

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 50
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceedings for December 30, 2009

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Rick Miller, Chairman; Bob Koch, Chair Pro Tem; and Brad Peck, Member; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Fred Bowen, County Administrator, was absent on vacation.

Meeting convened at 9:05 am.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Bridgette Scott met with the Board. Present in audience: Samuel C. Geyer and Carl Walters II from CHC La Clinica, Tri-City Herald reporter Kristi Pihl, Raymond E. Morrison, Lauri Sherfey and Tim Waters.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of the consent agenda for December 30 as presented. Second by Mr. Peck with discussion. Mr. Peck asked to hold item #3 until later in the meeting.

Regarding Item 15, Mr. Peck will support it but asked in the future that summary reports indicate what steps have been taken to comply with the particular organization's bylaws and make sure other people in the community who might want to serve are not artificially excluded.

Mr. Miller brought attention to consent agenda item 19, proclaiming January 4 through 8, 2010, as Agriculture Week. **Vote: 3:0 vote in favor.**

1. Approval of **Resolution 2009-519** for the METRO Interlocal Agreement, Local Narcotics Control Program and Metropolitan Controlled Substance Enforcement Group Inter-local Agreement, by and among the City of Pasco, City of Kennewick, City of Richland, Benton County and Franklin County.
2. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-521** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709DPM002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Donna Mannion for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, placing the attorney on probationary status and changing certain terms relating to conditions of termination, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-272.

(Clerk's Note: Item 3 was removed from the consent agenda.)

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3. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-_____** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709DLA002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Diana Anderson for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-267.
4. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-522** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709DRC002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Darin Campbell for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-268.
5. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-523** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709SDH002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Susan Henwood for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-269.
6. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-524** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709KH002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Keith Hilde for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-270.
7. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-525** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709LLM002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Laurie Magan for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-271.
8. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-526** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709DPM002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Donna Mannion for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-272.

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9. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-527** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709KLM002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Kathleen Moreno for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-277.
10. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-528** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709KKO002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Karyn Oldfield for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-274.
11. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-529** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709JAO002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Julie Ovens for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-275.
12. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-530** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709JDP002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Jared Paulsen for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-276.
13. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-531** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709MSP002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Mary Poland for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-277.
14. Approval of **joint Resolution 2009-532** authorizing the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners to sign an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Number BFSC0709DS002J, between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Daniel Stovern for indigent defense services in Benton and Franklin Juvenile Court, extending the agreement through December 31, 2010, thus, amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-278.

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15. Approval of **Resolution 2009-533** reappointing Ed Skelton, Kent Waliser, Mike Sullivan and Coy Mathis to the Franklin County Horticultural Pest and Disease Control Board, with said appointments expiring February 1, 2012.
16. Approval of **Resolution 2009-534** rescinding Franklin County Resolution Numbers 94-092, 99-104, 99-115 and 2001-246 for clarification purposes and adoption of the *Franklin County Policy on Voluntary Transfer of Annual Leave*.
17. Approval of **Resolution 2009-534** authorizing an additional 240 vacation hours to be transferred to Rosie Rumsey pursuant to the *Voluntary Transfer of Annual Leave Policy*.
18. Approval of County Road Fund payroll in the amount of \$71,339.14 and Motor Vehicle Fund payroll in the amount of \$11,747.09 for pay period ending December 23, 2009.
19. Approval of **Resolution 2009-535** proclaiming January 4-8, 2010, as "Agriculture Week" in Franklin County and calling on the community to join in recognizing and celebrating the importance of agriculture and the contributions of the men and women who work in this industry.
20. Approval of **Resolution 2009-536** amending Franklin County Resolution 2009-473 and authorizing an additional expenditure in the amount of \$350, utilizing funds from the Miscellaneous Trial Court Improvement Fund, Number 128-000-001, to pay the Imagenet, LLC, December invoice for hosting the web Datanet site for the County Clerk's Office.
21. Approval of **Resolution 2009-537** authorizing payment of \$1,551.26 for Franklin County's portion (1/5 share) of an invoice accrued by the Landfill Group to Aspect Consulting, LLC, for professional consulting services.
22. Approval of **Resolution 2009-538** approving Great West Casualty's, by Cunningham Lindsey on behalf of their insured Zenaido Martinez Trucking, offer to settle in the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) in satisfaction of Franklin County's property damage claim and authorizing the Chairman of the Board to sign the "Release For Property Damage Only" on behalf of the Board.

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chair, I move approval of 2009 vouchers for December 30, 2009: Current Expense warrants 26830 through 26913 in the amount of \$20,178.57; and

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Dispatch Enhanced 911 warrants 26914 through 26918 in the amount of \$14,748.23.

Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 3)

Professional Services Agreement #BFSC07-09DLA002J between Benton and Franklin Counties and Attorney Diana Anderson

Motion – Mr. Peck: I would move that we approve consent agenda item #3, recognizing that there appears to be no issue with that particular contract. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2009-539.

WSU EXTENSION (9:38 am)

WSU Extension Director Lauri Sherfey and Agent Tim Waters met with the Board. Present in audience: Samuel C. Geyer and Carl Walters II from CHC La Clinica, Tri-City Herald reporter Kristi Pihl, Coroner Dan Blasdel and Raymond E. Morrison.
Proposal for reduction in hours

Ms. Sherfey explained WSU Extension Office's proposal to close the office to the public one day a week because of budget cuts and support staff availability (Exhibit 1). After discussion, the Board **gave approval** of the requested change.

CORONER (9:50 am)

Coroner Dan Blasdel met with the Board.
Request for Inter Budget Transfer

Mr. Blasdel answered the questions from the Board about the unanticipated costs. He explained he has received some additional bills since he prepared the Agenda Summary Report so he is requesting a transfer of \$5500 (Exhibit 2). Mr. Peck said the autopsies are a mandated expense.

Mr. Peck asked Mr. Blasdel to provide a quarterly budget update in 2010.
Motion – Mr. Peck: Mr. Chair, I move approval of the resolution authorizing inter budget transfer of \$5500 from the 2009 Current Expense Non-Departmental Budget #700 with the line item out of Contingency Reserve to the Coroner's Budget for autopsies. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2009-540.

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Fees for removal of bodies and handling of indigent remains

Mr. Blasdel asked for approval to prepare RFPs to get bids from funeral homes for removal of bodies and handling of indigent remains rather than using the current rotation system, reserving the right to reject any and all bids. The Board **gave approval** for preparation of an RFP.

Request for information

Mr. Miller asked Mr. Blasdel to provide some budget and numerical information for the Coroner's Department.

HUMAN SERVICES (HS) (10:01 am)

Ed Thornbrugh, Deputy Assistant Director, met with the Board. Present in audience: HS Director Carrie Huie Pascua, Samuel C. Geyer and Carl Walters II from CHC La Clinica, Kristi Pihl, Coroner Dan Blasdel, and Raymond E. Morrison and Kris Kennedy.

Mr. Thornbrugh explained some information about a contract with Nueva Esperanza Counseling Center. Mr. Peck will be meeting with the contractor representatives later today. The Board will wait to approve or disapprove the contract until after that meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS (10:09 am)

Minutes

Motion – Mr. Koch: I would move for approval of Commissioners Proceedings for December 9, December 16, bi-county December 16, and December 21, 2009. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor.

Vouchers/Warrants (10:12 am)

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of Salary Clearing payroll for December 30 in the amount of \$728,737.25, and the cover sheet also has Emergency Management payroll for \$14,592.52 and Irrigation payroll for \$13,398.01. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor.

Salary Clearing payroll warrants 49944 through 50059 for \$193,830.06; warrants 50060 through 50077 for \$227,236.52; and Direct Deposit for \$307,670.67;

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Emergency Management payroll warrants 26787 through 26797 for \$3317.58; warrants 26798 through 26808 for \$4265.77; and Direct Deposit for \$7009.17; and Irrigation payroll warrants 26809 through 26821 for \$8630.64; and warrants 26822 through 26829 for \$4767.37. (Exhibit 4)

Clarification of information in a Tri-City Herald article (10:14 am)

Mr. Peck said an article in the Tri-City Herald stated Franklin County cut 2.5 positions from the Auditor's Office in 2010. He said there is a subtle but important difference because county commissioners do not cut positions. We set budgets and budget priorities and then the elected officials live within those budgets as required by law.

Recessed at 10:19 am.

Reconvened at 10:26 am.

2010 Board Organization and Committee Assignments

Present in audience: Kristi Pihl and Kris Kennedy.

The Board discussed the 2010 Board organization and committee assignments in detail.

The Board left the fire marshal position under the Coroner's Office at this time rather than the Planning and Building Department/Code Enforcement office. Mr. Koch said we do need to prepare a contract for fire marshal services.

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of Franklin County Resolution #2009-541 regarding the organization of Franklin County Commissioners. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor.

Adjourned at 11:25 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until January 6, 2010.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman

Chairman Pro Tem

Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed January 6, 2010.