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| Present: | **Voting Board Members:**  Craig Volwiler- Finance Sector, Chair  Mike Rizzitiello, City of College Place, Chair  ☐Jay Potts, City of Prescott  Byron Olson, City of Walla Walla  Randy Hinchliffe, City of Waitsburg  Jim Johnson, BOCC  Juli Reinholz  Kathy Covey | VETERANS VACANT-Dawn Avery  Renee Rooker, WWHA  Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer, Transportation  Norrie Gregoire, Corrections/Safety  Tyler Graber, Legal  Anne-Marie Zell-Schwerin, DV shelter  Tim Meliah, Youth Services  HOSPITAL VACANT-Meghan to inquire with Susan Blackburn from Providence |
| **Non-Voting Participants:**  Rachel Elfenbein, Elizabeth Chamberlain  DCH Staff: Meghan DeBolt, Nikki Sharp, Sam Jackle | | |

**Quorum Present – Yes**

**Welcome:** Mike called the meeting to order at approximately 2:01 PM. We went around the Zoom room and did introductions.

**Approval of May 28, 2020 Minutes:** Review of notes by board, Anne-Marie motioned to accept with corrections identified, Andrea seconded, all were in favor.

**Letter of Support – CE Diversion Pilot Grant:** Sam presented letter of support, Renee motioned to approve, Craig seconded, all were in favor with no comments.

**Commerce New Shelter Program Funding**: Craig presented on the proposal for the new shelter program funding. The Walla Walla County Dept. of Community Health and the City of Walla Walla will submit a coordinated application. Program will increase Sleep Center beds by 8 and will provide an opportunity for mobile outreach office space and services.

**COVID-19 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG):** Walla Walla County Dept. of Community Health will apply for the funds and subcontract with BMAC to provide mobile coordinated entry services, rental assistance, and some case management and prevention services.

**HB 1406 Update:** Attorneys from Walla Walla County, the City of Walla Walla, and the City of College Place are reviewing a draft interlocal agreement, which is not a requirement, but has been requested by all parties. The Council on Housing will serve as the advisory body to strategize proposed use of funds. The Dept. of Community Health will try to find out more info about the discrepancy between the original projections and the new projections.

**2019 Affordable Homeless Housing Fund Report:** The source of this revenue is not impacted by sales tax. Revenue is up, and we do not anticipate any impact to the 2021 funding. We asked organizations to submit a 3-year funding proposal with the understanding that funding would only be granted 1 year at a time. 2020 is the first year of that request, original proposals reflected a 5% increase for each year; we will have to review if we can make those increases work and check with each organization to see if their proposal still works. County does have a 25% reserve per BOCC ruling and $10k has been carved out per year for the COH Community Land Trust. Renee asked that we consider reserving some local funds for match dollars.

**Other Business:** Rachel raised concerns regarding an increased need for rental assistance. Renee shared that the Housing Authority is receiving additional dollars for homeless rental assistance that could assist 10-15 additional families (via TBRA vouchers). Housing First voucher program will be getting an increase as well. BMAC is working to increase capacity for managing rental assistance dollars. Sam will work on creating a rental assistance inventory working document.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 2:59 PM