

## **COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS**

**Regular Meeting  
Adams County Public Services Building  
Othello, Washington**

**February 8, 2012**  
(Wednesday)

**Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.**

**Present:**

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

**Emergency Management**

Jay Weise, Emergency Management Coordinator, informed the Board that two firms were recently interviewed following the request for qualifying firms capable of consultation, review, construction, and maintenance of the county's communication system. Costs and details will be negotiated following county selection and then acceptance by the successful firm.

Weise reported that Region 9 counties had joined in issuing a letter to the Governor in support of the "emergency management performance grant proposal" that would, if approved, equalize the funding formula for smaller v. larger counties that would then facilitate the smaller counties being able to implement additional emergency management requirements.

Weise also reported that Region 9 counties had entered into an interagency cooperative agreement for strategic planning so that all the member counties were conducting the same training and the same planning for emergencies; and, were sharing resources to mitigate costs.

**County Employee ID and Keyless Entry Cards**

At the request of the Board, Weise reported on his research regarding the combining of the ID and the Facility Key entry card. Facility Manager Dennis Sackmann joined the meeting and reviewed types, estimated costs, compatibility, and pros/cons of the proposal to combine the county employee identification card and the keyless entry card into one card. Additional discussion and research will be done with a formal presentation

of the cards and policy during the Departmental Forum scheduled for February 27, 2012.

### **Juvenile**

Director Juan Garza reported on modifications to the “Be a Hero” program; and, on the implementation of the “Be a Champion” program focusing on Jr. High students. Assistant Principal Josh Benedict spoke to the Board on the benefits of the programs and the positive partnership between the school and the Juvenile department. Benedict and Garza addressed the Board’s questions regarding “bullying” in the schools and how it is being addressed.

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the FY 2012-2013 County Program Agreement #1263-43023 between Adams County (Juvenile Department) and DSHS/Juvenile Rehabilitation Division of Community Programs to continue work under the previous terms and conditions of the Consolidated Contract for the period January 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.* **Motion carried.**

Director Garza then spoke regarding the implementation of a departmental “Restitution Caseload” in coordination with the Superior Court Clerk’s Office.

Garza addressed the needs of New Hope to relocate and find permanent offices for the program. At this time the program is utilizing an office in the JDAI facilities. Details will be discussed further during the next few weeks with **consensus approval given for use of the JDAI facility on a temporary emergency basis.**

### **Adjournment @ 12:00**

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