

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 50  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
Commissioners' Proceeding for January 26, 2009

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Bob Koch, Chair Pro Tem; and Brad Peck, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Rick Miller, Chairman, was absent on county business to attend the National Association of Counties (NACo) Annual Retreat in Estero, Florida.

### LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Lobbyist Jim Potts held a speaker telephone call with the Commissioners regarding current state legislative issues.

### OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Patricia Shults met with the Board. Present in audience: Troy Woody.  
Consent Agenda

**Motion** - Mr. Peck: I move we approve today's consent agenda:

1. Approval of ***Out-of-State Travel Request*** for Richard Lathim to attend the Western States Sheriff's Association Annual Conference and Training, March 3-6, 2009, in Reno, Nevada, for an estimated cost of \$715.40. (Exhibit 1)
2. Approval of ***Out-of-State Travel Request*** for Kevin Carle to attend the Western States Sheriff's Association Annual Conference and Training, March 3-6, 2009, in Reno, Nevada, for an estimated cost of \$685.40. (Exhibit 2)
3. Approval of **Resolution 2009-039** accepting the quote from Phase 2 Electric, Inc., to provide security camera penetrations above the Franklin County Courthouse spiral staircase at a cost of \$1,072, to be paid from the 2009 Current Expense Security Department Budget, Number 001-000-580, line item 521.30.41.0001 (Contracted Security Svcs).
4. Approval for the Board to sign a Certificate of Appreciation recognizing Kay Hendrickson for her dedicated service to Franklin County / WSU Extension as she retires February 2, 2009. (Exhibit 3)

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

### Vouchers/Warrants

**Motion** – Mr. Peck: I move we approve the warrants as of 1/26/2009 as listed in the total amount of \$541,374.38: Current Expense warrants 11804 through 11841 for

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\$55,489.54; Current Expense Cumulative Reserve warrants 11842 through 11843 for \$35,681.12; Crime Victims Witness warrant 11844 for \$2,684.23; Trial Court Improvement Fund warrant 11845 for \$5,596.37; Franklin County Capital Projects Fund warrant 11846 for \$319,485.00; Current Expense warrants 11847 through 11865 for \$34,079.43; Veteran's Assistance warrants 11866 through 11867 for \$1,298.14; Veteran's Assistance warrants 11868 through 11879 for \$1,294.57; Current Expense warrants 11880 through 11922 for \$77,209.01; Solid Waste warrants 11923 for \$456.40; and Current Expense warrants 11924 through 11939 for \$8,100.57; for a total of \$541,374.38. Second by Mr. Koch. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 4)

### **TRAC**

TRAC Manager Troy Woody met with the Board.

#### Food Complaint

Mr. Woody told the Board about a food complaint. Only one complaint was received.

#### Summary of Events Scheduled for 2009

Mr. Woody gave the Board some preliminary draft information about four events scheduled for 2009 in which TRAC is the primary or one of the primary sponsors. TRAC staff will start soliciting sponsorships for the events. (Exhibit 5) TRAC has a contractual agreement with KNDU for \$1200 in marketing per month whether we use it or not.

The demolition derby and the indoor garage sale are new events. There will be a \$3 to \$5 admission charge for the indoor garage sale but no parking charge.

As of this morning, there are 1250 sold tickets for the Leann Rimes concert, which is about \$53,000 in revenue. TRAC needs \$90,000 in revenue to pay hard costs.

### **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

County Administrator Fred Bowen and Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board.

#### Building Department

The Board reviewed a proposed resolution regarding a specific case. There was concern expressed about setting a precedent. Mr. MacPherson said the language in the

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proposed resolution was drafted by an attorney. Both Commissioners feel it is in the county's best interests to pay this particular amount.

Mr. Bowen would like building permits to include some language that states the county will carry out inspections to the best of its ability but it is still ultimately the responsibility of the contractor and owner to comply with the rules. Mr. MacPherson said he does not have any objection to putting additional language in the permit. The permit has a paragraph that talks about the responsibilities of the contractor and owner. Anyone can sue anybody. The additional language might aid in eliminating this particular issue and help protect the county.

Mr. Peck said the inspectors' role is not to say everything has been done properly but in the interests of the county to do a reasonable review and inspection, but there is no guarantee of perfection in that inspection or guarantee that it is absolutely comprehensive and covers everything.

Mr. Koch does not feel this particular resolution will set a precedent because it is a unique situation. Mr. MacPherson said the contractor and owner are moving forward.

Mr. Peck said no one is questioning this particular \$5100 bill. The only question that remains is about setting a precedent. He said the language is good but could be stronger. He is concerned that language in the permit could be changed in the future. He feels a resolution should set any change in the permit language.

Mr. Bowen will have the resolution reviewed and it will be brought back on Wednesday.

Out-of-County Travel

**Motion** – Mr. Peck: I move for approval of Out-of-County Travel Request from Fred Bowen for February 4 through 6 to Olympia, Washington, in the total amount of \$376.20. Second by Mr. Koch. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 6)

Joint Workshop with City of Pasco

A joint workshop meeting including dinner will be held at TRAC on February 10. The county will purchase meals for three County Commissioners and the County Administrator. The City of Pasco will pay for their portion of the dinners. The county

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will contract with TRAC and then be reimbursed by the City of Pasco. Mr. Bowen said not all of the details of the meeting have been worked out at this time.

Mr. Koch does not see a need to record the meeting. Mr. Peck said if it is not required by law and saves the county money, he would agree. He said this is a meeting between the county and the City of Pasco of a public workshop nature to discuss issues of mutual interest.

Interagency Agreement for Historical Preservation: Washington State Railroads  
Historical Society

In response to Mr. Peck's question, Mr. Bowen said the agreement states the money is to be spent for specific items of historical preservation and that we have the ability to audit them at any time to ensure compliance.

Mr. Koch told Mr. Peck that originally we talked about having the Historical Society invoice us for every item but he felt that was unnecessary and burdensome. The local state auditor in concurrence with her superiors said if we have an MOU requiring them to use it for historical preservation, it would be sufficient in the state auditors' eyes.

**Motion** – Mr. Peck: I move we approve Interagency Agreement between Franklin County and Washington State Railroads Historical Society & Museum to provide funds to promote historical preservation or historical programs. This resolution gives details and specifies the payment of \$2500. Second by Mr. Koch. 2:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2009-040.

Budget Funds

Some current budget amounts were reviewed.

**Adjourned** at 10:23 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until January 28, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Chairman

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Chairman Pro Tem

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Member

Attest:

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Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed February 2, 2009.