

**COLUMBIA RIVER COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
MEETING MINUTES
EAST WENATCHEE, WA
03-10-2022**

Members Present – Cindy Carter, Kevin Overbay, Terry Thompson, Marc Straub, Rob Coffman and Chris Branch

Staff Present – Bruce Buckles, Tammy Harvey, Erin Nelson, Ken Sterner, Josh Hamilton, Diane Tribble, Debbie Peterson and Nicole Buak

Guests – Christine Johnson: Union Employee Representative and Tom Cash: Union Representative

Meeting – Cindy Carter called the Columbia River Council of Governments (COG) meeting to order at 1:36 pm.

Public Comment – None

Minutes – Rob Coffman moved to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2022 meeting. Terry Thompson seconded, and the motion carried.

Budget & Expenditures – Expenditures were reviewed for January 2022. Checks 69920-69975, DD19581 – DD19695, DRS1-2022, DRS2-2022, PRT1-2022, LNI4-2021, ESD4-2021, WPFML4-2021. Kevin Overbay made a motion to approve the expenditures for checks. Rob Coffman seconded, and the motion carried.

Personnel Update – Tammy Harvey reviewed the personnel update.

Resolution 22-01 – Health Home Care Coordinator (4 employees) and Health Home Care Coordinator Lead (1 employee) salary increase. Chris Branch made a motion to approve Resolution 22-01. Rob Coffman seconded, and the motion carried.

Quarterly Reports – The Directors presented 4th quarter 2021 reports for their programs.

Monitoring Reports – Erin Nelson reviewed the 2021 monitoring reports for Beneficial In-Home Care, In-Home Care of Central Washington, and ResCare Washington Inc.

Executive Director's Report – Bruce Buckles expressed concerns regarding fuel prices related to agency travel for client visits. Bruce discussed seniors and how they are resilient and persevere, but they are at the highest risk.

Rob Coffman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:33 p.m. Kevin Overbay seconded, and the motion carried.

Next Meeting - The next meeting will be on April 14th, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.