

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse Ritzville, Washington Regular Meeting

July 9, 2012
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

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

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Courthouse Security

The following individuals were present for a follow-up session regarding court security: Superior Court Judge Miller, Superior Court Clerk Kirkendall, Ritzville District Court Judge Hille, Sheriff Barger, and Facilities Manager Sackmann.

Following review of the options, Board **consensus authorized proceeding with the purchase and installation of ¾" material on the Judge benches, front area, and Clerk's areas in the offices and courtrooms.**

Central Services will be contacted for further details and follow through regarding "panic buttons" and "cameras".

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Department of Corrections

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Interagency Agreement between Adams County and the Department of Corrections for the purpose of maximizing the efficient and cost effective use of existing resources and to provide adequate facilities and programs for the confinement, care, and treatment of Department Offenders (transferred to the County) in accord with the provisions of RCW 72.68.040.* **Motion carried.** Reimbursement was set at \$62.00/per day/per offender.

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Safety Program Run-off-Road Guardrail Project

Bids were opened from:

Frank Gurney, Inc. P. O. Box 11557 Spokane Valley, WA 99211	\$ 77,921.08
Petersen Brothers 2008 East Valley Highway Sumner, Washington 98390	\$ 82,230.43
Coral Construction Company P. O. Box 347 Wilsonville, OR 97070	\$111,111.00

Engineer's Estimate: \$100,120.97

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Public Works

Public Works Director O'Brien reported on the following:

- Road maintenance program
- Adams County Fairgrounds – electrical improvements to buildings; lean-to construction budgeted to be completed by Public Works Department – Commissioner Stevens will check with Livestock Committee to ascertain volunteer assistance to construct the lean-to in order to have it completed by fair dates
- Solid Waste trailers are in operation – trailer hook-up operation will be reviewed to determine any changes since hitch pins are breaking
- Reviewed the preliminary draft of a resolution regarding “Establishing and Endorsing a Policy for the Reduction of Green House Gas Emissions” – modifications will be made and the resolution scheduled for adoption on July 23

Gravel & Stone Lease – Lind/Hatton Road Project

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Gravel & Stone Lease between Terrence M. Whitaker, Jackson, WY and Adams County, WA for an 18 month lease beginning June 27, 2012.* **Motion carried.**

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Developmental Disabilities Center Bldg./Lot

Bids were opened from”

UXOR, LLC	\$4,000
Lind, Wa 99341	

Bid submitted did not meet the minimum set of \$6,000. The course of action at this point will be submitted to the Prosecutor for recommendation.

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Prosecutor Flyckt ruled that the County would need to notify the bidder that the bid amount did not meet the minimum; that the County would need to re-advertise a public hearing to set a new minimum (if any); and, then schedule another bid opening date.

The Board set the public hearing date to consider a minimum bid amount for July 30, 2012 at 1:30 p.m.; and a new sealed bid opening date for August 6, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 202 of the Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville.

Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

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Ground Water Management Area (GWMA)

Paul Stoker, GWMA Director; and, Scott Cave, Public Relations, met to discuss the motion recently passed by the GWMA Board to bring a proposal for creating an “Aquifer Protection Area” to each of the Columbia Basin Ground Water Management Area counties; and, to consider imposing an assessment to finance the Aquifer Protection Area work.

Lengthy discussion followed including putting forth the long established tenant that the functions of the Ground Water Management Area would not cost the individual counties (Adams, Grant, Franklin, and Lincoln) any money. Stoker noted that to this point \$5.5 million had been spent in the last 14 years and these funds were provided by State/Federal governments. Those funding sources are no longer available and Stoker believes considerable work remains to be done.

At the conclusion of the discussions, the Board set a public hearing on **July 30, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.** in Room 202 of the Adams County Courthouse, Ritzville, to receive public comment on the matter of **“Creation of an “Aquifer Protection Area”**. If public opinion is favorable and the Board concludes the same, the matter will be placed on the General Election Ballot for voter approval of 1) the creation of an Aquifer Protection Area; and, subsequently 2) imposing an assessment of \$5.00 per parcel/household unit for 10 years and imposing an assessment of between \$35 and \$386 per production well between 6” and 20” for 10 years.

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Safety Program Run-Off-Road Guardrail Project

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *award the bid for the Safety Program Run-off-Road Guardrail Project, CRP-16, per Public Works recommendation to Frank Gurney, Inc., Spokane Valley, Washington, as the lowest responsive bidder meeting all specifications for the bid amount of \$77,921.08. Motion carried.* The bid was noted as 78% of the Engineer’s estimate.

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Crime, Justice & America, Inc. et al v. Adams County, et al

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Settlement Agreement in the Matter of Crime, Justice & America, Inc. and Ray Hrdlicka v. Adams County, et al settling the case for \$10,000. Motion carried.*

Attorney Milton G. Rowland handled the case on behalf of Adams County.

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of July 2, 2012

June, 2012 Payroll in the amount of \$685,926.89; and, Benefits in the amount of \$225,048.93 (Warrant # Series 519893-520043; Direct Deposit # Series 32618-32788; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1094587-1094604)

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	124554-124590	\$ 75,789.83
103	124591-124592	\$ 1,231.76
112	124593	\$ 131.50
113	124594	\$ 409.61
116	124595	\$ 15.17
502	124596-124607	\$ 9,433.26
001	1061	\$ 242.28
108	1062-1063	\$ 174.18
115	1064-1074	\$169,435.07
122	1075-1076	\$ 64.73
401	1077-1082	\$ 2,799.74
501	1083-1086	\$ 2,459.73
501	1087-1099	\$ 8,162.08
TOTAL		\$270,348.94

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Permanent Minutes Signed

June 25 and 27, 2012

Correspondence Received

Eleanor Brodahl, Othello re: Columbia Basin GWMA ballot issue to create Aquifer Protection Area in Adams County

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