

## COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

### Regular Meeting Adams County Services Building, Othello

February 9, 2005  
(Wednesday)

#### Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.

#### Present:

Chairman Jeffrey W. Stevens  
Vice-Chairman Roger L. Hartwig  
Commissioner Rudy Plager

#### Adams County Library District #1 (Othello)

Earl Horning, Othello, inquired about the funding, hiring, and authority for the management of the Library. Chairman Stevens explained the rules and regulations governing the Library District.

#### Adams County Fair

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *appoint Brian J. Chadwick to the Adams County Fair Board representing District II effective February 9, 2005 through November 30, 2007.* **Motion carried.**

Establishment of a plan for cost/repairs/replacement of a tractor/mower will be developed by the Public Works Department with a purchase/accounting plan implemented. The Board by **consensus** authorized the purchase of a push mower for use on the grounds at the Sheriff's Substation. Quotes will be requested and a final purchase decision made at that time.

#### Michel Road

Bonnie Michel reviewed the family's request to have the county accept Michel Road within the County Road system. Engineer Johns reiterated the standards for a county road and the requirement that the road be considered a public necessity for it to be returned to the system. Johns noted that the road as it currently stands in the middle of a section provides poor traffic circulation from the county's perspective. Water on the road from the circle irrigation systems would need to be addressed if it

became a county road. Cost estimates to bring the road to county standards were provided. A final decision on the request is pending.

### **Ochoa Ag, Warden**

Engineer Johns and Building and Planning Director Wiltse discussed the pipeline installation and pond installation request from Ochoa Ag. Information will be sent notifying them that “an EIS on the project may be required” and that “ponds similar to those installed in Cunningham would not be acceptable within Adams County”.

### **Integrated Health Care Services**

#### **Health Department**

Commissioner Plager moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign Contract #600-353-001 effective January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005, between Adams County and the Spokane Regional Health District to provide HIV intervention, education, testing and counseling services for Adams County residents for a maximum compensation award of \$13,149.99. Motion carried.*

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Plager seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Emergency Grant Application to the Department of Ecology requesting funding for the Melgren Illegal Landfill Solid Waste Enforcement Project for a total amount of \$155,000 (State funds \$116,250; Local match \$38,750). Motion carried.*

Commissioner Plager moved, Hartwig seconded, to *grant interim Health Officer status to Dr. Paul Stepak, Spokane and Dr. Alex Brzezny, Grant County, to provide services during the medical absence of Dr. Moody. Motion carried.*

A summary of the audit of the 2001-2003 fiscal year for the Adams County Health District was reviewed and noting “no reportable conditions and no areas of audit concern”.

#### **Mental Health**

Director Brueske reported on her recent visit and discussions with legislators in Olympia regarding Mental Health issues, specifically those related to loss of funding for non-Medicaid individuals. WSAC information on county government and local public mental health systems was reviewed and discussed.

Commissioner Plager moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign Amendment No. 3 to Contract #0363-26854 with the Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse that reduced the award by \$3,432 due to lack of numbers of SSI individuals within the county requesting Chemical Dependency services and treatment.* **Motion carried.**

**Adjournment @ 11:40 a.m.**

Submitted:  
s/Linda Reimer, MMC  
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Chairman  
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Vice-Chairman  
s/Rudy Plager, Commissioner