

MINUTES

BOARD OF BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

Meeting provided by Video Live-Broadcast and Telephonically

Present: Chairman James Beaver
Commissioner Jerome Delvin (via/WebEx)
Commissioner Shon Small (via/WebEx)
County Administrator Jerrod MacPherson
Clerk of the Board Cami McKenzie

Benton County Employees Present During All or a Portion of the Meeting: Deputy County Administrator Matt Rasmussen; IT Manager Robert Heard; Cristina Woods (via/video); Alex Garcia, IT.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of August 11, 2020 were approved.

Review Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Commissioner Delvin moved to approve the consent agenda items “a” through “i”
Commissioner Small seconded and upon vote, the Board approved the following:

Auditor

- a. Surplus of Personal Property

Clerk

- b. Purchase of File Folders From Reed Mac for Superior Court Case Files

Corrections

- c. Two Salary Request Statements ~ Custody Officers

Human Services

- d. Ratifying Agreement w/WA State Dept of Commerce for Homeless Housing Assistance
Due to COVID-19

Information Technology

- e. Renewal Payment to SHI International Corp for Microsoft Licenses Software

Juvenile

- f. Truancy Contract w/Kennewick School District

Public Safety Tax

- g. Contract w/Communities in Schools of Benton-Franklin for In Schools and Beyond Program

Public Works

- h. Purchase of Freightliner Truck Cab & Chassis From Freightliner NW; Rescinding Resolution 2020-501

Risk Management

- i. Agreement w/The Crypsis Group, Inc. for Data Review & Entity List Generation

Public Comment

None.

Public Hearing – Franchise Application – Ormiston Orchards, Inc.

Cristina Woods, Public Works, (via/video) presented the application for Ormiston Orchards Inc. to renew a Franchise Order and Agreement for irrigation pipe. She said the Public Works Department recommended approval subject to the six conditions listed on the report.

As no one called in to the public comment line, public testimony was closed.

MOTION: Commissioner Delvin moved to approve the Franchise Order and Agreement with Ormiston Orchards Inc., subject to the six items listed in the report to the Commissioners. Commissioner Small seconded and upon vote, the motion carried.

Public Hearing – Franchise Application – Sunheaven Farms

Cristina Woods, Public Works, (via/video) presented the application to establish a Franchise Order and Agreement for water lines from Sunheaven Farms. She said the Public Works Department recommended approval subject to the six conditions listed in the report.

As no one called in to the public comment line, public testimony was closed.

MOTION: Commissioner Small moved to approve the Franchise Order and Agreement with Sunheaven Farms, subject to the six items listed in the report to the Commissioners. Commissioner Delvin seconded and upon vote, the motion carried.

Other Business

Covid-19 Update

Commissioner Delvin said he had been involved in a series of conference calls with the Secretary of State, State Health Officer, Health District, and others to include Yakima, Chelan, Douglas, and Franklin counties to discuss the counties that were currently in the modified phase 1.5. He said they were trying to get these counties all on the same page and look at opening other businesses,

including some professional businesses and indoor dining. He said there would be some follow up calls this week and he would let the Board know.

Mr. MacPherson announced the Board would be going into executive session for up to 10 minutes to discuss pending litigation. The Board briefly recessed to reconvene in the Executive Conference Room.

Executive Session - Pending Litigation

The Board went into executive session at 9:12 a.m. for up to 10 minutes to discuss pending litigation. Present were Chairman Beaver, Commissioners Small and Delvin (via/teleconference), Jerrod MacPherson, Matt Rasmussen, Cami McKenzie, and Ryan Brown. The Board came out of executive session at 9:22 a.m. and briefly recessed to reconvene back in the Commissioners' Conference Room.

The Chairman announced that no decisions were made in executive session, but direction was given.

Payroll

Check Date: 08/05/2020

Payroll Checks

Total all funds: \$2,425,686.05

Warrant #: 242676-242731

Direct Deposit #: 154798-155402

Payroll Deductions/Transfers

Total all funds: \$2,347,159.18

Taxes #: 101200801-101200811

ACH #: 1382-1388

Payroll Deductions/Warrants

Total all funds: \$134,759.28

Warrant #: 208704-208711

Resolutions

- 2020-559: Surplus of Personal Property
- 2020-560: Purchase of File Folders From Reed Mac for Superior Court Case Files
- 2020-561: Ratifying Agreement w/WA State Dept of Commerce for Homeless Housing Assistance Due to COVID-19
- 2020-562: Renewal Payment to SHI International Corp for Microsoft Licenses Software
- 2020-563: Juvenile Justice - Truancy Contract w/Kennewick School District
- 2020-564: Contract w/Communities in Schools of Benton-Franklin for In Schools and Beyond Program

2020-565: Purchase of Freightliner Truck Cab & Chassis From Freightliner NW; Rescinding Resolution 2020-501

2020-566: Agreement w/The Crypsis Group, Inc. for Data Review & Entity List Generation

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:22 a.m.

Clerk of the Board

Chairman