

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville

July 3, 2006
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman Rudy Plager
Vice-Chairman Roger L. Hartwig (Bereavement leave until 1:00 p.m.)
Commissioner Jeffrey W. Stevens

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Public Works

Engineer Johns reported that limited staff were working this week and that those that were had been rotated to handle necessary tasks.

Solid Waste

Engineer Johns provided an update on the transfer station staff recently hired and county operation of them that began July 1, 2006.

Growth Management

Building and Planning Director Wiltse reported that he had made contact with Washtucna regarding the additional recent allocation of funding for growth management planning and discussed with them their plan to either join with the county or to plan independently. Contact with Lind and Hatton is scheduled in the near future.

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Emergency Services

Emergency Services Director Weise briefly reviewed the resolution that is required by the Federal/State government to implement the National Incident Management System for Adams County. Training requirements will be implemented

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Recess @ 12:00

Commissioner Hartwig joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

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Central Services

Director Scorup reported that he was currently doing a complete review of the telephone lines required for the County Public Services Building, Othello. Other technical issues connected with the pending move to the new building were discussed.

Scorup also noted that he was reviewing work projects previously sent to outside sources for resolution in the hopes that the department could eventually assume these tasks.

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Executive Session

Auditor McBroom requested a ten (10) minute executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – evaluation of personnel qualifications. Session was held from 2:49 p.m. until 2:59 p.m.

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Emergency Services

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-55-06 In the Matter of Implementing the National Incident Management System (NIMS)*. **Motion carried.**

Odessa Subarea Aquifer

Commissioner Plager moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-56-06 In the Matter of Advocating a Resource Exchange of the Columbia Basin Federal Reclamation Project Surface Water for Ground Water*. **Motion carried.**

Martin Hall Consortium

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Plager seconded, to *re-confirm Commissioner Stevens for the position on the Martin Hall Consortium Board of Directors representing Adams County for an additional one (1) year term effective June 1, 2006 through May 31, 2007*. **Motion carried.**

Board of Adjustment

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *re-appoint Don Gentry to the Adams County Board of Adjustment for a six (6) year term*

effective retroactive from April 1, 2006, through March 31, 2012. Motion carried.

Board of Commissioner Meeting Location Change

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-59-06 In the Matter of Amending Resolution No. R-39-02 that Established Regular Days and Locations for Meetings of the Board of Adams County Commissioners. Motion carried.*

The regular Othello meeting location was changed from 165 N. 1st to 425 E. Main effective July 17, 2006.

Solid Waste Tax

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-60-06 In the Matter of Rescinding Resolution No. R-37-91 and Amending Title 13, Chapter 13.08.080 of the Adams County Code. Motion carried.*

Official records were amended to reflect that the refuse and solid waste tax provided under RCW 82.18.100 and collected by Adams County July 1, 1989-July 1, 1993, ceased on the end date and were no longer being collected.

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of June 26 and 28, 2006

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>
103	063138-063141	\$ 4,728.78
104B	Hand Pay	\$ 1,145.00
115	1938-3952	\$ 88,824.00
122	1953-1954	\$ 2,974.16
401	1955-1972	\$ 1,130.00
501	1956-1957	\$ 1,199.74

590 1958-1971

\$ 14,728.77

TOTAL

\$114,730.55

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Permanent Minutes Signed

June 19, 2006

Correspondence Received

Copy of letter from Dean Vercruysse, Washington State Council of County and City Employees AFSCME AFL-CIO, Council 2 to Gary Hunt re: Membership of Local 1374-C requesting meeting to discuss upgrading current Range 6 positions to Range 8 based on the responsibility of job duties

Adjournment @ 4:30 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-55-06

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

**IN THE MATTER OF IMPLEMENTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT
SYSTEM (NIMS)**

WHEREAS, inn Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, the President directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, local and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity; and,

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all federal, state, local and tribal homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the development, effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary that all federal, state, local and tribal emergency management agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management; and,

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that federal, state, local and tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and,

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the state's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and,

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the county, including all public emergency response organizations training programs; and,

WHEREAS, the National Commission of Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Management System.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the National Incident Management System is established as the county standard for incident management.

DATED this 3rd day of July, 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-56-06

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

**IN THE MATTER OF ADVOCATING A RESOURCE EXCHANGE OF THE COLUMBIA
BASIN FEDERAL RECLAMATION PROJECT SURFACE WATER FOR GROUND
WATER**

WHEREAS, deep well irrigation pumping out of the Odessa Subarea Aquifer has caused a serious decline in ground water levels when this temporary water use was extended as a result of halting the development of the Columbia Basin Federal Reclamation Project; and,

WHEREAS, the depletion of the aquifer is at a crisis stage for many farmers and municipalities in the area who are having to go to great expense to drill deeper wells to supply their water needs or to discontinue the use of wells that are no longer economically viable; and,

WHEREAS, Adams County duly elected in December, 1939, to be a part of the Columbia Basin Federal Reclamation Project and to date has seen only a small portion of the development within the county boundaries; and,

WHEREAS, the eastern Washington economy is already distressed and the loss of production capacity supported by deep well irrigation and municipal water will have catastrophic impacts throughout the region;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Adams County advocates and supports a resource exchange of the Columbia Basin Federal Reclamation Project surface water for ground water as the only solution to the depletion of the Odessa Subarea Aquifer.

DATED this 3rd day of July, 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-59-06

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

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-39-02 THAT ESTABLISHED
REGULAR DAYS AND LOCATIONS FOR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF ADAMS
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, a new facility has been constructed at 425 E. Main, Othello, Washington, replacing the old building located at 165 N. 1st; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Adams County Commissioners will relocate to the new building and hold their regular meetings in that facility;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED as of July 17, 2006, any regular meeting of the Board of Adams County Commissioners held in Othello will be at the following location unless special public notification has been provided:

**County Public Services Building
425 E. Main
Othello, Washington**

DATED this 3rd day of July, 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-60-06

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

IN THE MATTER OF RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. R-37-91

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-37-91 established the collection of a refuse and solid waste tax by Adams County as provided by RCW 82.18.100; and,

WHEREAS, this tax was collected as provided by law for a four year period July 1, 1989 through July 1, 1993; and,

WHEREAS, collection of the tax by Adams County ceased on July 1, 1993, but provision for a cease date was not included in the Adams County resolution;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. R-37-91 is hereby rescinded; and,

BE IT FURTHERE RESOLVED that Adams County Code Title 13, Chapter 13.08.080 is hereby amended.

DATED this 3rd day of July, 2006.

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

ATTEST:
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