miller into a future commissioner meeting to discuss publications, specifically the required publication of the commissioner minute synopsis.

Jim Thomas presented correspondence information with the Land Swap with Steve Stephens and the County. Follow up on the next agenda.

Commissioners reviewed the retirement letters from Sheriff Dave Sanders (Sept. 1, 2023) , and Judge Dan Dolan (Jan. 1, 2024), further discussion on the next meeting agenda.

Leo Cavanaugh, Planning and Zoning Administrator, discussed two minor subdivisions that are in the review process and ready to set a public hearing date. Commissioner Colter motioned to set the Public Hearing August 28, 2023 at 10:00 a.m for the Florence Ranch Subdivision, and 10:30 a.m. for the Mountain Air Subdivision. Seconded by Commissioner Ralph, all in favor, approved.

Commissioners discussed the good faith letter for Ziplly Broadband Fiber. Motion by Commissioner Ralph to approve the letter ratifying Chairman Kramer's letter sent on July 28th, clarifying that the county's application covers both fiber in the city of Fairfield and wireless in the county; including a request for the withdrawal of their Capital Project Funds (CPF) application. Seconded by Commissioner Colter, approved.

Commissioners begin public hearing for proposed fiscal year 2024 county budget. The state levy rates will not be returned to the counties until the first Friday in August. Commissioner Colter motioned to table and continue the budget hearing until August 28, 2023 at 9:30 am. after the levy rates are determined. Seconded by Commissioner Ralph, public hearing tabled.

Tiffany Bowman, from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) discussed the Test Wells at Frostenson Field. They have found one test well from 1999 that had water in it that they would like to test. DEQ would like to add more test wells to determine any contamination in the water since the one test well is over 20 years old. Motion by Commissioner Ralph to allow DEQ to sample the existing well at Frostenson Field, seconded by Commissioner Kramer. Roll call vote 2 in favor, 1 opposed, motion passed. Motion by Commissioner Ralph to hold off on future test wells at the airport until findings on Camas Creek Country Store's testing is complete. Seconded by Commissioner Colter, passed.

Discussion on probation agreement. Jim will follow up with Gooding County on MOU and how payment will be distributed.

Commissioners continued the discussion on the part-time deputy for the Justice Department. Commissioner Colter motioned to table the decision until the new appointed Sheriff is able to meet with the board and assess needs of the department. Seconded by Commissioner Ralph, all in favor, motion tabled.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Attest:



Travis Kramer, Chairman



Brianna Walter, County Clerk