

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

RESOLUTION NO. 24-071

APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE DISTRESSED  
COUNTIES (.09) FUND / RURAL ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC FACILITIES ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE

**WHEREAS**, Lewis County qualifies as a Distressed County as per the definition under Section 5 of RCW 82.14.370; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) established the policies and procedures for the Distressed Counties Fund Advisory Committee via Resolution 98-663 on December 28, 1998, revised them via Resolution 07-030 on January 22, 2007, and updated them via Resolution 23-225 on July 18, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) established the Distressed Counties Fund via Resolution 02-472 on December 2, 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, as outlined in Resolution 23-225, membership on the Distressed Counties (.09) Fund / Rural Economic Development Public Facilities Advisory Committee is as follows:

- One representative of the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC)
- One representative from the Port of Chehalis
- One representative from the Port of Centralia
- One representative from the East Lewis County Public Development Authority (ELCPDA)
- One representative from large cities (population over 3,000)
- One representative from small cities (population under 3,000)
- One representative from the Industrial Commission.
- One representative from the Economic Alliance (EA, formerly known as the Lewis Economic Development Council [EDC]) to act as chair of said committee
- Up to one other member who may be appointed to fill an at-large position based upon economic conditions and organizational priorities

**WHEREAS**, in response to recommendations and outreach from the Economic Alliance and the BOCC, the following people have expressed interest in serving on the Lewis County Distressed Counties (.09) Fund / Rural Economic Development Public Facilities Advisory Committee for 2024:

| <b>NAME</b>                                                                      | <b>REPRESENTING</b>                 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Lewis County Commissioner Lindsey Pollock                                        | BOCC                                |
| Port Commissioner Paul Ericson                                                   | Port of Chehalis                    |
| Port Commissioner Kyle Markstrom                                                 | Port of Centralia                   |
| East Lewis County Public Development Authority (ELCPDA) board member Fred Morton | ELCPDA                              |
| Centralia Mayor Kelly Smith-Johnston                                             | Large cities                        |
| Napavine Mayor Shawn O'Neill                                                     | Small cities                        |
| Industrial Commission board member Kirk Vigre                                    | Industrial Commission               |
| Economic Alliance (EA) Chair Luke Moerke                                         | Economic Alliance (Committee Chair) |
| CPA / business owner Tom Nicholas                                                | At-large position                   |

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the above-mentioned individuals are hereby appointed to the Distressed Counties Fund/Rural Economic Development Public Facilities Advisory Committee effective immediately for terms to expire December 31, 2024.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 27th day of February, 2024.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

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By: David Bailey,  
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ATTEST:



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