

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
Commissioners' Proceedings for August 8, 2012

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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.

### **PROSECUTOR**

Deputy Prosecutor Ryan Verhulp met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter John Trumbo, Jim Follansbee, Lester Storms, Rich Lahtinen, Roger Lenk and Janet Taylor.

Washington Counties Risk Pool (WCRP) deductible and excess insurance

The Board discussed the deductible amount for liability insurance and whether to seek additional excess insurance.

**Motion** – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve the resolution in the matter of selection of current deductible level of \$25,000 and the optional excess insurance layer of \$5 million X \$20 million offered by the Washington Counties Risk Pool. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2012-256 was approved.

### **WSU EXTENSION OFFICE**

Randy Baldree, Interim Associate Director of WSU College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Resources Sciences, WSU Extension, and local WSU Extension Agent Tim Waters met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter John Trumbo, Jim Follansbee, Lester Storms, Rich Lahtinen and Roger Lenk.

Interim County Director for WSU Franklin County Extension

Mr. Baldree said WSU plans to proceed with a search for a person to replace Lauri Sherfey who is retiring. WSU would like to appoint Tim Waters as the interim county director of the Franklin County Extension Office.

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Mr. Baldree said the Board members can have input about program duties of the replacement position and requested that the Board consider having one Board member serve on the search committee.

The Board had **consensus agreement** in support of Tim Waters as interim director. Mr. Waters said he looks forward to interacting with the Board.

The Commissioners agreed that Commissioner Rick Miller will be the contact person representing the Board.

Mr. Peck said his focus for the position will be in programmatic areas and what kinds of resources are needed, both financial and space.

### **TRAC**

TRAC General Manager Troy Woody met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter John Trumbo, Jim Follansbee, Lester Storms, Rich Lahtinen, Roger Lenk and Toni Fulton.

Department of Enterprise Services Agreement #2012-ERG-580 to provide future energy/utility conservation project management and monitoring services (energy savings project)

There was discussion about the proposed energy savings project through the Department of Enterprise Services for the TRAC Pavilion Building only and the Public Safety Building.

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: I would move for approval of Interagency Agreement #2012-ERG-580 between the Department of Enterprise Services and Franklin County. Mr. Miller asked if the matter could be held over for next week so he can do some more research. Mr. Peck has no objection with holding it over. Mr. Peck said he sees the merits of the program and it justifies relatively minimal risk. His concern is there are unknowns with the facility, some of which we have not even contemplated. If we had to do it, needed to do it, I would be more inclined to push on it, but I perceive it as entirely optional. Mr. Peck noted that the motion failed for lack of a second, not for lack of interest.

### **OFFICE BUSINESS**

Administrative Assistant Toni Fulton met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter John Trumbo, Jim Follansbee, Lester Storms, Rich Lahtinen and Roger Lenk.

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Vouchers

**Motion** – Mr. Koch moved for approval of 11 various expenditures for a total of \$116,425.78. It is signed by Mr. Beaton and audited by Julie Jordan. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.  
(Exhibit 1)

<b>Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>Warrants</b>		<b>Amount Issued</b>
Landfill Closure Trust Fund	69829	-	\$4,532.34
Current Expense	69838	69857	\$15,028.83
Current Expense	69858	69868	\$5,849.33
Treasurer O & M	69869	69870	\$311.12
Jail Commissary	69871	69872	\$367.24
Current Expense	69873	70011	\$33,529.48
Ending Homelessness Fund	70012	70015	\$11,657.60
Dept of Commerce Pass Through	70016	70017	\$28,183.52
TRAC Operations Fund	70018	70034	\$16,841.82
Current Expense	70035	-	\$82.50
Veteran's Assistance	70036	-	\$42.00

Consent Agenda

**Motion** - Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve the six consent agenda items.

1. Approval of Resolution 2012-257, Professional Services Agreement between Benton County, Franklin County and Patricia K. Fleming to provide transcription services to support public defense cases
2. Approval of Resolution 2012-258, Professional Services Agreement between Benton County, Franklin County and Erin K. Hogue to provide transcription services to support public defense cases
3. Approval of Resolution 2012-259, Professional Services Agreement between Benton County, Franklin County and Deb Kasperek to provide transcription services to support public defense cases
4. Approval of Resolution 2012-260, Professional Services Agreement between Benton County, Franklin County and Dorcas J. Cluck to provide transcription services to support public defense cases

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5. Approval of Resolution 2012-261, Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Subrecipient Agreement between Franklin County and Basin City Water and Sewer District regarding the Washington State Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000 (Commerce Contract #09-64009-024), amending Franklin County Resolution 2010-041
6. Approval of Commissioner Proceedings for July 18, July 25, and August 1, 2012

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter John Trumbo, Jim Follansbee, Lester Storms, Rich Lahtinen and Roger Lenk.

Ground Water Management Area (GWMA)

Mr. Koch will be attending the GWMA meeting in Othello tonight, which he expects may be the last GWMA meeting due to lack of funding. Mr. Peck asked that Mr. Koch convey our appreciation for all of the research they have done over the years.

Mr. Koch said GWMA has been a four-county function, basically financed by Federal and state funding, but wants to make sure the information gathered by GWMA remains available publicly. It is not proprietary information.

Water Conservancy Training

Mr. Miller completed 32 hours of Water Conservancy training sponsored by the Washington State Department of Ecology last week in Yakima.

NACo

Mr. Miller attended the National Association of Counties (NACo) meeting in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and gave a report to the other Board members.

**ADJOURNMENT**

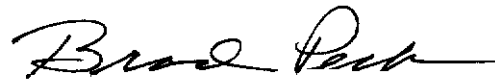
**Motion** – Mr. Koch: I move for adjournment. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.


**Adjourned** at 10:07 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until August 16, 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 August 22, 2012.



# FRANKLIN COUNTY AUDITOR

*Matt Beaton, Auditor*

8/8/2012

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.080, expense reimbursement claims.

Action: As of this date, 8/8/2012

Move that the following warrants be approved for payment:

certified by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been sent to the board members.

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In the amount of

\$116,425.78

The motion was seconded by

And passed by a vote of 3 to 0

The attached vouchers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy

Vouchers Audited By