

## COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

### Regular Meeting Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville

January 9, 2006  
(Monday)

#### Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

#### Present:

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

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#### Lobbyist

Lobbyist Potts telephoned to discuss county interest in any of the bills being sent to committee for hearings and to determine the county's stand on certain bills. Lobbyist Potts will be contacting the Board by telephone the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month.

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#### Economic Analyst

Analyst Krug presented a booklet of information he had compiled encompassing information on the following:

- Bio-diesel in Oregon;
- Cost of producing canola and mustard oilseeds in eastern Washington and north central Idaho;
- Average annual precipitation in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington;
- Transportation

Analyst Krug provided an update on current projects.

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#### Building Department

Director Wiltse reported that 2005 permit revenue had increased from previous years with 2006 expected to meet or exceed revenue; noted that an application had been filed expansion of the Golden Plains Mobile

Home Park and for expansion of the store in Edson Tracts; reported that a time extension had been received for completion of the Wetlands update; and, that a formal application had been received for a bio-diesel project south of Bruce.

Wiltse, along with Public Works Director O'Brien and Engineer Johns, discussed the implications should proposed HB2354 pass the Legislature. This bill would impact how certain departments would handle land projects/developments.

### **Solid Waste**

Wiltse and O'Brien reported that certain tasks to be accomplished by a Solid Waste consultant had been identified and specifically detailed.

Funding responsibility for the required match under the Solid Waste Grant awarded for the clean up of the Melgren dump was discussed. The Solid Waste Fund will be responsible for the financial obligation with budgetary changes authorized by the Board.

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### **Courthouse O&M**

O'Brien reported that one of the heat pumps at the County Services Building required repair that will initially necessitate either replacement of the circuit board to determine the extent of required repairs and/or an outright heat pump replacement. Quotes for a new unit had been requested of the vendor with a decision to be made following receipt of that information.

Custodial and repair/maintenance contracts and new service configurations were briefly discussed in order to begin preparations for advertising for bids for new contracts.

### **Duck Pond Bridge**

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve Pay Estimate #2 to Tommer Construction, Ephrata, Washington for work completed December 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005 on the Duck Pond Bridge #412-3 in the amount of \$25,903.65. Motion carried.*

### **Beaver Control**

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Work Plan/Financial Plan –*

Cooperative Service Agreement #06-73-53-5823-RA between Adams County and the United States Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$4,340 to assist with wildlife conflicts caused by beavers. Motion carried.  
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### **WRIA 43**

Gene St. Godard, Watershed Coordinator, reviewed progress status on Plan Development for WRIA 43 of which the Odessa Sub Aquifer is a component. This Plan involves input and endorsement of four counties – Adams, Grant, Lincoln and Spokane. Proposed meeting schedule and locations for planning, debriefing schedule with the county boards, and deliverable dates due to the Department of Ecology were given the board. Appointment of a voting member from the Adams County Board of Commissioners was requested.

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**Recess @ 12:00**

**Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.**

### **Executive Session**

RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – Employee Evaluation for Linda Reimer – held from 2:30 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

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### **Corrections/E-911 Union Contract**

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve and sign the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Adams County and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME Local 1374-C/Corrections – E-911 Bargaining Unit effective January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008. Motion carried.*

### **Taxing District's Regular Levy**

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve **Resolution No. R-03-06 In the Matter of Increasing the Taxing District's Regular Levy from that which was Levied the Previous Year (Current Expense) per RCW 84.55.120.** Motion carried.*

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve **Resolution No. R-04-06 In the Matter of Increasing the Taxing District's Regular Levy from that which was Levied the Previous Year (County Road) per RCW 84.55.120.** Motion carried.*

**Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, *to approve the Consent Agenda*. **Motion carried.**

Preliminary minutes of January 3 and 4, 2006

December, 2005 payroll in the amount of \$567,537.49; benefits in the amount of \$148,856.71 (Warrant # Series 507706-507848, Direct Deposit # Series 11963-12115, Benefit/Deduction # Series 1041125-1041143)

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	06001-06068	\$ 28,613.80
103	06069	\$ 511.10
104	06070-06074	\$ 1,987.66
105	06075	\$ 44,312.50
117	06076-06078	\$ 254.33
166	06079-06087	\$ 2,983.87
502	06088-06102	\$ 8,193.10
001	5301	\$ 59.60
115	5302-5315	\$ 4,475.06
122	5316-5320	\$ 1,509.75
401	5321-5325	\$ 17,781.32
501	5326-5330	\$ 1,989.89
590	5331-5346	\$ 32,637.79
TOTAL		\$145,309.77

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**Permanent Minutes Signed**

December 27, 2005

**Correspondence Received**

Adams County Assessor Anderson re: 2005 Assessed Valuations and 2006 Tax Levy Limitations for Adams County

Copy of letter to Public Works from Adams County Assessor re:  
2005 Value Certification and 2006 Tax Levy Limitations for County Road  
Copy of letter to Adams County Water Conservancy Board from  
Department of Ecology re: training status eligibility of Conservancy Board  
members

Washington State Housing Finance Commission re: Notice of  
Public Hearing on State Housing Finance Plan

**Adjournment @ 4:15 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/Roger L. Hartwig, Vice-Chairman  
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Commissioner

**RESOLUTION NO. R-03-06**

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

**IN THE MATTER OF INCREASING THE TAXING DISTRICT'S REGULAR LEVY FROM  
THAT WHICH WAS LEVIED THE PREVIOUS YEAR (CURRENT EXPENSE) PER RCW  
84.55.120**

**WHEREAS**, the Legislative Authority of Adams County has met and considered its  
budget for the calendar year 2006; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Legislative Authority of Adams County after hearing and after duly  
considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, determined that Adams  
County requires a regular levy in the amount of **\$2,964,449.00**, which includes an  
increase in property tax revenue from the previous year, and amounts resulting from the  
addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value  
of state-assessed property, and amounts authorized by law as a result of any  
annexations that have occurred and refunds made, in order to discharge the expected  
expenses and obligations of the district and in its best interest;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Legislative Authority of Adams County that an increase in the regular property tax levy is hereby authorized for the 2006 levy in the amount of **\$18,384.00** that is a percentage increase **.64%** from the previous year. This increase is exclusive of additional revenue resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state assessed property, and any additional amounts resulting from any annexations that have occurred and refunds made.

**DATED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

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

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

**RESOLUTION NO. R-04-06**

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

**IN THE MATTER OF INCREASING THE TAXING DISTRICT'S REGULAR LEVY FROM THAT WHICH WAS LEVIED THE PREVIOUS YEAR (COUNTY ROAD) PER RCW 84.55.120**

**WHEREAS**, the Legislative Authority of Adams County has met and considered its budget for the calendar year 2006; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Legislative Authority of Adams County after hearing and after duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, determined that Adams County requires a regular levy in the amount of **\$1,175,494.00**, which includes an increase in property tax revenue from the previous year, and amounts resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and amounts authorized by law as a result of any annexations that have occurred and refunds made, in order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the district and in its best interest;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Legislative Authority of Adams County that an increase in the regular property tax levy is hereby authorized for the 2006 levy in the amount of **\$11,389.00** that is a percentage increase of one percent (**1%**) from the previous year. This increase is exclusive of additional revenue resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state

assessed property, and any additional amounts resulting from any annexations that have occurred and refunds made.

**DATED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

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

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