

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51
FRANKLIN COUNTY
Commissioners' Proceedings for October 19, 2011

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

PUBLIC WORKS

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board.

Public Hearing on application for franchise by Eltopia Water Association

Public Hearing convened at 9:00 a.m. Present: Commissioners Koch, Miller and Peck; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Engineer Tim Fife; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. Present in audience: Christy Batayola with Harms Engineering and Gary Fitch.

Mr. Fife told the Board the background information about the request from the Eltopia Water Association for a franchise on county right-of-way. In response to Mr. Koch's question, Mr. Fife said we have an Accommodation Policy so it is standard business for utilities to use public road right-of-ways. It is not uncommon. The permitting process will have to be followed.

Christy Batayola said most of the new water lines will go in various street right-of-ways in Eltopia. Easements for private property locations will be obtained. Most of the existing lines are in the right-of-ways.

Mr. Fife answered Mr. Peck's questions about franchise processes and fees.

Mr. Koch asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak for or against the franchise.

Christy Batayola spoke in favor saying the project is extremely important. Old galvanized lines have been there for 30+ years. We would like to replace them with PVC, new fittings, and also new service lines and meters boxes.

No one else wished to speak.

Motion – Mr. Peck: I move for approval of the resolution presented by Public Works in the matter of application of Eltopia Water Association for domestic water franchise agreement between Franklin County and Eltopia Water Association as presented. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2011-348 was approved.

Franchise Process

Mr. Peck asked that the franchise process be reviewed and updated as needed.

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Vouchers

Motion – Mr. Peck: I move for approval of vouchers presented by the Public Works Director and certified as appropriate for payment by same and these are County Road, Motor Vehicle, Solid Waste and Probation Work Crew in the total amount of \$209,172.89. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

County Road for \$131,215.50; Motor Vehicle for \$76,479.70; Solid Waste for \$716.94; and Probation Work Crew for \$760.75. (Exhibit 1)

Motion – Mr. Peck: I move for approval of County Road and Motor Vehicle vouchers certified by Mr. Fife's Department as appropriate for payment in the total amount of \$102,513.54.

Payroll for County Road, warrants 56489 through 56512 for \$40,382.55; Direct Deposit for \$36,728.08; and Benefits warrants 56513 through 56516 for \$12,797.90; for a total amount of \$89,908.53; and

Motor Vehicle payroll warrants 56517 through 56528 for \$4615.75; Direct Deposit for \$6124.78; and Benefits warrants 56529 through 56532 for \$1864.48; for a total amount of \$12,605.01. Grand total is \$12,605.01. (Exhibit 2)

Request for additional salary step increase for employee

Present in audience: Jerrod MacPherson and Greg Wendt.

Mr. Fife requested approval for an additional salary step increase for employee Patrick Watson. Public Works Road Supervisor Gary Fitch explained the high quality of work done by Mr. Watson and his high skill and ability levels and gave some examples.

Mr. Miller expressed concern about giving the increase now because of the economy but recognized the employee has 20 years of experience and was started at entry level.

Mr. Koch said it sounds like there have been numerous days of labor and equipment savings.

Mr. Fife answered Mr. Peck's questions. Mr. Peck said I think it's a sign of excellent leadership when you stick yourself in front of this board asking for more money in this budget.

Mr. Miller said I have to trust what you've said. From his own experience he knows a good employee can save money on equipment wear and tear.

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Motion – Mr. Miller moved to approve the step increase as presented by Public Works Director Tim Fife. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor. The request was approved to advance from Grade 12 Step 2 to Grade 12 Step 4. (Exhibit 3)

PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board.

CUP 2011-05, a Conditional Use Permit application to operate a retail fertilizer operation in the Agricultural Production 20 (AP-20) Zoning District. The land is located approximately 12,500 feet east of Highway 395, west of Blasdel Road, along the south side of East Foster Wells Road near site address 2340 E Foster Wells Road (Parcel Number 113-150-108). Applicant: JR Simplot.

Public Hearing convened at 9:39 am. Present: Commissioners Koch, Miller and Peck; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson; Assistant Director Greg Wendt; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. No one was present in the audience.

Mr. Wendt reviewed the information on the Agenda Summary Report (Exhibit 4). Mr. MacPherson showed aerial views of the property on the screen. Mr. Wendt reviewed the conditions of approval.

In response to Mr. Miller's question, Mr. MacPherson said the material will be all pre-packaged fertilizer. The company will not be making mixtures.

Mr. Peck asked about the requirement for 20,000 gallons of water. Mr. MacPherson explained it is a Building Code requirement which allows a deviation and that the county Fire Official and Fire District #3 have worked out a joint recommendation with the applicant.

The building official has reviewed the MSDS reports.

Mr. Peck asked about the process involved if a transfer of permit is done as allowed by Condition of Approval #10 regarding a transfer of the permit. Mr. MacPherson said the land use approval goes with the site itself. Mr. Wendt gave some examples of transfers that have been done in the past. In response to Mr. Peck's question, the approval of the conditional use permit is based on the county code, land and use rather than the applicant.

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Mr. Peck asked if Emergency Management (EM) has been consulted so they would be able to respond to an emergency effectively. Mr. Wendt said it was not reviewed by EM. The information will be sent to EM.

Motion – Mr. Peck: I move for approval of CUP 2011-05 as presented. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2011-249 was approved.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Vouchers/Warrants

Motion – Mr. Peck: I move that we approve fund expenditures submitted by the Franklin County Auditor for payment and signed and certified as due and payable in the total amount of \$633,810.58. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

<u>Fund Expenditures</u>	<u>Warrants</u>	<u>Amount Issued</u>	
Current Expense	56629	\$282,648.22	
Auditor O & M	56630	\$55.52	
Election Equipment Revolving	56631	\$1,116.89	
Crime Victims/Witness Assist	56632	\$2,048.92	
Boating Safety Fund	56633	\$668.64	
Sheriff Sex Offender Grant	56634	\$716.90	
Sheriff's Narcotic Trust	56635	\$63.59	
Jail Commissary	56636	\$1,414.96	
County Roads	56637	\$42,057.44	
Solid Waste	56638	\$3,964.20	
TRAC Operations Fund	56639	\$47,003.47	
Franklin County RV	56640	\$957.12	
Motor Vehicle	56641	\$34,585.01	
Franklin Cnty Noxious WD	56642	\$6,751.54	
Pest Control Board	56643	\$2,767.58	
Current Expense	56644	56743	\$72,498.15
Current Expense	56744	56749	\$10,470.07
Sheriff Sex Offender Grant	56750		\$652.80
Enhanced 911	56751	56753	\$93,257.12
Veteran's Assistance	56754		\$3,793.17

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FC Capital Projects Fund	56755		\$138.00
FC Public Facilities Const Fund	56756	56757	\$5,436.23
Franklin County RV	56758	56759	\$648.19
Current Expense	56760	56763	\$3,180.61
Solid Waste	56764		\$320.42
Current Expense	56765	56770	\$13,364.20
Auditor O & M	56771	56772	\$1,397.56
Election Equipment Revolving	56773		\$234.94
TRAC Operations Fund	Excise Tax		\$83.98
Franklin County RV	Excise Tax		\$34.60
Current Expense	Excise Tax		\$342.80
FC Public Facilities Const Fund	Excise Tax		\$1,137.74

(Exhibit 5)

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Peck: I move for approval of the consent agenda with discussion. Second by Mr. Miller.

(Clerk's Note: Consent Agenda Item #1 was not approved.)

1. Approval of Resolution 2011-_____, approval for the Facilities Department to open an account at Lowe's
2. Approval of Resolution 2011-351, Interlocal Agreement for emergency radio communications site facility between Franklin County and Franklin County Fire Protection District #3
3. Approval of Resolution 2011-352, Agreement #11/13-PREV-NECC-00 to provide substance abuse prevention services and coordination of a two-county prevention program for the 2011-2013 biennium between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and Nueva Esperanza Counseling Center

Regarding consent agenda item #1, Mr. Peck is concerned about the county doing any selective purchasing from one business. There are other suppliers in our community and county.

Mr. Bowen recommended the Facilities Department should obtain a credit card instead.

Mr. Peck agreed. Mr. Koch agreed.

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Motion – Mr. Peck: I would move to amend my existing motion to delete item 1. Second by Mr. Miller. Mr. Koch said I understand the motion as amended would be to accept the consent agenda minus item 1. 3:0 vote in favor.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

Executive Session at 10:00 am, union contract negotiations, RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) expected to last 30 minutes.

Open Session at 10:27 am.

Recessed at 10:27 am.

Reconvened at 10:33 am.

Adjourned at 10:33 am.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until October 12, 2011.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Robert E. Koch, Chairman

Rick Miller, Chairman Pro Tem

Brad Peck, Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed November 2, 2011.