

**COLUMBIA RIVER COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
MEETING MINUTES  
EAST WENATCHEE, WA  
07-14-2022**

**Members Present** – Kevin Overbay, Marc Straub, Terry Thompson, and Chris Branch

**Members Participating by Zoom/Phone**–

**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

**Meeting** – Kevin Overbay called the Columbia River Council of Governments (COG) meeting to order at 1:29 pm.

**Public Comment** – None

**Minutes** – Terry Thompson moved to approve the minutes from the June 09, 2022 meeting. Marc Straub seconded, and the motion carried.

**Budget & Expenditures** – Expenditures were reviewed for May 2022. Checks 70171-70251, DD20046 – DD20163, DRS9-2022, DRS10-2022, PRT6-2022. Marc Straub made a motion to approve the expenditures for checks. Chris Branch seconded, and the motion carried.

**Personnel Update** – Tammy Harvey reviewed the personnel update.

**Monitoring Report** – Erin Nelson reviewed the Moses Lake Senior Center report and there are no concerns.

**Executive Director's Report** – Bruce Buckles again commented on the fact that virtually all our health care systems are in a state of crisis due to fiscal and staffing issues. Long term Care facilities are stressed to the max. Our budget for the upcoming year remains a mystery because we have yet to receive any information from DSHS. Bruce spoke of the ongoing concern regarding our staff taking over APS duties. He shared that our staff is aggressively reaching out to senior centers since the annual conference in May.

Kevin Overbay made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

**Next Meeting** - The next meeting will be on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.