

COMMISSIONERS RECORD 51  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
Commissioners' Proceedings for October 31, 2012

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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 Robert E. Koch, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 10:00 am.

**OFFICE BUSINESS**

Administrative Assistant Margo Hines met with the Board. Present in audience: Jim Follansbee, Rich Lahtinen, Roger Lenk, Pat Austin, Ed Thornbrugh and Tri-City Herald Reporter Michelle Dupler.

Vouchers

**Motion** - Mr. Koch moved for approval of two sets of vouchers.

Salary Clearing payroll, Emergency Management payroll and Irrigation payroll in the bottom line of \$806,236.50. It is signed by Mr. Beaton and Kristina Bahovich. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 1)

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Warrant</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>Salary Clearing Payroll:</b>		
Payroll	57114-57216	190,618.49
Direct Deposit		332,873.79
		523,492.28
Benefits	57217-57231	240,751.41
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$764,243.69</b>
 <b>Emergency Mgmt Payroll:</b>		
Payroll	73538-73546	\$5,625.22
Direct Deposit		11,994.40
		17,619.62
Benefits	73547-73555	7,764.04
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$25,383.66</b>

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<b>Irrigation Payroll:</b>		
Payroll	73556-73570	\$6,594.35
Direct Deposit		4,170.34
		10,764.69
Benefits	73571-73578	5,844.46
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,609.15</b>

**Grand Total**  
**All Payrolls** **\$806,236.50**

**Motion** – Mr. Koch moved for approval of 13 fund expenditures in the bottom line total of \$292,671.08. Second by Mr. Miller. Signed by Mr. Beaton and audited by Julie Jordan. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 2)

<b>Fund Expenditures</b>	<b><u>Warrants</u></b>		<b>Amount Issued</b>
Current Expense	73611	73675	\$12,679.31
Current Expense	73676	73705	\$26,273.25
Current Expense	73706	73748	\$206,290.02
TRAC Operations Fund	73749	73768	\$12,554.38
Franklin County RV Facility	73769	-	\$1,488.59
Supplemental Preservation Fund	73700	-	\$500.00
Election Equipment Revolving	73771	73772	\$1,292.88
Treasurer O & M	73773	-	\$2,074.00
Trial Court Improvement Fund	73774	-	\$1,050.00
Jail Commissary	73775	73777	\$1,585.32
Enhanced 911	73778	73779	\$7,217.18
Ending Homelessness Fund	73780	73784	\$17,330.00
Motor Vehicle/Public Works	73785	-	\$2,336.15

**Minutes**

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: I move for approval of Commissioners Proceedings for October 10, October 17 and October 24. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor.

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Consent Agenda

**Motion** - Mr. Miller: I move that we approve the consent agenda items 1 through 10 with discussion. Second by Mr. Koch. Mr. Peck asked that a coordination section be added to the bi-county Agenda Summary Form when it is used for Franklin County matters. Superior Court Administrator Pat Austin answered Mr. Peck's question about consent agenda item #1.

Mr. Thornbrugh answered Mr. Peck's questions about consent agenda items #5, #6, #7 and #8.

3:0 vote in favor.

1. Approval of Resolution 2012-061, Interagency Agreement IAA13059 between State of Washington Administrative Office of the Courts and Benton/Franklin County Juvenile Court Amendment 1.
2. Approval of Resolution 2012-062, Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement between Benton and Franklin Counties for Superior Court salaries and benefits, rescinding Benton County Resolution 99-038 and Franklin County Resolution 99-029
3. Approval of Resolution 2012-063, First Amendment to Agreement #2011/2013-HEN-LCC to provide housing and essential needs services between Lourdes Counseling Center and Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services
4. Approval of Resolution 2012-064, Personal Services Contract #2012/2014-DESERTGREEN-SNOW with DesertGreen Lawn & Tree Care LLC for "as needed" snow plowing and liquid de-ice services for the Benton and Franklin Counties Crisis Response Unit
5. Approval of Resolution 2012-065, Lease Addendum to original lease dated October 1, 1996 by and between McCausland (now Bassett)/Sonju J/V and Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services for the Crisis Response Unit building located at 2636 West Deschutes Avenue, Kennewick, WA
6. Approval of Resolution 2012-066, Public Works Contract #2012/2013-APOLLO with Apollo Heating & Air Conditioning for "as needed" plumbing, pipefitting, sheet metal and HVAC repair services for the Benton and Franklin Counties Crisis Response Unit
7. Approval of Resolution 2012-067, Public Works Contract #2012/2013-DESERTGREEN-SPRAY with DesertGreen Lawn & Tree Care LLC to provide bare ground weed control treatment and quarterly pest control services for the Benton and Franklin Counties Crisis Response Unit

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8. Approval of Resolution 2012-68, Agreement #12/13-DD-AWI-00 to provide developmental disabilities services between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and Ambitions Community Support Services, Inc.
9. Approval of Resolution 2012-069, approving cell phone reimbursement for the Administrative Assistant in the Prosecutor's Office and revising the Wireless Communication Device/Cellular Reimbursement Master List, amending Franklin County Resolution Numbers 2009-444, 2010-070, 2010-250 and 2011-189
10. Approval of Resolution 2012-070, payment of Franklin County's portion (\$3942.72) of an invoice accrued by The Landfill Group to Aspect Consulting LLC for professional consulting services (Pasco Sanitary Landfill)

### PROSECUTOR

Deputy Prosecutor Janet Taylor and Human Resources Director Rosie H. Rumsey met with the Board. Present in audience: Margo Hines, Jim Follansbee, Rich Lahtinen, Roger Lenk, Pat Austin, Ed Thornbrugh and Tri-City Herald Reporter Michelle Dupler.

**Executive Session** at 10:16 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4) regarding contract negotiations. Margo Hines remained in the meeting. All others in the audience left the meeting.

**Open Session** at 10:48 am. Present in audience: Michelle Dupler, Jim Follansbee, Roger Lenk, Troy Woody, Rosie Rumsey, Dave Guyll, Janet Taylor, Yesenia Torres, Sandy Schroeder, Lisa Schumacher and one other man.

### COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

Jail Expansion Project: Summary of Costs, pro's and con's

Mr. Bowen reviewed a summary of the jail expansion project with the Board which included a cost estimate comparison for several different methods of hiring the project manager. Mr. Bowen recommended using an in-house project manager. The Board discussed hiring of an in-house project manager.

**Motion** - Mr. Peck: I would move that we pursue hiring an in-house project manager that would be projected to be a 24-month employee, leaving open the possibility it might be shorter or longer, and it would be at the proposed rate recommended by the county administrator; and that we advertise this position publicly for no less than one week in the interest of due diligence.

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Second by Mr. Miller. The proposed rate of pay was discussed. Upon review of the rate proposed by the County Administrator, Mr. Koch and Mr. Miller did not feel it was inappropriate. Mr. Peck said he would prefer to have the compensation be based on qualifications.

**Amendment to Motion** - Mr. Miller said I can't see any problem with that so I will make that amendment, "depending on the person's qualifications." (Second by Mr. Miller.)

Mr. Peck said the motion will include compensation commensurate with qualifications for the position.

Mr. Koch said my only concern is if it will cost us more.

Mr. Peck said after the applications are received, Mr. Bowen can bring the matter into executive session to discuss it with the Board. After that, the Board can make a decision.

**3:0 vote in favor.**

Tri-Cities Legislative Council Issues: Public Records Reform

The Board reviewed a draft of a paper that is being prepared by the Tri-Cities Legislative Council.

**Motion** – Mr. Koch: I would move for approving Revision 4. Second by Mr. Miller. There was discussion. 2:1 vote in favor. Yeas: Miller and Koch. Nay: Peck.

Commissioner Responsibility for city incorporation

Mr. Bowen gave the Board an update about the Commissioners' responsibility regarding the petition for incorporation of the City of Riverview.

Roger Lenk commented, stating he understands the Commissioners are to hold a public hearing regardless of the status of other aspects of the matter with the City of Pasco and the court system.

## **INSURANCE**

Dave Gyll with Conover Insurance, Human Resources Director Rosie H. Rumsey and Deputy Prosecutor Janet Taylor met with the Board. Present in audience: Jim Follansbee, Roger Lenk, Michelle Dupler, Troy Woody, Yesenia Torres, Sandy Schroeder and Lisa Schumacher.

Mr. Gyll reviewed the proposed 2013 medical insurance plans and rates. Ms. Rumsey said the Insurance Committee has recommended approval of Premera Option #4.

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Mr. Peck noted that in the future, the Board expects the Insurance Committee to be involved in insurance review matters.

**Motion** - Mr. Peck moved to rescind the Board's earlier decision for Premera Option 2.

Ms. Taylor noted for the record that the Public Works union is negotiating at this time and has indicated to her that it also recommends adoption of Option #4.

**Motion** - Mr. Peck moved to accept the Insurance Committee's recommendation and adopt Premera Option 4 and rescind the previous option of Premera Option 2 based on the new information. Second by Mr. Miller.

Ms. Rumsey asked the Board to choose a rate structure of either the four-tier rates or composite rates. The Insurance Committee did not see the composite rates because they were not available until today but was given an estimate. Janet Taylor also commented.

**Amended Motion** – Mr. Peck amended his motion to specify that it was tiered rates as voted on unanimously by the Public Works union and as recommended by the Insurance Committee. Second by Mr. Miller still stands.

Yesenia Torres spoke as a member of the Insurance Committee and representing Local 874. She asked that composite two-tier rates be explored for 2014. She noted concerns of employees about the increasing costs to employees. She also asked the commissioners to consider making it mandatory for all employees to opt into using county health insurance.

Troy Woody showed the Board a spreadsheet. There was discussion.

**Motion Revoked:** Mr. Peck revoked his motion. He expressed displeasure about what he feels is incomplete staff work. He said complete staff work means that the coordination is done and all of the people who have a vested interest in the outcome of this decision have had an opportunity to be fully heard and all of the key issues have been addressed, and then it comes forward as a package. There was further discussion.

**Motion** – Mr. Peck noted there is a motion and second on the table for adoption of Premera Option 4 as recommended by the Insurance Committee.

Ms. Rumsey said the spreadsheet does not change the actual rates. It was just informational to show the out-of-pocket costs for the employees. Mr. Peck explained his concern about recognizing the impacts on people.

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**Motion** – Restated by Mr. Peck: Approval of adopting Premera Option 4 as recommended by the Insurance Committee and referred to as a four-tiered rate as opposed to the composite. 3:0 vote in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

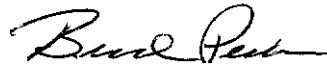
**Motion** – Mr. Miller: Gentlemen, I move we adjourn at 12:07. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

**Adjourned** at 12:07 pm.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until October 10, 2012.

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 21, 2012.





**FRANKLIN COUNTY AUDITOR**

*Matt Beaton, Auditor*

October 31, 2012

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.080, expense reimbursement claims certified by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been sent to the board members.

Action: As of this date, October 31, 2012 *PK*  
 move that the following warrants be approved for payment.

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In the total amount of **\$806,236.50** (\$764,243.69+\$25,383.66+\$16,609.15)

The motion was seconded by *Frank Miller* and passed by a vote of 3 to 0.

*Matt Beaton*  
 The attached payroll has been approved by Auditor or Deputy *Kurtin Bahovich* Payroll Prepared By



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**\$292,671.08**

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And passed by a vote of 3 to 0

The attached vouchers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy

Vouchers Audited By