

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting Adams County Public Services Building, Othello

July 9, 2008
(Wednesday)

Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.

Present:

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

Fish & Wildlife

Dennis Beich, Region II Fish & Wildlife Director, reviewed with the Board the following topics:

1. Wind Power
2. Odessa Aquifer Study
3. Columbia River Water Management Plan

Specific details on the Crab Creek feeder route, Roosevelt draw down, and off channel storage proposal study were considered, in addition to the three primary topics, in terms of wildlife and wildlife habitat impacts.

Vacation of Rights-of-Way – Othello Realty Co.'s 1st Addition to Othello

Chairman Stevens reconvened the public hearing to consider the vacation of certain roads and alleys in Othello Realty Co.'s 1st Addition to Othello. Engineer Johns reviewed the petitioner's request and explained in detail the Engineer's final findings and recommendations.

Ed McCann, Charles Garcia, and Larry Deleon, residents and landowners within the area, were present to discuss the details of the vacation. Mr. Garcia expressed concerns with the sanitation and accumulation of large unused items within the area. All citizens present were in favor of the vacations proposed.

Engineer Johns will modify the resolution to reflect some additional details regarding the easements and access capabilities.

Chairman Stevens closed the public hearing at 10:30 a.m. Official action on the matter is scheduled for Monday, July 14, 2008.

Emergency Food and Shelter Program

Dan Leary, Othello Emergency Aide, and Alan Hanks, Vice-Chairman, Emergency Food and Shelter Board/Homelessness Task Force, requested additional funds in the amount of \$5,000 to cover the unexpected high demand for energy assistance. These funds are expected to cover emergency needs until the end of the year.

Commissioner Plager moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize an additional \$5,000 to the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (Homeless Housing and Assistance Task Force) for energy assistance needs.*

Motion carried.

The Board commended Dan Leary for his continued services as the Othello Emergency Aide. Leary informed them that every effort is made to prevent repetitive allocations to the same individuals. Minutes from this group's meetings were requested by the Commissioners.

Vice-Chairman Hanks informed the Board that the Homeless Shelter Plan is currently being revised in order to utilize available capital project funding.

Building and Planning Department

Director Wiltse informed the Board that he had received the retirement resignation of Darleen Norton effective August 31, 2008.

Adjournment @ 12:00

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