



**FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR MEETING AND
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

JUNE 22, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Commission Chairman, Rick Miller called the Franklin County Commissioners' Regular Board Meeting 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.

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

Staff Present: County Administrator Keith Johnson, Planning and Building Director Jerrod MacPherson, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Janet Taylor, Human Resources Director Carlee Nave, Public Works Director Matt Mahoney, Assistant to the Administrator Sherrie Young and Clerk to the Board Karin Milham.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance

PROCLAMATION DECLARING JUNE 22, 2016 "RON FORAKER DAY"

Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Port of Pasco Board of Commissioners and Pasco City Council recognized Mr. Foraker for his dedication to our community by proclaiming June 22, 2016, "Ron Foraker Day". Commissioner Miller presented the Proclamation to Mr. Foraker and thanked him for his dedication and service to the Tri-Cities Airport over the past thirty-nine years. Mr. Foraker was recently named Washington Airport Management Association's 2016 "Management Member of the Year."

PUBLIC HEARING

Vacation of Easement (VOE 2016-01)

Commissioner Miller recessed into the Public Hearing at 9:06am.

Planning and Building Director Jerrod Macpherson presented the Board with a recommendation from the Planning Department regarding the vacation of easement requested by Mr. Brent Gamache. This application involves two actions; 1) Vacate a 30' wide ingress, egress, drainage, irrigation and utility easement located along the north sides of Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 of Short Plat 82-10 and, 2) Relocate an existing 10' wide irrigation easement, currently located on the south side of the 30' wide easement as described above, to a new location that is situated along the north boundary of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Short Plat 82-10.



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After brief discussion Commissioner Miller asked for public comments. Having none, Commissioner Miller reconvened the Regular meeting at 9:16 a.m. and asked for a motion to vote on this matter.

❖ Commissioner Koch moved to approve VOE 2016-01 which vacates a 30" wide ingress, egress, drainage, irrigation and utility easement, including the relocation of a 10' wide irrigation easement all along the north side of Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 of Short Plat 82-10. Commissioner Peck seconded with discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF PASCO FOR REVISION OF CORPORATE BOUNDARY- Resolution 2016-255

Public Works Director Matt Mahoney and County Administrator Keith Johnson presented the Board with information regarding Power Line Road Boundaries. City of Pasco has completed Phase I of improvements to Power Line Road between Broadmoor Boulevard (Road 100) and Road 68 including the acquisition of right-of-way, and the construction of a two-lane facility with some utilities. A portion of the right-of-way, improved roadway, and utilities are outside of the City limits making the enforcement of traffic laws along the described section of Power Line Road confusing and problematic. Depending on which segment of the road a driver is on, a citation may be issued. Some tickets would be appropriately adjudicated in Pasco Municipal Court while others would be appropriately adjudicated in District Court.

Pursuant to *RCW 36.01.010* and *RCW 36.32.120*, the legislative body of each county is authorized to enter into contracts on behalf of the county, has the care of county property and management of county funds and business.

The Board of Franklin County Commissioners agreed the Interlocal agreement with City of Pasco for revision of the corporate boundary, which would be in the best interest of the public.

❖ Commissioner Peck moved to approve an Interlocal Agreement with City of Pasco the Revision of Corporate Boundary Resolution 2016-255. Commissioner Koch seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.



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**WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENTION COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES
UPDATE**

WSU Extension County Director Tim Waters gave an update of crops and testing currently being done at the facility. Mr. Waters reported it has been a great growing season this year. Potatoes are having a high yield. Due to a mild winter, crops have seen a minor problem of blithe, which has not been seen in fifteen years. The blithe was caught at an early stage and a fungicide has been applied to take care of the existing problem.

Due to weather, the crops are running about two weeks early on harvest. WSU has about fifty projects going on around the area. Carrots are gaining popularity in the Franklin County area. Many carrot growers from the California area are moving to Washington due to the favorable ground conditions and accessibility of harvest equipment and processing.

There will be more diversity of the vegetables that will be grown in Franklin County. Due to high demand of fruit-veggie drinks, greens vegetables will be expanding in the future.

Private parties as well as WSU invest in the research of crops. WSU documents the trials of their crops and presents results of the tests to the Farmers and Seed Companies. This research has been a great resource for the Eastern Washington Growers as well as Farmers around the world.

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OFFICE BUSINESS



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Approval of Payroll Roster for County Roads and Motor Vehicle

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, June 22, 2016 *[Signature]*
move that the following warrants be approved for payment.

<u>FUND</u>	<u>WARRANT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
County Roads		
Payroll	125817-125839	\$ 28,616.87
Direct Deposit		<u>39,488.91</u>
		68,102.58
Benefits	125840-125849	47,388.65
	Total	<u>\$ 113,489.23</u>
Motor Vehicle		
Payroll	125792-125806	\$ 4,930.27
Direct Deposit		<u>4,873.01</u>
		9,803.28
Benefits	125807-125816	7,371.97
	Total	<u>\$ 17,175.25</u>
Grand Total All Payrolls		<u>\$ 130,664.48</u>

In the total amount of \$130,664.48 (\$113,489.23 + \$17,175.25)

The motion was seconded by *[Signature]* and passed by a vote of 3 to 0
[Signature] Chief Deputy *[Signature]*
 The attached payroll has been approved by Auditor or Deputy Payroll Prepared By Melissa Oelster

❖ Commissioner Koch moved to approve County Roads and Motor Vehicle payroll totaling \$130,664.48. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.



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Approval of Salary Clearing payroll, Emergency Management payroll and Irrigation Payroll

Franklin County Commissioners:

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Action: As of this date, June 22, 2016 *Peck*
move that the following warrants be approved for payment.

<u>FUND</u>	<u>WARRANT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Salary Clearing Payroll:		
Payroll	64728-64783	\$ 182,351.02
Direct Deposit		<u>387,472.62</u>
		569,823.64
Benefits	84784-84788	113,620.55
	Total	<u>\$ 683,444.19</u>
 Emergency Mgmt Payroll:		
Payroll	125782-125787	\$ 3,092.10
Direct Deposit		<u>7,045.90</u>
		10,138.00
Benefits	125788-125791	1,908.81
	Total	<u>\$ 12,046.81</u>
 Irrigation Payroll:		
Payroll	125769-125777	\$ 3,854.12
Direct Deposit		<u>8,851.68</u>
		12,705.80
Benefits	125778-125781	2,670.52
	Total	<u>\$ 15,376.32</u>
Grand Total All Payrolls		<u>\$ 710,867.32</u>

In the total amount of **\$710,867.32** (\$683,444.19 + \$12,046.81 + \$15,376.32)

The motion was seconded by *Beck* and passed by a vote of 3 to 0

John A. Buschhaus, Chief Deputy
The attached payroll has been approved by Auditor or Deputy

Melissa Olheiser
Payroll Prepared by Melissa Olheiser

❖ Commissioner Koch moved to approve Salary Clearing payroll, Emergency Management payroll and Irrigation Payroll totaling \$710,867.32 Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.



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Approval of Consent Agenda

- Resolution 2016-256 Approving Local Agency Supplement No. 1 with WSDOT for County Road Project 609 Basin City Alternative Transportation Route Improvement
- Resolution 2016-257 Accepting Work for County Roads Maintenance Project 2014-02/Hendricks Bridge Repair
- Resolution 2016-258 Award one 2016 Pup Trailer to Utility Truck Equipment of Boise, Idaho
- Resolution 2016-259 Approving an Agreement for the Temporary Use of County Right-of-Way by Muddawg Fit Events

❖ Commissioner Koch moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion was carried.

RECESS

Commissioner Miller called for a five minute recess at 10:00 a.m.

RECONVENE

Commissioner Miller reconvened the Regular meeting at 10:07 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE BUSINESS

- Resolution 2016-259: Mr. Keith Johnson presented the Board with a Temporary Building Inspection Services Contract. He explained the County's Planning and Building Department was not currently fully staffed. There has been an increase of inspections with an influx of building without sufficient staff to keep up with the demand. The Planning and Building department suggested contracting with an outside building inspection company to help with the work load.



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❖ *Commissioner Koch moved to approve a Professional Services Contract with The Building Department Inc., to perform building inspection services on behalf of Franklin County. Commissioner Miller seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.*

● **Crisis Response**

Mr. Johnson stated he, Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Janet Taylor and Commissioner Miller met with Benton County representatives last week to discuss issues with Crisis Response. Due to a perceived conflict, Franklin County proposed hiring a consultant from Texas to advise both Benton and Franklin Counties regarding the intended separation from Crisis Response rather than contracting with Mr. Rick Weaver. Franklin County felt there was a conflict of interest, considering Mr. Weaver was on the Greater Columbia Behavioral Health Board as well as a potential provider/manager for Crisis Response once that department is separated from the two counties. Benton County does not feel there was a conflict of interest.

From that meeting, some of the suggestions to alleviate the perception of a conflict of interest were to have Mr. Weaver to submit a Non-Compete letter to the counties, have Mr. Weaver resign his position on the Board for Greater Columbia Behavioral Health or for Mr. Weaver abstain from any vote pertaining to Crisis Response while acting as a member of the Greater Columbia Behavioral Health Board.

After extensive discussion it was decided to call a Special Bi-County Meeting to discuss the issues associated with Crisis Response.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kris Kennedy agreed someone from the outside was the best solution for Crisis Response problem. She would like to see Comprehensive be more involved with this issue. She felt the County's need to move forward and take care of this problem.

EXECUTIVE SESSION



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RCW 42.30.140(4) Contract Negotiations

Commissioner Miller recessed into Executive Session at 11:16 a.m., for a discussion of Contract Negotiations. Executive Session was anticipated to last five minutes with no action expected.

RECONVENE

Commissioner Miller reconvened the Regular meeting at 11:21 a.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUSINESS

- County Administrator Keith Johnson presented the Board with a letter from Hannelore Inman with a proposal to purchase small tax title properties. After a brief discussion the Commissioners declined to move forward on this issue. Mr. Johnson will let Ms. Inman know of the Boards' decision to decline her offer.

ADJOURN

With no further business to bring before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

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Rick Miller, Chair



Robert Koch, Chair Pro Tem



Brad Peck, Member

ATTEST:


Clerk to the Board