

CHELAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 29 & 30, 2025

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

9:00:16 A.M. Opening: Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Smith calls the meeting to order. Present for session is Commissioner Overbay, Commissioner Hawkins, County Administrator Cathy Mulhall, Budget Director Nicole Thompson, and Clerk of the Board Anabel Torres.

Public Comment Period – No Comments Provided

9:02:10 A.M. Consent Agenda

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Hawkins and Smith, the Commission approves the consent agenda *by majority vote (2-1). Commissioner Overbay opposed.*

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Vouchers as submitted and Listed
3. Payroll Changes:
 - a) Ashley Fechner, Clerk – Step Increase
 - b) Melena Kessman, Auditor – Promotion
 - c) Jacob Smith, Regional Justice Center – Rehire
 - d) Stacey Carson, Public Works – Promotion
 - e) Sean Duke, Sheriff – Rehire

9:31:17 A.M. Superior Court Clerk Marty Young

Discussion

1. Resolution Amending Resolution 2025-19 Re: Court Facilitator Program

9:38:31 A.M. Board Discussion

9:51:21 A.M. Recess

10:00:06 A.M. Back in Session

10:00:19 A.M. County Administrator Cathy Mulhall

Discussion

1. Administrative Update

10:03:45 A.M. Action

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Agreement Between Chelan County Juvenile and Kristi Hunziker
2. Data Access Subscription Agreement for Superior Court Records with Lytle Law, PLLC
3. 2026 Holiday Schedule

10:05:00 A.M. Continue Departmental Discussion

10:30:59 A.M. Economic Services Director Ron Cridlebaugh

Discussion

1. 2023 – 2025 Grant Cycle Report
2. Department Update

10:43:54 A.M. Action

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Extend Fire Restrictions through Oct. 15th.
2. Notice of Public Hearing: Homeless Housing 5-year Strategic Plan

11:00:31 A.M. Natural Resources Director Mike Kaputa

11:01:26 A.M. Executive Session Re: Real Estate

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves to move into 15 minutes Executive Session Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(b) to consider the selection site or acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase.

Extend Executive Session by 4 minutes– Public Notified

11:21:18 A.M. Moved Back to Regular Session

Discussion

1. Other

11:25:00 A.M. Action

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Amendment to Agreement with WA Recreation and Conservation Office for Mission Creek Fish Barrier Removal Design Time Extension
2. Work Order 2025-000 with WA Department of Natural Resources for Stemilt Upper Wheeler Cross-Boundary Prescribed Burn Project
3. Contract for Personal Services with Streamline Environmental for Departmental Project Support
4. Contract Change No. 8 with Aspect Consulting for Mission Ridge Expansion Master Planned Resort EIS
5. Professional Services Contract with Upper Columbia Salmon Recovery Board for Wenatchee Watershed Action Team Facilitation and Support

11:29:47 A.M. Executive Session with PA Robert Sealby RE: Potential Litigation

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves to move into a 15-Minute Executive Session Pursuant to RCW R42.30.110(1)(i), to discuss with Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Marcus Foster matters relating to potential litigation.

Extend Executive Session by 32 minutes– Public Notified

12:20:30 P.M. Moved Back to Regular Session

12:20:45 P.M. Recess

12:20:45 P.M. Back in Session

1:02:04 P.M. Budget Hearing: Information Technology (IT) | Fred Hart

1:35:33 P.M. Budget Hearing: Juvenile Detention | Corey Stevens

2:13:37 P.M. Budget Hearing: Coroner's Office | Wayne Harris

2:45:05 P.M. Budget Hearing: Assessor's Office | Wes Cornelius

3:10:43 P.M. Budget Hearing: Superior Court Clerk | Marty Young

3:30 P.M. Budget Hearing: Horticulture & Pest Control | Will Carpenter

3:57:12 P.M. Recess

4:00:00 P.M. Back in Session

4:00:36 P.M. Executive Session with PA Robert Sealby RE: Potential Litigation

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves to move into a 5-Minute Executive Session Pursuant to RCW R42.30.110(1)(i), to discuss with Prosecuting Attorney Robert Sealby matters relating to potential litigation.

4:06:51 P.M. Moved Back to Regular Session

4:07:08 P.M. Recess until Tuesday

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

9:30:13 A.M. Back in Session

9:30:29 A.M. Public Works Director Eric Pierson

9:30:35 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING: Proposed 2026 Annual Road Program

Chairman Smith opened the public hearing. Members of the public participated both in person and via Zoom. He subsequently opened the floor for public comment. No comments were received, chairman smith closed the public hearing.

9:47:12 A.M. Executive Session: Real Estate

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves to move into 10 minutes Executive Session Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(b) to consider the selection site or acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase.

Extend Executive Session by 5 minutes– Public Notified

Continue Departmental Discussion

1. Event Permit – Leavenworth Marathon & Half Marathon

10:07:31 A.M. Action

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Contract with Wakefield Excavation for the Dryden Transfer Station Metal Yard Paving Project
2. Local Agency Agreement for Binder/Tigner Road Improvements Project, County Road Project 685 (CRP 685)
3. Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus for Binder/Tigner Road Improvements Project, County Road Project 685 (CRP 685)
4. Local Agency Agreement for School Street Pedestrian Improvement Project, County Road Project 752 (CRP 752)
5. Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus for School Street Pedestrian Improvement Project, County Road Project 752 (CRP 752)
6. Local Programs State Funding Agreement for South Wenatchee Pedestrian Safe Routes to Schools Project, County Road Project 764 (CRP 764)
7. Local Programs State Funding Agreement for Manson Area Safe Routes to Schools Project, County Road Project 764 (CRP 765)
8. Approve Adoption of 2026 Annual Road Program

~~10:00 A.M. Flood Control Zone District Administrator Eric Pierson~~

10:09:53 A.M. Recess

10:15:46 A.M. Back in Session

10:15:57 A.M. Community Development Director Deanna Walter

Discussion

1. Departmental Update
2. ~~Approval for PD 22-503 & P22-504~~ – *pulled from action items*

10:25:18 A.M. Action

Upon motion and second by Commissioner Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves the action items as follows:

1. Final Plat Approval for P2023-272 – Adventure Farms
2. Refund Request- Cancellation of (BP 250507)
3. Commercial Building Permit Application (BP 250681) – add on

11:00:37 A.M. NCW Libraries Executive Director Barbara Walters

~~11:30 A.M. City of Entiat Mayor Renee Swearingen~~ Cancelled

11:30:06 A.M. Recess

11:36:09 A.M. Back in Session

11:36:21 A.M. Recess

11:51:25 A.M. Back in Session

11:51:37 A.M. Executive Session with PA Robert Sealby RE: Potential Litigation

Upon motion and second by Commissioners Overbay and Hawkins, the Commission unanimously approves to move into a 15-Minute Executive Session Pursuant to RCW R42.30.110(1)(i), to discuss with Prosecuting Attorney Robert Sealby matters relating to potential litigation.

Extend Executive Session by 30 minutes– Public Notified

12:38:26 P.M. Moved Back to Regular Session

12:38:44 P.M. Recess until Wednesday

****SPECIAL MEETING** WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025**

8:00:17 A.M. Back in Session - Commissioner Hawkins Absent

8:01:01 A.M. Budget Hearing: District Court/District Court Probation | Judge Volyn, Judge Blackmon, Lea Garner, and Lori Lewis

8:05:17 A.M. Commissioner Hawkins Joins Session

9:00:39 A.M. Recess

9:06:28 A.M. Back in Session

9:08:27 A.M. Budget Hearing: Sheriff's Office | Mike Morrison

10:06:26 A.M. Budget Hearing: Natural Resources | Mike Kaputa

11:09:46 A.M. Budget Hearing: Auditor's Office | Skip Moore

11:44:13 A.M. Budget Hearing: Noxious Weeds | Adam Pfleeeger

11:55:19 A.M. Recess

1:30:51 A.M. Back in Session

1:31:08 P.M. Budget Hearing: Flood Control Zone District | Eric Pierson

1:51:14 P.M. Budget Hearing: Public Works | Eric Pierson

2:59:57 P.M. Recess

3:09:42 P.M. Back in Session

3:09:58 P.M. Continued Public Works Budget Hearing

3:59:26 P.M. Adjourn

Board adjourns until Monday, October 6, 2025.

<i>Weekly Voucher Approval for Payment</i>	
<i>Current Expense</i>	<i>\$ 96,817.28</i>
<i>Other Funds</i>	<i>\$ 560,394.44</i>
<i>Total all Funds</i>	<i>\$ 657,211.72</i>

BOARD OF CHELAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SHON SMITH, CHAIRMAN