

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting
Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville

March 3, 2003
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

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

Executive Session

Executive session was requested for twenty-five (25) minutes and held under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) – litigation – with Attorney Brian Werst (via telephone) from 9:00 a.m. until 9:23 a.m.

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Public Works Summer Temporary Employees

Board consensus authorized the Public Works Department advertising for summer temporary help.

Snauffer Bridge #281-1

Commissioner Stevens moved, Johnson seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the WSDOT Local Agency Agreement and Rural Arterial Program Prospectus for improvements to Snauffer Bridge #281-1*. Motion carried.

Weber Bridge #48-1

Commissioner Johnson moved, Stevens seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the WSDOT Local Agency Agreement and Rural Arterial Program Prospectus for improvements to Weber Bridge #48-1*. Motion carried.

Rooster Bridge #404-3

Commissioner Stevens moved, Johnson seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the WSDOT Local Agency Agreement and Rural Arterial*

Program Prospectus for improvements to Rooster Bridge #404-3. Motion carried.

Leo Dyck Bridge #280-1

Commissioner Johnson moved, Stevens seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the WSDOT Local Agency Agreement and Rural Arterial Program Prospectus for improvements to Leo Dyck Bridge #280-1.* Motion carried.

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Department of Natural Resources

Dale Warriner and Milt Johnston discussed the Department of Natural Resources plan to purchase agricultural lands in eastern Washington and to change ownership on other lands so as to have more manageable areas for the Department.

It was noted that these lands would be taken off the tax roles. The State does, however, pay leasehold taxes to the county for these lands.

Recessed @ 12:00

Reconvened @ 1:00 p.m.

*2341-3754 (Tape #2) *0-825

Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Barger updated the Board on a change in the original plans to purchase certain camera equipment due to the high cost with the department now purchasing a quality digital camera for mug shots.

Licensing renewal costs for the Washtucna Repeater were quoted at approximately \$1,100. Authorization to proceed with the renewal was given.

Estimated costs for updating the radio system were presented. No action was taken at this time.

Testing for patrol candidates was completed with six (6) individuals on the list. Current and vacant positions were reviewed with the Board.

The last month of each quarter was set for jail inspections to be conducted by the Board of Commissioners.

The Board by consensus authorized the purchase from Fund #133 of a bulletproof vest for use by the Civil Deputy or others of similar stature.

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Lind Path

Lind Town Council Member Bill Wills updated the Board on estimated costs for improvements to the Lind Path. Commissioner Stevens moved, Johnson seconded, *to proceed with improvements to the Lind Path utilizing money from Fund #110 in the amount of \$14,820.00.* Motion carried.

Other projects improvements expected by the end of April will be prioritized and allocated funding, as it is available.

Executive Session

The Board called a ten (10) minute session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) – litigation from 2:53 p.m. until 3:05 p.m. with Attorney Werst (via telephone).

Department of Labor & Industries Group Membership

Commissioner Johnson moved, Stevens seconded, *to authorize the Chairman to sign the Application for Group Membership and Authorization for Release of Insurance Data for the Retrospective Rating Program under the Department of Labor and Industries reflecting the Change of Coverage to Plan A2 and the reduction of Maximum Premium Ratio to 1.05.* Motion carried.

Adams County Fixed Asset Inventory

Adams County Fixed Asset Inventory as of December 31, 2002, was certified pursuant to RCW 36.32.210.

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of February 24 and 26, 2003

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 | 031097-031134 | \$ 14,935.70 |
| 103 | 031135-031138 | \$ 1,513.82 |
| 104 | 031139-031157 | \$ 5,800.74 |
| 105 | 031158 | \$ 5,152.00 |
| 107 | 031159 | \$ 375.00 |
| 108 | 031160 | \$ 547.16 |
| 111 | 031161 | \$ 321.33 |
| 113 | 031162 | \$ 29.34 |
| 116 | 031163-031165 | \$ 974.66 |
| 117 | 031166-031169 | \$ 540.95 |
| 166 | 031170 | \$ 20.00 |
| 502 | 031171-031173 | \$ 3,272.68 |
| 001 | 0225-0227 | \$ 161.77 |
| 115 | 0228-0243 | \$ 4,811.48 |
| 401 | 0244-0248 | \$ 47,124.22 |
| 501 | 0249-0252 | \$ 734.50 |
| 590 | 0253-0267 | \$ 17,090.13 |
| TOTAL | | \$103,405.48 |

Approved **Resolution No. R-22-03 In the Matter of Opposition to the Governor's Proposal to Merge CRAB, TIB, and FMSIB**

Approved **Resolution No. R-23-03 In the Matter of Transferring Funds from Current Expense Fund #001 to Current Expense Reserve Fund #001B**

Approved **Resolution No. R-24-03 In the Matter of Adopting an Adams County Building Permit Fee Schedule and Repealing all other Resolutions that are Inconsistent with these Provisions**

Approved the following items as surplus to be junked:

| | Inventory # | Item | Serial # |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------|
| County Fair | 10659 | - Canon 200 Copier | |
| Courthouse O&M | 10466 | - -Multi Clean Buffer | 392-639 |
| | 10471 | - -Advance Upright Vac | 1096832 |
| Planning FC4458571XN | 12255 | - -MacIntosh Lap Top | |

Permanent Minutes Signed

February 18, 19, and 20, 2003

Correspondence Received

Gary DeVore (e-mail) re: recommendation of Adams County Water Conservancy Board to re-appoint Dennis Swinger, Sr. to Conservancy Board

Directors of Weed District #1 re: expiring terms of directors and recommendations for appointments

GWMA document Addressing Nitrate Concerns in Ground Water in Adams, Grant and Franklin Counties

Adjournment @ 4:30 p.m.

Submitted:

s/Linda Reimer, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-22-03

**ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF OPPOSITION TO THE GOVERNOR'S CURRENT PROPOSAL
TO MERGE CRAB, TIB, AND FMSIB**

WHEREAS, the Board of Adams County Commissioners have reviewed and discussed the proposal to merge CRAB, TIB and FMSIB; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Adams County Commissioners through the Public Works Department operates and maintains 1,777 miles of rural roads and 124 bridges; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Washington is proposing to merge three agencies – County Road Administration Board (CRAB), Transportation Improvement Board (TIB), and Freight Mobility System Improvement Board (FMSIB) – in his 2003-2005 budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Adams County Commissioners questions the purported savings to be generated by the merger and understands that neither of these three Boards proposed for the merger wish to be consolidated; and,

WHEREAS the CRAB has been one of the most efficiently operating agencies interfacing with Adams County; and,

WHEREAS, the elected officials with whom Adams County has spoken are unanimously opposed to such a merger; and,

WHEREAS the Washington State Legislature has always stressed accountability within government and the CRAB has proven fiscally responsible to the counties as well as to the State; and,

WHEREAS, the loss of funding routed through the CRAB would seriously impact Adams County's ability to maintain roads and bridges as is currently being done;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that **ADAMS COUNTY** is **OPPOSED** to the Governor's current proposal to merge CRAB, TIB and the FMSIB.

DATED this 3rd day of March, 2003.

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

ATTEST:
Linda Reimer, CMC
s/Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION NO. R-23-03

**ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM CURRENT EXPENSE FUND
#001 TO CURRENT EXPENSE RESERVE FUND #001B**

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners and of the County Finance Committee to build the Current Expense Reserve Fund whenever fiscally possible; and,

WHEREAS, there are funds available at this time in the Current Expense General Fund;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that \$175,747.90 be transferred from Current Expense Non-Departmental BARS 001.099.597.14.00 to the Current Expense Reserve Fund #001B BARS 397.14.00 effective March 3, 2003.

DATED this 3rd day of March, 2003.

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

ATTEST:
s/Linda Reimer, CMC
Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION NO. R-24-03

**ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING AN ADAMS COUNTY BUILDING PERMIT FEE
SCHEDULE AND REPEALING ALL OTHER RESOLUTIONS THAT ARE
INCONSISTENT WITH THESE PROVISIONS**

WHEREAS, the County has the authority to establish a fee schedule for the various building permits required within the unincorporated portions of Adams County;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the following attached fee schedule labeled "Adams County – Table 1 – Building Permit Fees" is hereby adopted and it becomes effective immediately upon adoption;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other resolutions or schedules that are inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are repealed.

DATED this 3rd day of March, 2003.

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

ATTEST:
s/Linda Reimer, CMC
Clerk of the Board