



FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING
MAY 11, 2021

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9:00 a.m.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Commission Chairman Clint Didier 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 Clint Didier, Chair Pro Tem Rocky Mullen and Member Brad Peck

9:00 a.m. Commissioner/Administrator Updates

Administrator Keith Johnson Updates

- Creation of Redistricting Commission letters sent out to the groups
- Treasury released instructions on the recovery funds
- Concerned that Franklin County may go back to Phase 2. The Governor has place that on hold for two weeks.
- Governor is expected to sign the Controlled Substance bill 5126. We have a public hearing in place for a Franklin County Ordinance to be held on May 18, 2021 if he does not sign it by then.

Commissioner Peck Updates

- Discussed in a WSAC- Washington State Association of Counties meeting that the Governor could veto the whole bill (5126) if he so desired.
- NACo-National Association of Counties Meeting
- GCBH-Greater Columbia Behavioral Health meetings.
- Constituents called with concerns over planning permits and redistricting.
- Met with a local candidacy for US Senate to discuss county governments.
- COVID Local Decision Makers briefing
- Benton Franklin Council of Governments- working on bylaws

Commissioner Mullen Updates

- Constituents called with concerns over planning permits. Discussed this with Public Works Director Matt Mahoney and he is stepping in to help resolve the problem.
- Chaired the BFT-Ben Franklin Transit meeting. Plans for 2021 and 2022.
- WSAC- Washington State Association of Counties meeting



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Commissioner Didier Updates

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- BFT-Ben Franklin Transit Operation and Maintenance meeting. Plans for 2021 and 2022.
- BFT- Ben Franklin Transit regular meeting

9:10 a.m. **Comprehensive Plan Update/Adoption Introduction**

AHBL Personal Services Contractor Nicole Stickney presented a short update to the Comprehensive Plan. She gave each Commissioner and the Administrator a binder containing a few items listed in the plan. Some of the items listed were Resolutions from the past, a draft of the proposed plan, Response Matrix, City of Connell UGA Application, City of Pasco UGA Application, SEPA Documents and January 2021 Staff Report to the Planning Commission.

Ms. Stickney answered questions the Commissioners had on the process of establishing the Comprehensive Plan.

The Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday evening June 1, 2021 at 7 p.m. It will take place at the HAPO Center to accommodate a larger turnout with COVID social distancing guidelines.

9:38 a.m. **Public Comment**

- Cody Fielding implored the Commissioners to adopt the comprehensive plan as soon as possible.
- Tracy Lybbert supports the Comprehensive plan.
- Andrew Lybbert supports the Comprehensive plan.
- George Dockstader supports the Comprehensive plan and asked the Commissioners to be thorough in reading the plan before they vote on it.
- Steve Bauman thanked Ms. Stickney for her presentation. He asked the Commissioners to study information before making a decision on the plan.
- Administrator Keith Johnson asked the realtors in the room if Benton County is dealing with the same problem as Franklin County in regards to housing. George Dockstader replied it was a nationwide problem. Cody Fielding and Tracy Lybbert contribute it to available land and land use regulations needing to be changed.

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9:52 a.m. **Approval of Fund Expenditure Warrants**

05/11/2021

Franklin County Commissioners:

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

Action: As of this date, 05/11/2021 Kodny Mullen

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.

Warrants \ Check Numbers:	00370664 - 00370758	\$128,098.20
EFT Check Numbers:	00000807 - 00000814	\$8,061.25
		<u>\$136,159.45</u>

Fund Expenditures	Amount Issued
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$80,982.35
SUPPLEMENTAL PRESERVATION	\$966.94
BOATING SAFETY	\$1,086.57
ENHANCED 911	\$5,808.41
COUNTY ROADS	\$12,673.03
SOLID WASTE	\$1,090.83
VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE	\$794.91
ENDING HOMELESSNESS	\$6,621.54
THE HAPO CENTER	\$4,448.56
MOTOR VEHICLE	\$21,686.31

In the amount of: \$136,159.45

The motion was seconded by: Bone Peck

And passed by a vote of: 3 to 0

Reviewed by the County Administrator: [Signature]

The attached vouchers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy:
[Signature]
Matt Beaton

[Signature]
Vouchers Audited By:
Paola Mendoza

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❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Fund Expenditures audited and certified by the auditing officer for warrants prepared for the week of May 11, 2021 for payment totaling \$136,159.45. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*



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9:52 a.m. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Resolution 2021-094 Intergovernmental Agreement G7117 for Combined State and Local Voter's Pamphlet
2. Resolution 2021-095 Franklin County RV Park Rental Rate Increase
3. Resolution 2021-096 HAPO Increase for 2020 Year End Fund Balance
4. Resolution 2021-097 Resolution & Purchase Reimbursement Agreement with Administrative Office of the Courts
5. Resolution 2021-098 Public Works Contract of 2021 Crack Sealing County Wide to B.C.V. Inc.
6. Resolution 2021-099 Personal Services Contract between Juvenile Justice Center and Robert Stuyvesant
7. Resolution 2021-100 Re-appointment of Bob Legard to the Benton-Franklin Workforce Development Council
8. Resolution 2021-101 Re-appointment of Carol Moser to the Benton-Franklin Workforce Development Council
9. Resolution 2021-102 Re-appointment of Jim Smith to the Benton-Franklin Workforce Development Council
10. Resolution 2021-103 Re-appointment of Michael Bosse to the Benton-Franklin Workforce Development Council
11. Resolution 2021-104 Re-appointment of Michael Lee to the Benton-Franklin Workforce Development Council

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Peck with discussion on #1. Commissioner Peck moved amend the motion to approve the consent agenda to remove item #1 for future consideration. Commissioner Mullen seconded and the motion carried.*

10:03 a.m. **Executive Session**

RCW 42.30.110 (1) (i) to discuss with legal counsel: litigation or potential litigation.

Commissioner Didier recessed into Executive Session at 10:03 a.m., for up to 45 minutes to discuss with legal counsel regarding litigation or potential litigation. Commissioner Didier, Commissioner Mullen, Commissioner Peck, Administrator Keith Johnson, Prosecuting Attorney Shawn Sant, Chief Civil Attorney Jennifer Johnson, Clerk of the Board Karin Milham and Outside Council Attorney John Safarli were in attendance.

Commissioner Didier reconvened the Regular Meeting at 10:47 a.m. with no action taken.



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10:48 a.m. Administration Office Business

- Human Services Director Kyle Sullivan gave an update on the Criminal Justice Treatment Account “CJTA” programs. Greater Columbia Behavioral Health has oversees this program and Mr. Sullivan would like to know if Franklin County would like GCBH to continue overseeing the program.
- ❖ The Commissioners were in consensus in allowing GCBH to continue overseeing CJTA programs.
- Mr. Johnson brought two support letters before the Board. One is a request of funds on the Columbia Basin Development League Odessa Program and the other is requesting funds to build a roundabout in the Road 100 corridor.

Auditor Matt Beaton talked about Consent Item #1 Resolution 2021-094 Intergovernmental Agreement G7117 for Combined State and Local Voter's Pamphlet. After discussion, the Commissioners voted on the item.

Commissioner Mullen moved to approve item #1 of the consent agenda. Commissioner Peck seconded with discussion. After discussion the motion carried 2:1 with Commissioner Peck no.

11:04 a.m. Public Comment

- Lawanda Hatch thanked the Commissioners for moving forward with a redistricting committee. She was concerned with an unsanctioned meeting after the Commissioners meeting would like to see the Commissioners respect Open Public Meetings Act.
- George Dockstader spoke of the Environment Impact Statement (EIS) on the original five thousand acres. He opposed the Ben Franklin Transit (BFT) proposed budget projects. He asked the Commissioners to withdraw the letter to support a roundabout on Road 100.
- Commissioner Mullen received a call from David Cardenas stating he would like to be on the redistricting committee. Commissioner Peck received a call from him as well.

Adjourn

With no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Chair

Clerk of the Board

Date