COWLITZ-WAHKIAKUM COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Regular Board Meeting
Virtual ~ Viz Zoom
Thursday, April 23, 2020 ~ 12:00 p.m.

MINUTES

General/Special Representatives/Alternates
Dennis Weber, Cowlitz County, Chair
Adam Smee, City of Kalamia
Mike Karnofski, City of Kelso
Andrew Hamilton, City of Kelso
MaryAlice Wallis, City of Longview
Hillary Strobel, City of Longview
Pete Boyce, City of Woodland
David Olson, Town of Cathlamet

Bill Wainwright, Town of Cathlamet
Sarah Clark, Town of Cathlamet
Mark Wilson, Port of Kalamia
Doug Averett, Port of Longview
Victor Leatzow, Cowlitz Fire
Gene Healy, Wahkiakum PUD
Michael Green, Woodland School District

Associate/Affiliate Representatives/Alternates
Amy Asher, Cowlitz Transit Authority
Phil Jurgin, 911 Public Authority

Stephanie Moonen, Wahkiakum Chamber

Guests
Alyssa Joyner, Workforce SW WA

Judith Perez, WSDOT

Staff
Bill Fashing
Ken Pearrow
Robert Stevens

Anisa Kisamore
Lauren Read

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTION
The Chair, Dennis Weber, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. Introductions were made.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

3. CONSENT AGENDA
A. February 27, 2020 Minutes
B. February 2020 Expenditures – Ratify
C. March 2020 Expenditures
   Motion: A motion was made by Mike Karnofski to approve the consent agenda as revised in the agenda packet provided at the meeting. This included: (A) February 27, 2020 meeting minutes, (B) Ratifying February 2020 Expenditures for a total amount of $71,104.67 and (C) March 2020 Expenditures in the amount of $69,938.05. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion carried.

4. ACTION ITEMS
   Approval of this resolution would increase the 2019 budget $2,800 on the Town of Cathlamet Comprehensive Plan line item.

   Director Fashing explained that in addition to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) document that is written every 5 years, the COG is required to produce a CEDS update every year. This is the first year that is has come to the Board of Directors because in the past there has been a separate Economic Development District Board.

   Motion: A motion was made by Mike Karnofski to approve Resolution 20-02 as presented. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion carried.
5. **Information Items**
   A. **Census Update**
      There was a virtual meeting of the Complete Count Committee on 4/21 via Zoom and the new schedule from the Census Bureau was reviewed. Director Fashing will include that schedule in the next Weekly Reader.
   B. **Economic Recovery from COVID-19**
      Director Fashing gave an overview of his plan for how the CWCOG can assist in the regional economic recovery.
      Members updated the Board of Directors on efforts from their organizations.

6. **Executive Director’s Report**
   CWCOG staff is working from home but Lauren and Anisa are working partly in the office to keep things running.
   Staff is working to hire a new community development planner, there have been a few interviews and two second interviews.

7. **Executive Committee Report**
   Minutes from January 23, 2020 were presented. The Executive Committee did not meet in February 2020.

8. **Other Business**
   There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

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William A. Fashing, Executive Director

Dennis Weber, Chair

Lauren Read, Planning Assistant