

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceedings for August 4, 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; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 9:00 am.

TRAC

TRAC Manager Troy Woody met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter Kristi Pihl.

Liquor Control Board

TRAC received a citation for serving a minor. The minor acknowledged having switched a wristband with another person. Mr. Woody told the Board about an ID system that will be purchased to try to eliminate a lot of potential for human error. In addition, various types of wristbands are going to be used.

Counterfeit bill issues and action steps

At a recent event, TRAC received \$700 in counterfeit \$100 bills. The Police Department and the Treasury Department have been contacted. Some scanners are being purchased.

Digital Display Program

Some parties are interested in participating financially in a digital display program that will be used at a help desk/kiosk type of center at TRAC.

Events

Over 1000 people attended the last yard sale with about 60 booths. One more yard sale will be held at the end of August.

Business Direction

Mr. Woody said sale, conversion, or closure can have more than one meaning. He said some discussion needs to take place at some point in time about the business direction of TRAC. Mr. Peck said there is no money available for capital improvements. Typically any lease we would engage in would say if ownership were to transfer hands, the lease would be terminated. There are no concrete plans that he is aware of to change ownership of any of those facilities anytime soon.

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OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Toni Fulton met with the Board. Present in audience: Steve Lowe and Kristi Pihl.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move we accept the consent agenda as listed with two items. Second by Mr. Koch.

Mr. Peck said the Washington State Patrol agreement makes reference to fees but does not spell the fees out. The cover sheet says there is no fiscal impact. He thinks it means there is no fiscal impact to the Current Expense budget. He does not think it is a major expense. When the cover sheet says there is no fiscal impact, perhaps we need to ask for a little bit better clarity because there is always a fiscal impact, even if it is just time.

Mr. Peck said the lease cost with the Port of Pasco looks like the rate we're getting is in the market, although it is not the lowest. We have a long relationship of working with the Port so he does not have any objections to approving it.

3:0 vote in favor.

1. Approval of **Joint Resolution 2010-224**, in the matter of request for signature from the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners on the agreement between the Juvenile Justice Center and Washington State Patrol.
2. Approval of **Resolution 2010-225**, lease agreement for the property located at 3416 Stearman Avenue, Pasco, Washington, between Franklin County through its Public Works Department and the Port of Pasco for the term of ten (10) years, commencing April 1, 2007 and ending March 31, 2017.

Vouchers

Motion – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve the Solid Waste Fund at \$2079.54 and I move that we approve the Motor Vehicle and Public Works Equipment Fund at \$65,914.84 and approve the County Road Fund in the amount of \$172,252.96. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 1)

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Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of vouchers for August 4, 2010, with numerous fund expenditures in the bottom line of \$241,917.12. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

Current Expense warrants 36839 through 36887 for \$32,825.95; Current Expense warrants 36888 through 36904 for \$16,507.55; Current Expense warrants 36951 through 37084 for \$26,053.18; Auditor O&M warrant 37085 for \$200.00; Election Equipment Revolving warrant 37086 for \$175.45; Crime Victims/Witness Assist warrants 37087 through 37091 for \$3285.62; Trial Court Improvement Fund warrant 37092 for \$1118.73; Jail Commissary warrants 37093 through 3796 for \$3691.21; Enhanced 911 warrants 37097 through 37101 for \$140,132.74; TRAC Operations Fund warrants 37102 through 37121 for \$15,819.21; and Franklin County RV Facility warrants 37122 through 37124 for \$2107.48. (Exhibit 2)

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen and Prosecutor Steve Lowe met with the Board.
Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

Byrne Grant

Mr. Lowe has received notice that the county has been awarded a \$100,000 Byrne Grant for gang prosecutions. He explained what work is involved and how he plans to do the work, including use of personnel. About \$17,000 will be received in 2010 with the remainder received in 2011.

The Board gave **verbal consensus** for Mr. Lowe to proceed to accept the grant. The Board will sign a resolution on the consent agenda.

Extraordinary Criminal Justice Costs

Mr. Koch asked Mr. Lowe about extraordinary criminal justice costs. Mr. Lowe has not heard back from people he has contacted.

Coyote Ridge Prison Impact Funds

Once Coyote Ridge prison was completed, local jurisdictions were supposed to receive funds. It is in the EIS statement and in the statute. There was no question they were supposed to pay impacts. The question is how much.

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Mr. Koch talked with an official at Coyote Ridge yesterday who told him a consultant has been hired to re-open the EIS. Mr. Lowe said Coyote Ridge is saying it is not fully functional yet. We need to be at the table. Commissioners can get WSAC involved. Superior Court Judge Robert Swisher may also be involved.

Mr. Koch asked how closely can we track impacts such as court costs, including costs that relate to an inmate's family? Mr. Lowe tracks DOC cases that come to his office. He will be meeting with the superintendent at Coyote Ridge at some point in the future.

Court Cases

Mr. Lowe briefly explained his decisions about charging defendants in some cases.

Adjourned at 9:49 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until August 11, 2010.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Brad Peck, Chairman

Rick Miller, Chairman Pro Tem

Robert E. Koch, Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved August 11, 2010.