

**BOARD OF ISLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 – REGULAR SESSION**

The Board of Island County Commissioners (including Diking Improvement District #4) met in Regular Session on September 12, 2023, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room (Room # 102B), Annex Building, 1 N.E. 6th Street, Coupeville, Washington. Janet St. Clair, Chair, and Melanie Bacon, Member were present. Commissioner Johnson was excused. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME TO NEW EMPLOYEES

<u>Department</u>	<u>Employee</u>
Planning	Kayla Johnson
Public Health	Todd Appel
Treasurer	Matthew Cook
Public Works	Israa Al Musawi
Public Works	Maytham Alrubaye
Public Works	James Besaw
Public Works	Charlton Waage
Human Services	Darrel Willis

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

<u>Department</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u># Years</u>
Public Works	Catherine Kelley	30
Public Works	Laurie Helland	25
Public Works	David Branch	15
Public Works	Bryan Jones	10
Public Works	Christopher Hamilton	5
Human Services	Lisa Roundy	5
Human Services	Emily Wildeman	5

PUBLIC INPUT OR COMMENTS

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

Public comments were offered by:

- David Carnes, Homelessness
- Laurie Helland, Employee Wages

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, the agenda was approved as published.

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CONSENT AGENDA

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Pre-audited bills:	\$4,275,865.93
Vouchers:	\$757,496.40
Electronic funds transfers:	\$541,884.93
Payroll:	\$892,545.80
Minutes:	Regular Session – 8/1, 8/8/2023 Work Session – 8/2, 8/9/2023

Facilities Management

Resolution No. C-53-23 Disposal of County Surplus Property in accordance with Island County Code Chapter 2.31. Nine vehicles have reached full depreciation and are currently in excess.

GSA - Board of Equalization

Request for Approval to Hear Property Tax Appeals – The Island County Board of Equalization requests approval to convene after the close of the 2023 regular session to begin hearing cases in October. The requirements for convening were satisfied because over 100 appeals have been filed, which exceeds the threshold under RCW 84.48.010.

Human Resources

Resolution No. C-54-23 Declaring Legal Holidays for the Year 2023.

Sheriff

- Interlocal Agreement with City of Anacortes for purposes and use as defined in the Homeland Security Grant No. E23-236 – Homeland Security Grant. Term: 9/1/22-8/30/25; Amount: \$25,960 (RM-SHER-2023-324).
- Interlocal Agreement with Oak Harbor Police Department for purposes and use as defined in the Homeland Security Grant No. E23-236 – Homeland Security Grant. Term: 9/1/22-8/31/25; Amount: \$8,685 (RM-SHER-2023-325).
- Interlocal Agreement with Washington State Parks for purposes and use as defined in the Homeland Security Grant No. E23-236 – Homeland Security Grant. Term: 9/1/22-8/31/25; Amount: \$13,740 (RM-SHER-2023-323).

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

REGULAR AGENDA

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

Natural Resources

- Award Declaration of the 2023 Freund Marsh Acquisition – Island County awarding Conservation Futures Funding (CFF) to the city of Oak Harbor. \$289,488 from the Conservation Futures Funds will be used to acquire this project.

Natural Resources Manager Jennifer Schmitz provided the staff report and recommendation on the 2023 Freund Marsh Acquisition Award Declaration.

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, the 2023 Freund Marsh Acquisition awarding Conservation Futures Finding to the city of Oak Harbor in the amount of \$289,488 was approved.

- Award Declaration of the 2023 Freeland Wetlands Preserve Acquisition – Island County awarding Conservation Futures Funding (CFF) to the Whidbey Watershed Stewards. \$295,512 from the Conservation Futures Funds will be used to acquire this project.

Natural Resources Manager Jennifer Schmitz provided the staff report and recommendation on the 2023 Freeland Wetlands Preserve Acquisition Award Declaration.

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, the 2023 Freeland Wetlands Preserve Acquisition awarding Conservation Futures Funding to the Whidbey Watershed Stewards in the amount of \$295,512 was approved.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

There were no public hearings scheduled.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

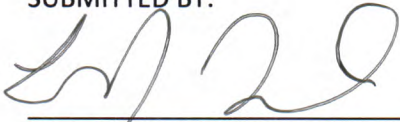
The Commissioners provided their respective comments and announcements.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.
The Board will meet next in Regular Session on September 19, 2023, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

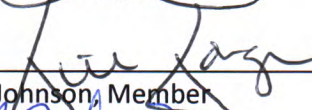


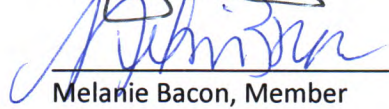
Layla Tromble
Deputy Clerk of the Board

Approved this 7th day of November, 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Janet St. Clair, Chair

Jill Johnson, Member

Melanie Bacon, Member