

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse
Ritzville, Washington
Regular Meeting

February 24, 2020
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman Roger L. Hartwig
Commissioner John N. Marshall

Absent:

Vice-Chairman Terrance J. Thompson

Canvassing Board

Terrance J. Thompson will serve on the Canvassing Board for the March 10, 2020 Presidential Primary for the time frame of February 20, 2020 through March 20, 2020.

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Vacation of Alley in Original Cunningham

Chairman Hartwig convened the public hearing at 10:01 a.m. to consider the vacation of an alley in "Original Cunningham" specifically the alley between Lots 1 and 2, Block 7, Original Cunningham and Lots 9 and 10, Block 7, Original Cunningham.

There were no members of the public present.

Engineer Yaeger provided background information on the petition. Yaeger presented the Final Engineer's Report stating that "the general condition of the described portion of the alley is an unopened right of way 15 foot wide with no improvements. This right of way is not needed for future county use. The vacation would benefit the public in general. I hereby recommend that said portion of the alley and right of way be vacated and file the cost bill for the vacation proceedings as follows: Publication costs of \$88.00 and recording cost of \$116.50 for total costs incurred of \$204.50."

Chairman Hartwig closed the public hearing at 10:05 a.m.

Commissioner Marshall moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-012-2020 In the Matter of Alley Vacation in “Original Cunningham”*. **Motion carried.**

Public Works

Public Works Director O’Brien provided the weekly update on the following:

Maintenance – crews are preparing for sterilant application.

Personnel – the Lind Supervisor position has been filled. O’Brien requested and received **consensus authorization to begin the process to fill a Maintenance Worker 2 – Lind position.**

Maintenance and Operations – the remodel of the building located at 449 E. Cedar Street is progressing; obstacles are being worked through as they appear.

Solid Waste – drawings for the Bruce Transfer Station recycle building are being finalized with a bid opening to be scheduled in early April with construction to begin in May.

Health Department Rental Agreement

Blattner Construction has notified the Public Works Department that it is their intent to begin renting a portion of the Ritzville Health Department (formerly leased by Chicago Title), and would like to occupy the space by February 27, 2020. Blattner has agreed to rent the space for \$1,100 which will include all utilities with the exception of internet.

Commissioner Marshall moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize Public Works Director O’Brien to sign, on behalf of the Board, the rental agreement between Adams County and Blattner Construction for office space in the Ritzville Health Department building.* **Motion carried.**

Engineering

Engineer Yaeger provided updates on the SR24/Bench Road Roundabout; and, the Deal Road project, noting the contractor plans to begin the project March 2, 2020.

Public Works Department Salary Schedules

Public Works Director O’Brien requested additional review of a restructuring proposal of non-union employee salaries in the public works

department. A meeting will be scheduled for further consideration with Human Resource Manager Perez present.

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Executive Session

At 10:42 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session to last ten (10) minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) – "...to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation...". Prosecutor Flyckt was present.

At 10:51 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. No action taken.

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Ordinance No. O-01-2020

It being the time and place set for the public hearing to consider public comment on Ordinance No. O-01-2020, Chairman Hartwig called the hearing to order at 11:00 a.m.

Chairman Hartwig provided background information on the ordinance amendments the Board is proposing to adopt.

Public comment was received from Steve Lee, Adams County business owner.

There being no further comment, Chairman Hartwig recessed the hearing at 11:26 a.m. to reconvene per legal notice on Wednesday, February 26, 2020.

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Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

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Integrated Health Care Services

Director Guse reported Developmental Disabilities Director Cindy Doyle is retiring 4/30/2020. Guse, along with Cindy Doyle, reviewed options of continuing the Developmental Disabilities program with state funds for the program diminishing.

The county currently contracts with Compass to administer the program with oversight from Doyle. At this time, Guse does not believe it is feasible to fill the position Doyle will vacate in April.

Guse recommended the county terminate and return the contract to the state. Another option would be for an interlocal agreement with a neighboring county to provide services.

Prosecutor Flyckt was present and stated he will review the master contract with the state and report his findings to the Board as to available options for the county.

Funding was reviewed for other programs within Integrated Health Care Services.

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Ordinance Review

A *draft* ordinance pertaining to fire and life safety was reviewed. Prosecutor Flyckt and Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Barden were present along with Building and Planning Director Wiltse and Assistant Building and Planning Director Lorenz.

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Adams County Mosquito Control Board

Commissioner Marshall moved, Hartwig seconded, to *re-appoint Marthann Olson, Othello, to the Adams County Mosquito Control Board for a two (2) year term effective April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2022.* **Motion carried.**

Adams County Noxious Weed Control Board

Commissioner Marshall moved, Hartwig seconded, to *re-appoint Elena Jeanne McKenzie, Ritzville, to the Adams County Noxious Weed Control Board as Director for Section #4 for a four (4) year term effective March 1, 2020 through March 1, 2024.* **Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of February 18, 2020

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	0510 – 0546	\$ 57,029.80
001	Hand Pays	\$ 500.00
103	0547 – 0548	\$ 703.07
106	0549	\$ 371.73
114	0550 – 0551	\$ 609.50
502	0552 – 0554	\$ 1,327.39
108	154 – 155	\$ 4,350.49
115	156 – 163	\$ 79,565.34
401	164 – 169	\$ 19,632.16
501	170 – 173	\$ 3,632.45
590	174 – 198	\$ 26,669.24
	TOTAL	\$194,391.17

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Permanent Minutes Signed

February 10 and 12, 2020

Correspondence Received

Notice of Marijuana License Application re: Grandpa Bud LLC, 2310 W. Sutton Road, Suite R, Othello (Marijuana Producer Tier 2/Marijuana Processor) (*change of location application*)

Notice of Marijuana License Application re: Assumption, 1840 W. Black Arrow Lane, Othello (Marijuana Producer Tier 2/Marijuana Processor)

Donald Kagele, Chairman, Noxious Weed Control Board re: Director Appointment for Section #4

Carson Van Valkenburg, Attorney re: Public Defender Quarterly Report for 4th Quarter, 2019

Adjournment @ 4:05 p.m.

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

Edited and Approved:

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-012-2020

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

IN THE MATTER OF ALLEY VACATION IN “ORIGINAL CUNNINGHAM”

WHEREAS, the Board received a petition from Jim Stewart, Othello, requesting the vacation of an alley between Lots 1 and 2, Block 7, Original Cunningham and Lots 9 and 10, Block 7, Original Cunningham; and,

WHEREAS, the Board accepted the petition on Monday, July 1, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, the Board directed the Adams County Engineer per RCW 36.87.030 to report upon such vacation and abandonment; and,

WHEREAS, the Board heard the Preliminary Engineering report on the vacation on Tuesday, January 21, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, advertising and posting requirements per RCW 36.87.050 were confirmed as properly fulfilled; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Monday, February 24, 2020, during which the County Engineer recommended vacation of the alley and provided his cost bill in his Final Engineer’s Report; and,

WHEREAS, all public comments were heard and considered;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Alley between Lots 1 and 2, Block 7, Original Cunningham and Lots 9 and 10, Block 7, Original Cunningham is hereby vacated.

DATED this 24th day of February, 2020.

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

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