Commissioners' Proceedings for July 18, 2012

This document is a summarized version of the Board of Commissioners proceedings. The minutes are paraphrased, not verbatim. Access to an electronic audio recording of the meeting is available upon request.

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Brad Peck, Chairman; and Robert E. Koch, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Rick Miller, Chair Pro Tem, was absent on county business to attend the National Association of Counties (NACo) Convention in Washington, D.C.

Meeting convened at 9:01 am.

PUBLIC WORKS

Guy Walters, Acting Public Works Director, and Kathleen Neuman, Engineer Technician, met with the Board.

Public Hearing on application for franchise agreement from Cascade Natural Gas (CNG)

Public Hearing convened at 9:02 am. Present: Commissioners Peck and Koch; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Acting Public Works Director Guy Walters, Engineer Technician Kathleen Neuman, and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Jim Follansbee, Rich Lahtinen, Yesenia Torres, Becky Mulkey and Mike Clapp.

Mr. Peck asked three times if anyone in the audience would like to comment. Mike Clapp spoke in favor on behalf of Cascade Natural Gas. There was no other response.

Mr. Koch asked why it has taken over a year to complete the franchise renewal process. Mr. Walters explained briefly and said future franchises are expected to be done more quickly.

Motion – Mr. Koch: I would move for approval in the matter of application of Cascade Natural Gas Corporation for a natural gas distribution system between Franklin County and CNG. Second by Mr. Peck. 2:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2012-239 was approved.

OFFICE BUSINESS (9:07 am)

Administrative Assistant Toni Fulton met with the Board. Present in audience: Jim Follansbee and Rich Lahtinen.

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Vouchers

Motion – Mr. Koch moved for approval of fund expenditures for County Road and Motor Vehicle payroll in the bottom line of \$116,526.27. It is signed by Jeff Burckhard and Connie Curiel. Second by Mr. Peck. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 1)

Grand Total All Payrolls		\$116,526.27
	Total	\$16,91 <u>4.</u> 16
Benefits	68776-68785	6,126.43
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Direct Deposit		5,626.93
Motor Vehicle Payroll	68758-68775	\$5,160.80
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Direct Deposit		32,323.43
Payroll	68786-68815	34,285.29
County Road		

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Koch moved for approval of fund expenditures for 16 miscellaneous funds in the bottom line of \$122,547.57, signed by Jeff Burckhard and Robin Stanco. Second by Mr. Peck. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 2)

Fund Expenditures	Warrants		Amount Issued
Current Expense	68826	68865	\$52,464.69
Current Expense	68866	68880	\$7,021.19
Enhanced 911	68881		\$426.00
Current Expense	68882	68901	\$44,589.94
Election Equipment Revolving	68902		\$122.28
Jail Commissary	68903	68905	\$3,324.81
Veteran's Assistance	68906		\$1,482.03
Ending Homelessness Fund	68907	68908	\$4,540.60
FC Capital Projects Fund	68909		\$138.00
TRAC Operations Fund	68910	68925	\$7,571.71

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County Roads	68926	\$26.00
Solid Waste	68927	\$173.54
Motor Vehicle/Public Works	68928	\$135.82
Current Expense	Excise Tax ACH/Treasurer	\$424.57
Election Equipment Revolving	Excise Tax ACH/Treasurer	\$31.17
TRAC Operations Fund	Excise Tax ACH/Treasurer	\$75.22

Consent Agenda

Mr. Peck said item #7 needs to be pulled because we have not heard back from the state about approval of the edits to the contract that Franklin County has requested.

<u>Motion</u> - Mr. Koch: I move for approval of the consent agenda minus item 7. Second by Mr. Peck. 2:0 vote in favor.

- 1. Approval of Resolution 2012-240, Surplus Property Destruction of a Sharp Calculator assigned to the Treasurer's Office
- 2. Approval of Resolution 2012-241, Agreement #CHG-TSA-2012 between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and The Salvation Army
- 3. Approval of Resolution 2012-242, Agreement #CHG-BFCAC-2012 between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and Benton-Franklin Community Action Committee
- 4. Approval of Resolution 2012-243, approving the revised and updated By-Laws of the Benton-Franklin Housing Continuum of Care
- 5. Approval of Resolution 2012-244, rescinding Resolution 2012-162 and Inter-Budget Transfer of \$688 from the 2012 Current Expense District Court Budget #001-000-260 to the Treasurer Budget #001-000-650
- 6. Approval of letter to Department of Energy and Grant County Commissioners recommending that Gary M. Garnant be appointed to the Hanford Advisory Board with Bob Adler appointed as alternate (Exhibit 3)

	(Clerk's Note: Item #7 was pulled from the consent agenda.)
7.	Approval of Resolution 2012, Memorandum of Understanding
	between Washington State Military Department and Benton County,
	Washington, and Franklin County, Washington

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8. Approval of Resolution 2012-245, Public Works Contract between Franklin County and Phase 2 Electric, Inc.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

Executive Session at 9:20 am per RCW 42.30.140(4), terms of sale, contract negotiations, to discuss terms of possible sale of TRAC, expected to last up to 15 minutes. Mr. Follansbee and Mr. Lahtinen left the audience.

Open Session at 9:38 am.

Deputy Prosecutor Janet Taylor joined the meeting. Present in audience: Jim Follansbee. **Executive Session** at 9:40 am per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), evaluating qualifications or review performance of public employee, expected to last 20 minutes. Mr. Follansbee left the audience. **Open Session** at 10:02 am.

Ms. Taylor left the meeting.

Executive Session at 10:04 am per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for up to 20 minutes for the same purpose as the last executive session. Ms. Withers left the meeting.

Open Session at 10:25 am. No one was present in the audience.

Mr. Peck talked about the need to consider having some kind of additional help with administrator's staff, maybe a deputy county administrator. He suggested preparing a position description that would cover different areas of responsibility including Public Records Act requests, responsibilities for labor negotiations, policies, Risk Management issues, and work on building of the jail and doing it quickly.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Koch: I would move that we ask Mr. Bowen to put together a job description for a deputy county administrator. We are looking for somebody that will assist us in public records, assist us in labor negotiations, risk management training, and updating policies. It's going to be a tough bill to fill. Mr. Peck asked if it would be acceptable to Mr. Koch and to his motion to have him work with Mr. Bowen on the job description and then report back to the Board. Mr. Koch said yes. Second by Mr. Peck. Mr. Bowen said he wholeheartedly supports the decision. 2:0 vote in favor.

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Mr. Peck noted that how we will fund the position will be included in future discussions.

OTHER BUSINESS (10:29 am)

City of Connell property matter

Mr. Koch reported the City of Connell City Manager and another person were not available.

Sanderson Estates Fire Protection matter

Mr. Koch said he and others are waiting for reports to come back from other entities that are in a similar situation to Sanderson Estates.

Weed Control update

Mr. Bowen told the Board about the discussions taking place between Public Works Department and the Weed Board regarding weed spraying in the county.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion – Mr. Koch: I would move for adjournment. Second by Mr. Peck. 2:0 vote in favor. Adjourned at 10:34 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until July 25, 2012.

> **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Rick Miller - Absent

Rick Miller, Chairman Pro Tem

Robert E. Koch, Member

Attest:

Mary Withers Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed August 8, 2012.



FRANKLIN COUNTY AUDITOR

Matt Beaton, Auditor

July 17, 2012

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.080, expense reimbursement claims certified by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been sent to the board members.

Action: As of this date,

July 17, 2012

move that the following warrants be approved for payment.

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Payroll Prepared By



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Vouchers Audited By



FRANKLIN COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BRAD PECK DISTRICT 1 ROBERT E. KOCH DISTRICT 2 RICK MILLER DISTRICT 3

Fred H. Bowen County Administrator Rosie H. Rumsey Human Resources Director

July 18, 2012

Mr. Dana Bryson
U.S. Department of Energy
Richland Operations Office
Deputy Designated Federal Official
MSIN: A3-04
PO Box 550
Richland WA 99352

RE: Recommendations for appointment to Hanford Advisory Board (HAB)

Dear Mr. Bryson:

The Franklin County Commissioners have received notice that from the Grant County Commissioners that Jim Wise does not wish to continue serving as an alternate on the HAB and that Bob Adler would like to discontinue his service as the member and be appointed as the alternate.

The Franklin County Commissioners recommend that the Department of Energy appoint Gary M. Garnant as a member of the HAB with Bob Adler as the alternate, representing Grant and Franklin Counties.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chair

Rick Miller - Absent

Chair Pro-Tem

Member

cc: Grant County Commissioners

Exact

Barbara K. Wise, Department of Energy, email barbara k wise@rl.gov