

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 49
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceeding for May 19, 2008

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Rick Miller, Chair Pro Tem; Neva J. Corkrum, Member; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Bob Koch, Chairman, and Fred Bowen, County Administrator, were absent attending the National Association of Counties conference in St. George, Utah.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Patricia Shults met with the Board.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval of the consent agenda for May 19 as follows:

1. Approval of **joint Resolution 2008-199** in the matter of appointing Linda Schroeder and Melanie Olson to the Benton-Franklin Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board, with said terms expiring December 31, 2009. (Exhibit 1: Information sheet.)
2. Approval of **Resolution 2008-200** in the matter of authorizing Information Services to purchase two Dell computers for Corrections as identified on quote number 428036695, in the amount of \$1,066.81 each, and authorizing the purchase of two HP LaserJet P1505 Monochrome laser printers for a cost of \$194.40 each, plus tax, for an amount totaling \$2,552.64 for all items, to be paid from the Miscellaneous Jail Commissary Budget, Number 134-000-001, line item 594.23.64.0001 (Machinery & Equipment). (Exhibit 2: Information sheet.)

Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor.

Human Resources (HR)

HR Director Rosie H. Rumsey met with the Board.

Biggest Loser Weight Loss Competition for Employees

Ms. Rumsey told the Board about the Biggest Loser competition. The Wellness Committee is using its separate checking account to purchase two scales.

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval of payment of vouchers as listed: Capital Outlay warrants 249 through 250 for \$25,039.26; TRAC Operations Fund warrant 1357 for \$8,041.25; Auditor O&M warrant 498 for \$10.00; Franklin County Unemployment

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warrant 102 for \$5,417.89; and Franklin County RV Facility warrants 457 through 461 for \$3,413.19; for a total of \$41,921.59. Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor.

(Exhibit 3)

TRAC

TRAC Manager Troy Woody met with the Board. Present in audience: Sue Boothe.

Grant

A grant request has been prepared for STRIDES which is a therapeutic horse riding club. TRAC's commitment is to match dollar for dollar but that has not been formalized. If the grant is approved, some benefits to TRAC in the long term are that TRAC could rent an outdoor covered arena to 4-H groups who cannot afford to rent the indoor arena and the ability for more flexibility with all groups.

Mrs. Corkrum asked if the changes would hinder us in moving dirt in and out of the arena. Mr. Woody said no, because it will be roof and lights only.

Mrs. Corkrum asked if temporary tarps can be put in place to enclose the outdoor arena if there is inclement weather. Mr. Woody said no, although something similar to garage doors could be added. He said there is a heavy canvas building called Cover-All but the cost is too great at \$300,000, especially considering that a steel building could be put in place for \$250,000.

Mr. Woody said if we receive the grant but do not have the matching funds, TRAC would back out. Mrs. Corkrum asked Mr. Woody to have County Administrator Fred Bowen review the grant application also to determine if there are funds available for the matching portion.

Tri-City Amateur Hockey Association (TCAHA)

Last week TCAHA made an official request asking for year-round ice. Mr. Woody showed the Board his draft letter of response. He reviewed some details of his proposal. Mr. Woody asked the Board to think about the proposal and get back to him with any comments by the end of the week. The Board asked Mr. Woody to contact County Administrator Fred Bowen with the proposal for his comments also.

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Horse Events

The budget worksheet from the Mid-Columbia Quarter Horse Association (MCQHA) event held in April was reviewed. Mr. Woody said the horse shows are the most time consuming in every aspect from beginning to end. The stall counts were down. TRAC had a net income of \$1686 from the event.

Mr. Woody said he is allowing two horse event promoters to move away from their contracts. The number one problem is rocks, which will not be fixed until the arena has a concrete floor. He said he expects two horse groups to move away from TRAC for two years.

Comment Cards

The Board reviewed some comment cards that TRAC received from Pasco High School and Western Reflections Art Show.

AUDITOR

Auditor's Chief Deputy Sue Boothe met with the Board.

Auto Licensing

Ms. Boothe notified the Board that Westside Auto Licensing was vandalized over the weekend. The thieves took all the license tabs, all the money, all the license plates, the handicapped stickers, and one trailer license plate.

Recessed at 9:25 am.

Reconvened at 9:28 am.

PROSECUTOR

Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Ryan Verhulp met with the Board.

Executive Session at 9:30 am regarding litigation expected to last ten minutes based on RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

Open Session at 9:39 am.

Recessed at 9:39 am.

Reconvened at 9:42 am.

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PUBLIC WORKS

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board.

Vouchers

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval of vouchers as listed: County Road Fund for \$596,878.19; County Road Fund for \$14,369.11; MV & PW Equipment Fund for \$17,898.70; Solid Waste for \$1451.93; and CR Unemployment Trust for \$361.28.

Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 4)

Resolution: Purchase of Kitsap County Surplus 1993 Cab Forward Paint Striper, Serial #PVA29573

Mr. Fife asked for approval to purchase a paint striper for \$25,000. It uses solvent-based paint but has stainless steel parts so it can be converted to water-based paint. The purchase does not require a bid. The county's current striper was made in the 1960s and purchased used from Whitman County two years ago.

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval to purchase regarding the purchase of Kitsap County surplus 1993 Cab Forward Paint Striper for \$25,000. Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2008-201.

Mrs. Corkrum asked have we saved money by doing the work ourselves? Mr. Fife said no, but we have been able to avoid laying people off. We've been spending about the same amount of money. There is less and less competition from private striping companies so scheduling was a problem. Having our own striper gives us more flexibility.

Notice of Public Hearing: Application for Franchise by Clark Addition Water Association

Mr. Fife said the Clark Addition Water Association is requesting a franchise to put water lines in the right-of-ways.

Motion – Mrs. Corkrum: I move for approval to set a public hearing on the 11th of June at 9:30 am in the Franklin County Commissioners Meeting Room regarding Clark Addition Water Association regarding franchise application. Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 5)

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Irrigation Water on Roadways

Mr. Fife said there is an ordinance making it illegal to have irrigation water on roadways. There is no reason for landowners to be watering the roads anymore, particularly where the new paving has been done or will be done shortly. He said Public Works staff has knocked on doors and let people know, either verbally or by notices on the doors, and has put ads in the newspaper, targeting particularly the areas where new paving is being done. However, all we're hearing is a question about how long the water has to be off the roadway while paving is occurring before we put the water back on. That's troublesome for the Road Department because we've been listening to the farmers say we want to get away from ditches so we did that but if there are 240 inches of water put on a year, we need the ditches. We're going to have problems with the roadway unless we get the water off. He is concerned that the farmers are not making any adjustments or changes. He asked for Board input.

Mr. Miller said he is seeing less and less end guns being used. Some of the old circles have them on still. Mr. Fife said the end guns are more controlled than in the past.

Mr. Miller asked how long would they have to keep it off without damaging the new asphalt? Mr. Fife said they need to keep them off three or four days. We tried to accommodate their farming to the edge of the road. If the water gets under the edge it will destroy the road so it will cost us money.

Mrs. Corkrum said the Code Enforcement Officer has a process he can go through to notify people.

Mr. Fife again described the efforts made to notify people of the problem. He said he is not concerned about the water that is coming just three or four feet onto the roadway or about the problems caused by wind blowing the water. He is concerned about sprinklers shooting clear across the road and no changes being made to solve it. He said we're spending \$200,000 a mile to pave the roads. He feels the landowners can spend a little bit to change their irrigation system. The asphalt was put on Fir and Everett Roads. Everett Road got hit with irrigation water as the asphalt was being put on. Other roads will have asphalt put on soon.

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Mr. Fife will ask the Code Enforcement Officer to talk to the Board. The Code Enforcement Officer will not write a ticket until people have had a chance to fix a problem.

Adjourned at 9:58 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until May 22, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman

Chairman Pro Tem

Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed May 28, 2008.