

Ritzville, WA 99169

Commissioner Plager moved, Hartwig seconded, to *accept and award the bid for publication of legal public notices to the Ritzville Adams County Journal at the rate of \$7.00 per column inch.* **Motion carried.**

11:03 a.m.

11:28 a.m.

Orchards in Othello Area

Special Deputy Prosecutor Strohmaier reviewed the *Sunshine Fruit Farms and Blue Bird v. Dan Joint Venture III and Adams County* case recently filed in Adams County Superior Court. Horticultural Pest and Disease Control Board involvement was discussed. Strohmaier will continue to follow the matter on behalf of the county.

County Public Services Building

Commissioner Plager moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Release and Settlement Agreement between Adams County, Legacy Construction Group, Inc., and Travelers Casualty & Surety Co. of America.* **Motion carried.** Final payment will be disbursed and pending confirmation of release of all liens the retainage amount will be disbursed.

12:04 p.m.

Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

1:06 a.m.

Law and Justice Commission

Prosecutor Flyckt related that the county had adopted a resolution creating a local Law and Justice Commission (RCW 72.09) in 1993 and noted that it had basically been inactive since around 1997. Flyckt requested Board of Commissioner support and leadership to reconstitute this group as he felt that it would facilitate cooperation between agencies and promote long term planning in the area of law and justice.

Following discussion, the Board agreed to adopt a new resolution that would reflect any changes since the mid 1990's, establish a regular meeting schedule for the group, and require submission of an annual list of recommendations to the Legislative body. Meetings will be held in Ritzville as well as Othello in order to facilitate broad based input from the entire county. The Legislative body will determine the size and composition of the Commission.

The first meeting was scheduled for June 25, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the County Public Services Building, Othello. Future meetings are anticipated on a quarterly basis.

Prosecutor Flyckt was commended for his efforts and initiative to bring the group into active status.

1:44 p.m.

2:05 p.m.

Elected Officials

Prosecutor Flyckt requested implementation of a monthly meeting of elected officials that would provide a discussion and planning venue for all elected officials. This group would not focus on the same topics such as are on the departmental forum agenda; but, rather would focus more towards legislative issues. The group agreed to schedule the initial meeting for Monday, May 21, 2008 from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. in the Public Works Conference room.

Present in addition to Prosecutor Flyckt were Clerk Kirkendall, Assessor Anderson, Sheriff Barger, Auditor McBroom, and Treasurer Danekas.

2:27 p.m.

2:37 p.m.

Sheriff Barger

The Board discussed the goal of seeking a voter-approved “1/10% retail sales tax rate increase” that is allowed by RCW to be used for jails; and, an additional “1/10% retail sales tax rate increase” that is allowed by RCW for emergency communications. Educating the public was considered crucial for voter approval. A meeting of all elected officials and department heads was scheduled for Monday, April 14, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. to begin the planning process to assist in voter education

The Auditor must be notified by August in order for the measures to be placed on the November ballot.

3:07 p.m.

Meeting Relocation

The Wednesday, April 16, 2008, meeting of the Board scheduled for Ritzville was relocated to Lind, Washington, Town Hall, 116½ beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of March 31 and April 2, 2008

Approved March, 2008 Payroll in the amount of \$657,898.36; and, Benefits in the amount of \$194,157.43 (Warrant #Series 512187-512333, Direct Deposit #Series 19060-19227; Benefit/Deduction #Series 1061831-1061851)

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	081469-081505	\$ 10,674.80
001	Hand Pay	\$ 400.00
103	081506-081508	\$ 8,362.54
106	081509-081511	\$ 12,303.44
112	081512-081513	\$ 1,330.00
502	081514-081518	\$ 3,082.88
001	0834-0836	\$ 672.92
115	0837-0857	\$ 24,446.12
401	0858-0867	\$ 1,504.39
501	0868-0874	\$ 5,780.72
590	0875-0911	\$ 37,871.57
TOTAL		\$106,429.38

Permanent Minutes Signed

March 24 and 26, 2008

Correspondence Received

Notice of Appearance and Certificate of Mailing in the matter of Sunshine Fruit Farms and Blue Bird v. Dan Joint Venture III and Adams County, Adams County Superior Court Cause No. 08-2-00048-0

Washington State Transportation Commission re: invitation to discuss transportation system needs in Pullman and surrounding areas on April 15, 2008 at 9:00 a.m., Holiday Inn Express, Pullman

Adams County Noxious Weed Control Board re: Agenda for April 8 and Minutes of March 11, 2008

Chris Bajalcaliev re: First Quarter 2008 Public Defender Report

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