

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
Commissioners' Proceedings for February 6, 2012

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 Robert E. Koch, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 9:00 am.

**OFFICE BUSINESS**

Present in audience: Prosecutor Shawn Sant, Deputy Prosecutor Janet Taylor, Auditor Matt Beaton, Treasurer Josie Koelzer, Benton County Engineer Malcolm Bowie, Benton County Public Works Supervisor Steve Becken, KNDU TV reporter Brian Breman, Tri-City Herald Reporter Kristi Pihl, Miguel Wong, and two other men.

Contract for engineering services

The Commissioners reviewed a proposed agreement for engineering services with Benton County.

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of Franklin County Resolution Number 2012-055 in regards to Interlocal Agreement for Provision of Engineering Services between County of Benton and County of Franklin effective through April 30, 2012. Second by Mr. Miller. Mr. Miller asked how the ending date was determined. Mr. Becken said we just grabbed a date using a previous contract and the contract ending date can be amended later. Mr. Miller said that answers my question. Mr. Peck said we really do not know how long the process will take. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2012-055 was approved.

**Executive Session** at 9:12 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(f) and RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to evaluate complaint(s) brought against public employee Dennis Huston and legal risks of proposed actions related thereto, expected to last up to 30 minutes. Mr. Sant and Ms. Taylor remained in the meeting with the commissioners. All other people left the room.

**Open Session** at 9:45 am.

Present in audience: Matt Beaton, KNDU TV reporter Brian Breman, Kristi Pihl, Miguel Wong, and two other men.

Hotline announcement

Prosecutor Shawn Sant announced there will be a hotline at phone number 543-2900 dedicated for the purposes of individuals that want to give information that might be considered

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helpful for the investigation. The number will be placed on the county web site shortly this morning.

Mr. Peck said the hotline and announcement of it is not a decision of our executive session. It is information that Mr. Sant brought with him this morning and he is announcing it on the record.

**Executive Session** continued at 9:48 am expected to last 30 minutes.

**Open Session** at 10:20 am. Ms. Pihl and KNDU TV reporter Brian Breman joined the audience.

Schedules for Commissioner meetings

There was a brief discussion about scheduling of Commissioner meetings.

**Adjourned** at 10:22 am.

*This document is a summarized version of the Board of Commissioners proceedings. Access to an audio recording of the meeting is available upon request.*

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until February 8, 2012.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Brad Peck, Chairman

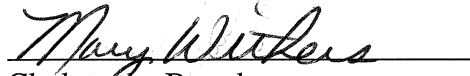


Rick Miller, Chairman Pro Tem



Robert E. Koch, Member

Attest:



Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed February 22, 2012.