

**Island County Lodging Tax Advisory Committee**  
**2% Hotel/Motel Tourism Lodging Tax (first or basic 2% tax)**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**August 27, 2025**

The Island County Lodging Tax Advisory Committee met on August 27, 2025, beginning at 2:30 p.m., in the Commissioners' Hearing Room #102B

**Committee Members Present:**

Janet St. Clair, Chair	
Hannah Bates	
Tom Felvey – via Zoom	
Barry Wenaas	
Paul Foster – via ZOOM	

Commissioner St. Clair called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

**Presentations from 2026 Lodging Tax Facilities Applicants**

The following applicants provided presentations to committee members:

- Amy Bush, Camano Arts Association
- Dan Abshire, Stanwood-Camano Veterans Museum and Resource Center
- Jessica McCready, Camano Chamber of Commerce
- Roni Freund, Cascade Loop
- Wendy Horn Whidbey Island Marathon
- Sara Stawarz, Clinton Chamber of Commerce
- Lynda Eccles, Coupeville Chamber of Commerce
- Emily Gilbert, Deception Pass Park Foundation
- Robert Pelant, Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve
- John Ellis, Island County Chauns Motorcycle Club
- Nancy Thelen, Island County Fair Association
- Dalva Church, Island County Historical Society
- Jan VanMuyden and James Sylvester, Island County
- Olena Hodges, Island Shakespeare Festival
- Nicole Whittington-Johnson, Langley Chamber of Commerce
- Mayor Tim Callison, Langley Main Street Association
- Eric Marshall, Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce
- Cheryl Grehan, Oak Harbor Main Street Association
- Cynthia Mason, Oak Harbor Music Festival
- Lisa Bernhardt, Pacific Northwest Art School
- Barry Meldrum, Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum
- Marshall Miller, Run Ragnar
- Lee Badovinus, Sound Waters University

- Billy Tierney, WICA
- Joe Huden, Whidbey Island Garden Tour
- Charlotte Bear, Whidbey Island Grown

**Follow Up:**

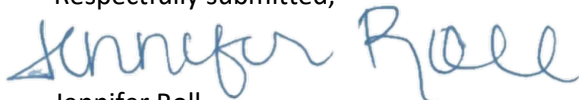
Staff will contact the Oak Harbor, Langley, and Coupeville chambers of commerce, as well as their Main Street associations, to obtain the amount of funds sent by the Washington State Commerce.

**Timeline:**

LTAC members will receive an email from staff regarding the deadline for completed scoring sheets. The LTAC will meet on September 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss the dispersal of funds recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners.

The meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jennifer Roll