

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville
February 9, 1998

The Adams County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, February 9, 1998, in Ritzville, with Chairman Schlagel and Commissioners Wills and Logan present.

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.23.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the board.

Commissioner moved, seconded, to approve for payment those vouchers included in the above list and further described as follows: #001 (98248-98341) for \$24,266.17; #102 (98342-98349) for \$2,457.95; #103 (98350-98353) for \$12,313.82; #104 (98354-98377) for \$4,184.32; #105 (98378-98382) for \$14,948.28; #111 (98383) for \$1,800.00; #114 (98384) for \$195.00; #117 (98385-98407) for \$5,373.93; #130 (98408) for \$15.86; #101 (1190-1203) for \$5,220.97; #115 (1204-1229) for \$30,687.15; #401 (1230-1233) for \$3,055.24; #590 (1234-1272) for \$59,952.23; for a total of \$164,470.92. Payroll in the amount of \$396,086.58 and benefits in the amount of \$95,070.27. Motion carried.

Commissioner Logan moved, Wills seconded, to authorize the chairman to sign the Department of Labor and Industries Retrospective Rating Application for Group Membership and Authorization for Release of Insurance Data. Motion carried.

Commissioner Logan moved, Wills seconded, to approve the Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between Adams County and the Town of Washtucna. Motion carried. The Town of Washtucna agrees to pay \$8,616.00 on a quarterly basis to the County for law enforcement services during calendar year 1998. The allocation equals approximately 30% of a full time deputy working regular hours.

Commissioner Logan moved, Wills seconded, to authorize the chairman to sign the State of Washington, County Road Administration Board Rural Arterial Program Certification of Road Levy Expenditures budgeted for Traffic Law Enforcement from Road Levy. Motion carried.

Commissioner Logan moved, Wills seconded, to authorize the chairman to sign the United Pacific Insurance Co. rider with an effective date of August 7, 1997, decreasing the amount of the Public Official Bond written for David Sandhaus. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wills moved, Schlagel seconded, to approve **RESOLUTION NO. R-17-98 IN THE MATTER OF TAX LEVIES CERTIFICATION FOR 1998**. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wills moved, Schlagel seconded, to approve **RESOLUTION NO. R-18-98 IN THE MATTER OF REPAYMENT OF TAXES.** Motion carried.

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The board reviewed with Jim Potts, Lobbyist (via telephone) current legislative activity in Olympia.

The board went into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(i) with Attorney Tom Kingen (via telephone) from 9:08 a.m. until 9:25 a.m.

Commissioner Wills moved, Logan seconded, to approve the **Settlement Agreement and Release arising out of the separation of employment of Michelle Melgren by David Sandhaus, as Adams County Prosecuting Attorney.** Motion carried.

*596-830

Civil Attorney Rusty McGuire and David Balch met with the board to discuss David's request to be released from the "janitorial" duties portion of his current contract. Counsel advised that the contract could be amended to allow Balch to continue with the groundkeeping duties. The janitorial duties will be sent out for bid. Balch agreed to continue with both sets of duties until a new janitorial award is made at which time his contract will be amended.

*830-1232

The Board then discussed with McGuire the premises set forth in Prosecutor Sandhaus's letters relating to "coroner car" issues.

*1232-1777

Public Works Director Long reported that work on a portion of Bench Road had been completed with the department considering placement of the balance of the road on a schedule for future funding/work. The remodel in the Othello District Court is on hold until some code requirements are checked. Cost estimates provided by Public Works for modifications to address "drainage overflow" at Rodeo Lake were submitted to the board; and, meetings are scheduled this week with entities involved.

Long reported that the Public Works Department will be purchasing graders from Western States Equipment under the Lincoln County bid. The county has a current interlocal agreement with Lincoln County which allows this purchase. The repurchase clause from the Lincoln County bid is also applicable to Adams County.

The pool car assigned to the Juvenile Department in January, 1998, will be transferred to the department for ownership with a plan formulated for that department to purchase same.

Sheriff Kline requested and went into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(i) from 10:30 a.m. until 11:12 a.m. Public Works Director Long was present.

The board recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

The board conducted the first quarter jail inspection.

*1777-3733 (tape changeover #2) *0-
Viki Leuba, Project Coordinator for the Tri-County Ground Water Management Area, provided the board with a copy of the **Order Designating a GWMA** and then compiled a list of entities and groups to receive a copy.

The **RFQP's** for an Accounting Firm Consultant and a Firm to provide an Information/Education Officer were reviewed.

Gary Devore and Scott Cave were present for the session.

Correspondence was received from:

WSAC re: State Salmon Strategy (anticipates a major role and responsibility for county government in responding to listings under the Endangered Species Act)

David Sandhaus re: car for coroner usage (two letters)

Copy of letter to Othello Rodeo Association from Dee Caputo, Building Official re: reviewing stands

Copy of letter to Gary Templin from Leon Long, Public Works Director re: portion of Klein Road requested for vacation

Preliminary minutes of February 2, 1998, day meeting were reviewed and approved. Preliminary minutes of the meeting held in Othello City Hall Council Chambers on the eve of February 2, 1998, were reviewed, corrected as follows: "Adams County Commission Chairperson Bill Schlagel reconvened their meeting from February 2, 1998" (rather than January 26, 1998), and then approved.

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/W. L. Schlagel, Chairman
s/Bill Wills, Commissioner
s/Shawn R. Logan, Commissioner

ATTEST:
s/Linda Reimer, CMC/AAE
Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION NO. R-17-98

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

IN THE MATTER OF TAX LEVIES CERTIFICATION FOR 1998

WHEREAS, the attached document stipulates levy requests provided to the Board of County Commissioners for collection in 1998 before any contracts and/or reductions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the attached tax levies be certified to the Adams County Assessor.

DATED this 9th day of February, 1998.

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RESOLUTION NO. R-18-98

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

IN THE MATTER OF REPAYMENT OF TAXES

WHEREAS, Adams County has contracted with specific cities and towns of the county for repayment of taxes normally levied by these cities and towns, but by mutual agreement and contract levied by the county Current Expense Fund for 1998 taxes; and,

WHEREAS, the total amounts contracted are to be repaid to these cities and towns by December 31, 1998;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Adams County Treasurer will, on the last day of the months of February through November, 1998, transfer repayments to these cities and towns in the same percentage as the actual taxes collected and on the last day of December, 1998, transfer the amount of the balance of the repayments, thereby fulfilling the terms of the contracts.

DATED this 9th day of February, 1998.

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