

Board of Okanogan County Commissioners

Monday, Dec. 13, 2025 PM

JN—Jon Neal, BOCC, District 3

AH—Andy Hover, BOCC, District 1

NT—Nick Timm BOCC, District 2

LJ—Lanie Johns, Clerk of the Board

SM—Stacy McClennan, Deputy Clerk of the Board

JS—Jessica Simon, Family and Adult Homelessness State Grants Team Manager, WA Dept of Commerce

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Summary of significant discussions:

- Jessica Simon, Family and Adult Homelessness State Grants Team Manager, Washington Department of Commerce, presents information about grant opportunities to deal with homelessness. The county currently opts out of these opportunities, allowing the Okanogan County Community Action Council, a non-profit agency, to apply for the grants directly. When Simon learns that the county is aware of the grant opportunities available, she ends the meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 1:55.

The afternoon session is delayed about 12 minutes because the microphones in the meeting room are not working. They are still not working at 1:42, when Jessica Simon, Family and Adult Homelessness State Grants Team Manager, WA Dept of Commerce, begins her presentation via zoom. The commissioners will make statements and ask questions via the chat box.

Simon notes that both counties and non-profits are eligible for the grants, and Okanogan County has opted out of applying. She begins to describe procedures and requirements for the grant applications.

AH (via chat box) *Jessica can I interrupt you for just a minute*

I thought we have been opted out for many years

Okanogan County is ok with opting out

It is easier for OCCAC to get the money directly

AH (via chat box) *I think we were just trying to be sure that this was the same pot of money that we have been opting out of for years*

When Simon learns that the county prefers that the OCCAC (Okanogan County Community Action Council) applies for the grant money itself, she says that's all she needs to know and leaves the meeting.

The commissioners adjourn for the day at 1:55.