

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville
March 26, 2001

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman Jeffrey W. Stevens
Vice-Chairman Rudy Plager
Commissioner Richard Johnson

*0-354

Prosecuting Attorney Office - Office Administrator Position

Prosecutor Brueher requested reclassification of position. Job description will be updated and submitted to the board for consideration.

Executive Session

Requested for approximately twenty (20) minutes and held with Attorney Roger Reed under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) – litigation - from 9:04 a.m. until 9:24 a.m.

*354-1483

Road Projects – 2001 and 2002

O'Brien provided a written schedule identifying construction and crackseal and prelevel projects.

Facilities O&M

- Janitorial Survey to be sent to all courthouse employees the week of March 26 with deadline to return on March 30 to Public Works
- Othello District Court submitted request for protection glass at work counter due to recent threat from member of public; quotes for purchase and installation to be secured by O'Brien
- Water valve leakage in jail; Johnson Controls quote for repair \$2,960 approved
- John Oestreich reported to Public Works that he would not be continuing with his courthouse maintenance contract

Engineer Bond

Commissioner Plager moved, Johnson seconded, to *waive the bond requirement for the County Engineer*. Motion carried. RCW 36.80.020

sets bonding requirements for the position. Numerous counties do not require bonds anymore due to the engineer position no longer being an elected position.

County Shop at Schrag

Site vandalism caused \$1,200 damage.

Forklift

Board approved by consensus for the department to rent a used forklift for one month at \$1,000; and, if the equipment is found acceptable the company will apply the rental fee to the purchase price. This is a 2001 budgeted item to be used in the Lind area.

Executive Session

Requested for ten (10) minutes by Public Works Director O'Brien under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)(i) – personnel and litigation. Engineer Johns and Gale Kulm were present. Session was held from 10:43 a.m. until 10:53 a.m.; announced and posted an additional ten (10) minutes and held from 10:53 a.m. until 11:03 a.m.; announced and posted for an additional ten (10) minutes and held from 11:03 a.m. until 11:13 a.m.

*1483-2098

Adams County Fair

Prosecutor Brueher discussed groundskeeper hiring action taken by the Fair Board during their recent meeting. Brueher informed Fair that since the action was taken by "secret ballot" such action was null and void. Options were given to the Fair Board in letters from Brueher.

*2098-2447

Video Equipment

Commissioner Plager moved, Johnson seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Maintenance and Operation Service Agreement with Qwest for the three video equipment units at the rate of \$1,725.00 per unit per year.* Motion carried. The Board opted for "no automatic renewal" with the agreement.

*2447-3014

Cell Phones

Cantrell authorized to prepare a program and cost analysis on county owned cell phones. The most cost effective plan for the county as well as employees under the county program will be reviewed. Board anticipates assigning cell phone management to Central Services in 2002.

Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

*3014-3397

Duplicator Equipment

Auditor McBroom requested and received authorization to purchase a \$4,300 duplicator machine for recorded documents to be paid out of Auditor's O&M fund. Sufficient funds are available and no budget amendment will be required.

*3397-3744 (tape changeover #2) *0-2198

Ruegsegger Ranch, Inc. and Chapter 16.32 ACC

Presentations given by Prosecutor Brueher, Building and Planning Director Caputo, Attorney Dennis Morgan (on behalf of Ruegsegger's). Engineer Bill Johns was present.

Following discussion, Board requested Morgan to prepare an appropriate document on the matter setting forth certain understandings and conditions. Board will execute upon document receipt.

County/City Task Force

Request from City of Othello Planner Andrews tabled until County Building and Planning Department is back to full staffing.

Carlos Garcia Trucking Line Co.

Commissioner Johnson will contact the Department of Transportation for withdrawal of restrictions on permit. Board will take action upon receipt of same.

*3300-3812 (tape changeover #3) *0-1316

Finance Committee

Treasurer Danekas and Auditor McBroom conducted session.

*1315-1369

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Johnson moved, Plager seconded, *to approve the Consent Agenda*:

Preliminary minutes of March 12 and 14, 2001

Vouchers audited and certified by the Adams County Auditor as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090 and recorded on a listing, which was made available to the board. These vouchers were listed as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001	011588-011666	\$ 70,972.81
103	011667-011669	\$ 2,159.25
104	011670-011684	\$ 10,559.46
106	011685-011686	\$ 266.82
108	011687-011692	\$ 3,211.59
109	011693-011695	\$ 1,255.79
111	011696	\$ 326.27
116	011697-011700	\$ 10,138.64
117	011701-011711	\$ 1,615.19
131	011712	\$ 142.91
133	011713	\$ 92.80
166	011714-011719	\$ 740.47
501	011720-011735	\$ 54,455.01
115	345-376	\$ 10,623.18
401	377-383	\$ 33,184.89
501	384-392	\$ 8,649.26
590	393-414	\$ 11,414.80
TOTAL		\$219,809.14

Approval of MOA Amended Appendix A for FY 2001 between Washington State University Cooperative Extension and Adams County

Authorize the Chairman to sign the Settlement Agreement and Release and Covenant Not to Sue in matter of Grimm v. Brueher and Adams County, USDC #CS-00-0164-RHW

Authorize the Chairman to sign the Washington State Military Department Amendment A for Contract #EM01-0333. This amendment provides an additional \$25,000 to the Scope of Work and Budget for reimbursement of additional equipment purchases

WRIA-36 (Water Resource Inventory Area)

Commissioner Plager moved, Johnson seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Statement of Agreed Priority in the Matter of FY2002 Loan and Grant Application for WRIA 36 between Adams County, Franklin*

County, City of Pasco, Franklin Conservation District, and Yakima Indian Nation. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Marty Brown, Director of Office of Financial Management re: funding needs of local governments to update their Shoreline Master Programs pursuant to new guidelines adopted by DOE

John E. Bilbrey, Claims Manager of Office of Risk Management re: Sundry Claim #SCO-2001-156 Adams County

City of Othello re: appreciation for free dump day for lawn debris and vegetation

SEPA Checklist for Permanent change of location of groundwater right 1000-A from present location to 80 acres of a 125 acre circle by Bernard Erickson

Okanogan Board of County Commissioners re: assistance to private farm interests by Washington Agricultural Legal Foundation for planned lawsuit to sue federal government for unlawfully trying to use the Endangered Species Act to cut off water rights protected by the state and federal Constitutions

Copy of memo to Scott Haugen from Dee Caputo re: Shorelines Master Program – Adams County in relation to developments

SEPA DNS for Well #8 – drill well and construct building - City of Othello

SEPA DNS for Well #9 – drill well and construct building - City of Othello

Department of Ecology, Fred Rajala, Environmental Specialist re: Certification of Completion of County Water Conservancy Board Training for Dale Galbreath, Orman W. Johnson, and Dennis E. Swing

Copy of letter from Howard G. Cutler to Public Works Director re: Rejection to change of my job classification specification

Senator Bob Morton re: bills before state legislature that impact county authority regarding conservation districts and request for comments

Adams County Water Conservancy Board minutes of February 26, 2001, and agenda for March 26, 2001 meeting

Michael J. Tate, Dean and Director of WSU Cooperative Extension re: appreciation for continued county support

Copy of letter to Adams County Health District from Donna Dickson, Othello re: putting process waste product on farm units farmed by Tom Altona

Prosecuting Attorney Brueher re: Adams County Fair Board and Raun Jensen (Groundskeeper position) (two letters sent – one dated March 22 and one dated March 23)

Harry E. Ries, Attorney re: Raun Jensen and Groundskeeper position with Adams County Fair Board

Barbie Dailey, Othello re: resignation from Adams County Fair Board

Permanent Minutes Signed

March 5, 2001

Adjournment @ 4:50 p.m.

Submitted:
s/Linda Reimer, CMC/AAE
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Chairman
s/Rudy Plager, Vice-Chairman
s/Richard Johnson, Commissioner