

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceedings for November 17, 2010

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

FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Bid Opening: Janitorial Services

Bid Opening convened at 9:00 am. Christian Giles. Present in audience: Monique Kaas from Country Mercantile, Lynn Swinyard from ABM, Patricia Brewster from Lourdes Cullum House, Maximino Uriostegui from Country Mercantile and Tri-City Herald Reporter Kristi Pihl. Three bids were received.

Durashine Clean, 617 West Brown Street, 7 cents per square foot Courthouse, 7 cents per square foot Public Safety Building. Total: 7 cents per square foot for 62,095 square feet. Mr. Bowen said it appears the bid is set per square foot but does not give a total amount of square feet per year. The document will be reviewed. Mr. Giles believes the bid documents asked for a total.

ABM Janitorial from Kennewick. Courthouse: .051714 cents per square foot
Public Safety Building: 0.045092 cents per square foot
Totals: \$1441.47 per month for Courthouse and \$1543.09 per month for PSB

Personal Touch from Kennewick.
Courthouse, per year at 77 cents per square foot for a total of \$21,550
Public Safety Building for one year, 76 cents per square foot for a total of \$25,904

The bids will be reviewed. A recommendation for bid award is expected next week.

Recessed at 9:09 am.

Reconvened at 9:15 am.

PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board.

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Public Hearing: Update to the Franklin County Sign Code Ordinance, TC 2010-02

Public Hearing convened at 9:15 am. Present: Commissioners Miller and Koch; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson; Assistant Director Greg Wendt; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Patricia Brewster from Lourdes Cullum House, Monique Kaas from Country Mercantile, Lynn Swinyard from ABM, Maximino Uriostegui from Country Mercantile, Pasco City Planner David McDonald and Kristi Pihl.

Mr. Miller gave a brief overview of the project. Mr. MacPherson explained what has occurred before this hearing. One comment was received from the City of Pasco. The State Department of Commerce provided no comment. The Planning Commission has recommended adoption of the new Franklin County sign code ordinance.

Mr. Miller asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak who is opposed.

Mr. McDonald said City of Pasco is not necessarily opposed but would like to ask that adoption be delayed for about a month so the city can review about four areas of concern. He gave the Board a letter officially asking that it be tabled (Exhibit 1). He explained the city would like to see some of the sign requirements similar to the City of Pasco's in the urban growth area boundary.

Mr. Miller asked twice more if anyone would like to speak in opposition. No one responded.

Mr. Miller asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak in favor of passing the sign ordinance as it is.

Steve Berry with Young Electric Sign Company said I approve of the proposal.

Mr. Miller asked two more times if anyone would like to speak in favor. There was no response. The hearing was closed to public comment.

Mr. Koch asked if Pasco had significant changes and we held off until December 15, for instance, would we have to go back through a complete hearing before the Planning Commission and other hearings? He is concerned that it would take until spring to finish it. Mr. MacPherson said he believes another hearing would be necessary and the potential is that adoption could be pushed off for awhile.

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Mr. Miller said we've been working on this since August with a workshop in October. He understands some people in the county want to put up some signs. However, we understand the city wants to be consistent with the urban areas of the county. He said I hate to delay this any longer.

Mr. Koch said there is a need by some people to move forward with the sign code in the form currently presented. There is also a need for the city to evaluate the code for consistency within the urban area.

Motion – Mr. Koch: I move that TC 2010-02 be adopted as proposed and recommend that the county planning staff coordinate and work with the city planning staff on bringing forward any recommended changes to the code that could be considered by the Board at a future amendment hearing. Second by Mr. Miller.

Mr. Miller said the county wants to work with the city on these issues. We understand the need for consistency. Mr. McDonald responded to Mr. Miller's question, saying some of the city's concerns in the unincorporated areas of Pasco are sign height, off-premise signs, and perhaps yard sales signs and home identification signs.

Vote: 2:0 vote in favor. This is Ordinance 9-2010. (Exhibit 2)

MINUTES

Motion – Mr. Koch: I would move for approval of Commissioner's Proceedings for November 8, 2010, and allow for Commissioner Peck's signature because he was at that meeting and is out of town today. Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Administrative Assistant Toni Fulton met with the Board. Present in audience: Patricia Brewster of Lourdes Cullum House and Kristi Pihl.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of the consent agenda for November 17, 2010, with the seven items as presented. Second by Mr. Miller. In response to Mr. Miller's question regarding item 3, Mr. Bowen said Compu-Tech maintains the county software. The contract is for maintenance in 2011. Compu-Tech is not willing to continue support in 2012 because the software is outdated. 2:0 vote in favor.

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1. Approval of Resolution 2010-335, reappointing Richard Britton to the Franklin County Mosquito Control District Board of Trustees for a two-year term, representing Commissioner District 1, effective January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2012.
2. Approval of Resolution 2010-336, reappointing Monti Cooper to the Franklin County Mosquito Control District Board of Trustees for a two-year term, representing Commissioner District 2, effective January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2012.
3. Approval of Resolution 2010-337, approving software support contract between Franklin County and Compu-Tech, Inc.
4. Approval of payment of County Road Fund payroll in the amount of \$71,249.14 and Motor Vehicle Fund payroll in the amount of \$11,405.33 for the pay period ending 11/10/2010.
5. Approval of Resolution 2010-338, professional services contract between Franklin County and J & J Security, Inc. for courthouse security services effective January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.
6. Approval and signature of application for credit through The Part Works, Inc.
7. Approval of Resolution 2010-339, in the matter of executing an agreement with Washington State Office of Public Defense.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

CDBG – Grant Selection

Basin City Water and Sewer District and Eltopia Water District both plan to apply for a CDBG grant. The county can only sponsor one grant application. Mr. Bowen said both are very much needed. Each has filled out the block grant application so the Board can review the two applications to decide which is the highest priority. The Commissioners and staff will review the application materials prior to making a decision. The grant application is due to CDBG in January.

HUMAN SERVICES (HS)

HS Administrator Ed Thornbrugh met with the Board. Present in audience: Patricia Brewster with Lourdes Cullum House, a man, and Kristi Pihl.

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Funding Reductions at Greater Columbia Behavioral Health (GCBH)

Mr. Thornbrugh gave an update on plans to implement the funding reductions.

In response to Mr. Bowen's question, he said operational funds for a Consolidated Crisis Response Center (CCRC) have largely been cut.

Lease for Health District Office Space

The lease for office space for Human Services from the Benton-Franklin Health District will be on the next consent agenda. After the first year, a budget savings of about \$56,000 a year is anticipated.

Requests for one-time payments

Mr. Thornbrugh said a state contract is late so his office will be requesting approval for one-time payments to vendors for developmental disabilities services.

OFFICE BUSINESS (continuing) (9:52 am)

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

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Koch: I move for approval of fund expenditures for November 17, 2010, in the bottom line of \$898,059.16. Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor.

TRAC Operations Fund warrants 41577 through 41608 for \$31,704.07; Franklin County RV warrants 41609 through 41614 for \$5,594.69; Current Expense warrant 41615 for \$167,531.68; Enhanced 911 warrants 41616 through 41619 for \$11,149.91; Veteran's Assistance warrant 41620 for \$26.25; Ending Homelessness Fund warrant 41621 for \$17,666.75; Current Expense warrant 41622 for \$356,973.50; Capital Outlays 1/4% Excise warrants 41623 and 41624 for \$182,456.55; TRAC Operations Fund warrant 41625 for \$85,720.00; Current Expense warrants 41626 through 41709 for \$38,433.20; Current Expense, Excise Tax - Treasurer Remittance, for \$679.98; Auditor O & M, Excise Tax - Treasurer Remittance, for \$37.67; Election Equipment Revolving, Excise Tax - Treasurer Remittance, for \$31.04; and TRAC Operations Fund, Excise Tax - Treasurer Remittance, for \$53.87; for a total amount of \$898,059.16. (Exhibit 3)

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Motion – Mr. Koch: I would move for approval of the salary clearing payroll in the amount of \$541,419.32. On the cover sheet is Emergency Management for \$11,556.36 and Irrigation of \$10,386.55 . Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor.

Salary Clearing payroll warrants 52157 through 52238 for \$157,795.62; warrants 52239 through 52243 for \$65,346.36; and Direct Deposit for \$318,277.34; for a total of \$541,419.32;

Emergency Management payroll warrants 41388 through 41394 for \$3149.89; warrants 41395 through 41398 for \$1342.61; and Direct Deposit for \$7063.86; for a total of \$11,556.36; and

Irrigation payroll warrants 41399 through 41415 for \$9013.44; and warrants 41416 through 41419 for \$1373.11; for a total amount of \$10,386.55. (Exhibit 4)

Employee Insurance

Mr. Bowen asked for a Board decision regarding using Premera for insurance and having the insurance committee evaluate the insurance.

Mr. Koch said if we had heard about it in July, he thinks we could have looked at other options. Mr. Miller agreed.

Human Resources Director Rosie H. Rumsey joined the meeting.

The Commissioners decided to use Premera for insurance at this point and have the insurance committee meet.

Recessed at 10:09 am.

Reconvened at 10:11 am.

PUBLIC WORKS

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

Vouchers

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of vouchers for County Road Fund for \$648,349.85, Motor Vehicle & Public Works Equipment Fund for \$69,751.10, Solid Waste Fund for \$460.98, and Probation Work Crew Fund for \$118.62, in the total amount of \$718,680.55.

Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 5)

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Update on County Wide Safety Program

The state has awarded the county funds for safety projects, \$250,000 for intersections and \$500,000 for run-off-roadway safety projects. He had given the Board a list of proposed projects previously. Since then, he has assessed locations regardless of traffic volume to determine if there are spot locations or routes that have significant risk. The Board reviewed the new list of proposed projects with estimated costs. Lights, rumble strips and run-off-the-roadway projects are considered. Delineators are fiberglass stakes with a reflector.

Other Business

R170 is being paved, weather permitting. The bridge work will not be complete for several more weeks.

The county has been awarded a bridge replacement project for Filbert Road Bridge. The earliest the project will be done is next winter when the water is out of the canal.

Mr. Koch said there is a CRAB Board opening for small counties. He would support Mr. Fife's appointment. Mr. Miller also nodded approval. Mr. Bowen asked if it would jeopardize any funding the county might get. Mr. Fife said no. He would have to recuse himself from some decisions.

PROSECUTOR (10:30 am)

Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Ryan Verhulp and Dispatch Superintendent Ed Bush met with the Board. Present in audience: Kristi Pihl.

Executive Session at 10:30 am based on RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for potential litigation regarding a wage claim expected to last 15 minutes. Ms. Pihl left the room.

Executive Session continued at 10:47 am expected to last ten minutes. The person waiting outside was notified.

Open Session at 10:57 am.

Motion – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I would move for approval of Resolution 2010-340 involving the wage claim approved minus any reductions required by state and Federal laws calculated by the Franklin County Auditor's Office. Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor.

Adjourned at 10:59 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until November 22, 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 November 22, 2010.