

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting
Ritzville, Washington

October 4, 2006
(Wednesday)

Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.

Present:

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

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Public Defender Services

Public Defender Bajalcaliev, Judge Hille and Judge Brueher (via telephone), Prosecutor Flyckt, and Judge Miller (for a portion) discussed the following:

- Use of additional public defender allocated State funds including a study of public defender service needs within the county
- Case loads, continuances and delays in resolution, preparation of pleas, number of warrants being issued
- Interpreter requirements and needs and how to address
- Deputy Prosecutor staff turnover
- Qualification for public defense services
- Counsel intervention to mitigate continuances
- Current Legislative intervention to address costs, case loads, and interpreters

All parties will meet in the near future to further discuss these issues and to consider how best to utilize the additional State funding. Public Defender Bajalcaliev will contact the State regarding a study of public defense needs/services as well as ascertain any costs for such a study.

State v. Marcos Augustin-Manuel

The Board discussed public defender services and costs associated with the State v. Marcos Augustin-Manuel case following receipt of a letter from Attorney Paul Szott wherein he identified costs of representation since his

public defender sub-contract specifically excluded representation of indigent defendants charged with murder.

Public Defender Bajalcaliev will discuss the matter with Szott following receipt of his third quarter caseload report.

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County Public Services Building

Engineer Johns reported that bids were requested from three vendors for concrete work to be done at the County Public Services Building. No response was received from two of the vendors. One bid was received from G&J Concrete in the amount of \$19,086.27 plus tax and permits. The county will be removing the dry well and installing the new one as the contractor handles the driveway and sidewalk work.

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *accept the proposal from G&J Concrete, Othello and concur with the bid award recommendation from the Engineer to do the driveway and sidewalk work at the County Public Services Building for the bid price of \$19,086.27 plus tax and permits.* **Motion carried.**

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Executive Session

Executive session was requested by Gary Hunt, Human Resources for twenty (20) minutes per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) –review performance of a public employee - and held from 12:07 p.m. until 12:24 p.m.

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Adjournment @ 12:30 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