

## COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting  
Adams County Public Services Building  
Othello, Washington

March 8, 2017  
(Wednesday)

**Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.**

**Present:**

Chairman Roger L. Hartwig  
Vice-Chairman Jeffrey W. Stevens  
Commissioner John N. Marshall

[9:00:38 AM](#)

**Wastewater Treatment Facility**

Port of Othello Director Doyle Palmer and Economic Development Director Stephen McFadden met to review the next stages in the proposed Wastewater Treatment facility process.

Additionally present were Port of Othello Commissioners Kenny Schutte, Gary Weaver, and Terry Thompson.

Director Palmer reported the Port recently purchased property that was suitable for the wastewater facility and would like to see an operations plan developed.

Both parties agreed that a joint partnership between the Port of Othello and Adams County is the best way to proceed. Meetings between the two Boards will be scheduled as needed and necessary agreements will be drafted once funding is secured.

Director McFadden reported notification of the legislative decision of the County's Capital Budget funding request of \$1,250,000 for the pre-design, engineering and value-added engineering for the Industrial Wastewater Treatment Plant and Water Reuse Facility will not be announced until the state budget is approved.

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### **Emergency Management**

Emergency Management Director Jay Weise provided an update on emergency management operations, noting discussions are taking place with Day Wireless regarding radios with an effort to prioritize needs based on funding.

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### **The Old Hotel Art Gallery**

Director Jennifer Stevenson, Old Hotel Art Gallery, Othello, met to request a letter of support from the Board for funding for a Heritage Capital Projects Fund, noting the Old Hotel is requesting \$56,000 in funding and is ranked #24 of thirty-five projects to be funded. The building project will include remove and repair porch; new stairs and railing; ADA ramp; ADA sidewalks; ADA parking spot; and, landscaping to beautify after concrete projects are complete.

Economic Development Director McFadden was present and noted the Old Hotel is a key tourism location and recommended the Board issue a letter of support.

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### **Adams County Planning Commission**

Adams County Planning Commission members Bob Carlson and Michael Andersen met to discuss zoning designations currently being considered by the Planning Commission. Zoning, as well as appropriate setbacks, were discussed for marijuana facilities, feed lots, and dairies. The Planning Commission requested monthly meetings with the Board to provide updates and receive comment during the process of adopting a final ordinance regarding regulations.

Additionally present was Building and Planning Director Wiltse; Building Inspector Unruh; and, Economic Development Director McFadden.

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### **Adjournment @ 12:00**

Submitted:  
s/Patricia J. Phillips  
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Chairman  
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Vice-Chairman  
s/John N. Marshall, Commissioner