

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse
Ritzville, Washington
Regular Meeting

August 5, 2019
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman John N. Marshall
Vice-Chairman Roger L. Hartwig
Commissioner Terrance J. Thompson

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Public Works

Public Works Director O'Brien reported on gravel road maintenance; solid waste; and fairgrounds, noting the sidewalk project is underway and expected to be completed prior to September.

Engineer Yaeger reported on various projects including:

- McKinney/Thacker Road Safety project;
- Hampton Yeisley Paving project;
- Crushing project;
- Deal Road project; and,
- Bridge Prototype project.

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Executive Session

At 11:00 a.m. the Board called for an Executive Session to last forty (40) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – “To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.” IHCS Director Guse; Environmental Health Director Taff; Prosecutor Flyckt; and, Human Resource Manager Perez were present.

At 11:30 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. No action taken.

At 11:35 a.m. Chairman Marshall announced the Board would recess back into Executive Session for ten (10) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – “To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.” Prosecutor Flyckt and

Human Resource Manager Perez were present.
At 11:45 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session.

Environmental Health Department

Vicki Guse and Timm Taff returned to the meeting at the request of the Board. The Board directed Guse to place Environmental Health employee Ann Harvey on immediate administrative leave.

Executive Session

At 11:57 a.m. Chairman Marshall announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for five (5) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – “To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.” Prosecutor Flyckt and Human Resource Manager Perez were present.

At 12:01 p.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. No action taken.

Recess @ 12:02 p.m.

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

Collective Bargaining

The Board held a session closed to the public pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) “that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining,...”. Session began at 1:30 p.m. and ended at 2:30 p.m. Public Works Director O’Brien; Prosecutor Flyckt; and, Human Resource Manager Perez were present.

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Auditor

Auditor Hunt reviewed 2019 budgeted transfers, with Treasurer Meise present, requesting clarification of when the Board would like to expense the transfers. Auditor Hunt will prepare an accounting of anticipated transfers and report to the Board on Monday, August 12, 2019.

Additionally, Hunt reported the junior taxing districts have been notified of her department’s intent to no longer provide payroll services, effective December 31, 2019; preliminary state audit results were reviewed with Hunt noting an exit conference will be scheduled soon; and, a request was made by Hunt for the Board to consider purchasing an additional pool car for county use.

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Letter of Support for “Restoration and Enhancement Committees; and, Opposition to Additional Wastewater Fees for Wineries

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Thompson seconded, to *authorize executing a signature page of a letter to Director Maia Bellon, Washington State Department of Ecology, at the request of Franklin County Commissioner Clint Didier, on behalf of Eastern Washington agricultural interests and constituents.* **Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of July 29, 2019

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	2620 – 2654	\$ 36,830.65
103	2655 – 2657	\$ 980.63
104	2658 – 2671	\$ 11,993.87
105A	2672	\$ 181.45
116	2673	\$ 4.23
117	2674 – 2675	\$ 6,424.25
123	2676 – 2678	\$ 2,289.40
130	2679	\$ 440.74
131	2680	\$ 9,500.00
502	2681 – 2684	\$ 4,007.85
108	001227	\$ 102.60
115	001228 – 001241	\$457,016.03
401	001242 – 001250	\$ 48,719.74
501	001251 – 001255	\$ 10,570.77
590	001256 – 001285	\$ 25,239.75
	TOTAL	\$614,301.96

Columbia Basin Development League

The Board by consensus denied the request of Franklin County Commissioner Brad Peck for Adams County to provide funding in the amount of \$3,750 to assist with the cost of professional survey work in support of the Columbia Basin Development League.

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Permanent Minutes Signed

July 22 and 24, 2019

Correspondence Received

Carson Van Valkenburg, Attorney re: Public Defender Quarterly
Report for 2nd Quarter, 2019

Director Vicki Guse, Integrated Health Care Services re: grievance
Dr. Karen Abel, Integrated Health Care Services re: letter of
support

Adjournment @ 3:55 p.m.

Submitted:
s/Patricia J. Phillips, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/John N. Marshall, Chairman
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Vice-Chairman
s/Terrance J. Thompson, Commissioner