

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville

February 19, 2002

Tuesday

(Monday, February 18, 2002, Holiday)

and

February 20, 2002

Wednesday

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

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

Sheriff's Association Contract

Contract for 2002-2004 scheduled for execution on February 25, 2002.

Undersheriff Weise provided update on personnel – resignations, new hires, and injuries.

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2001-2002 County Wide Crushing

Commissioner Johnson moved, Plager seconded, to *approve Pay Estimate #2 to Ellensburg Cement Products, Inc., Ellensburg, Washington, for work completed 1/05/02 to 2/05/02 on the 2001-2002 County Wide Crushing Project in the amount of \$133,726.32.* Motion carried.

*635-953

Depositories for Public Funds

Treasurer Danekas in accordance with RCW 36.48.010 designated the following institutions as depositories for all public funds held and required to be kept by the Adams County Treasurer:

U. S. Bank
Bank of America (f/k/a Seattle First National Bank)
Sterling Savings Bank
Washington Mutual Savings Bank
Bank of Whitman
The Wheatland Bank

Funds will also be placed in the Washington State Local Government Investment Pool that is managed by the Washington State Treasurer.

RCW 36.29.010(1)(6)

Treasurer Danekas provided the following information: (1) the county treasurer shall receive all money due the county and disburse it on warrants issued and attested by the county auditor; and, (6) shall maintain financial records reflecting receipts and disbursement by fund in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Adams County fiscal year begins on January 1 and ends on December 31.

Uncollectible Personal Property Taxes

Treasurer Danekas under RCW 84.56.240 filed a list of uncollectible personal property taxes and an affidavit stating that efforts had been made to collect the same but to no avail.

Commissioner Plager moved, Johnson seconded, to *cancel those uncollectible personal property taxes (\$508.67) as submitted by the County Treasurer in a memo dated February 4, 2002.* Motion carried.

*935-1883

WSU Cooperative Extension

Elvin L. Kulp, Area Extension Chair, notified the board that he was taking a special retirement option effective April 2, 2002.

Kristie Price will assume Kulp's duties.

Dora Rumsey, Extension SE District Director, and Aaron Esser were present for discussions regarding program continuation.

A meeting of the three county area staff (Adams, Grant, Lincoln) was scheduled for March 25, 2002, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Public Works Building.

Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

*1883-2121

Levy Calculations

Assessor Anderson reported on the research related to levy calculations from 1984 to present following a request from the Department of Revenue. Documentation has been forwarded to DOR for concurrence.

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes for February 11 and 13, 2002

Declared Auditor Office Digital Server (#10876), Digital Monitor (#10877), Label Printer (#10192), and Receipt Printer (#10196) surplus to be sold and/or junked

Authorized the Chairman to sign the Washington State Department of Transportation Local Agency Agreement # LA-4671, Supplement #2 for Bench Road Project – 12241 (McKinney Road to Taylor Road MP 5.53 to MP 7.02) to move funding from P.E. funding and contract funding to C.E. agency funding due to additional agency work in the form of blue top staking instead of contractor blue stop staking

Authorized Chairman to sign the Washington State Department of Transportation Local Agency Agreement #LA-4572, Supplement #2 for Booker Road Project – 21901 (Cunningham Road to Foley Road MP 6.05 to MP 8.03) to move funding from contract funding to the P.E. funding and C.E. funding due to additional agency work due to the complexity of staking through the port districts

Correspondence

Jefferson County Board of Commissioners re: request for support of HB 2858

Deputy Dale Wagner re: invitation to DARE Graduation at Lutacaga Elementary

Dennis W. Morgan, Public Defender re: Mutual Termination Agreement with John Strohmaier effective February 28, 2002

Adams County Water Conservancy Board minutes of January 28, 2002, and agenda for February 25, 2002

Building and Planning Department re: Citizen Workbook for Comprehensive Plan/Zoning for panhandle portion of county

James Otis Neal re: bill for feasibility study of rail passenger service in Eastern Washington did not pass

Norton/White, Building and Planning Department re: Code Enforcer/Addressing position

Permanent Minutes Signed

February 4, 2002

NEW TAPE *0-1045

Redistricting of Commissioner Districts

Chairman Stevens opened the public hearing at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Ken Hille, Ritzville
Auditor McBroom
Elections Deputy Hunt

Maps showing the current and proposed Commissioner District boundaries reviewed along with population counts for each district.

Comments heard from all those present. Discussion of precinct numbers and how they are affected by the proposed Commissioner District boundaries and the new Congressional District boundaries.

Hearing was recessed at 3:35 p.m. to reconvene at 6:00 p.m. this date.

Recess @ 4:30 p.m.

*1045-2191

Redistricting of Commissioner Districts

Chairman Stevens reconvened the public hearing at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Auditor McBroom
Elections Deputy Hunt

Additional discussion regarding precinct lines and numbers as affected by Commissioner District boundaries and Congressional Districts. Two additional proposals will be solicited from Sammamish Data Systems that will incorporate new boundary lines and population totals for each Commissioner District.

Recess @ 6:40 p.m.

Wednesday, February 20, 2002
Othello City Hall, Othello, Washington

NEW TAPE *0-36

Redistricting of Commissioner Districts

Chairman Stevens reconvened the public hearing at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Auditor McBroom
Elections Deputy Hunt
Interpreter John White

No members of the public present and no comments received.

Recess @ 3:10 p.m.

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Redistricting of Commissioner Districts

Chairman Stevens reconvened the public hearing at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Leonard Lyon, Othello
Interpreter John White
Tri-City Herald reporter Shirley Wentworth

Discussion of boundaries for Congressional Districts, Commissioner Districts (proposed), and Precinct boundaries/requirements.

Additional proposals will be requested and reviewed.

Recessed @ 6:26 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS following receipt of new proposals will reconvene:
Wednesday, April 10, 2002 at 11:00 a.m. in Othello at the County Services Building, 165 N. 1st, District Courtroom
Monday, April 15, 2002 at 11:00 a.m. in Ritzville at the Courthouse, 210 W. Broadway, Room 202

Adjournment @ 6:26 p.m.

Submitted:

s/Linda Reimer, CMC
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