

ASOTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 5, 2025

Regular Meeting

The Board of Commissioners in and for the County of Asotin, State of Washington, met this date. Present were Charles Whitman, Chairman, and Chris Seubert, Vice-Chair. Absent was Brian Shinn, Member.

(1)

Regular meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.

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Whitman added an update from Emergency Services Director, Nick Bacon, and a letter from the Housing Authority of Asotin County to the agenda.

(3)

Seubert moved to approve the minutes of April 28, 2025, as written. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

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Whitman recapped the meeting for those who could not hear online due to technical issues.

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Chris Kemp, COO

(6)

Kemp presented the 2025 ER&R Vehicle Purchases. The purchases were approved in the annual budget. Due to the purchase price for each vehicle, over \$50,000, the purchases are being brought before the board as per the County purchasing policy. Four vehicles will be purchased, two Ford Police Interceptor SUVs (\$51,329.57 each), and one pursuit-rated Ford F-150 (\$54,049.32) for the Sheriff's Office and one F-150 (\$55,199.45) for the Shop.

Seubert moved to approve. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

Kemp on behalf of Office Manager/Coroner, Lisa Webber asked the Board for permission to hire a Rule 9, seasonal intern for the Prosecutor's Office.

Seubert moved to approve. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

Miscellaneous

(7)

- Commissioner Whitman presented Resolution 25-24, Appointing Public Works Director, Joshua Malkin as the County Engineer.

Seubert moved to approve. Whitman seconded, motion carried.

- Nick Bacon, Emergency Services Director, gave the Board an update on the response to the Emergency Communications Advisory Committee Presentation that was presented to the Board and other concerned entities last week. The presentation was well received and has support. Commissioner Whitman would like the advisory committee to hold town hall meetings to help educate the public on the proposed tax.

- Commissioner Whitman read a letter from the Housing Authority of Asotin County, expressing gratitude to Arlene Thomas, who is retiring from the Housing Authority Board.

Committee Reports

(8)

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Media

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Claims approved and ordered paid:

#	001	Current Expense	\$	17,597.77
#	101	County Road	\$	4,940.72
#	104	County Fair	\$	32,584.96
#	129	Community Services	\$	6,386.88
#	410	Regional Landfill	\$	15,919.10
#	460	Regional Stormwater	\$	156.98
#	501	Equip Rental & Rev	\$	153,847.40
#	502	Central Services	\$	3,380.00
				\$ 234,813.81

The following voucher (warrant) numbers are approved for payment:

344421 through 344500 for \$234,813.81.

The following voucher (warrant) numbers and direct deposits are approved for Payroll:

344367 through 344420 and 29528 through 29645 for \$592,034.25.

The Board recessed at 9:29 a.m.

(11)

9:40 a.m. the Board announced that they were entering an executive session regarding pending litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for 25 minutes.

The Board exited executive session at 10:05 a.m. and announced they would begin the work session ahead of schedule.

(12)

At 10:06 a.m. the Board met for approx. 44 minutes for an administrative work session.

The Board recessed at 11:50 a.m.

(13)

At 2:00 p.m. the Board reconvened the meeting and entered an executive session regarding contracts per RCW 42.30.110(1)(d) for 15 minutes.

At 2:15 p.m. the Board exited the executive session and recessed the meeting.

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(14)

At 10:30 a.m. the Board met for approx. 1 hour and 35 minutes for an administrative work session.

At 12:05 p.m. the Board adjourned the meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Monday, May 12, 2025.

Charles Whitman, Chairman

May 12, 2025

Stacey Harman Clerk of the Board