

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting Adams County Services Building, Othello

June 9, 2004
(Wednesday)

Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.

Present:

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

Emergency Management

Commissioner Stevens moved, Johnson seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Office of Emergency Management (FSEC) Contract #E05-001 in the amount of \$16,000; the Federal Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion form; the W-9; and the Signature Authorization Form (with Commissioner Stevens being the additional signator on that form).* **Motion carried.**

*0-1275

Juvenile

Citizens Maxine Taylor and Eleanor Brodahl addressed the Board regarding their concerns with "separation of church and state" as it is handled by the Juvenile Department especially in relation to parenting classes being conducted by the Department. Of primary concern was whether the youth/family was given an option as to the specific class attended whether through the Juvenile Department or another local facility.

Citizens Ray McMurray and Dick Owings also addressed the Board. Community Network Grants Coordinator Barbara Anderson provided some clarification regarding the grant and some of the criteria governing it.

Chairman Plager assured the citizens that the matter was being addressed and would be referred to Adams County Prosecutor Flyckt for review. Chairman Plager reiterated that the Juvenile Department

operated under the supervision and direction of the Superior Court Judge and concerns such as these should be presented and discussed directly with the Judge.

(This session was recorded.)

*1275-1477

County Speed Limit Signs

Shari Katzer, Mardon, addressed the Board on a matter of a lack of a “posted sign” on a county road. The lack of a sign is allegedly precipitating some tickets. The matter will be referred to the Public Works Department for follow up.

(This session was recorded.)

Sheriff Department Middle Management Matrix

Special Counsel Werst confirmed that the county was not allowed to grant non-union retroactive pay. It remained the intent of the Board that this Matrix would replace and supercede all other salary schedules for this group of employees. Board **consensus** then set the following that supercedes the decision made on June 2, 2004 regarding this matter:

- Middle Management Matrix for Sheriff’s Office effective January 1, 2004, for all four positions with step effective from as paid January 1 to May 31, 2004;
- All four positions advance one step effective June 1, 2004
- All four positions advance one step effective January 1, 2005, and each year thereafter on January 1 until end of matrix scale
- “Longevity” given to an employee when the employee has at least ten (10) years of county service and advanced to Step 6. Once both criteria have been met the employee would receive a ½% per year increase for all years above ten (10) in county service. For example, Employee A – Step6 and 15 years of service would receive 2 1/2 % increase above Step 6.

Details regarding seniority and future COLA’s as well as “new hire” rotation through the Matrix will be discussed and established at a later date.

County Public Services Building (Akins) Remodel

A preliminary plan drawing for remodel of the Akins Building, Othello, was reviewed and discussed and modified following input from those departments that will be located in the facility. No final plan was approved at this time.

Adjournment @ 12:40 p.m.

Submitted:
s/Linda Reimer, MMC
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