

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse Ritzville, Washington Regular Meeting

December 7, 2015
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

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

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Six Year Transportation Improvement Program 2016-2021

It being the time of 10:00 a.m. and the place set for the public hearing to consider the 2016-2021 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program, Chairman Hartwig convened the public hearing.

There were no members of the public present. Press from the Ritzville Journal was present.

Engineer Yaeger reviewed each of the projects by priority and project costs.

Chairman Hartwig closed the public hearing at 10:15 a.m.

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Resolution No. R-032-2015

Commissioner Marshall moved, Stevens seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-032-2015 In the Matter of Adopting the Adams County Six Year Transportation Improvement Program (2016-2021)*.
Motion carried.

County Owned Properties

Treasurer Danekas joined Public Works Director O'Brien to review two (2) County owned properties. The first property is located in Othello, Parcel No. 1529030500717. Public Works Director O'Brien reported no objection to the surplus of the property. Treasurer Danekas explained the

procedure of declaring the property surplus. Board **consensus authorized Treasurer Danekas to begin the process of declaring the property as surplus.**

The second piece of property is in Lind, Parcel No. 1733120535413. The Town of Lind has requested the County donate the property to them to facilitate a stormwater project. Public Works Director O'Brien reported no objection to the donation of property. Treasurer Danekas explained the matter can be handled through governmental transfer. Board **consensus authorized moving forward with a transfer of the property to the Town of Lind with the Town of Lind responsible for all fees associated with the transfer.**

Electrical Quotes (Corrections Department)

Public Works Director O'Brien reported that the following three (3) quotes have been received for electrical work to supply electricity to freezers obtained for the Corrections Department:

Harrison Electric, Colfax, WA	\$8,872 plus tax
Pro-Mechanical, Spokane, WA	\$5,980 plus tax
Farmers Electric, Othello, WA	\$5,770 plus tax

Board **consensus authorized the Public Works Department to move forward with Farmers Electric as the lowest bidder, provided they are able to begin the work before year-end.**

Engineering

Engineer Yaeger reported on the crushing project; East Columbia Basin Irrigation District's canal widening projects; and, McManamon Road Bridge project noting that obtaining the right of way certification requirements by FHWA will determine the path the County needs to pursue in resolving this issue.

Public Works Staffing

Director O'Brien has received verbal communication that the position of Maintenance Worker 1 in Othello is expected to become vacant. O'Brien requested authorization, upon receiving a written two-week notice, to advertise for the position. The Board by **consensus authorized Director**

O'Brien, upon formal notification, to begin the process to fill the vacancy.

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Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

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Public Defender Contract

Public Defender Barrett Scudder met with the Board to discuss revisions to the Public Defender Contract. Mr. Scudder reported that he will no longer be handling the administration of the contract. The impact of additional public defender appearances on contract compensation was discussed. The contract will be finalized to reflect the change in administration and compensation agreed upon by both parties.

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Adams County Budget 2016

Chairman Hartwig reconvened the Monday, November 30, 2015 public hearing at 2:00 p.m. to receive further input on the proposed 2016 Adams County Budget.

Auditor Hunt was present. There were no members of the public present.

Auditor Hunt reviewed probable expenses through the end of the year noting additional election costs are anticipated in 2016.

Chairman Hartwig closed the public hearing at 2:12 p.m.

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Public Defender Contract

Commissioner Stevens moved, Marshall seconded, to *approve the 2016-2020 Adams County Indigent Defense Contract between Adams County and the Law Office of Bajalcaliev and Scudder; Madel and Smith, Attorneys at Law; Attorney Brandon West; and, Attorney Michael Morgan for the period commencing January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2020 for a total compensation of \$447,500 for 2016; \$460,000 for 2017; \$472,500 for 2018; \$485,000 for 2019; and, \$497,500 for 2020. Motion carried.*

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Adams County Library District No. 2 Board of Trustees

Commissioner Marshall moved, Stevens seconded, to *re-appoint Linda Kubik, Ritzville, to the Adams County Library District No. 2 Board of Trustees for a second, five (5) year term effective December 14, 2015 through December 13, 2020.* **Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda

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

Preliminary minutes of November 30 and December 2, 2015

November, 2015 Payroll in the amount of \$690,231.75; and, Benefits in the amount of \$252,031.81 (Warrant # Series 525550-525658; Direct Deposit # Series 43625-43790; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1119520-1119538)

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	159404 – 159451	\$ 13,438.18
001	Hand Pay	\$ 188.00
103	159452 – 159460	\$ 2,759.67
104	159461 – 159476	\$ 11,933.10
106	159477 – 159480	\$ 1,243.40
109	159481	\$ 608.06
112	159482	\$ 224.25
116	159483	\$ 12.81
117	159484	\$ 318.57
122	159485 – 159492	\$ 19,102.96
123	159493	\$ 432.00
130	159494	\$ 850.00
131	159495	\$ 139.20
502	159496 – 159506	\$ 6,733.57
108	2245	\$ 255.80
115	2246 – 2259	\$ 20,733.79
321	2260	\$ 12,017.02
401	2217 & 2267	\$ 10,937.04

501	2268 – 2277	\$ 6,027.76
590	2278 – 2314	\$ 75,731.15
	TOTAL	\$183,686.33

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Permanent Minutes Signed

November 23, 2015

Correspondence Received

NorthEast Washington Educational Service District 101, Michael Dunn, Ed.D. re: Certification of tax levies for calendar year 2016 collections for school district of the second class as required by Chapter 84.52.020 RCW (Benge, Lind, Ritzville, Washtucna)

Linda Kubik re: Ritzville Public Library District #2

Adjournment @ 5:00 p.m.

Submitted:

s/Patricia J. Phillips
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-032-2015

**ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE ADAMS COUNTY SIX YEAR
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (2016-2021)**

WHEREAS, the preliminary Six Year Transportation Improvement Program was presented for review and consideration on Monday, November 16, 2015, during a public meeting of the Board of Commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, the County Engineer submitted and made available to the Board and the public the 2014 Bridge Inspection Report on November 23, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Monday, December 7, 2015, during which the final program was presented and discussed; and,

WHEREAS, all public comments were heard and reviewed during the public hearing and no objections were heard;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the 2016-2021 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program is hereby approved and adopted.

DATED this 7th day of December, 2015.

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

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