

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville
May 11, 1998

The Adams County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, May 11, 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 Wills moved, Schlagel seconded, to approve for payment those vouchers included in the above list and further described as follows: #001 (981963-982068) for \$22,721.07; #102 (982069-982076) for \$3,149.17; #103 (982077-982079) for \$625.72; #104 (982080-982085) for \$506.56; #105 (982086) for \$5.10; #106 (982087) for \$658.27; #107 (982088-982090) for \$700.00; #109 (982091) for \$485.81; #111 (982092) for \$42,500.00; #112 (982093-982094) for \$109.62; #116 (982095-982117) for \$3,018.04; #117 (982118) for \$34.23; #130 (982119) for \$15.65; #135 (982120) for \$37.50; #101 (1090-1102) for \$3,547.44; #115 (1103-1128) for \$3,992.96; #321 (1129) for \$45.67; #401 (1130-1133) for \$294.51; #590 (1134-1181) for \$57,524.94; for a total of \$139,972.26. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wills moved, Schlagel seconded, to authorize the chairman to sign the E911 Contract Amendment EM997055 (hereafter to be referred to as EM997055-A which approves additional funding for the recorder for the Othello PSAP in the amount of \$35,000. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wills moved, Schlagel seconded, to approve **RESOLUTION NO. R-36-98 IN THE MATTER OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST FROM WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY, TRADE, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HOUSING RESOURCE TEAM.** Motion carried. The resolution was submitted to M. Maureen Markham of CTED with a cover letter and a completed application for assistance.

Commissioner Wills moved, Schlagel seconded, to approve and sign the Groundskeeping Contract between John Oestreich and Adams County for the period May 4, 1998, through December 31, 1998. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wills moved, Schlagel seconded, to approve **RESOLUTION NO. R-37-98 IN THE MATTER OF SETTING SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS IN ADAMS COUNTY AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. R-31-98.** Motion carried.

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Public Works Director Long updated the board on road maintenance work; reported that the official start date for the Danekas/Schoessler Road project is set for May 26 with equipment being mobilized beginning May 18; and, noted that routing to the transfer station has been planned with the county planning to keep the road open to at least accommodate harvest trucks.

In miscellaneous courthouse maintenance matters Long reported that juveniles had spent community service time over the weekend on groundskeeping; the air conditioning in the courthouse required extensive repairs and is anticipated being down for at least a month; and, received authorization from the board to have official courthouse hours of operation permanently posted on the doors.

Chairman Schlagel left the meeting at 10:45 a.m. due to another obligation.

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The board discussed with Special Counsel Jay Derr the "tolling" of time periods for Waste Management of Washington. Special Counsel provided three (3) options for the board at this time. Following review and discussion of those options, it was the consensus of the board that premises stated in the September 29, 1997 letter remain valid and the tolling of the time frame continues. Chairman Schlagel made his opinion regarding the matter known prior to his departure this date and it was the same as that voiced by the remaining board members.

TAC member Dee Caputo and SC Communications representative Scott Cave were present.

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

The board conducted the second quarter jail inspection.

Correspondence was received from:

Senator Slade Gorton re: Rodeo Lake

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission re: notice of workshops/round table discussion on the effect of incorporation and annexation laws on the collection of solid waste (Spokane, May 21 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. @ Cheney Cowles Museum

Copy of letter from Templin's, Inc. to David Sandhaus, Prosecuting Attorney re: Sandhaus response to "bad checks" submitted to his office for collection

Benton County Board of County Commissioners re: Watershed Planning under EHSB 2514

Martin Hall Facility Board Meeting Minutes of March 26, 1998

Jeannie Ochoa re: Park and Recreation District #1 and Board members

Scott Downey, USEPA re: potential sources of funding, technical assistance, and planning information that can support the GWMA

East Columbia Basin Irrigation District re: Rodeo Lake drain appropriations request sent to Washington, D.C. offices Preliminary minutes of May 4, 1998, were reviewed and approved.

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting adjourned at 3:15 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-36-98

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

**IN THE MATTER OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST FROM WASHINGTON
STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY, TRADE, AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT HOUSING RESOURCE TEAM**

WHEREAS, Adams County is a rural, sparsely populated county that is heavily dependent on an agricultural resource base for its economy; and,

WHEREAS, the County has grown but housing stock has not kept pace with that growth; and,

WHEREAS, the vacancy rate for year-round housing is around 2%; and,

WHEREAS, more than half of the housing in the County is over twenty years old and much of that is in poor repair; and,

WHEREAS, waiting lists for housing are long and many individuals and families remain unhoused and underhoused; and,

WHEREAS, there is a large demand for affordable, safe farmworker housing units as a result of the agricultural businesses in the County; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need for additional senior citizen housing, multiple family units, and rentals in all price ranges throughout the County; and,

WHEREAS, there are many organizations active in pursuing affordable housing in the County; and,

WHEREAS, there is significant community support for the development of a countywide housing needs assessment;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Adams County is requesting technical assistance from the CTED Housing Resource Team to provide a county-wide housing needs assessment as a step toward relieving the housing shortage in the County.

DATED this 11th day of May, 1998.

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/AE
Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION NO. R-37-98

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

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS IN ADAMS COUNTY AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. R-31-98

WHEREAS, the salaries of all elective county officials, except superior and district court judges, are fixed by the county legislative authority following a public hearing process; and,

WHEREAS, public hearings to consider salaries for elected officials were held on December 10, 1997, December 15, 1997, and again on March 16, 1998; and,

WHEREAS, the compensation of the county legislative authority responsible for fixing salaries shall neither be increased nor diminished after his/her election, or during his/her term of office;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that salaries for elected officials effective January 1, 1999, and for the noted years thereafter shall be as follows:

YEAR	COMMISSIONER #1	COMMISSIONER #2	COMMISSIONER #3
1998	\$22,055	\$22,055	\$23,351
1999	\$22,055	\$22,055	\$25,750
2000	\$22,055	\$22,055	\$26,950
2001	\$28,150	\$28,150	\$28,150
2002	\$29,350	\$29,350	\$29,350

Salary for the position of County Commissioner shall raise \$1,200 per year and each year thereafter effective 2003.

Salary for each Commissioner position in each District shall be the same effective 2001 and henceforth thereafter.

YEAR ASSESSOR, AUDITOR, TREASURER, CLERK

1998	\$40,723
1999	\$43,123
2000	\$44,323
2001	\$45,523
2002	\$46,723

Salary based on full-time position

YEAR SHERIFF

1998	\$42,670
1999	\$45,070
2000	\$46,270
2001	\$47,470
2002	\$48,670

Salary based on full-time position

YEAR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

1998	\$60,000
1999	\$62,400
2000	\$63,600
2001	\$64,800
2002	\$66,000

Salary based on full-time position. If position is adjusted and set at any portion of full-time then salary will be adjusted based on same percentage.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT any previous resolutions relating to elected officials' salaries including Resolution No. R-31-98 are hereby rescinded.

DATED this 11th day of May, 1998.

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