

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting

Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville

April 27, 2009

(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

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

Agenda Additions:

Executive Session RCW 42.30.110(1)(a) – ‘to consider matters affecting national security’ - at 11:30 a.m. approximately (via telephone)
Kate Brueske, IHCS and Jay Weise, Emergency Management at 11:35 a.m. approximately or following Executive Session (via telephone)

10:03 a.m.

Community Litter Cleanup Agreement

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve Contract #C0800171, Amendment #1, between Adams County and the Washington State Department of Ecology adding amending language for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009 that enables the county to operate a paid litter crew through June 30, 2009.* **Motion carried.**

Solid Waste

Public Works Director O'Brien reported that a loaded trailer out of Bruce and in route to the Roosevelt Landfill caught on fire. WSP investigated the matter and will provide a full report. Operators at Roosevelt handled the material from the trailer per their policy guidelines. Further investigation continues.

An award letter for the long haul contract was sent to Sam Villarreal Trucking. Unsuccessful bidders were notified by telephone or mail.

Danekas Road

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve the Rural Arterial Program Project Agreement for Construction Proposal for the last phase of the Danekas Road Project (Klein Rd. to I-90 – MP 5.75 to MP 9.32) in the amount of \$2,393,700. Motion carried.*

Fairgrounds

Modifications to the water system continue to be processed with some additional problems surfacing. Ground and building rentals remain in abeyance until the State Department of Health issues formal approval of the County's Plan to resolve the water issues. The Rodeo Association, being a 'customer' of the County (Fairgrounds) remains under the same restrictions.

11:04 a.m.

11:06 a.m.

Highland Estates Easement Vacation

Dale Wagner, Othello, requested vacation of the easement on property (South ½ lot #10 and North ½ lot #11, Highland Estates, Othello) currently owned by Dale and Heidi Wagner. Building and Planning Director Wiltse reported on the departmental review; noted that the Prosecutor's Office had reviewed the matter; and, further noted that a Surveyor had also reviewed the easement and made a procedure recommendation to accomplish the vacation.

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *accept the Wagner's petition for easement vacation and to direct the Building and Planning Department to proceed with legal publication of a public hearing on the matter for May 18, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 202 of the Adams County Courthouse, 210 W. Broadway, Ritzville.*

11:22 a.m.

11:36 a.m.

Executive Session

IHCS Director Brueske requested five (5) minutes of Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(a) – 'to consider matters affecting national security'. Executive session was held telephonically from 11:37 a.m. until 11:42 a.m. Jay Weise, Emergency Management, was present.

11:43 a.m.

Department of Health/Emergency Management

IHCS Director Brueske along with Jay Weise, Emergency Management, discussed steps in process focusing on the "swine flu" matter. Meetings with partners (hospitals, schools, etc.) are underway with information and directions given to prevent and to be alert to presenting symptoms.

Chairman Plager designated Commissioner Stevens as the legislative contact for future Department of Health updates as received by the local health department and emergency management.

11:52 a.m.

Recess @ 12:00

Elected Officials Lunch @ Jake's Restaurant

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

1:33 p.m.

Notice under the Americans with Disabilities Act

Human Resources Hunt presented a *draft* Policy for Notice under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Minor corrections will be made and then sent to the County for formal adoption. Human Resources was designated the Accessibility Officer for Adams County.

1:39 p.m.

1:40 p.m.

Recess @ 1:40 p.m. – RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) – Collective Bargaining Session with Governing Body – session closed to the public. Human Resources Gary and Valerie Hunt were present.

2:10 p.m.

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Salary Schedules

Gary and Valerie Hunt, Human Resources, presented a single salary schedule that would combine the Management, Sheriff's Mid-Management, and Exempt Employee Salary Schedules. Discussion and brief review followed. Establishment of criteria for a position to be placed on the Salary Schedule was noted as a primary issue for resolution prior to any formal approval of a joint schedule. The proposal was accepted for further review.

2:28 p.m.

2:48 p.m.

Fairgrounds and Sheriff's Substation

Public Works Director O'Brien reported that the State Department of Health had notified the County that it had approved the County's Plan for handling the water infractions noted at the Fairgrounds; but, the official letter has not been issued in written form yet. Contact was made with Sandy Dodge to discuss scheduling of future rentals of the grounds/buildings. Job tasks for the recently hired temporary employees will be scheduled following a site review of the grounds/buildings on April 28. Mowing of the Sheriff's Substation will be scheduled.

The Management Agreement with the Adams County Fair Association and the Farm Lease Agreement with Brian Hymas were reviewed and changes noted with a final document expected by the end of the month.

3:59 p.m.

4:19 p.m.

Civil Service Commission

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *re-appoint Gary Weaver to the Civil Service Commission for a six (6) year term effective April 27, 2009 through December 31, 2014.* **Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of April 20 and 22, 2009

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	091678-091709	\$ 13,867.88
103	091710	\$ 27.00
104	091711-091725	\$ 2,382.46
105	091726-091730	\$ 65,129.11
106	091731	\$ 1,639.78
112	091732	\$ 237.75
117	091733-091737	\$ 1,010.22
166	091738-091740	\$ 171.23
502	091741-091743	\$ 552.60
001	1178-1179	\$ 14,458.35
108	1180-1181	\$ 709.26
115	1182-1190, 1214	\$232,482.88
122	1191-1192	\$ 5,759.86
401	1193-1197, 1215	\$ 28,155.78
501	1198-1200, 1216	\$ 17,388.06
590	1201-1213	\$144,579.09
	TOTAL	\$528,551.31

4:20 p.m.

Permanent Minutes Signed

April 13 and 15, 2009

2008 Annual Report

Auditor McBroom filed the 2008 Annual Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2008.

Correspondence Received

Dennis D. Bly, Chairman Lincoln County Commissioners re:
request to increase the speed limit from 50 mph to 55 mph on North Hills
Road from the Lincoln/Adams County line to East Danekas Road

Adjournment @ 4:30 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