

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceedings for September 14, 2011

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

HUMAN SERVICES (HS)

HS Administrator Ed Thornbrugh met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter Kristi Pihl and Coroner Dan Blasdel.

Department Update

Mr. Thornbrugh told the Board the state anticipates making further funding reductions. He gave an update about the HS administrative office, Developmental Disabilities Services, Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse services, and Housing program.

CORONER (9:17 am)

Coroner Dan Blasdel met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl and Toni Fulton.

Inter-Budget Transfer request for vehicle repairs and maintenance

Mr. Blasdel requested an inter-budget transfer to cover the \$928 cost of repairing a vehicle air conditioner. Mr. Koch said the Coroner budget is a bottom line budget and asked Mr. Blasdel to use other available funds in the Coroner budget at this time. If a transfer is needed later in the year, Mr. Blasdel can meet with the Board again.

OFFICE BUSINESS (9:23 am)

Administrative Assistant Toni Fulton met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl, Dave Gyll and Mike Arnold.

Minutes

Motion – Mr. Miller: I move for approval of Commissioners Proceedings for August 31 and September 7, 2011. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor.

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chair, I move for approval of vouchers/warrants presented by the Franklin County Auditor in the amount of \$500,110.31. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

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<u>Fund Expenditures</u>	<u>Warrants</u>		<u>Amount Issued</u>
Current Expense	55086	55153	\$81,417.86
Current Expense	55154	55179	\$164,159.34
Current Expense	55180	55181	\$174,208.19
Boating Safety Fund	55211	55213	\$1,912.73
DUI Recovery Fund	55214	-	\$123.46
Enhanced 911	55215	-	\$7,751.04
Veteran's Assistance	55216	-	\$96.34
TRAC Operations Fund	55217	-	\$598.00
FC Public Facilities Const Fund	55218	-	\$26,403.54
TRAC Renewal & Replacement Fund	55219	-	\$550.00
TRAC Operations Fund	55220	55266	\$37,588.66
Franklin County RV	55267	55271	\$2,401.01
Crime Victims/Witness Assist	55341	-	\$2,900.14

(Exhibit 1)

Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of warrants presented and approved by the Auditor for payment in the total amount of \$595,963.75. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

Salary Clearing Payroll warrants 54271 through 54354 for \$163,952.03; Direct Deposit for \$330,802.42; and Benefits warrants 54355 through 54360 for \$77,219.91; for a total amount of \$571,974.36;

Emergency Management Payroll warrants 55182 through 55188 for \$3090.23; Direct Deposit for \$7165.52; and Benefits warrants 55189 through 55192 for \$1540.78; for a total amount of \$11,796.53; and

Irrigation payroll warrants 55193 through 55206 for \$7421.39; Direct Deposit for \$2948.90; and Benefits warrants 55207 through 55210 for \$1822.57; for a total amount of \$595,963.75. (Exhibit 2)

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Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Peck: I move for approval of the consent agenda as presented. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

1. Approval of Resolution 2011-317, approval for Franklin County Planning and Building Department to lease one Konica Minolta copier from Abadan
2. Approval of Resolution 2011-318, acknowledgment of Washington Counties Risk Pool settlement of Ann Mansfield Claim for Damages
3. Approval of Resolution 2011-319, acceptance of Christina Court as shown in the final plat of Fieldstone and declaring it a county road

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR (9:30 am)

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl, Kelly Martin, Tim Fife, Sandy Schroeder, Connie Curiel, Yesenia Torres and Kelly Schadler.

Employee Insurance Update

Human Resources Director Rosie H. Rumsey said Conover Insurance has prepared the final 2012 insurance rates proposal. Dave Guyll and Mike Arnold from Conover Insurance met with the Board. Mr. Guyll gave a summary of the Conover Insurance proposal for medical, dental and vision insurance and life and disability insurance.

Mr. Koch expressed his appreciation to the insurance committee for their work, their input, and their consideration not only of themselves but the county. He appreciates their time and energy.

Mr. Guyll and Mr. Arnold left the meeting after their presentation.

The Board will review the proposal.

Mr. Fife asked the Board to consider employees who are currently waiving insurance coverage when they make a final decision so it is clear whether exemptions are allowed and what documentation would be required to show proof of other insurance.

Separation Agreement and Release between Franklin County and Patricia Klukkert

Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

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Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of separation agreement and release that has been presented to us and ask for the Board's unanimous approval and signature. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2011-320 was approved.

Project Agreement: 2011 Ballot, 3/10ths of 1% tax measure information postcard

Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

The City of Pasco will be contracting with Sara Nelson Designs to prepare and mail information postcards. The county has been asked to pay 50% of the cost (expected to be up to \$7500). Mr. Peck asked if the cost could be prorated based on population. The Board members will review the postcard before it is sent. The cost can be reimbursed in the future if the ballot measure passes and if the resolution is prepared to allow reimbursement of costs.

Motion – Mr. Peck: I move for approval to give County Administrator Fred Bowen authority to spend up to our Franklin County share of \$7500 with the proviso that we would see the product before it is final printed and distributed and with the understanding that resolutions if the bond measure is approved would be drafted in such a way to allow us to recover any lawfully recoverable expenses of undertaking the bond effort. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

Executive Session at 10:34 am based on RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate qualifications of an applicant for employment or review performance of a public employee expected to last 15 minutes.

Open Session at 10:48 am. Kristi Pihl joined the audience.

Budget Workshops

There was a discussion about procedures for handling the budget workshops that are scheduled to begin on September 26. Mr. Peck asked that special care be given to "fixed costs" designations to ensure no expense items were inappropriately labeled as "fixed" or "required" expenses. The commissioners will meet as needed during the budget workshops.

Adjourned at 10:59 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until September 21, 2011.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Robert E. Koch, Chairman

Rick Miller, Chairman Pro Tem

Brad Peck, Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed September 28, 2011.