

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
Commissioners' Proceedings for March 31, 2010

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Brad Peck, Chairman; Rick Miller, Chair Pro Tem; and Bob Koch, Member; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 9:00 am. Fred Bowen, County Administrator, was absent on personal business.

Meeting convened at 9:01 am.

## **DISPATCH**

### **Public hearing: To take testimony for and against the following:**

**Approval of three budget transactions due to moving the operational expenses of Dispatch from the Miscellaneous Dispatch/Operations Budget #139-001-000 and the Miscellaneous Enhanced 911 Budget #139-002-001 into the 2010 Current Expense Budget:**

**Increase the revenue and expenditure bottom lines of the 2010 Current Expense Budget #001-000-001 by \$1,248,626 from \$21,451,100 to \$22,699,726;**

**Decrease the revenue and expenditure bottom lines of the 2010 Miscellaneous Dispatch/Operations Budget #139-001-001 by \$1,146,460 from \$1,791,592 to \$645,132; and**

**Decrease the revenue and expenditure bottom lines of the 2010 Miscellaneous Enhanced 911 Budget #139-002-001 by \$1,635 from \$629,038 to \$627,403**

Public Hearing convened at 9:01 am. Present: Commissioners Peck, Miller and Koch; Dispatch Superintendent Ed Bush; Accountant Robin Stanco; CAD System Administrator Dan Werr; Chief Accountant Thomas Westerman; Treasurer Tiffany Coffland; Tri-City Herald Reporter Kristi Pihl; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers.

Ms. Stanco explained the reasons for the budget transfer. Any savings will be placed into Budget #139 for equipment purchases. It would have to be reconciled at the end of the year, with the funds being moved in the following year, perhaps by the end of February or in March.

Mr. Peck asked if anyone would like to speak in favor.

Dispatch Superintendent Ed Bush spoke in favor. He and the sheriff have committed to the user groups involved that if there are funds left over, they would be moved into the other account for capital improvements.

Treasurer Tiffany Coffland spoke in favor, except for expressing a concern about the timing of leftover funds being moved from the account due to cash flow concerns. There was discussion about when the funds would be transferred. Ms. Coffland said as long as there is

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really good communication between all the departments and we all know the transfer is coming, or at least know an estimated amount, we can plan for it. That would be her only concern.

Ms. Stanco said the fund would be reconciled at the end of the calendar year, not the state fiscal year. Mr. Bush said the savings would occur in the personnel line items. Mr. Koch said because of the two funding sources that 911 works with, this budget change will work out better. He emphasized that communication is needed.

Mr. Peck asked if anyone else wished to speak in favor. There was no response.

Mr. Peck asked three times if anyone wished to speak against the change. There was no response. Hearing was closed to public comment.

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of Franklin County Resolution 2010-087 in the approval of the three budget transfers in the 911 budget. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2010-087.

## **OFFICE BUSINESS**

### Board of Equalization Appointment

Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

The Board reviewed the four applications.

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move to appoint Roger Marshall to the Board of Equalization. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2010-088.

## **OFFICE BUSINESS**

### Consent Agenda

**Motion** - Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we accept the consent agenda as listed. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

1. Approval of Resolution 2010-089, payment of Franklin County's one-fifth portion (\$6929.24) of an invoice accrued by the Landfill Group to Aspect Consulting, LLC, for professional services regarding the Pasco Sanitary Landfill NPL Site.
2. Approval of Joint Resolution 2010-090, Amendment #07/10-HGAP-CAC-2 between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and Benton-Franklin Community Action Committee (BFCAC) for the reduction of funding for the Homeless Grant Assistance Program (HGAP) Pilot Early Release Program for persons who are released from local jails.
3. Approval of Joint Resolution 2010-091, Amendment #07-46108-001-B with the Department of Commerce and Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services to fund an Early Release Program for persons who are released from local jails.

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4. Approval of Joint Resolution 2010-092, Service Agreement, Grant #09-46201-07, Amendment A, between the Department of Commerce and Benton and Franklin Counties' Department of Human Services.
5. Approval of Resolution 2010-093 authorizing line item transfer of \$60,000 from 2010 Superior Court Budget, Professional Services line item, to the 2010 Office of Public Defense Budget, Professional Services line item.
6. Approval of Joint Resolution 2010-094, Agreement #10-95753-000-HCD between the Juvenile Justice Center and The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation.
7. Approval of Out-of-State Travel Request for Prosecutor Steve M. Lowe to attend NDAA Board of Directors/Committee Meetings in Charleston, South Carolina, on April 7-11, 2010, at a cost of \$280.00.
8. Approval of Resolution 2010-095, contract for Professional Services between Franklin County and Benton-Franklin Council of Governments for a land use hearing examiner, effective January 23, 2010, through January 23, 2012.
9. Approval of Joint Resolution 2010-096, Amendment #PSA-HA-2008/09-01, Professional Services Agreement, between Housing Authority of the City of Pasco and Franklin County and Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services.
10. Approval of Joint Resolution 2010-097, Amendment #09/11-SA-FSCCS-01 between First Step Community Counseling Services and Benton and Franklin Counties' Department of Human Services
11. Approval of Joint Resolution 2010-098, Amendment #09/11-SA-UCS-01 between Unity Counseling Services and Benton and Franklin Counties' Department of Human Services.

**Recessed** at 9:22 am.

**Reconvened** at 9:38 am.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board.

Public Hearing: Amend 6-year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

Public Hearing convened at 9:38 am. Present: Commissioners Peck, Miller and Koch; Engineer Tim Fife; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl, Ryan Verhulp, Amy Harris and Steve Lowe.

Mr. Fife said the TIP needs to be amended so that we will be eligible for some Federal funding that has been secured and some other potential Federal stimulus funding. The two

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projects affected are East Foster Wells Road and the R170, landslide area, Phase 3 project. He recommended amending the TIP to accommodate those funding sources.

Mr. Peck asked three times if anyone in the audience would like to give testimony for or against the proposal to amend the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan. There was no response.

**Motion** – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move for the approval of amending the Franklin County Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program 2010-2015. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2010-099,

Annual Certification County Road Administration Board (CRAB)

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: I would move for approval of the chairman's signature on the digital submittal certification for the CRAB Board. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 1)

Bi-Monthly Progress Reports

Mr. Fife had given the Board members the reports previously. The Board had no questions.

## **PROSECUTOR**

Prosecutor Steve Lowe met with the Board. Also present: Engineer Tim Fife, Deputy Prosecutor Ryan Verhulp, Deputy Prosecutor Amy Harris and Kristi Pihl.

**Executive Session** at 9:46 am dealing with property and pending litigation based on RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) expected to last no longer than 15 minutes. Ms. Pihl left the meeting.

**Executive Session** continued at 10:02 am expected to last 10 minutes. Those waiting outside were notified.

**Open Session** at 10:14 am.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Franklin County Historical Society

Historical Society Co-President Anne Hayden and Franklin County Historical Museum Administrator Sherel Webb met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl. Chief Accountant Tom Westerman joined the meeting in progress.

The Historical Society has requested some county funding. Mr. Koch told about the uses of the fund in the county and the amount currently in the fund. He said it may be three or four years before we have funds available to give to the museum. Ms. Webb said many counties around us are getting funds on an annual basis. She said we understand it is at the commissioners' discretion. We just wanted to ask again. Mr. Koch said he understands.

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Mr. Westerman said last year the fund generated about \$15,000. RCW 36.22.170 was reviewed briefly.

Mr. Peck asked Mr. Westerman to confirm that a balance of \$65,000 in a different fund is in fact for county use and is not authorized for museum use. He also asked him to find out if any of those other funds that the Auditor has are eligible, is the auditor willing to consider sharing any of those with the museum. Mr. Westerman said the Auditor O&M fund is used by the Clerk's Office and other offices as well. It is used for county-wide historical preservation.

Mr. Koch asked Mr. Westerman to change the name of the Auditor O&M Historical Fund so it is more clear.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

2010-2012 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Benton-Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and AFSCME, Council 2, Local 3962, Representing Crisis Response

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: I would move for approval of 2010-2012 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Benton-Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and AFSCME representing Crisis Response. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2010-100.

Vouchers/Warrants

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of 2010 fund expenditures in the bottom line of \$26,533.36. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

Current Expense warrants 31007 through 31065 for \$24,782.33; and Crime Victims/Witness warrants 31066 and 31067 for \$1751.03; for a total amount of \$26,533.36. (Exhibit 2)

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of Salary Clearing payroll: Salary Clearing Payroll warrants 50571 through 50683 for \$189,817.66; warrants 50684 through 50695 for \$225,947.47; and Direct Deposit for \$305,188.38; for a total amount of \$720,953.51. The cover sheet also includes:

Emergency Management Payroll warrants 30449 through 30458 for \$3269.18; warrants 30459 through 30468 for \$4977.89; and Direct Deposit for \$6901.07; for a total amount of \$15,148.14; and

Irrigation Payroll warrants 30942 through 30955 for \$8971.92; and warrants 30956 through 30963 for \$4880.21; for a total amount of \$13,852.13.

Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 3)

**Adjourned** at 10:45 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until April 7, 2010.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Brad Peck, Chairman

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Rick Miller, Chairman Pro Tem

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Robert E. Koch, Member

Attest:

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Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed April 7, 2010.