

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 48
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceeding for April 18, 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.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Patricia Shults met with the Board.

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Miller: I move for approval of vouchers for a total amount of \$179,838.84: Liability Reserve Fund warrant 26 for \$285.86; Current Expense warrants 56499 through 56516 for \$133,805.80; and Franklin County Enhanced 911 warrants 1246 through 1249 for \$45,747.18. Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 1)

2-1-1

The Board discussed the request for funding from 2-1-1. They talked to Dispatch Superintendent Ed Bush by telephone. Mr. Bush told the Board he has no latitude in funding from the 911 account for 2-1-1.

Dr. Larry Jecha joined the audience.

Mrs. Corkrum said she thinks 2-1-1 is worthwhile but we shouldn't fund it if other counties and cities are not.

Dr. Jecha said 2-1-1 is going to be the backup for public health emergencies.

Mr. Koch said he has a hard time funding the rest of the counties that also benefit from 2-1-1. He thinks 2-1-1 is a good service. He suggested providing maybe \$2000 or \$2500.

Mrs. Corkrum questions whether we should provide funding if no one else is doing so. She suggested preparing a letter stating Franklin County would pay our pro rata share if the other counties and cities would help. The other Board members agreed.

HEALTH DISTRICT

Dr. Larry Jecha met with the Board.

Health District Move

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The Health District plans to move into their new offices in the Franklin County Annex on Friday, June 1, maybe extending into Monday, June 4. The staff plans to have an open house several weeks later. Dr. Jecha asked if the county would like to have a ribbon cutting or some other ceremony at the time of move-in so the public is aware of the change. The Board will consider doing so.

Mr. Bowen will check on new signs for the building and handicapped accessibility at curbs in the area.

Dr. Jecha hopes the building lease will be available for the Board of Health to consider at its next meeting on Thursday, April 26.

Tri-City Herald Reporter Joe Chapman joined the audience.

Public Health Funding

Dr. Jecha told the Board that it appears the current legislation authorizing public health funding is now anticipated to be about one-fifth of what was requested. It will allow for hiring perhaps two people.

Public Health Emergency Activity Center Exercise

A public health emergency activation center exercise was held. We had a lot of problems with computers working. It taught us a lot and was a good exercise.

Groundbreaking Ceremony for new Health District building in Benton County

Dr. Jecha said we appreciated having the commissioners from Franklin County attend the groundbreaking ceremony.

COUNTY CLERK

County Clerk Mike Killian met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Passport acceptance day

Mr. Killian asked for approval to host a passport acceptance day on a Saturday. His staff would work on a Saturday in the rotunda with fees being paid in the Clerk's Office. A photographer would also be present. Mrs. Corkrum asked would it require any security? Mr. Killian does not think so.

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Mr. Bowen asked about overtime costs for staff members. Mr. Killian said most people in his office prefer comp time to overtime but it could be an issue. Mrs. Corkrum asked him to find out. Mr. Killian expects to have two salaried employees and two hourly employees working, as well as some students from a translation class on a volunteer basis.

Mr. Killian said we've been doing over 30 passport applications a day.

The Board asked Mr. Killian to notify them ahead of time for which Saturday the event will be held.

Hearing-Impaired Signs

Mr. Killian has received a request for installation of a hearing-impaired sign on a courtroom. Mr. Bowen will look into the matter.

PROSECUTOR

Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Ryan Verhulp met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Health District building contract

Mr. Verhulp gave the Board a brief update on the status of the Health District contract for renting a building from the county.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

Executive Session at 9:48 a.m. regarding RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), "...evaluate qualifications of applicant for employment or review performance of public employee..." expected to last 15 minutes. Mr. Chapman left the meeting.

Open Session at 10:04 a.m.

VOUCHERS/WARRANTS

Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval of Franklin County Public Works Payroll in the amount of \$65,557.87. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval of Franklin County Motor Vehicle Fund payroll in the amount of \$10,689.32. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

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PUBLIC WORKS

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Power Line Road

Mr. Fife answered the Board's questions about the county being expected to pay \$20,000 as part of a city matter with the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and the Franklin Public Utility District (PUD). He said the money is what is left from STP funds. Mr. Fife told the Board about the history of the matter as he remembers it. He understands the PUD is buying a power line from the BPA to help solve some easement and road problems.

Acceptance of Road 61 and Stutz Drive in Shaundee Estates

Mr. Fife asked for approval to accept the roads into the county system.

Motion - Mr. Miller: I move for acceptance of Road 61 and Stutz Drive in Shaundee Estates as county roads. Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2007-183. Mr. Fife noted that we asked for a 28-foot road but got a 32-foot road which was a mistake on the paving contractor's part but it more than meets our minimum standards. It is a nice wide street.

AUDITOR

Auditor Zona Lenhart met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Department Update

Ms. Lenhart is looking forward to having an integrated software system in the county. People from various departments will be working together on the project.

The Elections area of the Franklin County Annex will be remodeled.

Ms. Lenhart said recording is becoming a bigger issue with regard to public access. We scan everything but it is not put on a web site because we can't obscure the Social Security numbers and other personal information.

Ms. Lenhart said her office is working with some people regarding the potential of forming a new fire district in an area that has not had one.

Mrs. Corkrum left the meeting to attend a funeral.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR (continuing)

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County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Facilities Vehicle, Budget Transfer, and approval for Facilities Director to use a county vehicle

Mr. Bowen asked for approval to transfer \$1500 from Contingency Reserve and create a line item in the Capital Outlay budget for purchase of a vehicle for the Facilities Department. The Board gave approval at an earlier meeting. The Facilities budget has a repairs and maintenance line item in place. There may need to be an additional amount put in the budget later in the year.

Motion – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve Franklin County Resolution Number 2007-184. Second by Mr. Koch. 2:0 vote in favor.

County Administrator Step Increase

Motion – Mr. Miller: I move that we increase Fred Bowen's step to Step 12 due to length of service. Second by Mr. Koch. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 2)

MINUTES

Motion – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve the minutes for April 16, 2007, and authorize Commissioner Corkrum to also sign. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

Adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until April 23, 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Chairman

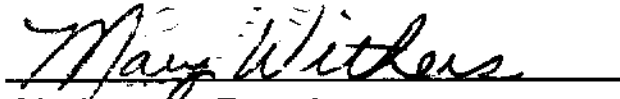


Chairman Pro Tem



Member

Attest:



Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed April 25, 2007.

EXHIBIT 1
Franklin County Auditor

April 18, 2007

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Pasco, WA 99301

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P.O. Box 1451
Pasco, WA 99301

April ¹⁸/₁₆, 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 18, 2007

Move that the following warrants be approved for payment:

FUND Expenditures	WARRANT		Amount Issued
	From:	To:	
Liability Reserve Fund	26	26	\$ 285.86
Current Expense	56499	56516	\$133,805.80
FC Enhanced 911	1246	1249	\$45,747.18

In the amount of

\$179,838.84

The motion was seconded by

And passed by a vote of 3 to 0



Accounting
545-3505

Elections
545-3538

Recording
545-3536

Licensing
545-3533

CHANGE OF STATUS

Please enter the following change(s) as of: 04/16/2007

Name: Fred Bowen

Employee Payroll #: BOW 100

	FROM	TO
Job Title	County Administrator	Same
Dept # & Title	001-000-680 Commissioners	Same
Budget Line Item #	511.00.10.0050	Same
Grade - Step / Rate	Grade 75, Step 11 \$4,046.00 semi/mo	Grade 75, Step 12 \$4,147.00 semi/mo

REASON FOR CHANGE:

- Hired
 - Regular Full Time
 - Temporary Full Time
 - Regular Part Time
 - Temporary Part Time
- Seasonal
- Rehire
- Promotion
- Demotion
- Transfer
 - Length of Service Increase
 - Merit Increase
 - Re-evaluation of Existing Job
 - COLA 3.36% Change
Per Res 2006-651
- Resignation
- Retirement
- Layoff
- Discharge

Leave of Absence to: _____ Date

- Family Medical Leave
- Labor & Industry Leave

Other reason or explanation: _____

Authorized by: _____ Approved by: *[Signature]*

Reviewed & Entered by Human Resources: _____

Initial/Date
 Original - Human Resources
 Yellow - Payroll Worksheet
 Pink - Dept Head
 Gold - Employee
 Verify Wage
 Computer entries
 Log on Excel
 New File
 IS Notification
 Termination Process
 Revised 12/2006