

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceedings for September 22, 2010

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Brad Peck, Chairman; Rick Miller, Chair Pro Tem; and Bob Koch, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 9:00 am.

HUMAN RESOURCES (HR)

HR Director Rosie H. Rumsey met with the Board. Present in audience: Tri-City Herald Reporter Kristi Pihl.

Insurance Plans Update

Ms. Rumsey gave an update on insurance plans and rates for 2011. If the county had wanted to switch to another insurance plan, we would have to have sent a letter of intent by June 30, 2010. The plans were not available until August. Mr. Koch said he does not think other favorable insurance plans are available. Ms. Rumsey asked for Board approval of using Washington Counties Insurance Fund/ Washington Counties Insurance Pool (WCIF/WCIP) and having Commissioner Peck sign the annual agreement. Mr. Miller said a letter of intent could be sent by the 2011 deadline so the county could look at other insurance plans.

Motion - Mr. Koch: I would make a motion to allow the chairman to sign the agreement with Washington Counties Insurance Pool and Washington Counties Insurance Fund. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

Juvenile Justice Center (JJC): Supplemental Budget Requests

JJC Director Sharon Paradis met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

Ms. Paradis explained that a long-time employee retired, leading to additional PERS 1 retirement costs. The JJC is requesting an \$8365 budget supplement. Franklin County's portion is \$2510.

Another supplemental budget request is for \$5400 for nonreplacement computers that is reimbursable to the county by the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC).

Another budget supplement request is for replacement of electrical panels in the JJC. Franklin County's portion of the Facilities budget always stays at 28%. It is the portion that

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Franklin County owns of the facility. In December 2009, Ms. Paradis had explained to the Board that the replacement of electrical panels was budgeted in 2009 but it was clear we were not going to be able to finalize the process between the supplier and the contractor who would install it in 2009. She had told the Board it would be done in 2010 instead. In 2010, Franklin County was credited with \$12,834 from the JJC Operations budget and \$22,959 from the JJC Facilities budget. Now the actual cost for Franklin County for the purchase and installation of those electrical panels is \$17,272.

Motion – Mr. Miller moved to approve going to a public hearing for the retirement expense and replacement computer expense. Second by Mr. Koch. The motion was restated to be more clear. 3:0 vote in favor.

Request for electrical panels in Detention

Ms. Paradis asked for approval to replace electrical panels in Detention that control lights and electric doors. The current equipment is no longer built or maintained. The equipment is critical to the security of the building. Franklin County's portion of the costs for the improvements is \$17,272. Mr. Bowen said the money would come from reserves. The Board gave **consensus approval** to go to public hearing.

Supplemental Budget request

Benton County did not approve another budget request. Franklin County Commissioners said it is a moot point so they did not act on the request.

Beds in JJC

There are now 35 beds in JJC. There were 60 staffed beds last year.

SUPERIOR COURT

Superior Court Administrator Pat Austin and Superior Court Judge Carrie Runge met with the Board. Present in audience: Sharon Paradis and Kristi Pihl.

Adult Drug Court Program

Judge Runge and Ms. Austin gave an update on the Adult Drug Court Program. They asked the Board to try to keep funding the program.

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HORTICULTURE AND PEST CONTROL BOARD

Tom Wilson, Director, and Mike Sullivan, Board Chairman, met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

2011 Budget

Mr. Wilson reviewed the 2011 budget. He said a vehicle will need to be replaced at some point. Mr. Wilson asked if the Board approves the budget. The Board said the Horticulture and Pest Control budget will be approved as part of the county's 2011 budget.

Appointment of Horticulture and Pest Control Board members

Mr. Wilson asked if the Board wants to re-advertise each time there needs to be an appointment of board members. One member is appointed by the Department of Agriculture as an ex officio member, a position currently held by a WSU Extension Office agent. The other four positions are appointed by the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Sullivan explained how difficult it is to get people to serve on the board. Mr. Wilson asked what action the Commissioners would like to see that shows we're looking for Horticulture and Pest Control Board members. All four positions expire at the same time instead of being staggered. RCW 15.09 is the law regarding the board.

Mr. Peck said to answer your question, personally I don't want us to spend a lot of money advertising trying to find someone, but conversely, it is important to fill the positions with people who understand the issues. Hopefully you can do that without burning money that could be going to vehicles and other items.

Research will be done to see if the terms can be staggered. The RCW does say two-year terms.

PUBLIC WORKS

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board. Present in audience: Ed Thornbrugh and Kristi Pihl.

Vouchers

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of the vouchers for County Road Fund, Motor Vehicle and Public Works, Solid Waste and Probation Work Crew in the bottom line amount of \$186,744.98. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

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County Road Fund for \$115,634.74; MV & PW Equipment Fund for \$70,383.72; Solid Waste Fund for \$478.39; and Probation Work Crew Fund for \$248.13. (Exhibit 2)

Interlocal Cooperative Agreement: Franklin PUD

Motion – Mr. Miller: I move that we approve the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between Franklin County and Franklin PUD for general equipment and/or services to the Department of Public Works. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2010-268.

Juniper Dunes

Public Works Department staff members are meeting with people at the Juniper Dunes site regarding a road to Juniper Dunes. Mr. Fife described the process that will occur. There is \$700,000 available. It has been added to the PW budget for 2011. If things work out well, both miles will be paved. If not, the first mile will be paved and the second probably will be graveled.

Surplus Vehicles

An auction will be held the first weekend in November. Four vehicles could be surplused: Two Crown Victorias from the Sheriff's Office, a Crown Victoria and a Dodge Magnum from the Sheriff's Office. Mr. Bowen will notify offices of the availability of used vehicles prior to surplusizing them.

R170 Update

Mr. Fife described the work that is being done on the R170 road project.

Recessed at 10:25 am.

Reconvened at 10:30 am.

PROSECUTOR

Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Ryan Verhulp and Deputy Prosecutor Amy Harris met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

Executive Session at 10:32 am expected to last up to 10 minutes based on RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i). Ms. Pihl left the room.

Open Session at 10:37 am. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl and Tim Fife.

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Settlement Agreement in case of Franklin County v. James E. McLeod

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for Resolution Number 2010-269 regarding resolution approving settlement agreement with Mr. McLeod. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

Executive Session at 10:42 am expected to last for up to 30 minutes for current litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) related to CRP 593 and condemnation of properties issue. Ms. Pihl left the room.

Open Session at 11:15 am.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Administrative Assistant Toni Fulton met with the Board. Present in audience: Ed Thornbrugh and Kristi Pihl.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of the consent agenda for September 22, 2010, containing eight items. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

1. Approval of Resolution 2010-270 approving Professional Services Contract between Franklin County and Franklin County Emergency Management for administration of 2009 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant.
2. Approval of Resolution 2010-271 approving Professional Services Contract between Franklin County and Franklin County Emergency Management for administration of 2008 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant.
3. Approval of Resolution 2010-272 approving Lease Agreement Number 09-31-09 between Franklin County and the Public Utility District No. 1 of Benton County (Benton PUD) to provide occupancy at the Jump Off Joe communication site, for public safety communication network equipment.
4. Approval of Resolution 2010-273 accepting quote and approval of contract between Franklin County and Cross Match Technologies, Inc. for annual maintenance of the Corrections ID 500 Livescan Fingerprint System.
5. Approval of Joint Resolution 2010-274 in the matter of the request for signature from the Chairman of the Boards of Benton and Franklin County Commissioners on the Food Services Contract Amendment between the Juvenile Justice Center and Aramark Correctional Services.

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6. Approval of Motor Vehicle Fund payroll in the amount of \$11,240.83 and County Road Fund payroll in the amount of \$68,912.69 for pay period ending 9/16/2010.
7. Approval of Resolution 2010-275 approving payment of Franklin County's portion (\$2,222.40) of an invoice accrued by the Landfill Group to Aspect Consulting LLC for professional consulting services related to the cleanup of the Pasco Sanitary Landfill.
8. Approval of Resolution 2010-276 approving the purchase of a John Deere Z930 lawnmower for the Franklin County Facilities & Maintenance department to be paid from the 2010 Motor Vehicle Fund, Number 500-000-001, line item 548.60.00.0000 (Vehicles & Public Works Equipment).

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve Salary Clearing payroll and Emergency Management payroll and Irrigation payroll. Salary Clearing total is \$545,930.60, Emergency Management total is \$11,506.59, and Irrigation total is \$11,002.30. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

Salary Clearing payroll warrants 51728 through 51803 for \$160,082.38; warrants 51804 through 51808 for \$66,279.23; and Direct Deposit for \$319,568.99;

Emergency Management warrants 38482 through 38488 for \$3138.22; warrants 38489 through 38492 for \$1336.34; and Direct Deposit for \$7032.03; and

Irrigation payroll warrants 38493 through 38507 for \$9510.63; and warrants 38508 through 38511 for \$1491.67. (Exhibit 3)

Motion – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to move to approve the warrants as audited as of September 22, 2010, and they are listed in the amount of \$433,332.68. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

Current Expense warrants 38654 through 38728 for \$17,049.26; Current Expense warrants 38729 through 38776 for \$47,632.95; Current Expense warrants 38777 through 38779 for \$678.28; Auditor O&M warrant 38780 for \$237.09; Treasurer O&M warrant 38781 for \$25,000.00; Courthouse Facilitator Program warrant 38782 for \$980.00; Clerk LFO Collection Fund warrant 38783 for \$168.00; Boating Safety Fund warrant 38784 for \$554.14; Sheriff/Sex Offender Grant warrant 38785 for \$98.59; Jail Commissary warrants 38786 through 38788 for \$3219.20; Enhanced 911 warrants 38789 and 38790 for \$1608.19; Election Equipment

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Revolving warrants 38791 through 38793 for \$1219.40; Veteran's Assistance warrants 38804 through 38808 for \$2893.13; TRAC Operations Fund warrants 38809 through 38827 for \$8020.17; Current Expense warrants 38838 through 38910 for \$102,703.32; Current Expense warrants 38941 through 39029 for \$41,588.10; Current Expense warrants 39030 through 39060 for \$42,467.97; Auditor O&M warrants 39087 through 39089 for \$914.05; Election Equipment Revolving warrant 39090 for \$121.94; Treasurer O&M warrants 39091 through 39094 for \$3928.06; Trial Court Improvement Fund warrants 39095 and 39096 for \$1886.55; Jail Commissary warrants 39097 through 39101 for \$2822.07; Law Library warrants 39102 and 39103 for \$7979.28; Affordable Housing Fund warrant 39104 for \$903.45; Dept. of Commerce Pass Through warrants 39105 and 39106 for \$22,302.57; and Current Expense warrant 39107 for \$35.36; for a total amount of \$433,332.68. (Exhibit 4)

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR (continuing)

Present in audience: Ed Thornbrugh and Kristi Pihl.

Eltopia Water Association – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Both Basin City Water and Sewer District and Eltopia Water Association are requesting approval of grant applications. However, CDBG only allows one project per county per year. Mr. Bowen reviewed the status of the two water projects. He recommended the fairest way is to follow the process used by the county when we release distressed county funds to all of the agencies inside of Franklin County. He briefly explained how the process works. Alternatively, the Board could simply choose one of the agencies. He said the projects have equal need.

Mr. Koch said he thinks the best avenue at this point is to hear from both of them and what their thoughts are. He would like to see what the communities have to say.

The Board asked Mr. Bowen to set up a meeting with the two agencies.

Inter Budget Transfer

Mr. Bowen asked for approval of an inter budget transfer for additional costs related to jury trials.

Motion - Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move we approve the inter budget transfer of \$25,000 from the 2010 Current Expense Non-Departmental Budget #700, line item 519.90.00.0100 (Contingency Reserve-Reserved Fund Balance) to the County Clerk Budget #160, line item

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512.30.49.0002 (Jury Fees). Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2010-277.

MINUTES

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman I would move for approval of Commissioners Proceedings for August 18, August 25 and September 1, 2010. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS

Human Services: 2163 and 2060 Funds (Homeless Housing and Affordable Housing funds)

HS Administrator Ed Thornbrugh met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

Mr. Thornbrugh asked for approval to review the management of the 2163 and 2060 funds. The contract with the Community Action Committee (CAC) for managing the 2060 funds expires in December 2010. The Board **gave approval**.

Adjourned at 11:43 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until September 29, 2010.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Brad Peck, Chairman

Rick Miller, Chairman Pro Tem

Robert E. Koch, Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed October 20, 2010.