

## COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse  
Ritzville, Washington  
Regular Meeting

August 6, 2012  
(Monday)

**Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.**

**Present:**

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

**Agenda Additions:**

Entrance Conference State Audit Team @ 11:00 a.m.

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**Public Works**

Public Works Director O'Brien reported that Thiel Road was repaired so that harvest trucks can travel on it; and, work will now begin on Presnel Road and Danekas Road.

**Solid Waste**

It was reported that temporary summer help had been assigned to litter pickup for the next couple of weeks; and, that some of the temporary help had been leaving to return to college.

Efforts to connect to internet capability at the transfer sites have been unsuccessful to date; and, Director O'Brien reported that it was critical to facilitate the installation and monitoring of cameras at the sites. A contractor may be hired to speed the process.

Director O'Brien reported another fire ignited in a steel trailer but no damage was reported as the fire was found early and burning product was removed and handled. An informational flyer will be distributed to each of the cities to assist residents in the type of products that are allowed at the transfer stations in the hope that this will help eliminate future fire hazards. Additionally, a temporary location area will be sited to handle grasses and

yard debris in the future. A water line and fire hydrant are in the 2012 budget and are scheduled for fall installation.

### **Adams County Fairgrounds**

The electrical upgrade is proceeding on schedule with the assistance of community members. A K-Line irrigation system will be purchased and installed by the end of the week.

### **Guardrail Safety Program**

Commissioner Stevens moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve Pay Estimate #1 to Frank Gurney, Inc., Spokane Valley, for work completed July 14 through July 27 on the Guardrail Safety Program Run-off-Road Project on Rosenoff Road #64601 in the amount of \$88,996.00.* **Motion carried.**

### **Clearwater Supply**

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve the Agreement between Clearwater Supply, Othello, and Adams County to use the old transfer station site at Hampton and SR24 from August 12 through October 20 for the purpose of recycling irrigation piping.* **Motion carried.** Clearwater Supply employees only will be on the site.

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### **Courthouse Roof**

Todd O'Brien informed the Board that it was critical that the Courthouse roof be replaced this year rather than just repaired. Although \$30,000 was budgeted and approved for the repair in 2012 that amount is insufficient for a full replacement cost. Complete information on the estimated costs will be solicited and then shared with the Board prior to any work beginning.

### **MedStar**

Todd O'Brien inquired if the County would be interested in authorizing the formation of a "Group" that would enable employees to subscribe to MedStar Services. Those individuals already enrolled in the program would be eligible to join/transfer their membership to within the group and receive those rates. The Board by **consensus authorized O'Brien to proceed with the appropriate steps to facilitate the formation of a "Group"**.

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### **Audit Entrance Conference**

Teresa Hanford, State Audit Lead, conducted the Entrance Conference for the 2011 audit with the Board. Attending were Auditor McBroom, Treasurer Danekas, Public Works Director O'Brien, and Engineer Yaeger. The Team will audit financial statements and Federal grant compliance during Phase 1. Phase 2 will be completed later in the year. The Phase 1 audit began August 6 and is expected to be completed by September 1, 2012 at a cost of \$12,000 plus travel expenses. Sara Marshall, Assistant State Auditor is also on site.

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### **Weed Control**

Audrey Schaible, Ritzville, expressed her frustration with a local landowner whose property abuts hers and the landowner's failure to eradicate/control *Kochia* on his property. The property has been flagged by the Noxious Weed Control Board on a regular basis but there has been no follow-up enforcement. Schaible reported that she has been unsuccessful in pushing for follow-up enforcement on the problem with the Weed Board as well as the landowner. The property is in CRP is "out of compliance with the program" according to Schaible. Chairman Plager offered to speak with FSA about the property.

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**Recess @ 12:00**

**Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.**

### **Consent Agenda**

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

Preliminary minutes of July 30 and August 1, 2012

July, 2012 Payroll in the amount of \$717,716.19; and, Benefits in the amount of \$229,432.55 (Warrant # Series 520056-520213; Direct Deposit # Series 32895-33063; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1095253-1095270)

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	124937-124975	\$21,430.13
103	124976-124978	\$ 9,381.89
104	124979-124984	\$ 9,154.77
106	124985	\$ 52.31
112	124987	\$ 286.25
113	124988	\$ 118.40
116	124989	\$ 15.17
117	124990-124994	\$ 3,728.70
166	124995-124997	\$ 326.20
502	124998-125008	\$ 9,848.57
001	1250-1252	\$ 782.57
108	1253	\$ 1,620.00
115	1254-1257	\$15,055.98
115	Hand Pay	\$ 377.78
122	1268	\$ 15.17
401	1269-1275	\$ 3,712.16
501	1276-1280	\$ 2,376.45
590	1281-1291	\$ 3,845.04
TOTAL		\$82,127.54

Amendment #19 to Agreement between Adams County and Washington State University concerning Adams County support for William Schillinger

**Permanent Minutes Signed**

July 23 and 25, 2012

**Correspondence Received**

William Wagoner, Quincy re: Aquifer Protection Area  
Copy of letter from State of Washington DSHS MaryAnne Lindeblad, Assistant Secretary for Aging and Disability Services Administration re: re-procurement for mental health services in Grant County and request for Grant County plan for merger with another RSN by August 10, 2012, following withdrawal from the North Central RSN

Laura Danekas, Treasurer re: County owned properties subject to 2013 Weed and Irrigation Assessments

**Adjournment @ 3:45 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