

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville

March 15, 1999

The regular meeting of the Adams County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman W. L. Schlagel on Monday, March 15, 1999, at 8:30 a.m. in Ritzville. Commissioner Bill Wills and Commissioner Jeffrey W. Stevens were present.

Lobbyist Jim Potts provided a legislative update via telephone.

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Deanna Clarkson, GWMA Director, and Mark Nielson, Franklin Conservation District, discussed the following issues with the board:

Staffing Structure

Funding and budget for an EPA Grant Application

Proposal to add two (2) additional staff positions to the GWMA Structure - Projects and Grants Officer to be based in the Franklin CD office and Information Specialist to be based in the Othello CD office

Proposal to add a Dairy & Feedlot Nutritional Management Technician position to develop conservation plans and implement the Best Management Practices identified in those plans

Following discussion, Commissioner Wills moved, Stevens seconded, to "approve the submittal of grant application to the Environmental Protection Agency for GWMA funding". Motion carried. Application was for \$1 million which will be used to complete the GWMA plan, enhance the public information and education effort, allow investigation of ground water conditions in subregions evidencing high ground water nitrate, and allow critical early BMP implementation and research.

A decision on the additional positions was delayed until March 22, 1999.

*1591-1749

Groundskeeper Tom Benzel met briefly with the board to discuss scheduled tree trimming and tree removal on the courthouse grounds. Diseased trees scheduled for removal will be replaced with new stock.

*1749-2452

Public Works Director Long reported on road maintenance and informed the board that Bench Road modifications have been completed. The date for free dumping of trees and lawn vegetation was set for April 10 with final details to be determined in conjunction with Rabanco. Long was requested to have the mechanics check the reliability of a pool car located in Othello; and, by consensus instructed Long to bill the Juvenile Department for the recent car purchased for their departmental use.

Long reported that the county was doing some basic work on the road/parking lot for the Sprague Lake boat access; with other work requested by Fish & Wildlife referred to local contractors. The road issue presented by George O'Neil has been resolved between the parties and therefore building a county road for access would not be necessary.

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

Commissioner Wills moved, Stevens seconded, to approve the Application for Payment for Cremation of Unclaimed Remains of Indigent Person (Ellie Reed, Ritzville) to Danekas Funeral Home, Inc. in the amount of (\$1,720.26). Motion carried.

*2452-3160

Auditor Nancy Crossler and Elections Deputy Heidi Hunt discussed the program developed by them to bring the voting experience to the local schools, initially presented in Ritzville to the third grade class, with Lind, Washtucna, and Othello to follow as time permits. This program is designed to encourage voter registration/voting by students when they reach 18 years of age. Currently the schools facilitate the registration process with those students who turn 18 their senior/junior year.

Commissioner Wills moved, Stevens seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda:

Preliminary minutes of March 8 and 10, 1999

Vouchers audited and certified by the Adams County Auditor as required by RCW 42.23.080, 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: #001 (99881-99910) for \$6,141.72; #102 (99911-99915) for \$1,441.23; #104 (99916-99932) for \$8,209.87; #107 (99933) for \$250.00; #108 (99934-99942) for \$3,956.74; #108A (99943) for \$400.00; #109 (99944) for \$443.86; #111 (99945) for \$45,900.00; #113 (99946) for \$198.78; #116 (99947) for \$45.33; #166 (99948-99966) for \$1,728.93; #101 (991083-991084) for \$3,946.20; #115 (991085-991094) for \$2,202.80; #590 (991095-991106) for \$111,217.14; for a total of \$186,082.60.

Intergovernmental Agreement for the Adams County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan 1998 Update (This agreement provides for adoption of the 1998 Update agreed to in 1994 with the County designated as the exclusive agent for the participating municipalities for the preparation of the plan. The agreement is in effect for ten (10) years or until replaced by any new intergovernmental agreement that addresses the same subject matter, whichever occurs sooner. The plan will be reviewed and revised at least once every five (5) years following approval of the plan by WSDOE. City of Othello, Town of Lind, Town of Hatton, City of Ritzville, and Town of Washtucna signed the agreement.)

Anasazi Software License Agreement Addendum between Adams County (Community Counseling Services) and Anasazi Software (This Addendum includes an attachment to previously approved license agreements a proposal from Anasazi Software to the Washington State Behavioral Healthcare Consortium)

Correspondence was received from:

Senator Slade Gorton re: Salmon Restoration and Conservation
Minutes of Adams County Fair Board of February 9, 1999
DNS/Checklist for proposal to amend Adams County Zoning Code

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/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Commissioner

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