

## COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse  
Ritzville, Washington  
Regular Meeting

September 8, 2014  
(Monday)

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

**Present:**

Chairman Jeffrey W. Stevens  
Vice-Chairman John N. Marshall  
Commissioner Roger L. Hartwig

**Session Closed to Public – RCW 42.30.140(4)(b)**

The Board was in a session closed to the public beginning 9:00 a.m. under the authority of RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) “that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, ...”. Todd O’Brien, Public Works Director and Gary and Valerie Hunt, Human Resources were present. Session ended 10:00 a.m.

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**Cascade Natural Gas Corporation Franchise**

Chairman Stevens opened the public hearing on the Cascade Natural Gas Corporation Franchise Agreement renewal at 10:01 a.m.

Staff from the Ritzville Journal was present. There were no members of the public in attendance.

The Board reviewed the terms of the franchise renewal. Engineer Yeager provided a description of the roadway locations for which the franchise was requested.

Chairman Stevens closed the public hearing at 10:06 a.m.

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Commissioner Hartwig moved, Marshall seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-043-2014 In the Matter of Grant of Renewal of Franchise to*

*Cascade Natural Gas Corporation for a twenty-five (25) year term.*  
**Motion carried.**

### **Public Works**

Engineer Yeager reported that a reimbursable work request for crack seal had been received from the City of Othello with the work being done through an interlocal agreement.

Director O'Brien gave a routine report on road maintenance and fairgrounds.

### **Maintenance and Operations – Public Services Building**

IHCS Director Guse has requested the installation of a new backup generator at the Public Services Building in Othello. Public Works Director O'Brien's recommendation to the Board would be to not expend monies for a new back-up system at the Public Services Building from the Operations and Maintenance or Capital Improvement funds. O'Brien noted that there is a back-up system in place and a larger generator is not warranted, adding if additional information is brought forward by Guse, the issue may be re-addressed.

### **Rodeo Lake**

Engineer Yeager and Director O'Brien reported that tree roots were pulled from the culvert under Highway 26 and the water is now flowing. Public Works will continue to monitor the situation.

### **Hampton Road**

Engineer Yeager reported that water from an adjacent property owner's irrigation continues to be an issues on Hampton Road. The overlay project is scheduled to begin soon and the irrigation issue will need to be addressed prior to that.

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**Recess @ 12:00**

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

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### **ECBID**

The Board met with Prosecutor Flyckt, Director O'Brien and Engineer Yeager to discuss the East Columbia Basin Irrigation District's correspondence, dated July 22, 2014, discussing widening of the East Low Canal. The ECBID claims under the terms of the 1949 Bureau of

Reclamation agreement with Adams County that the county needs to bear the cost of improvement of county bridges to facilitate the widening of the canal.

Prosecutor Flyckt suggested a letter be written to the ECBID explaining Adams County does not have the resources to put toward this project and contend that the County is not obligated to pay the proposed amounts the Irrigation District is suggesting.

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**Booker Road Overlay #2, CRP-173; Cunningham Road Urban Overlay CRP-174; Bench Road Urban Overlay CRP-175; and Hampton Road Overlay CAPP #13-0033 Project**

Commissioner Marshall moved, Hartwig seconded, to *approve the Contract and Contract Bond for Central Washington Asphalt, Inc., Moses Lake, Washington, for the Booker Road Overlay #2, CRP-173; Cunningham Road Urban Overlay CRP-174; Bench Road Urban Overlay CRP-175; and Hampton Road Overlay CAPP #13-0033 Project.* **Motion carried.**

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**Law Enforcement**

Sheriff Hunt reported the Lind tower site was broken into and batteries were stolen at a cost of \$1,500 to \$2,000.

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**Consent Agenda**

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

Preliminary minutes of September 2, 2014

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	143393 – 143421	\$10,581.19
103	143422 – 143423	\$ 1,617.48
112	143424	\$ 247.75

116	143425 – 143426	\$ 90.13
122	143427 – 143430	\$ 5,327.29
502	143431 – 143440	\$10,284.07
108	1658 – 1663	\$ 2,256.40
115	1664 – 1673	\$ 2,319.77
401	1674 – 1676	\$ 131.13
501	1677 – 1685	\$11,492.61
590	1686 – 1700	\$29,900.91
	TOTAL	\$74,248.73

**Permanent Minutes Signed**

August 25 and 27, 2014

**Correspondence Received**

Copy of correspondence sent to Adams County Assessor's Office from Christopher F. Ries, Ries Law Firm re: Alex H. Hampton and Diane E. Hampton (via e-mail)

**Adjournment @ 4:30 p.m.**

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

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Chairman  
s/John N. Marshall, Vice-Chairman  
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Commissioner

RESOLUTION NO. R-043-2014

ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF GRANT OF FRANCHISE TO CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

**WHEREAS**, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation filed an application dated August 4, 2014, for a franchise to renew an existing franchise, dated June 20, 1964, to construct, operate, and maintain an existing natural gas

distribution system upon, under, over, across, and along the rights-of-ways of the county roads of Adams County, Washington, more particularly described as follows:

Lee Road – portions of Lee Road located in Sections 25, 26, 35 and 36, Township 16 North, Range 29 East, W.M., and Sections 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33, Township 16 North, Range 30 East, W.M.

Booker Road – portions of Booker Road located in Sections 9, 10, 15, 16, 21, 22, 27, 28, 33 and 34, Township 16 North, Range 30 East.

Herman Road – portions of Herman Road located in Sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, Township 16 North, Range 30 East.

Lucy Road – portions of Lucy Road located in Sections 11 and 12, Township 16 North, Range 30 East.

Cunningham Road – portions of Cunningham Road located in Section 4, Township 15 North, Range 29, East.

Portions of Taylor, Wagon, Andes, June, Saddle, Eagle Ct., and Kaylee Roads in Sections 4 and 5, Township 15, North, Range 29 East.

Moon Road in Sections 4 and 9, Township 15 North, Range 29 East.

Bruce Road – portions of Bruce Road in Section 33, Township 16 North, Range 30 East.

W. McManamon Road – portion of W. McManamon Road in Sections 27 and 28, Township 16 North, Range 29 East.

None of the roadway over which this franchise is requested is located within the limits of any incorporated city or town.

**AND, WHEREAS**, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation formally requested Adams County consideration of their application; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Adams County Engineer reviewed the application and recommended to the Board of Adams County Commissioners that the matter be scheduled for public hearing and action; and,

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was scheduled for September 8, 2014, advertisement was completed, and hearing notices were appropriately posted; and,

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held on Monday, September 8, 2014, and all matters and comments related to the franchise request were duly considered;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** there is granted to **Cascade Natural Gas Corporation**, a Washington corporation, duly authorized to do business in the State of Washington, a franchise, for a term of twenty-five (25) years from September 8, 2014, through September 8, 2039, in accordance with "Cascade Natural Gas Corporation Franchise Agreement" attached.

**DATED** this 8th day of September, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Chairman  
s/John N. Marshall, Vice-Chairman  
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Commissioner

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