

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 50
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceeding for September 16, 2009

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Rick Miller, Chairman; Bob Koch, Chair Pro Tem; and Brad Peck, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 10:14 am.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Patricia Shults met with the Board. Present in audience: Rosie H. Rumsey, Connie Curiel and Laura Stark.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of the consent agenda for September 16, 2009, as presented:

1. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-390** in the matter of Agreement #09/10-PREV-VISTA-00 between the Benton and Franklin Counties' Department of Human Services and Vista Youth Center to provide prevention services through the Growing Up Safe, Sober, Happy and Healthy (GUSH) Program and authorizing the Chairman to sign said agreement on behalf of the Board. (Exhibit 1: Information sheet.)
2. Approval of **Resolution 2009-391** authorizing, in conjunction with RCW 36.32.210 (inventory), disposal of property as identified on the Information Services Disposal List dated September 16, 2009.

Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor.

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of 2009 vouchers for September 16, 2009, in the total amount of \$74,269.40: FC RV Facility warrant 22610 for \$586.38; Courthouse Facilitator warrant 22611 for \$750.00; Trial Court Improvement Fund warrant 22612 for \$1700.00; and Current Expense warrants 22613 through 22664 for \$71,233.02. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 2)

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen and Human Resources Director Rosie H. Rumsey met with the Board. Present in audience: Connie Curiel, Laura Stark, Becky Mulkey, Yesenia Torres and Tim Fife.

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2010 Insurance Rates

Washington Counties Insurance Fund (WCIF) hired a new insurance consultant (Gallagher Benefit Services, Inc.). Ms. Rumsey explained how the determination has been made regarding rate increases. She gave her written recommendation to the Board but does not need a Board decision at this time.

All the people in the audience left the meeting except Tim Fife.

Wireless Communication Device Policy (Cell Phone Policy)

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed policy.

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of adoption of Franklin County Wireless Communication Device Policy. Second by Mr. Peck. 2:1 vote in favor. Yeas: Mr. Koch and Mr. Peck. Nays: Mr. Miller. This is Resolution 2009-392.

Wireless Communication Device Reimbursement Schedule

After changes were made to the Reimbursement schedule, the following motion was made:

Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of Franklin County Resolution adopting Franklin County Wireless Device Communication reimbursement schedule as presented. Second by Mr. Koch. Mr. Miller said he can agree with this schedule. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2009-393.

PUBLIC WORKS/PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Engineer Tim Fife and Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board.

Ridges to Rivers Open Space Network

Mr. MacPherson attended two meetings of the Ridges to Rivers Open Space Network group but felt it would be a conflict for him to make any decisions because it could potentially impact private property owners by recommending they preserve certain areas. He explained further.

Mr. Peck asked would you think that same concern would apply to county commissioners? Mr. MacPherson said he would think so. Mr. Peck said he feels in concept it's a noble idea but the appearance of fairness and due process are also involved.

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Mr. Fife said he has viewed his role with Ridges to Rivers as making sure the group had all the parks on the plan.

Mr. Peck said his understanding is the latest request from Ridges to Rivers is for someone to sit on sort of a quasi-judicial governmental affairs kind of body that they are hoping will be comprised of elected officials of all of the area governing bodies. It is different than what was first presented when they were holding public meetings to present their ideas.

The Board asked Mr. Fife to work with Ridges to Rivers representatives to make a presentation to the Board and answer the Board's questions. The Board is considering the differences between participating from a technical standpoint versus an advocacy standpoint. Mr. Peck would particularly like to know the details of what role Ridges to Rivers wants Franklin County to play.

PUBLIC WORKS

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board.

R170 update

The Franklin PUD did not get some electrical work done by September 8 as planned to an irrigation system so the contractor has pulled off the job for a few days. Mr. Fife anticipates it will cost about \$3000 a day for the delay.

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of Franklin County Public Works Department payroll vouchers, two vouchers, one for \$69,837.32, the second for \$11,642.52, each certified correct by Tim Fife, County Engineer. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board.

Building Report

The August 2009 Building Report was reviewed.

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City of Mesa request for building inspection services

The City of Mesa has asked if we are interested in providing building inspection services. The Board **gave approval** for Mr. MacPherson to obtain further information. Mr. MacPherson plans to do some research to determine the amount of work required and whether the Planning and Building Department's current staffing level could handle it.

OTHER BUSINESS

Franklin Conservation District

Mr. Koch told the Board about the Franklin Conservation District meeting he attended. A letter will be prepared for the Board to send regarding proposed changes to RCW 90.80.

Guilbeau request for gravel road deviation

The Board has reviewed information from the Prosecutor's Office regarding the deviation request from Mark and Jodi Guilbeau regarding a gravel road. The Board will decide whether a letter to the Guilbeau's will be prepared.

Adjourned at 11:53 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until September 21, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman

Chairman Pro Tem

Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed September 28, 2009.