

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS' RECORD 53**

**COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS
AND
2016 BUDGET HEARING**

DECEMBER 21, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Commission Chairman, Brad Peck called the Franklin County Commissioners' Regular Board Meeting and 2016 Budget Hearing to order at 9:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' Meeting Room in the Franklin County Courthouse located at 1016 North Fourth Avenue, Pasco, Washington.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Peck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners Present: Commission Chair Brad Peck, Chair Pro Tem Rick Miller and Member Robert E. Koch

Staff Present: County Administrator Keith Johnson, Franklin County Sheriff Jim Raymond, Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney Shawn Sant, Contracted Attorney Bronson Brown, Interim Clerk to the Board and Assistant to the Administrator Sherrie Young, Human Resources Director Carlee Nave, Director of Audit Services Robin Stanco, Accounting Supervisor Tim Anderson, Chief Deputy Auditor Jeff Burckhard, Franklin County Sheriff's Office Captain Ronelle Nelson, Superior Court Administrative Assistant Tiffany Husom

Public Present: Port of Pasco Economic Development Director Gary Ballew Port of Pasco, Benton Franklin Council of Governments representative Stephanie Seaman, City of Pasco Planner Rick, Hanford Community representative Pam Larsen, Greater Pasco Area Chamber of Commerce representative Colin Hastings and *Tri-City Herald* reporter Geoff Folsom

**PRESENTATION BY THE PORT OF PASCO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DIRECTOR GARY BALLEW**

Mr. Ballew addressed the Board explaining Port of Pasco, in close cooperation with Greater Pasco Area Chamber of Commerce, is leading a community-wide effort to develop an economic strategic vision for the Greater Pasco area. He further explained this vision will align the community's resources toward a singular economic vision. The intent of this effort is to identify opportunities for economic growth through analysis of Pasco's attributes and to match those attributes with market research of economic development opportunities targeting interaction of the growing Latino majority in Pasco.

Mr. Ballew stated much of the pre-planning was completed and there had been initial community discussions and research to set the groundwork for creating the Vision. Port of Pasco funded the first phase but he explained the next phase will require financial support from community partners.

Mr. Ballew stated the Port is seeking a \$50,000 US Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant which would fund fifty (50%) percent of the projected cost.

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He explained remaining funds would come from other community partners including Columbia Basin College and City of Pasco and asked the Board to consider contributing \$25,000 from the 0.09 monies.

The Board thanked Mr. Ballew for his presentation and agreed to consider the request.

HANFORD COMMUNITIES ANNUAL REPORT BY PAM LARSEN

Ms. Larsen first thanked Commissioner Miller for serving on the Governing and Administrative Boards.

She explained she was present today to give the annual update for Hanford Communities. She stated Energy Communities Alliance was working with other communities on options for disposal of high level waste. Department of Energy requested a discussion regarding Wild Land Fire coordination and she was also working with TRIDEC on the Energy Park. She has been in frequent communication US Senators' staff and met with Governor Inslee's new eastern Washington staffer, Melissa Carpenter.

Ms. Larsen stated next year's agenda would include a national policy on high level waste disposition and consent decree litigation.

The Board thanked Ms. Larsen for her update.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Approval of Vouchers

<u>FUND Expenditures</u>	<u>WARRANTS</u>		<u>AMOUNT ISSUED</u>
Current Expense	123112	123145	22,071.60
Current Expense	123146		2,640.00
Current Expense	123179	123204	35,496.34
Current Expense	123205	123233	34,511.63
Current Expense	123234	123275	237,466.25
Franklin County RV Facility	123276	123284	5,095.76
Election Equipment Revolving	123285		430.37
Crime Victims/Witness Assist	123286		3,253.84
Trial Court Improvement Fund	123287		350.00
Jail Commissary	123288	123291	2,185.96
Law Library	123292	123294	11,934.93
Veteran's Assistance	123295		947.82
.3% Criminal Justice Const Fund	123296		11,123.87
Enhanced 911	123297	123305	67,684.32
Auditor O & M	123306		601.84
TRAC Operations Fund	123307	123324	41,570.88

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County Roads	123325	123359	194,414.32
Motor Vehicle/Public Works	123360	123381	7,457.92
Auditor O & M	123382		240.81
		TOTAL	679,478.46

- ❖ *Commissioner Robert Koch moved to approve vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer for warrants prepared for the week of December 21, 2015 for payment of fund expenditures totaling \$679,478.46. Commissioner Miller seconded and the motion was unanimously carried.*

Approval of Consent Agenda

- Approval of Resolution 2015-451 DSHS Agreement 1563-43662 Amendment No. 1 with Department of Social Health Services, Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery
- Approval of Resolution 2015-452 First Amendment to Agreement #15-16- DD-GW-00 with Goodwill Industries of the Columbia
- Approval of Resolution 2015-453 Professional Services Contract with Kathleen Moreno for Public Defense Services
- Approval of Resolution 2015-454 First Amendment to DSHS Agreement Number 1563-42594 with Department of Social and Health Services, Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery
- Approval of Resolution 2015-455 First Amendment to Personal Services Contract with Jeanette M. Griffin, dba Jet Computer Support
- Approval of Resolution 2015-456 First Amendment to Agreement #15-16-DD-CDC-00 with Children's Developmental Center
- Approval of Resolution 2015-457 Personal Services Contract with Ruegsegger Polygraph Services
- Approval of Resolution 2015-458 Personal Service Contract Intercity Legal Processing & Message Services

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- Approval of Resolution 2015-459 Three Month Extension to Public Defense Contract with Alan Tindell for Services in Involuntary Treatment Act Civil Commitment Proceedings
- Approval of Resolution 2015-460 Professional Services Contract with Karyn Oldfield for Public Defense Services
- Approval of Resolution 2015-461 Professional Services Contract with Heather Villani for Public Defense Services
- Approval of Resolution 2015-462 Professional Services Contract with Jennifer Azure for Public Defense Services
- Approval of Resolution 2015-463 Professional Services Contract with Susan Henwood for Public Defense Services
- Approval of Resolution 2015-464 Professional Services Contract with Diana Anderson for Public Defense Services
- Approval of Resolution 2015-465 Professional Services Contract with Darin Campbell for Public Defense Services
- Approval of Resolution 2015-466 Grant Agreement #2016-HHSS-CAC between DHS and CAC
- Approval of Resolution 2015-467 Grant Agreement 2016-HHAA-SHCN with Safe Harbor Crisis Nursery
- Approval of Resolution 2015-468 Agreement #15/16-DD-ARC with The Arc of the Tri-Cities
- Approval of Resolution 2015-469 Agreement #2016-HHAA-ROLMCC-YARP between DHS and River of Life Metropolitan Community Church
- Approval of Resolution 2015-470 Agreement #2016 HHAA-ROLMCC-ASC between DHS and River Life Metropolitan Community Church
- Approval of Resolution 2015-471 Organization of Franklin County Commissioners

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- Approval of Resolution 2015-472 Professional Services Contract Agreement with Christine Bennett
 - Approval of Resolution 2015-473 Professional Services Contract Agreement with Danielle Purcell
 - Approval of Resolution 2015-474 Professional Services Contract Agreement with Pamela Peterson
 - Resolution 2015-475 Public Works Contract with Western States CAT
- ❖ *Commissioner Miller moved to approve Consent Agenda. Commissioner Koch seconded and the motion carried unanimously.*

RECESS

Commissioner Peck called for a ten-minute recess at 9:43 a.m.

RECONVENED

Commissioner Peck reconvened the Regular meeting at 9:55 a.m.

**OPENED 2016 BUDGET HEARING TO HEAR COMMENT REGARDING
THE 2016 BUDGET**

Commissioner Peck recessed the Regular meeting at 9:55 a.m., and opened the Public Hearing to hear public comment regarding the 2016 Budget.

CLOSED 2016 BUDGET HEARING

Hearing no public comment, Commissioners Peck closed the Public Hearing at 9:55 a.m.

ADOPTION OF 2016 BUDGET

- ❖ *After a brief discussion, Commissioner Koch moved to approve Resolution 2015-476 with a levy amount of \$3,145,943, increasing the 2016 Levy for Franklin County Road Department by one-percent (1%), making the dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year \$31,459.00. Commissioner Miller seconded and the motion was carried.*

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- ❖ ***Commissioner Koch moved to approve Resolution 2015-477 with a levy amount of \$7,948,310 , increasing the 2016 Levy for Franklin County by one-percent (1%) making the dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year \$79,483.00. Commissioner Miller seconded and the motion was carried.***

- ❖ ***Commissioner Koch moved to authorize the Franklin County Assessor to levy the minimum amount allowable by statute generated from the property tax assessment for the Veteran's Assistance Fund (commonly referred to as Soldiers and Sailors Fund) for the 2016 budget year. Commissioner Miller seconded and the motion was carried.***

- ❖ ***Commissioner Miller moved to approve Resolution 2015-478 adopting the Franklin County 2016 Miscellaneous Fund Budgets in the amount of \$36,433.103. Commissioner Koch seconded and the motion carried.***

- ❖ ***Commissioner Peck moved to approve Resolution 2015-479 adopting the Franklin County 2016 Current Expense Budget as a bottom line budget in the amount of \$29, 683,726. Commissioner Koch seconded and the motion carried.***

- ❖ ***Commissioner Koch moved to approve Resolution 2015-480 establishing a substantial need, due to the substantial increase in the staffing levels of the 2016 Department of Corrections budget, and herby approve the 2016 property tax levy limit at one-percent (1%). Commissioner Miller seconded and the motion carried.***

Commissioner Peck stated this was an extraordinary year due to the needs of the Sheriff's Department; needs due to under-budgeting by the former regime. He said the Board would not hesitate to reopen the 2016 budget if necessary. Commissioner Peck express concern regarding the Coroner's intention to hold an inquest when he had not come to the Board to discuss additional funding associated with such an inquest.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

RCW 42.30.110 (1) (I): Discussion of a Litigation or Potential Litigation Matter

Commissioner Peck recessed into Executive Session at 10:31 a.m., for discussion of a litigation or potential litigation matter. He anticipated thirty (30) minutes with no action expected.

Executive Session was extended by twenty-eight (28) minutes at 10:42 a.m.

ADJOURN

With no further business to bring before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

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



Brad Peck, Chair



Rick Miller, Chair Pro Tem



Robert Koch, Member

ATTEST:



Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed March 30, 2016