

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 48  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
Commissioners' Proceeding for April 9, 2007

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Bob Koch, Chairman; Neva J. Corkrum, Chair Pro Tem; and Rick Miller, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board.

### **LOBBYIST**

Lobbyist Jim Potts spoke with the Board by telephone about current legislative issues.

### **OFFICE BUSINESS**

Secretary Patricia Shults met with the Board.

#### Request for additional transfer of annual leave

Lieutenant Mike Monk asked for an additional 12.50 hours of transferred annual leave to complete the payroll for Sonya Symons between the first of this month and when she comes back on April 11. Ms. Shults said the employee has already used the 240 hours that are allowed. The Board has allowed these type of requests at least three times, extending the time due to circumstances. Mrs. Corkrum said because of that, she would approve the request for donated time from other employees.

**Motion** – Mrs. Corkrum: I move approval to authorize additional voluntary transfer of annual leave for Sonya Symons pursuant to Resolution 2001-246. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2007-163.

#### Consent Agenda

**Motion** - Mr. Miller: I move that we accept the consent agenda on April 9, 2007, as listed:

1. Approval of **Resolution 2007-164** authorizing payment in the amount of \$2,500 from the Non-Departmental Budget, Number 001-000-700, line item 519.90.41.0002 (Professional Services) payable to the Columbia Basin Development League for Franklin County's contribution in the Columbia Basin Water Initiative.
2. Approval of **Resolution 2007-165** for the agreement to provide Spanish interpreting services for Franklin County Superior Court between Franklin County and Rosie Arteaga, effective January 1, 2007.

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Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor.

Columbia Basin Development League/Columbia Basin Water Initiative

The Board discussed ongoing funding of \$2500 on a yearly basis. Mrs. Corkrum would prefer to consider it on a yearly basis due to budget constraints. Mr. Koch agreed. He would like it discussed at budget time.

2-1-1 Information and Referral Service

The Board reviewed a request for funding from 2-1-1. The Board feels the service is valuable but cannot justify funding it if other governmental entities are not providing funding. Mrs. Corkrum will find out from Dispatch about the availability of some 911 funding because the 2-1-1 service helps diminish the number of 911 calls that are received.

Vouchers/Warrants

**Motion** – Mr. Miller: I make a motion to accept the 2007 vouchers as listed: Current Expense warrants 56262 through 56321 for \$60,793.60; and warrants 56322 through 56345 for \$122,929.24 (subtotal \$183,722.84); and Courthouse Facilitator warrant 82 for \$350.00; Clerk LFO Collection warrant 8 for \$87.68; TRAC Operations warrants 200 through 237 for \$29,576.21; and RV Facility warrants 330 through 333 for \$2095.35; for a total amount of \$399,554.92. Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 1)

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board.

SAFTEA-LU: R-170 and Juniper Dunes Grant Applications

Mr. Fife said the criteria for the two grants has been changed with an emphasis on safety and mobility. The Board reviewed the new criteria. Mr. Fife will fill out the answers and submit them.

Public Works Administration Building Lease

Mr. Fife asked if the Board wants another 10-year lease signed with the Port of Pasco for the Public Works office and shop space. He thinks the space is sufficient for ten more years. The Board gave approval to proceed with preparation of a lease.

Sheriff's Vehicle

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Mr. Fife said that Sheriff Lathim is considering transferring the 2004 Ford Explorer he uses to the E911 supervisor three years earlier than anticipated and replacing it with a different vehicle. There would be an additional cost of \$12,725. Mr. Fife said there is no advantage to Public Works. After discussion, the Board decided to talk to Sheriff Lathim and Dispatch Superintendent Ed Bush to find out what kind of vehicle is needed for E911 purposes.

### **TRAC**

TRAC Manager Troy Woody met with the Board.

#### Facility/Accounting Manager Updates

Two positions are currently open at TRAC. Mr. Woody hopes to offer jobs today. The Office Manager position is budgeted at \$39,900 and the Accounting Manager position is budgeted at \$56,000. Mr. Woody would like to change the salary for the Office Manager to about \$45,000 and the Accounting Manager to about \$49,000, totaling approximately \$94,000.

Mr. Bowen said it is a bottom line budget but a transfer resolution will be needed. In past practice, the Board has allowed such changes to take place based on entry level and experience. If the Board is in favor, it will be approved in July by resolution. Mr. Bowen asked Mr. Woody to follow up to make sure the resolution is prepared for July. Mrs. Corkrum asked if this request should go through the Salary Advisory Committee. Mr. Bowen said no because it is not creating a new position. It is an existing position with a salary range. Based on years of experience, the wage can be higher, based on past practice of the Board. Both positions are the same grade; we're just adjusting steps. A Change of Status will be prepared when each person is hired.

#### Guest Complaint

Mr. Woody gave the Board a copy of a guest complaint letter and his response. He told the Board about the efforts that were made to rectify the situation. He has not heard anything further.

#### Policy Review

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A policy has been prepared to allow TRAC to restrict like shows from being at TRAC within 30 days in front of each other and two weeks behind. Mrs. Corkrum asked if this is a standard type of policy in the industry. Mr. Woody said yes. He told the Board about several other places he has contacted.

**Motion** – Mr. Miller: I move that we accept Resolution 2007-166 adopting the TRAC Center Event Spacing and Scheduling Policy. Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor.

**Wi-Fi Change**

TRAC sent packets to multiple companies requesting Wi-Fi service. TRAC will be switching from ClearWire to OneEighty Networks to provide Wi-Fi service at TRAC. ClearWire has provided the Wi-Fi service for several years. There is no monetary value. There is no contract. Mr. Woody would like to continue in that manner with OneEighty Networks. ClearWire has been contacted at least twice but has not responded.

**Reports**

The Board reviewed two reports, a revenue report based on events and projected revenue, and a contact summary report.

**Sign**

Mr. Miller expressed a need for a sign that will say what is going on at TRAC. Mr. Woody said we have talked about it. The cost will be a lot. Some ideas were given for types of signs.

**Light replacement**

Mr. Bowen asked if the Board is interested in spending the .08 money to do the light replacement project now. The Board said yes. The county will pay \$12,000, the City of Pasco will pay \$12,000, and energy rebates will pay the rest. The amount of energy savings is expected to recoup the initial cost in two years.

In response to Mrs. Corkrum's question about possible renovation work in the future, Mr. Woody said he is being thoughtful about the changes that are occurring now so if renovation does occur, the work that is done now will not be in vain.

**Recessed at 10:24 a.m.**

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**Reconvened** at 10:32 a.m.

**R170 LANDSLIDE**

Phil Merrell gave the Board the County Road 170 Thornton Landslide Location Report.

**AUDITOR**

Auditor Zona Lenhart and Elections Supervisor Diana Killian met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter Joe Chapman and Judith Gidley.

Mr. Bowen was absent.

Precinct Maps

Ms. Lenhart and Ms. Killian reviewed the draft precinct map with the Board. City of Pasco precincts would be numbered 1 through 53. Some numbers of the rural precincts are changing but no boundaries are changing. The map is for precinct boundaries only, not commissioner boundaries. The legal descriptions are not yet prepared but there is an urgency to adopt the changes because the filing period is now in June instead of July.

Mrs. Corkrum asked regarding numbering and since there will be future precincts, why didn't you leave some space for numbering changes? Ms. Lenhart does not want to have vacant numbers for precincts because it's a problem for reporting. It requires a lot of explanation when the precinct is vacant at election time.

Ms. Lenhart said precincts are determined by the number of registered voters, not by population. Commissioner District boundaries are adjusted by population, as close to equal as possible. Ms. Lenhart expects they will be adjusted in June.

**Motion** – Mrs. Corkrum: I move to approve Resolution 2007-167, amending, establishing and creating new boundaries for various precincts within Franklin County as listed and adopt the map. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

The Board will adopt the legal descriptions by a separate resolution when they are available.

**HOMELESS HOUSING**

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Benton Franklin Community Action Committee (CAC) Director Judith Gidley met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman and Fred Bowen.

Ms. Gidley reviewed a funding matrix for Franklin County housing in detail and gave an update on homeless housing programs. The Board expressed appreciation for the format of the matrix.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Final Approval Short Plat SP 2007-04, Lane McGary

**Motion** – Mrs. Corkrum: I move that we approve final plat for Short Plat 2007-04 for Lane McGary and have the chairman sign the plat. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2007-168.

Minutes


**Motion** – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we accept the minutes of Commissioners Proceedings for March 28, 2007. Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor.

**Adjourned** at 11:25 a.m.


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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until April 11, 2007.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Chairman Pro Tem

  
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Attest:

  
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Clerk to the Board


Approved and signed April 16, 2007.

**2007 Vouchers**

April 9, 2007

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.080, expense reimbursement claims certified by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been sent to the board members.

Action: As of this date, April 9, 2007   
 Move that the following warrants be approved for payment:

FUND Expenditures	WARRANT		Amount Issued
	From:	To:	
Current Expense	56262	56321	\$ 60,793.60
	56322	56345	<u>122,929.24</u>
<b>Subotal: Current Expense</b>			<b>\$ <u>183,722.84</u></b>
Courthouse Facilitator	82	82	350.00
Clerk LFO Collection	8	8	87.68
TRAC Operations	200	237	29,576.21
RV Facility	330	333	2,095.35

In the amount of \$399,554.92

The motion was seconded by

And passed by a vote of 3 to 0

