

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse Ritzville, Washington Regular Meeting

September 27, 2021
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman Dan C. Blankenship
Vice-Chairman Terrance J. Thompson
Commissioner Jay R. Weise

Executive Session

At 8:30 a.m. the Board recessed into Executive Session for thirty (30) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(h) – “To evaluate the qualifications of a candidate for appointment to elective office.” Prosecutor Flyckt was present.

At 8:58 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session.

Withdrawal of Assessor Candidate

Prior to convening the morning session the Board was advised, in writing, that applicant Curtis Templin is withdrawing his name from the Assessor appointment process.

Assessor Appointment

Having been advised of a vacancy in the Office of Assessor, that will occur at 12:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 30, 2021; and having received three (3) nominees from the Adams County Republican Central Committee, a party of which the vacated partisan official belonged; and, after conducting an interview with nominees Veronica Rodriguez and Curtis Templin, Commissioner Thompson moved, Weise seconded, to appoint Veronica Rodriguez to the office of Adams County Assessor, effective October 1, 2021 at 12:00 a.m.

Roll Call Vote

Thompson AYE Weise AYE Blankenship AYE

Motion carried.

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Blankenship provided updates on committee meetings attended last week including Martin Hall; and, Eastern Washington Council of Governments.

Letters of Support – Broadband Funding

The Board, by consensus, authorized the submittal of letters to the Public Works Board on behalf of the City of Ritzville and Town of Washtucna supporting their respective applications for Broadband funding.

Public Works

Public Works Director O'Brien and Engineer Yaeger provided updates on road maintenance; fairgrounds; solid waste; engineering projects; and, the county wide crushing project.

County Prosecutor Staffing

Prosecutor Flyckt reported an applicant for the position of Victim Witness Coordinator/Administrative Assistant was interviewed and offered the position.

Additionally, Flyckt reported he is considering filling the vacant attorney position in his office under Washington Courts Admission and Practice Rule (APR) 9 – licensed legal intern, and, has an interview this afternoon with a potential candidate. The Board concurred with the Prosecutor's proposal of filling the vacant position with an applicant eligible for a Rule 9 position.

Justice AV Solutions, Inc.

Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Barden reported the Justice AV Solutions, Inc. (JAVS) contract has been reviewed with modifications noted. Said contract, with modifications, will be forwarded to JAVS for review.

KnowBe4

Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Barden reported the KnowBe4 Cyber Security contract has been reviewed with a copy distributed to the Board for review.

Consent Agenda

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

September 1 – 15, 2021 Payroll in the amount of \$491,087.20; and, Benefits in the amount of \$91,251.51 (Warrant # Series 532647-532667; Direct Deposit # Series 69021-69205; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1160377-1160385

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	21-2847 – 21-2873	\$20,285.92
104	21-2874	\$ 497.84
502	21-2875 – 21-2877	\$ 458.77
108	1465 – 1468	\$ 4,947.08
115	1469 – 1470	\$ 51.37
401	1471 – 1473	\$ 6,555.01
501	1474 – 1477	\$ 1,119.04
590	1478 – 1494	\$21,901.37
	TOTAL	\$55,816.40

Permanent Minutes Signed

September 13, and 15, 2021

Correspondence Received

Carson Van Valkenburg, Attorney re: Public Defender Quarterly Report for 1st Quarter, 2021

Carson Van Valkenburg, Attorney re: Public Defender Quarterly Report for 2nd Quarter, 2021

Chris Bajalcaliev, Attorney re: Public Defender Quarterly Report for 1st Quarter, 2020

Chris Bajalcaliev, Attorney re: Public Defender Quarterly Report for 2nd Quarter, 2020

Chris Bajalcaliev, Attorney re: Public Defender Quarterly Report for 3rd Quarter, 2020

Chris Bajalcaliev, Attorney re: Public Defender Quarterly Report for 4th Quarter, 2020

Correspondence Sent

Public Works Board re: Letter of Support for City of Ritzville funding for Broadband

Public Works Board re: Letter of Support for Town of Washtucna funding for Broadband

Adjournment @ 11:39 a.m.

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

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/Dan C. Blankenship, Chairman
s/Terrance J. Thompson, Vice-Chairman
s/Jay R. Weise, Commissioner