

## COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

### Regular Meeting Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville

January 4, 2010  
(Monday)

**Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.** by 2009 Chairman Rudy Plager

9:00 a.m.

#### **Reorganization of Board**

Commissioner Stevens moved, Plager seconded, *to nominate Roger L. Hartwig as Chairman for 2010.* **Motion carried.**

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Plager seconded, *to nominate Jeffrey W. Stevens as Vice-Chairman for the Board of Commissioners for 2010.*

**Motion carried.**

Attendance and representation on various Boards and related county functions were reviewed with all members agreeing to retain their previous assignments:

Plager – WRIA 34 and 43, RC&D, Community Network, Aging and Adult Care, Eastern Columbia River Council of Governments, QuadCo RTPPO, Courthouse O&M, Farmland Preservation Committee, Policy Advisory Group, Adams/Lincoln WSU Cooperative Extension

Hartwig – GWMA, LEOFF, Hanford Reach, Grant/Adams WSU Cooperative Extension, Emergency Services, ACDC

Stevens – Martin Hall, SWAC, RSN, JTP-PIC, WCRP, Social Services Administration Board, Adams County Emergency Food/Shelter Board

Each of the Commissioners will handle legislative matters locally and at the state level.

9:26 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

#### **Public Works General Session**

Director O'Brien provided updates on road conditions and solid waste operations; and, plans to meet with Fair Association members to discuss and prioritize future improvements to the fair grounds and facilities.

Engineer Johns reported that staff is beginning work on 2010 projects (Danekas Road); and gave a funding status update on the Rural Arterial Program. Development of roads connected with the Horizon Wind Energy Project were discussed.

**Hills/Urquhart Road and Cow Creek Bridge #45-1**

Commissioner Plager moved, Stevens seconded, to *authorize Pay Estimate #7 in the amount of \$72,939.29 to North Central Construction, Inc., Moses Lake, for work completed on the Hills/Urquhart Road and Cow Creek Bridge #45-1 from October 20, 2009 through November 20, 2009.*

**Motion carried.**

10:53 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

**Rezone - Carlson Short Plat No. 2**

Chairman Hartwig convened the public hearing on the request by Robert B. and Lori J. Carlson, Othello, to change the zoning on Lot 3 of the Carlson Short Plat No. 2 from Commercial (C) to Rural Residential (RR).

Adams County Planning Commission findings and recommendations were reviewed in conjunction with Building and Planning Director Wiltse.

In attendance, but expressing no comment, were: Bob Carlson, Mike Kline, Connie Kline, Dennis Wellsandt, and Shary Wellsandt.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Hartwig closed the hearing at 11:10 a.m.

Commissioner Stevens moved, Plager seconded, to *approve the rezone request for Lot 3, Carlson Short Plat No. 2 from Commercial (C) to Rural Residential (RR).* **Motion carried.**

An ordinance reflecting this change will be prepared and set for public hearing.

11:11 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

**Rezone – Parcels in Rural Ritzville**

Chairman Plager convened the public hearing on the request by Rita B. Arlt/Testamentary/Family Trust, Mike and Connie Kline, Stacy and

Shannon Flynn, Gary and Leslie Kelly, Dennis and Shary Wellsandt, Dennis Wellsandt, Lawanna Ahrendt, Kagele Farms, Inc., Gayle and Gaynel Gering, and Bruce and Yvonne Hille to rezone parcels located in Sections 4 and 5 in Township 19 North; and, Sections 26, 27, 32, 33, and 34 in Township 20 North, Range 36 E.W.M. from Light Industrial (LI) to General Agriculture (AG).

Building and Planning Director Wiltse reviewed the Adams County Planning Commission findings and recommendations noting that the parcels requested for rezone include only those lying between Danekas Road and I-90. Wiltse further noted that when the county adopted the 2005 zoning map it did not have parcel maps available and used only the broad based soil management maps and some aerial maps for parcel boundaries. He noted that the process was not as accurate as that available to the county some years later.

Commissioner Plager disclosed that the 'Arlt's' were relatives but he did not believe that relationship was a conflict of interest and therefore should preclude him from the decision process on this matter.

In attendance and commenting as noted were: Rex Rosenoff (comments), Gary Kelly, Bob Carlson, Mike Kline (comments), Connie Kline, Dennis Wellsandt (comments), Shary Wellsandt, Stacy Flynn, Kevin Arlt, and Susanne Meek.

Hearing no further comments or discussion, Chairman Hartwig closed the public hearing at 11:46 a.m.

Commissioner Plager moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve the rezone request from Light Industrial (LI) to General Agriculture (AG) for the parcels (or portions thereof) in Sections 4 and 5 of Township 19 North and Sections 26, 27, 32, 33, and 34 of Township 20 North, Range 36 E.W.M. owned by Rita B. Arlt/Testamentary/Family Trust, Mike and Connie Kline, Stacy and Shannon Flynn, Gary and Leslie Kelly, Dennis and Shary Wellsandt, Dennis Wellsandt, Lawanna Ahrendt, Kagele Farms, Inc., Gayle and Gaynel Gering, and Bruce and Yvonne Hille.* **Motion carried.**  
11:47 a.m.

**Recess @ 12:00**

**Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.**

3:23 p.m.

**WSU Extension**

Commissioner Plager moved, Stevens seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between Washington State University Extension and Adams County for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 to provide an extension program.*

**Motion carried.**

**Consent Agenda**

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

Preliminary minutes of December 21, 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	100001-100024	\$ 5,748.53
001	Handy Pay	\$ 395.00
103	100025-100030	\$ 4,117.42
104	100031-100036	\$ 2,964.42
112	100037	\$ 264.90
117	100038-100040	\$ 222.25
502	100041-100048	\$ 4,441.59
108	4119	\$ 523.94
115	4120-4146	\$ 7,287.44
122	4147	\$ 500.00
321	4148	\$ 2,692.50
401	4149-41583	\$ 993.86
401	Hand Pay	\$ 14,513.63
501	4154-4160	\$ 3,280.46
590	4161-4180	\$ 57,326.91
	TOTAL	\$105,272.85

3:34 p.m.

**Lobbying Expenses (L3)**

Chairman Hartwig signed the Public Disclosure Commission L3 Report of Employer's Lobbying Expenses for the year 2009 for Lobbyist Jim Potts.

**Permanent Minutes Signed**

December 14 and 16, 2009

**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/Roger L. Hartwig, Chairman  
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Vice-Chairman  
s/Rudy Plager, Commissioner