

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting Adams County Services Building, Othello

August 28, 2002
(Wednesday)

Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.

Present:

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

D.A.R.E.

Commissioner Plager moved, Johnson seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Community Mobilization Grant Contracts which provide D.A.R.E. Program funding to the Othello Police Department (\$5,495); Adams County Sheriff's Office (\$5,494); and Ritzville Police Department (\$1,000).* Motion carried. A 25% match is required from each entity receiving funds.

Gamez, CDMHP

Commissioner Plager moved, Johnson seconded, to *appoint Ricardo Gamez, M.Ed., as a County Designated Mental Health Professional (CDMHP) under RCW 71.05 effective immediately.* Motion carried.

Sentencing Reform

Kate Brueske, Community Counseling Services Director, provided the Board with a packet of information on Sentencing Reform.

Ms. Brueske inquired about scheduling a local Legislative Forum with Cox, Sheehan, Schoesler, and Hastings, to meet with local service agencies to discuss county issues and county funding concerns. November 13 (afternoon) has been tentatively set.

Building and Planning

Director Loren Wiltse reported that addressing of “private lanes” is approximately 25% complete with focus now on Bench and Saddle Roads. Relocation of mobile homes without a permit and revision of the county permit fee schedule were discussed.

Adams County Health District

Public Works Director O’Brien reported that a vehicle had been purchased for the Health District and inquired if this vehicle was to be placed in the “pool” and then assigned to the District so as to assure funding availability in the future. A decision will be made following consultation with the Health District.

Adams County Fair

Skip Hall and Merritt Johnson, Adams County Fair Board members, requested clarification on the county road maintenance policy for the roads/parking lot at the fairgrounds. Public Works Director O’Brien and Engineer Johns responded regarding the current policy (watering and grading of roads, adding gravel where needed, raking the parking lot prior to the start of the fair). Any work done beyond the basics would require a direct billing to the fair as a “donation” of further labor/equipment would constitute a diversion of road funds and jeopardize tax dollars allocated to the (road) department.

A cost estimate for labor/equipment will be presented to the fair board and if additional assistance is requested the public works department will provide the services and bill the fair. The Board consensus authorized any additional labor/equipment costs to be paid from Fund #111. An estimate to apply dust control products and/or BST in the future will be prepared and presented for a potential 2003 budget allocation.

Fire Marshal

County Fire Chief Clyde Fought responded to questions from the board regarding required duties of a “county” fire marshal. The inclusion of emergency management duties and code enforcement duties as part of the fire marshal job position was discussed but no action was taken.

Adjournment @ 12:00

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