

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting
Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville

March 9, 2009
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

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

Agenda Changes:

Cancelled – Public Defender Bajalcaliev

8:32 a.m.

Lobbyist Potts

Lobbyist Potts provided a legislative update.

8:44 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Amend 2009-2014 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan

Chairman Plager convened the public hearing to consider amending the 2009-2014 Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan.

There were no members of the public present. Staff from the Ritzville Journal was present.

Assistant Engineer Scott Yaeger presented the proposed amended Plan. Projects #3 (Lee Road Overlay Project – Phase #1), #4 (Lee Road Overlay Project – Phase #2), #5 (Booker Road Overlay Project #2), and #6 (Hills Road Overlay Project) were added since they qualified for ARRA funding. It was noted that Project #3 - *Lee Road Overlay Project, Phase I* had already been confirmed for ARRA funding in the amount of \$832,000 with a bid deadline of July 1, 2009.

Chairman Plager closed the hearing at 10:12 a.m.

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-11-09 In the Matter of Adopting the Amended Adams County Six Year Transportation Improvement Program (2009-2014)*. Motion carried.

Othello Walk/Bike Path Loop Project

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve the Release of Retainage to Vono, Inc., Kennewick for work completed on the Othello Walk/Bike Path Loop Project in the amount of \$6,553.60*. Motion carried.

Updates on the rock crushing project and the condition of Yeisley Road were given.

Public Works staff will begin the 4/10 schedule effective March 30. Director O'Brien reported on current vacant positions within the department and noted that following an evaluation of staffing needs for projects he would then return at a later date to request authorization to fill positions. Authorization was requested and given by Board consensus to advertise for summer temporary help.

Solid Waste Long Haul Contract

A *Draft* Notice of Call for Bids for services to haul solid waste including equipment and operator (driver) at the Bruce and Ritzville Transfer Stations to Allie Waste's Roosevelt Regional Landfill was given to the Board for review.

Adams County Fairgrounds

The proposal received for lease of the fairgrounds farm/pasture ground was reviewed. A number of items require further clarification and those will be solicited from the bidder before a final decision is made.

11:05 a.m.

Congresswoman Cathy McMorris

Congresswoman Cathy McMorris during a teleconference discussed the following with the Board:

- Economic Stimulus package – her vote on the package and the lack of information on how it was all going to be paid for and the need for a solution for the underlying problem;
- Federal Five-Year Transportation Plan; County projects submitted

- Need for funding at the local level for wind power development and for expansion of the natural gas line in Othello
- Status of funding for expansion of the Columbia Basin Development Project;
- Letters (at the Federal level) that are going out to the Bureau of Reclamation requesting their plan for utilizing the Stimulus funds

11:23 a.m.

Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m.

Central Services Staffing

Director Boness discussed the following:

- Failure of Tape Drive (handles e-mail primarily) and estimated replacement cost of \$1,200 with a preference to replace with a server that will handle all current servers at an estimated cost of \$5,000
- Recommendation to go to a four year computer replacement program with future evaluation – this would provide needed funds for server replacement and for professional service contracts as needed to assist with a few major projects requiring completion
- Reviewed program requirements for the warrant program in the Treasurer's Office due to new banking requirements
- Reviewed status of cost allocations to other departments, future invoice requirements
- Noted Technology Services Assistant return to 25 hours/week
- Reported on attendance at recent Public Records Management class

1:38 p.m.

1:46 p.m.

Cemetery Road Bridge

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve Pay Estimate #5 to North Central Construction, Moses Lake for work completed 4/18/08 to 3/5/09 on Cemetery Road Bridge in the amount of \$4,563.66. Motion carried.*

Hills/Urquhart Road Project

Cow Creek Bridge #45-1 Project

Engineer Johns filed per RCW 36.77.010 Contract Plans and Provisions for construction of Hills/Urquhart Road and Cow Creek Bridge #45.

2:12 p.m.

2:36 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting

The Adams County Finance Committee met and reviewed, discussed, and took action as required on the following topics:

Minutes of previous meeting (approval)

Adams County Investment Policy (approval)

Adams County investment firms and portfolio

Public Disclosure Statements – Adams County Treasurer and Port of Othello

Treasurer Safekeeping of Funds per RCW 36.29.010

6050 Local County Assistance Funding and Sales and Use Tax

State Local Government Investment Pool

Revenue History

Additionally Treasurer Danekas provided an update on development of the county's program for handling warrants based on new bank requirements. Cost sharing for all affected entities was discussed.

A brief discussion was held regarding a proposal to establishment a new reserve fund that would set aside sufficient funds for pay out of employee vacation (and sick for certain qualifying employees) upon separation from service with the county. A restructuring of the county system may be a topic at a future departmental forum.

4:06 p.m.

4:06 p.m.

Treasurer Danekas filed the following:

A list of refunds (person, amount, and reason for refund) made under RCW 84.69.020

Finance Committee Members Public Disclosure Commission statement (Treasurer, Auditor, and Board of Commissioner Chairman) on behalf of Adams County Treasurer

Finance Committee Members Public Disclosure Commission statement (Treasurer, Auditor, and Board of Commissioner Chairman) on behalf of the Port of Othello

Adams County Treasurer Investment Policy

4:07 p.m.

Adams County Development Council

Addendum No. 1 to extend the Municipal Services Agreement between Adams County and the Adams County Development Council for a period

beginning January 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2009 was signed by the Board.

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of March 2 and 4, 2009

February, 2009 Payroll in the amount of \$627,446.85; and, Benefits in the amount of \$196,826.42 (Warrant # Series 514003-514108, Direct Deposit # Series 22065-22221, and, Benefit/Deduction # Series 1069847-1039864)

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	090945-090983	\$10,614.08
103	090984-090988	\$ 8,839.80
104	090989-090998	\$ 4,871.31
105	090999	\$ 799.33
112	091000	\$ 116.00
117	091001-091003	\$ 2,161.40
166	091004-091005	\$ 904.88
502	091006-091014	\$ 3,681.14
001	0581	\$ 198.52
108	0582-0583	\$ 221.88
115	0584-0600	\$32,682.24
122	0601	\$ 17.43
401	0602-0606	\$ 2,526.98
501	0607-0613	\$ 2,564.89
590	0614-0634	\$ 7,647.67
TOTAL		\$77,847.55

Declare surplus to be junked/disposed of (E-cycle) and/or transferred to another County department (to Central Services) – monitors/hard drives

Permanent Minutes Signed

February 17, 18, 23, and 25, 2009

Correspondence Received

City of Othello re: response to questions regarding funding application for reconstruction/infrastructure upgrade to Main Street along with letters of support from Roger Krug, County Economic Analyst; Bill Johns, County Engineer; and, Cara Broeckel, Executive Director Adams County Development Council

Copy of letter to Joyce McNeil from Department of Ecology, Janet Rajala, Water Resources Program re: eligibility status on the Adams County Water Conservancy Board

Columbia Basin Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Consortium re: meeting agenda for March 10, 2009 in Moses Lake

Adams County Noxious Weed Control Board re: minutes of February 10, 2009; minutes of hearing for Director positions #2 and #3; minutes from public hearing adopting 2009 Noxious Weed List

Adjournment @ 4:45 p.m.

Submitted:
s/Linda Reimer, MMC
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/Rudy Plager, Chairman
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Vice-Chairman
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Commissioner

RESOLUTION NO. R-11-09

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

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE AMENDED ADAMS COUNTY SIX YEAR
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (2009-2014)**

WHEREAS, four projects – Lee Road Overlay Project Phase #1, Lee Road Overlay Project Phase #2, Booker Road Overlay Project, and Hills Road Overlay Project – were required to be added to the previously adopted Six Year Transportation Improvement Program since they were included in the 2009 Federal Stimulus Funding Projects or the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Fund; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the proposed amendment on Monday, March 9, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, all comments were received and reviewed and no objections were heard;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the 2009-2014 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program as amended and attached is hereby approved and adopted.

DATED this 9th day of March, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/Rudy Plager, Chairman
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Vice-Chairman
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Commissioner

ATTEST:
s/Linda Reimer, MMC
Clerk of the Board