

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting Adams County Public Services Building, Othello

June 27, 2007
(Wednesday)

Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.

Present:

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

Integrated Health Care Services

Director Brueske reported that the department successfully passed the Mental Health Certification and License review; that ads have been sent to advertise vacancies; that tv/vcr equipment has been purchased for the Health Department to utilize the balance of some grant funding; and that a meeting was scheduled for later this date for the finalizing of some details for the official transfer of Developmental Disabilities under IHCS. The on-site meeting schedule with Mary Selecky and staff was reviewed.

Brueske provided financial details on the Homelessness Task Force funding; reviewed allowable uses for 2060 and 2162 funding; noted difficulty in finding 'permanent' housing for some who were ready to move from emergency housing; briefly discussed the need for transitional housing and for a case manager for the program as projected in the 'Ten Year Plan'.

Commissioner Plager moved, Stevens seconded to *authorize the Chairman to sign the following contracts:*

- *2007-2011 Consolidated Contract Amendment #3 between Washington State Department of Health and Adams County Contract Number C14938 increasing the contract amount by \$47,195 for a total consideration of \$382,695 – amends statement of work for Group B water systems; adds statement of work for Tobacco Program; amends statement of work for Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response;*

- *Contract between Adams County Health Department and Spokane Regional Health District HIV/AIDS Intervention and Prevention Contract #600-353-001, Amendment No. 1 effective January 1, 1007 through December 31, 2007 increasing the contract in the amount of \$992.00 for a maximum consideration of \$13,835 – education and testing programs;*
- *Subcontract, Amendment #1 between Community Counseling Services and Othello Police Department increasing funding for the 'Reduce Underage Drinking Grant' by \$21,641 for a maximum consideration of \$135,041; and, extending the period of performance by two months from July 1, 2007 through August 31, 2007.*

Motion carried.

Othello Police Chief Steve Dunnagan reviewed programs funded by the grant and conducted within the Othello School District.

Commissioner Plager moved, Stevens seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the following contracts:*

- *Contract Amendment #1 to the Adams County Health Department and DSHS Work First Contract #0763-19441 for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 providing for nursing evaluation of children with special medical, developmental or behavioral problems @ a fee for service rate of \$250.00 per evaluation and \$150.00 for follow-up.*

Motion carried.

Juvenile Department

Director Gowan provided updates as follows:

- Detention monthly average of 5.75 juveniles;
- Increase of juvenile community service work crew activity;
- Transportation costs to Martin Hall and staff overtime hours up with budgetary impact;
- An Eastern Washington University intern in Criminal Justice studies is working part-time for the department through the summer;
- Reported that Adams County's allocation for start-up and implementation of a *CASA* program had been cut from \$50,000 to \$25,000 making it difficult to recruit staff to administer the program.

Gowan will talk with the State contact for the *CASA* program to determine if additional funding could be restored to the county in order to begin the program.

Commissioner Stevens moved, Plager seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the County Program Agreement Contract #0763-22021 Consolidated, SDA and Various Services*. **Motion carried.**

Emergency Food and Shelter Program – Housing Task Force

Members of the Housing Task Force updated the Board on the following matters:

- Occupancy statistics
- Revenue/expenditure status
- Homeless client management information system and continuous case management systems (HMIS) noting funding formula, eligible uses of funds, contractual requirements, goals, and requirements;
- Reviewed short/long term goals under the 10 Year Plan and stressed the need for “transitional housing” options as well as a “case manager”
- Heard statistics on “motel/hotel emergency lodging in both Ritzville and Othello
- Heard about planning stages for ‘seasonal worker’ housing within the Othello area
- Noted an invitation will be extended to Veterans Relief contact individuals as well as the Area Agency on Aging contact to attend a future meeting of the Housing Task Force

Task Force members present were:

Barbara Anderson, Adams County Community Network

Angelina Gomez, Othello Housing Authority

Alan Hanks, Othello Housing Authority

Dennis Borgman, Network/Othello Ministerial Association

Dan Leary, Othello Emergency Aid

Bill Cox, Ritzville Ministerial Association

Audra Turner, New Hope Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Services

Vicki Guse, Integrated Health Care of Adams County

Public Defense Funding

The Board **by consensus** authorized the use of State Public Defense funding received by the county under RCW 10.101 to be used for **investigative services**.

Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene on Thursday, June 28, 2007 @ 12:00 in Public Works Conference Room, Ritzville for the purpose of continuing discussions on the organizational tasks of the Adams County Economic Development Corporation.

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

Edited and Approved:

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