MINUTES APPROVED:

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Chairman, Commissioner District 3 Date

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Commissioner District 2 Date

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Commissioner District 1 Date

MEETINGS AND DISCUSSIONS…

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2026, CHAIRMAN YOUNG WAS PRESENT. COMMISSIONER STOBART APPEARED REMOTELY THROUGHOUT THE DAY. COMMISSIONER BURROWS WAS OUT OF THE OFFICE AND APPEARED REMOTELY IN THE MORNING.

Invocation and pledge of allegiance.

8:45 a.m. Public Comment Period: "RD" and Pend Oreille County (POC) Fire District 2 (FD 2) Firefighter/ Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Erik Gallanger were present via Teams. Erik provided the Board with general updates including an increase in call volumes and fire assignments. No decisions were made.

9:00 a.m. Board Business - Executive Session: Public Works (PW) Equipment Repair and Replacement (ER&R) Division Director Jeff Fuller joined the Board for an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for approximately thirty (30) minutes. Commissioners Burrows and Stobart appeared remotely. Parties returned to regular session at approximately 9:30 a.m.; no decisions were made.

9:30 a.m. Board Business - Executive Session: Public Works (PW) Equipment Repair and Replacement (ER&R) Division Director Jeff Fuller, PW Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Teresa Eslick, PW Human Resources (HR) Director Brittney Arneson, PW County Road Engineer Nicole Norvell, and PW Road Supervisor Steve Dell joined the Board for an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for approximately thirty (30) minutes. Commissioners Burrows and Stobart appeared remotely. Parties returned to regular session at approximately 10:00 a.m.; no decisions were made.

10:00 a.m. Human Resources (HR) Business

- Finance Director Rhonda Hughes was present in person; Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams.
- The Clerk presented an email string pertaining to the Fairgrounds Director sick leave accrual accumulation with regards to potential retirement in 2027.
- Memo #75-2026 Approving the promotion of Hayley Tolton to GIS Coordinator, Grade 4, Step 10 effective October 1, 2026, was presented and approved. The original was routed to the Auditor's Office, and a copy was provided to the Information Services (I.S.) Department, Finance Director, and a copy was filed herein.

- At the request of Prosecutor Erika George, the Board authorized Deputy Prosecutor Julie James to return to full-time employment at her existing rate/ grade, and further approved the "Chief Civil" designation, effective October 1, 2026, for an additional step for the designation by consensus.
- Other topics were discussed; no further decisions were made.

10:30 a.m. Commissioners' Clerks/ Board Business

- Stevens County Cattlemen's Association (SCCA) Secretary Keith Ringer, Len McIrvin with Diamond K Ranch, Grant Administrator Dean Davis, and Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Julie James joined Chairman Young in person. Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams for this meeting. Commissioner Burrows appeared telephonically until approximately 10:35 a.m.
- Commissioner Burrows made a motion to vote to approve the Proclamation Declaring November 4-11, 2026, as "Operation Green Light for Veterans". The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stobart and carried unanimously. Telephonic approval was provided and the Proclamation was signed and filed herein; a copy was sent out as a press release.
- Commissioner Stobart made a motion to approve the Commissioners' Meeting Minutes for the week of October 5, 2026. The motion was seconded by Chairman Young and carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) absent.
- The Clerk shared an email from a landowner in the Onion Creek area with a request for a temporary emergency moratorium to restrict grazing on land impacted by the Crown Creek fire. There was elaborate discussion surrounding jurisdictional authority, common practice, and potential impacts; the Board was not in favor of moving forward at this time.
- The homelessness funding request for $125,000 for the Colville Warming Center (CWC) Fall/ Winter program was reviewed, and the Board approved the agreement to be sent to the CWC for signature.
- Parties reviewed the annual funding request from the Stevens County Conservation District (SCCD).
- Conversation surrounding the potential use of economic development monies to fund a water specialist to combat the Washington State Department of Ecology occurred.
- Commissioner Stobart made a motion to appoint the following members to the Citizen Steering Committee (CSC) for the Lake Management District (LMD) for Deer Lake for 2027 – 2031: Greg Presley, Skip Wells, Mike Phillips, Jerry Rasley, Kevin Schroeder, Mark Turney, Bill Haney and Ken Santora. The motion was seconded by Chairman Young and carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) absent. The appointment letters were signed and sent; copies were filed herein.
- The Clerk was authorized to prepare and present re-appointment letters for Oly Burnette, Art Grobben, Barb Nelson and Sharon Crump to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) by consensus.
- Other topics were discussed; no further decisions were made.

11:15 a.m. Board Business – Closed Session: Chairman Young met with Commissioner Stobart (via Teams) in a closed session for approximately fifteen (15) minutes for labor relations/ union discussions. Parties returned to regular session at 11:30 a.m.

The Board recessed at 11:30 a.m. for lunch.

1:00 p.m. Director of Risk Management/ Facilities Jeff Evans

- Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams.
- Jeff met with the Board to provide general updates. He indicated the fire extinguisher system proposal was tabled pending legal review.
- Parties discussed data entry for the capital facilities plan updates, county insurance for the Colville High School Fish Hatchery and Camp Princess Pinee 4-H Camp, and procurement. Other topics were discussed; no decisions were made.

1:20 p.m. Board Business

- Director of Risk Management/ Facilities Jeff Evans was present in person. Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams.
- Journal Voucher #45-2026 (JV 45-2026) was approved by Board consensus for Information Services (IS) Billing for September 2026. Telephonic approval was provided and the JV was signed and routed to the Auditor's Office; copies were filed herein and provided to the Finance Director and Information Services (I.S.) Department.
- Journal Voucher #46-2026 (JV 46-2026) was approved by Board consensus for Information Services (I.S.) Phone Billing for September 2026. Telephonic approval was provided and the JV was signed and routed to the Auditor's Office; copies were filed herein and provided to the Finance Director and Information Services (I.S.) Department.
- The Board authorized Auditor Lori Larsen to sign the year-end services printing and filing services contract with PDS Software by consensus. This agreement will be noted in the minutes upon receipt of a fully executed copy.

1:30 p.m. Public Works (PW) Management Team

- Present was County Engineer Nicole Norvell, Solid Waste (SW) Director Kevin Dionas, and Public Works (PW) Equipment Repair & Replacement (ER&R) Director Jeff Fuller. PW Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Teresa Eslick was present via Teams.
- After discussion, Chairman Young made a motion to approve Resolution 072-2026 (R-072-2026) Establishing the Official Record of County Road Speed Limits. Commissioner Stobart seconded the motion, and it carried two (2) in favor and one (1) absent. Telephonic signature was authorized by Commissioner Stobart. The Resolution was signed and a copy was provided to County Engineer Nicole Norvell. The original was filed under "Resolutions and Agreements".
- Kevin presented a contract with Maul Foster Alongi, Inc. for emissions monitoring with drones at the landfill. Commissioner Stobart made a motion to authorize the Chair to sign the contract. Chairman Young seconded the motion, and it carried two (2) in favor and one (1) absent. Two original contracts were signed and assigned C-243-2026. One original was returned to SW Director Kevin Dionas, and one was filed under "Resolutions and Agreements".
- Jeff presented Resolution 073-2026 (R-073-2026) Authorizing ER&R to Update Outdated Fuel Management Controllers. After discussion, Chairman Young made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Commissioner Stobart seconded the motion, and it carried two (2) in favor and one (1) absent. Telephonic signature was

authorized by Commissioner Stobart. The Resolution was signed and a copy was provided to PW Equipment Repair & Replacement (ER&R) Director Jeff Fuller. The original was filed under "Resolutions and Agreements".

- Other topics were discussed; no further decisions were made.

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2:00 p.m. Public Hearing - Franchise 05-2026 Application by Jack Moody

- As advertised, and pursuant to RCW 36.35.010, Chairman Young called the public hearing to order for the purpose of taking public comment on a franchise application (F-05-2026) submitted by Jack Moody for a period of fifty (50) years from and after the date thereof, for authority, right, privilege and franchise to install, operate and maintain a 4" residential sewer line under Slide Creek Road No. 35800 at approximately milepost 2.16 all located in the SW ¼ SE ¼ Section 30, Township 34N, Range 40E, W.M. in Stevens County, Washington. Public Works (PW) County Road Engineer Nicole Norvell joined Chairman Young in person and Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams.
- Parties heard from Nicole regarding the application and opened the hearing to public comment at 2:02 p.m.; none was received.
- At 2:02 p.m. Commissioner Stobart made a motion to close public comment. The motion was seconded by Chairman Young and carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) absent.
- Following deliberation, Commissioner Stobart moved to grant the franchise request as presented and further direct the Clerk to prepare and present the appropriate Resolution for signature. The motion was seconded by Chairman Young and carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) absent. The hearing concluded at 2:03 p.m.

2:30 p.m. Hunters Water District (HWD) System Receivership

- Public Works (PW) Facilities and Water Manager Joey Mayorkinos, Director of Risk Management/ Facilities Jeff Evans, and Grant Administrator Dean Davis joined Chairman Young in person. Commissioner Stobart, PW Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Tersea Eslick, Confluence Law Water Use Attorney Jessica Kuchan, and Paralegal Jen Burden appeared via Teams.
- Chairman Young made a motion to approve payment of $365 to Anatek, and it was seconded by Commissioner Stobart; the motion was brought to a vote and carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) absent.
- The Clerk reported on the closeout process for the Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) General Purpose (GP) Funding Agreement 18-62210-036 for the Hunters Water District (HWD) System Treatment Improvement Project (TIP).
- Joey reported on the required Department of Health (DOH) certifications due to the classification change of the plant and indicated he currently possessed both level one and level two.
- Joey reported continued concerns with the backwash pump and shared that the electrician was unable to resolve the problem and he was facilitation communication between the electrician and Control Freak.

- Jessica reported on pending projects and indicated she was working on the park queries. It was noted that the final required water testing results and the Engineer's substantial completion report were required for the DOH to lift the "no-drink" order.
- It was the consensus of parties that Joey would maintain the HWD's inventory and the 2026 inventory would be adopted in conjunction with the 2027 budget.
- Other topics were discussed; no further decisions were made.

3:00 p.m. Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

- Present was Acting Region Manager Tim Love and Assistant Region Manager Brett Walker.
- Post fire updates were given along with lightning statistics. Other topics were discussed including controlled burning areas, open range, the Rocky Lake Road easement agreement and updates regarding the shooting range. No decisions were made.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026, CHAIRMAN YOUNG WAS PRESENT. COMMISSIONER STOBART APPEARED REMOTELY THROUGHOUT THE DAY. COMMISSIONER BURROWS WAS OUT OF THE OFFICE.

8:20 a.m. Board Business: Memo #76-2026 Approving Full-Time Employment and Designation of Chief Civil Deputy for Julie James effective October 1, 2026, was presented and approved. The original was routed to the Auditor's Office, and a copy was provided to the Prosecutor's Office, Finance Director, and a copy was filed herein.

8:30 a.m. D.A. Davidson and Co. Public Finance Managing Director Jim Nelson

- Finance Director Rhonda Hughes and Grant Administrator Dean Davis joined Chairman Young in person; Commissioner Stobart and Treasurer Leslie Valz (at approximately 9:15 a.m.) appeared via Teams.
- Jim met with the Board to re-address the procedures, process, and outlook for obtaining a bond for the Stevens County Justice Center (SCJC) Project. Lengthy and elaborate discussion surrounding the financial outlook for Stevens County occurred; no Board decisions were made.

9:30 a.m. Quarterly Finance Committee Meeting and Board Update

- D.A. Davidson and Co. Public Finance Managing Director Jim Nelson, Finance Director Rhonda Hughes, Grant Administrator Dean Davis, and Chairman Greg Young were present in person; Treasurer Leslie Valz, Auditor Lori Larsen, and Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams.
- Leslie provided a quarterly Finance Committee update and reported on sales tax, investments and interest, loans, and other topics; no Board decisions were made.

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11:00 a.m. Public Hearing re: Public Works (PW) Leslie Creek Road Vacation

- As advertised, Chairman Young called the public hearing to order to take testimony and conduct a discussion regarding the intention to vacate a portion of Leslie Creek Road in Stevens County, Washington as follows: County Road No. 36470, Leslie Creek Road, a portion thereof, commencing at Milepost 2, at the Colville National Forest boundary,

thence north for approximately 2.53 miles, more or less, to the County Road Terminus, all within Section 2, of Township 33N, Range 40E, and Sections 35, 36, and 25, of Township 34N, Range 40E of the W.M.

- Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Julie James and USDA Forest Service Realty Specialist Shane King joined Chairman Young in person; Public Works (PW) County Road Engineer Nicole and Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams.
- Nicole presented the Engineer's report and addressed the proposal.
- The hearing was opened to public comment at 11:03 a.m. and none was received.
- At 11:03 a.m. Commissioner Stobart made a motion to close public comment. The motion was seconded by Chairman Young and carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) absent.
- Following deliberation, Commissioner Stobart made a motion to approve the road vacation as proposed and further direct the Clerk to prepare and present the appropriate Resolution for signature. The motion was seconded by Chairman Young and carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) absent. The hearing concluded at 11:03 a.m.

The Board recessed at 11:10 a.m. for lunch.

1:00 p.m. Board Work Session – County Levy Certifications and Lake Management Districts (LMDs): Chief Deputy Assessor Toni Graham, Business Personal Property and Levies Deputy Assessor Justin Carstens, Deputy Assessor Therese Lally, Assessor Rick Johnson, and Finance Director Rhonda Hughes joined Chairman Young in person; Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams. Parties discussed the process of calculating and certifying county levies and upcoming LMD formations. No Board decisions were made.

2:00 p.m. Board Workshop - Northeast Washington Alliance Behavioral Health (NEWABH) 2027 Budget Review: Northeast Washington Alliance Behavioral Health (NEWABH) Executive Director Martha Fairley, NEWABH Director of Business Chad Lambert, Finance Director Rhonda Hughes, and Chief Deputy Auditor Jill Jacobs, joined Chairman Young in person. Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams. Parties reviewed the proposed 2027 NEWABH budget; no Board decisions were made.

3:00 p.m. Board Work Session - Capital Asset/ Inventory Record Policies and Procurement Procedures Updates #2: Director of Risk Management and Facilities Jeff Evans, Finance Director Rhonda Hughes, Deputy Prosecutor Julie James, Grant Administrator Dean Davis, Northeast Washington Alliance Behavioral Health (NEWABH) Director of Business Chad Lambert, Public Work (PW) Equipment Repair and Replacement (ER&R) Division Director Jeff Fuller, and PW Facilities and Water Manager Joey Mayorkinos joined Chairman Young in person for this work session; Commissioner Stobart appeared via Teams. No Board decisions were made.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026, CHAIRMAN YOUNG WAS PRESENT THROUGHOUT THE DAY. COMMISSIONERS BURROWS AND STOBART WORKED AWAY FROM THE OFFICE.

Various webinars/ meetings were attended by the Commissioners, on an individual basis, throughout the day; no Board decisions were made.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026, CHAIRMAN YOUNG WAS PRESENT AND ATTENDED UNION BARGAINING MEETINGS. COMMISSIONERS BURROWS AND STOBART WORKED AWAY FROM THE OFFICE.

Various webinars/ meetings were attended by the Commissioners, on an individual basis, throughout the day; no Board decisions were made.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026, ALL BOARD MEMBERS WORKED AWAY FROM THE OFFICE.

Various webinars/ meetings were attended by the Commissioners, on an individual basis, throughout the day; no Board decisions were made.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER DOCUMENTS…

Notices of upcoming meetings were shared with the Board for their review, along with pamphlets and bulletins received from various agencies and information on upcoming/pending legislation.

Memo #75-2026 Approving promotion of Hayley Tolton to GIS Coordinator, Grade 4, Step 10 effective October 1, 2026

Memo #76-2026 Approving Full-Time Employment and Designation of Chief Civil Deputy for Julie James effective October 1, 2026

Appointment Letters: 1) Lake Management District (LMD) Citizens Steering Committee (CSC) for Deer Lake - Appointment letters signed by the Chairman sent to: Greg Presley, Skip Wells, Mike Phillips, Jerry Rasley, Kevin Schroeder, Mark Turney, Bill Haney and Ken Santora; 2) Board of Equalization (BOE) – Appointment letter signed by the Chairman for Denise Malloy as a regular member for a term ending October 21, 2027; 3) Board of Equalization (BOE) – Appointment Acceptance for Denise Malloy as a regular member for a term ending October 21, 2027;

Mail…

National Opioid Settlement Agreement: Email regarding notice of entry of consent judgment – CL-2022977;

Congressman Michael Baumgartner: Email with newsletters regarding events from the Returning Education to the States tour;

American Forest Resource Council (AFRC): Two (2) emails from AFRC: 1) Email from Matt Comisky regarding the presentation given by Josh Chapman at the Gifford Pinchot meeting on October 13th; 2) Email from AFRC Consultant Tom Partin regarding his drafted EA Comments for the Little Giant Post-Fire Recovery Project;

Tri County Economic Development District (TEDD): Email from TEDD Regional Marketing Shelly Stevens regarding an invitation to the October 27th meeting;

Lake Roosevelt Forum (LRF): Newsletter providing details regarding the Lake Roosevelt Forum Conference on November 18th and 19th;

Spokane County Regional Interlocal Leadership Structure (SCRILS): Email from Nancy Locke on behalf of Spokane County Regional Behavioral Health (SCRBH), Spokane County Community Services Department (CSD) Director Justin Johnson, LICSW, MHP regarding SCRILS Quarterly Meeting Agenda Items;

Ferry County: Email from Clerk of the Board April Drennan regarding Ferry Board of County Commissioner (BOCC) Agenda for the week of October 26th;

Emergency Medical Services/ Trauma Care Council (EMS/TCC): Email from EMS/TC Council Secretary Lisa Shinn regarding the proposal made by Fire District #1, Sheriff's Ambulance and Pend Oreille Fire District #2 and the draft agenda for October 27th;

Commissioners: 1) Letter signed by the Board to the Colville Warming Center regarding annual funding award; 2) Letter signed by Clerk of the Board Jonnie Brown to the Clerk of Superior Court of Stevens County requesting that herself, Chairman Young, and Commissioner Stobart be excused from jury service for the first two weeks of December 2026; 3) Email from Eleanor Mattice of the Colville Tree Board regarding questions about the new Justice Center;

VOUCHERS, TRANSFERS, AND BENEFITS...

Journal Voucher #45-2026 was approved by the Board for Information Services (IS) Billing for September 2026

Journal Voucher #46-2026 was approved by the Board for Information Services (IS) Phone Billing for September 2026

Purchase Card Approval / PCA #9-2026 for August paid September 2026 purchases were approved by the Board. The original was returned to the Auditor's Office, where more details can be found; a copy of the summary was filed.

Purchase Card Approval / PCA #10-2026 for September paid October 2026 purchases were approved by the Board. The original was returned to the Auditor's Office, where more details can be found; a copy of the summary was filed.

Vouchers in the amount of $930,707.23 and interfund vouchers in the amount of $12,755.68 were approved by the Board; copies of the voucher summaries were filed. More details can be found in the Auditor's Office.

An on-demand voucher in the amount of $565.00 was approved by the Board; a copy of the voucher summary was filed. More details can be found in the Auditor's Office.

Benefits: 1) Stevens County and Public Works Benefits approval for the month of September in the amount of $349,002.26; Copies of the summaries were filed; more details can be found in the Auditor's Office.

RESOLUTIONS AND AGREEMENTS...

Proclamations…

Proclamation Declaring Operation Greenlight for Veterans November 4-11, 2026

Resolution #...

R-072-2026 Establishing the Official Record of County Road Speed Limits

R-073-2026 Authorizing ER&R to Update Outdated Fuel Management Controllers

R-074-2026 Granting Franchise No. F-05-2026 for Jack Moody

R-075-2026 Vacation and Abandonment of a Portion of County Road (Leslie Creek)

Contracts…

C-242-2026 Fully executed Homeless Service Agreement between the Colville Warming Center and Stevens County for July 1, 2026, through April 30, 2027.

C-243-2026 Fully executed contract between Maul Foster & Alongi, Inc. and Stevens County Solid Waste for landfill surface emissions monitoring.

A fully executed contract between Maxim Equipment and Stevens County Public Works (PW) for rock crushing was received and assigned C-244-2026. Note: This agreement was originally signed by the Chairman on September 21, 2026, and was received the week of October 19, 2026.

A fully executed Personal Services Agreement (PSA) between the Kettle River Grange and Stevens County Fairgrounds for the Northeast Washington (NEWA) Fair was received and assigned C-245-2026.

A fully executed Grant Amendment 2-SWMCLCP-2527-StCoPW-00123 between the Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE) and Stevens County Landfill was received and assigned C-246-2026. Note: This agreement was originally signed by the Chairman on October 6, 2026, and was received the week of October 19, 2026.

MINUTES APPROVED...

Minutes for the week of October 5, 2026, were approved.

Jonnie R. Brown	Tammi Renfro	Greg Young
Clerk of the Board	Deputy Clerk of the Board	Chairman

MEETING ADJOURNED...

The meeting was adjourned until Monday, October 26, 2026.