

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 49
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceeding for August 27, 2008

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

EXTENSION OFFICE

Extension Office Director Kay Hendrickson met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter Joe Chapman.

WSAC Round Table Program

The Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) has requested proposals for their November meeting to highlight six to eight programs that county commissioners are interested in and have been part of. Ms. Hendrickson requested approval to submit a proposal to present the Pathways project. The Board **gave approval**.

A Taste of WSU at Benaroya Hall (Seattle Coug Week)

Agent Tim Waters will be attending this special meeting.

Sustainability of the Pathways Project

Ms. Hendrickson said we send the Sustainability Plan to the Gates Foundation in October as part of the first annual report. The plan basically addresses funding. After that is prepared, we will address the program part. The meeting held recently with the WSU Foundation brought up several ideas including an interest in serving jail populations. Agent Lauri Sherfey and Ms. Hendrickson will accept the first award that has been given for the program in Indianapolis.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Patricia Shults met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman and Robert Wallin.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Miller: I move for approval of the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approval of **Resolution 2008-345** authorizing:
 - Creation of Agency Fund, Number 655-000-001, entitled Fire District #5 and associated revenue and expenditure line items as follows:

381.10.00.000 – Loans Received	\$10,000.00
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522.20.00.000 – Fire District #5 – S.P.D. Agencies \$10,000.00

- Creation of line item 581.10.00.0001 (I/F Loan/Fire Dist. #5) in the 2008 Miscellaneous CE Cumulative Reserve Fund, Number 100-000-001.
 - Intra-budget transfer of \$10,000.00 within the 2008 Miscellaneous CE Cumulative Reserve Fund, Number 100-000-001, from line item 597.00.00 (Tsfrs-Out Misc) to line item 581.10.00.0001 (I/F Loan/Fire Dist. #5).
 - Inter-fund loan of \$10,000.00 from the 2008 Miscellaneous CE Cumulative Reserve Fund, Number 100-000-001, to the Agency Funds, Fire District #5, Number 655-000-001.
 - The loan will accrue interest at the prime rate and the principal of \$10,000.00 plus interest is due to the 2009 Miscellaneous Expense Cumulative Reserve Fund, Number 100-000-001, on or before November 1, 2009.
2. Approval of County Road Fund payroll in the amount of \$78,896.28 and Motor Vehicle Fund payroll in the amount of \$11,232.08 for pay period ending August 21, 2008.
 3. Approval of **Resolution 2008-346** authorizing the Lease Agreement between Franklin County, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, and GE Commercial Finance, to lease a Bizhub 750 (copier/data processor) utilizing Abadan as the supplier, at a cost of \$410 a month for 60 months, to be paid from the Current Expense Prosecuting Attorney Budget, Number 001-000-480, line item 515.20.45.0000 (Operations Rentals & Leases) and authorizes the Chairman to sign said agreement on behalf of the Board.
 4. Approval of **Resolution 2008-347** authorizing the Lease Agreement between Franklin County, Child Support Division, and GE Commercial Finance, to lease a Bizhub 501 (copier/data processor) utilizing Abadan as the supplier, at a cost of \$224 a month for 60 months, to be paid from the Current Expense Child Support Budget, Number 001-000-500, line item 515.80.45.0000 (Operations Rentals & Leases) and authorizes the Chairman to sign said agreement on behalf of the Board.

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

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval of vouchers for August 27, 2008, for a total amount of \$212,227.18: Crime Victims Witness warrant 3482 for \$2648.71; FC Public Facilities warrants 3483 through 3485 for \$7776.30; FC Capital Projects Fund warrants 3486 through 3489 for \$4846.93; Boating Safety warrants 3490 and 3491 for

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\$2195.64; Jail Commissary warrants 3492 through 3495 for \$4394.06; Veteran's Assistance warrant 3496 for \$64.87; Franklin County RV Facility warrants 3669 through 3675 for \$4594.63; Law Library warrants 3676 and 3677 for \$8907.13; Current Expense warrants 3678 through 3813 for \$174,150.16; Auditor O&M warrant 3814 for \$256.67; Veteran's Assistance warrant 4014 for \$100.00; Treasurer O&M warrant 4015 for \$266.64; and Current Expense warrants 4016 through 4020 for \$2025.44. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 1)

Motion – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we accept the Salary Clearing payroll for \$703,220.63 and the Emergency Management Payroll for \$16,578.15 and the Irrigation payroll for \$12,610.11:

Salary Clearing payroll warrants 46468 through 46576 for \$193,071.09; warrants 46577 through 46588 for \$230,667.42; and Direct Deposit for \$279,482.12; for a total amount of \$703,220.63.

The cover sheet also includes the following amounts:

Emergency Management payroll warrants 3815 through 3825 for \$3880.91; warrants 3826 through 3835 for \$5277.15; and Direct Deposit for \$7420.09; for a total amount of \$16,578.15; and

Irrigation payroll warrants 3836 through 3850 for \$7880.40; and warrants 3851 through 3858 for \$4729.71; for a total amount of \$12,610.11.

Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 2)

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

Human Services: Scope of Work for Bi-County meeting

Mr. Bowen asked the Board to review a draft of the scope of work regarding the Benton-Franklin Community Action Committee (CAC), Consolidated Crisis Response Center (CCRC) Report, before setting up a bi-county meeting.

The contracts are being prepared in the Benton County Prosecutor's Office as an addendum to an existing agreement to allow the CAC to do the work for Human Services by contracting with Anne Strode.

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Mr. Koch said he has asked Mr. Bowen to be the Franklin County lead between Benton and Franklin Counties and the CAC and Human Services. Dave Sparks from Benton County will also be involved in the leading role.

PROSECUTOR

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

Public Records Request: Community Renewal Law

Mr. Verhulp said the county has received a public records request from the Institute for Justice asking for all records dating back from January 1, 2000, that relate in any way to actual planned or contemplated use by the county of the community renewal law (RCW 35.81.005). He said the best way he can describe the law is that it basically allows counties or municipalities to acquire, clear and dispose of blighted areas in the community that may provide a menace to the community or may be injurious to the public in some way in terms of health or safety or something like that. It's very broad and general.

He asked if the Board and Mr. Bowen recall the county being involved with this law or doing any type of functions similar to it. He can say we did an inquiry and a review of our records and found nothing. Mr. Koch said, "Not since I've been involved." Mrs. Corkrum said she can't even fathom anything to do with it. Mr. Verhulp said he was not familiar with the law. He does not think it is used often. It gives the county the authority to abate hazards in the county. Mr. Bowen is not familiar with the law.

Mr. Bowen said the only things that come to his mind that may be related are the landfill and disposal of tires at a site on Martindale Road. Mrs. Corkrum said we got the tire issue resolved with the landowner. Mr. Bowen said maybe Code Enforcement has dealt with it. Mr. Verhulp will talk with Code Enforcement Officer Jerry Lingo and previous Code Enforcement Officer Jim Cherry.

Flower Farm Conditional Use Permit application

At Mrs. Corkrum's request, Mr. Verhulp gave an update about the status of the Flower Farm matter in Superior Court. A hearing was scheduled for Monday but was

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cancelled with no new hearing set. He said we are waiting for the judge to issue an oral or written ruling.

PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board.

Public Hearing: Short Plat SP 2008-11, an application by Cascade Construction to short plat approximately 27.09 acres (gross) into two lots. As proposed, Lot #1 is approximately 24.09 acres in size and Lot #2 is approximately 3.00 acres in size. The property is located in the Agricultural Production 20 (AP-20) Zoning District.

Public Hearing convened at 9:31 am. Present: Commissioners Koch, Corkrum, and Miller; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson; Planner Jeremy Underwood; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Joe Chapman and Robert Wallin.

Mr. Underwood reviewed the information on the Action Summary (Exhibit 3).

Mr. MacPherson showed a copy of the plat submitted by the applicant on the screen. He reviewed the conditions of approval.

One of the conditions is that an existing trailer must be removed from the property, which may have already been done. Mrs. Corkrum asked why. Mr. MacPherson said the zoning ordinance requires 20 acres or more for multi-unit housing and also the Health Department requires 2-1/2 acres for a single gravity-flow system. The applicant does not have an intention of keeping the trailer.

Mr. Koch asked three times if anyone in the audience would like to speak against the proposal. There was no response.

Mr. Koch asked three times if anyone would like to speak for the proposal. There was no response.

In response to Mr. Miller's question about a portion of the aerial photograph, Mr. Underwood said the area is marked as a future irrigation pond.

Motion – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move we grant preliminary approval of Short Plat 2008-11, subject to the seven findings of fact and eight conditions of approval. Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2008-348.

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Public Hearing: Short Plat SP 2008-12, an application by Robert Wallin to short plat approximately 98.46 acres (gross) into two lots. As proposed, Lot #1 is approximately 95.96 acres in size and Lot #2 is approximately 2.50 acres in size. The property is located in the Agricultural Production 20 (AP-20) Zoning District.

Public Hearing convened at 9:39 am. Present: Commissioners Koch, Corkrum, and Miller; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson; Planner Jeremy Underwood; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Joe Chapman and Robert Wallin.

Mr. Underwood reviewed the information on the Action Summary (Exhibit 4).

Mr. MacPherson showed a copy of the plat submitted by the applicant.

Mr. Wallin said the short plat is for financing purposes on the home. Mr. MacPherson reviewed the conditions of approval.

Mr. Koch asked three times if anyone would like to speak against the proposal. There was no response.

Mr. Koch asked if anyone would like to speak in favor of the proposal.

Mr. Wallin spoke in favor. No one else was present in the audience who wished to speak.

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move we grant preliminary approval for Short Plat 2008-12 subject to the seven findings of fact and seven conditions of approval. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2008-349.

Public Meeting: Conditional Use Permit CUP 2008-10, applicant Phil Schmitt, a conditional use permit which would amend CUP 2006-05 in order to allow a corn maze and other agricultural-related entertainment activities.

Public Hearing convened at 9:44 am. Present: Commissioners Koch, Corkrum, and Miller; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson; Planner Jeremy Underwood; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Mr. Underwood reviewed the information on the Action Summary (Exhibit 5). It is an application to amend a previously issued CUP.

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Mr. MacPherson showed an aerial photograph of the property on the screen with a zoning overlay. He told the Board about some of the previous businesses located at the site. He told the Board about the current plans for the property.

Mr. MacPherson showed the applicant's proposal on the screen. The entertainment area will include a concession stand that will operate in accordance with Health Department standards.

Mr. MacPherson said the Planning Commission held a public hearing. His office did not receive any phone calls or letters of opposition and no one showed up at the hearing in opposition. Bob and Margaret Schutz and Mr. Schmitt attended the Planning Commission hearing.

Mr. Underwood reviewed the 20 conditions of approval. The applicant has stated if there is need for additional parking, it will be located north of the designated parking area.

Mr. Chapman did not wish to comment.

Mr. Koch asked why the Planning Commission said hooded lights are encouraged and not required. Was there any discussion? Mr. MacPherson said yes. The applicant is not proposing additional lights at this time. There are two existing security lights on poles that he will be utilizing. The Planning Commission wanted the word "encouraged" so if the applicant does propose some lights, they will be hooded. He was not proposing any new lights. The applicant said the corn maze is there for entertainment purposes and if you wish to go through it at night, it's part of the fun of going through a corn maze at night.

Mr. Koch asked is there egress access on Powerline Road? Mr. MacPherson said yes. Road 68 is a city road. Powerline Road is a private road. The access comes off of Powerline Road, not off of Road 68. Mr. MacPherson said we talked to the city because they did not mention it in their comments, but since it's a private road, the city did not address aprons or anything regarding that. Mr. MacPherson said there is a second gate further east down Powerline Road.

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Mr. Koch asked where the easements are located. Mr. MacPherson showed the first aerial photograph again and pointed out the city limit line, which follows the centerline of Powerline Road. The easements would be 30 feet to the north in the county and 30 feet to the south in the city. Because it's a private road, it does not follow the law the same way that it would if it were a public road which would require that all of the road be in either the city or the county.

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move we grant approval to conditional use permit application CUP 2008-10 subject to the six findings of fact and 20 conditions of approval. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2008-350.

Recessed at 9:58 am.

Reconvened at 10:06 am.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

Planning and Building Department

Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board.

Executive Session at 10:07 am expected to last 15 to 20 minutes regarding personnel (reviewing performance of public employee) based on RCW 42.30.110(1)(g).

Open Session at 10:27 am.

SECURITY

Security Director Rick Rochleau met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman and Information Services Director Kevin Scott.

Mr. Rochleau gave the Board copies of pictures related to three of the four things he wanted to discuss with the Board. He wanted to get Board input before he goes further. He has rough estimates on costs but not detailed quotes. These are all items that need to be addressed since the security system opened.

Request to adjust and/or relocate cameras in the Superior Court Courtrooms (Exhibit 6)

Mr. Rochleau said all courtrooms have cameras. We feel we can cover the courtrooms adequately and address the judges' concerns about being on camera by adjusting some of the views the cameras have and even removing some of the cameras

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and utilizing them in the hallways. There is some wiring already in place that can be used. He told the Board about four areas where cameras would be installed. Some existing cameras may also be refocused.

Mr. Rochleau answered the Board's questions about camera angles and placement. Mrs. Corkrum said she is adamant that there should be security cameras in the courtrooms. She said the cameras and viewing are for security purposes only, not for public viewing. She said if you can hit a compromise, it's okay with me.

Mr. Miller asked how long the security tapes are saved. Mr. Rochleau said the tapes are now set to record and keep until the system is full, but the Security Committee met last week and chose seven days.

The cost estimate for the change is about \$4000.

Request to install equipment in Master Control (Exhibit 7)

Mr. Rochleau said the backup system will be moved from Master Control to Dispatch. He would like to have Master Control be able to monitor some areas as well, particularly the back parking lot. There would be 16 cameras with limited access. Some existing cameras can be used. It will be a very simplified system. The detailed cost is \$5200.

Request to move security fence and photo beams – Corrections west side door (Exhibit 8)

Mr. Rochleau used maps to show the Board the areas that need to be changed. The estimated cost is about \$10,000. In the future, we could create one or two parking spaces for detectives or other officers.

Request to adjust fire alarm and security system for Gate 1 (Exhibit 9)

Mr. Rochleau explained his request to adjust the fire alarm and security system for Gate 1. The cost estimate is about \$900.

Mr. Koch said he can support what is being proposed.

Mrs. Corkrum asked about the source of funds for the work. Mr. Rochleau said all the funds would come from the Security budget. There are funds available because the contractor did not begin work until March but was budgeted for the entire year.

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The Board all are in support and asked Mr. Rochleau to get the hard numbers. They asked Mr. Rochleau to put it on the consent agenda unless there are large money changes from what was presented today.

PUBLIC WORKS

Engineer Tim Fife and Road Superintendent Ron Horn met with the Board.
Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

2009-2011 RAP Submittals

R170 and a few other projects were considered for inclusion to be submitted for the 2009-2011 RAP submittals. The R170 project would require all the funds if it is approved so there would not be money available for the other projects.

Motion – Mr. Miller: I move that we approve the 2009-2011 RAP Submittal with the R170 landslide area considered a high priority. That is for \$3 million. Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 10)

Resolution: Acceptance of Richardson Road as shown in the Final Short Plat 2008-13 and declaring it a county road

Mr. Fife said Richardson Road has been completed to our standards. He asked for approval of a resolution that would accept it into our system.

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move we accept Richardson Road as shown in the Final Short Plat 2008-13 and declare it a county road. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2008-351.

Resolution: Local Agency Agreement LA 2154, Supplement #8, between Franklin County and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for CRP 500 – East Foster Wells Road

The project required more work than was originally anticipated. Mr. Fife asked for approval of the supplemental agreement to pay the additional amount to WSDOT.

Motion – Mr. Miller: I move that we accept Local Agency Agreement LA 2154 Supplement #8 between Franklin County and Washington State Department of Transportation for CRP 500 – East Foster Wells Road for the amount of \$15,000. Second by Mrs. Corkrum. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2008-352.

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Bid Opening: TRAC Overflow Parking Facility Transfer Transit Point

Bid Opening convened at 11:00 am. Present: Commissioners Koch, Corkrum and Miller; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Engineer Tim Fife; Road Superintendent Ron Horn; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Joe Chapman and five other men (Mike ___ from A&B Asphalt, Bill ___ from Granite, Scott Morgan from Granite Northwest, Darren J. Bender from A&B Asphalt, and Scott F___ from ___).

Mr. Fife said there is a Base Bid, Alternate A and Alternate B.

Three bids were received:

Inland Asphalt of Richland.

Total base bid including tax	\$294,959.36
Alternate A including tax	\$292,143.60
Alternate B including tax	\$241,496.44

A man in the audience asked for the total amount. Mr. Fife said the total is \$828,599.40.

Transtate Asphalt

Total base bid including tax	\$280,022.56
Alternate A including tax	\$238,768.51
Alternate B including tax	\$165,021.71

Total: \$683,812.78

A&B Asphalt

Total base bid including tax	\$289,040.86
Alternate A including tax	\$260,075.68
Alternate B including tax	\$143,712.94

Total: \$692,829.48

Engineer's estimate total base bid	\$345,152.64
Engineer's estimate Alternate B	\$333,300.20
Engineer's estimate Alternate B	\$107,298.79

Total: \$785,751.63

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Mr. Bowen and the Public Works Department staff will review the bids with award expected next Wednesday.

The base bid includes the landscaping plus fence inside of the parking area. Alternate A is the rest of the parking area. Alternate B is the sawtooth part along the road where they park the buses. Mr. Bowen showed the Board a drawing of the three areas.

Presentation: Weed Spray

Mr. Fife said we asked for an additional \$100,000 supplement in the 2008 budget but that was denied. The weed spraying was one thing that was cut back. He said Mr. Horn is going to go through what we spent and where we spent it.

Mr. Horn gave the Board a list of the weeds that we have to control according to the Weed Board and a list of products that have been used and the costs year-to-date. There is \$120,000 in the 2008 budget for the program. We have one more application to do. Mr. Horn thinks we will have spent probably 15% more than what we have in the budget. The cost of chemicals has increased and the application rate has raised because of the fuel surcharge. He anticipates a 6% to 15% increase again next year.

For the residual spray applied in the fall, we spray paved roads and try to use mowers on gravel roads. We don't have a big enough budget to do it all. We're having some complaints about the gravel roads. We haven't been addressing the gravel roads with the chemicals.

Mr. Horn said after the residual spray is applied, we get so much water on the roads that it doesn't look like we even put the application on. The worst part is in the irrigated areas. If it is not hit with water, the residual spray works very well.

Mr. Koch said there are 4600 acres all together. He would like to see a map of where the 4600 acres are located. Mr. Horn and Mr. Fife will provide a map.

Mr. Horn said we're trying to get the applicators to spray to the bottom of the ditch for the weeds and the grasses. We try to do right-of-way and backslopes also when there are noxious weeds present. Mr. Fife said it is done at the same time. We are trying to keep the grass and kill the weeds.

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The county has paid for some chemicals and made an agreement that they spray in some right-of-ways and in some spot locations. They have an agreement to not spray in the farmers' fields.

Mrs. Corkrum asked is there any thought about furnishing chemicals to some of the dryland farmers to do their own spraying? Would that help our budget at all?

Mr. Horn said just the footwork of trying to monitor that would be almost impossible.

Mr. Miller said maybe it could be set up where there's an incentive or reimbursement.

He is just talking about materials. Mr. Fife said are they going to use the right formulation? Mr. Fife said the chemicals we use are approved for right-of-ways.

Farmers typically buy chemicals approved for ag. Ours are more expensive because it's in a right-of-way where people are. He said they're not going to want to buy the chemicals that are allowed for what they cost. Mr. Miller said if they get reimbursed for it, they won't care.

Mr. Miller said he was thinking of maybe doing some program that really eliminates a lot of the work for us. Mr. Fife said so we're not paying the application cost. Mr. Horn said then you get into another point. That may work just fine if you can guarantee that that person is putting those chemicals on the right-of-way instead of somewhere else. He is not saying that would happen but there is a potential it would happen.

Mrs. Corkrum said it is to their advantage that the right-of-way is taken care of. Mr. Fife said so we would pay after we go out and do an inspection to make sure that it has been taken care of.

Mr. Horn said we have some farmers who are very good about taking care of the right-of-way, good stewards of the land. He said we have some that are very poor stewards of the land. We also have people who spray indiscriminately whether it's in a good place to do it or not.

Mr. Miller said it's hard for the county to spray all the roads because there are lots of problems but I think if you do an incentive program, it might create where these people

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are going to feel they can take care of it and you just reimburse me. If people want to do it, let them do it.

Mr. Miller asked Mr. Fife and Mr. Horn to formulate some kind of program that may work that would involve reimbursing people for spraying. Mr. Fife asked much the same as we do the no-spray areas and they would agree to maintain the areas for us? Are you going to pay the people who have no spray for organic, too, or are we going to require them to spray? One problem we're having is they want the organic label but they don't want to take care of the right-of-way. It doesn't work.

Mr. Koch said another dilemma I see is the fact you're mowing the gravel roads and spraying the asphalt but the mowing is not taking care of sandburs or goatheads where that encroaches on the gravel. Those weeds won't really encroach on the asphalt. Mowing doesn't help that. It is spread all over the county by driving over it.

Mr. Fife said we don't have to go after those particular weeds, although I think we should. We haven't chosen to do it.

Mr. Horn said right now we're getting more complaints about puncture vine than anything else. Mr. Koch said that's what I call goatheads. Goatheads, tackweed, and puncture vine are all different names for the same weed.

Mr. Horn said contact herbicides work great but have to be sprayed every two weeks.

Mr. Koch saw a sign in Oregon saying "Noxious weeds are your problem. Take care of them."

Mr. Horn said rush skeleton weed is all over. He said yellow star thistle is also coming into the county.

Mr. Fife said the bottom line is money. We don't do gravel roads not because we don't want to do them but because we don't have the money. We could probably not target puncture vine and do gravel roads. The application cost is a given no matter what you're putting out there.

There was discussion about how much distance of spraying equals an acre. Mr. Horn said it is about a mile per acre for an eight-foot-wide spray.

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Summary: Mr. Miller wants to look into a program where potentially we could purchase the spray for the farmers to use. Mr. Koch said he would consider it as long as we could find something that would work for everyone without too much monitoring. Mrs. Corkrum said it would be a program just to buy the chemical. Some would prefer to take care of their right-of-way. Mr. Fife said some of the people are taking care of their right-of-way.

Mr. Koch said he got a call this morning from someone who sprayed three 30-gallon loads today to try to take care of problem weeds.

Mr. Miller said policing it is going to be the tough part. He asked the Public Works Department to work on preparing a program.

Mrs. Corkrum said maybe a new program could be done on a trial basis.

OTHER BUSINESS

Human Resources (HR)

HR Director Rosie H. Rumsey met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Assessor Steve Marks has offered a position to a new employee as an appraiser and recommended placement at Grade 16 Step 5, which the previous two appraisers have started at. The Salary Review Committee has approved the request. She described the qualifications of the applicant. The start date would be September 1.

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move we approve William Spencer as our new appraiser placed at Grade 16 Step 5. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

Columbia River Water Sampling

The Board will ask staff to contact the Conservation District regarding a request for help with Columbia River water sampling.

MINUTES

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval of Commissioner Proceedings for August 11, 13 and 18, 2008. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

Adjourned at 11:42 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until September 3, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Chairman

Chairman Pro Tem

Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed September 15, 2008.