

## Minutes for January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2003

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**060592 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **January 6, 2003** at **10:00 a.m.** Greg Partch, Chairman, Jerry Finch, and Les Wigen, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

**10:00 a.m. - Board Business.**

Present: Jerry Jones, Brett Bosse, and Diana Dawson.

**D060592A 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.**

**0605993 2. Board Reorganization: Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to nominate Commissioner Finch Chairman for 2003.

**060594 3. Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to nominate Commissioner Wigen Vice-Chairman for 2003.

**D060594A 4. Motion** by Commissioner Wigen to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

**060595 5. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered 144276-144399 for \$292,198.68** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	\$17,773.53
102	Building & Development	485.84
103	Countywide Planning	539.83
104	Developmental Services	100.00
110	County Roads	6,210.84
112	Public Facilities Improvement	1,741.28
117	Boating Safety	59.18
118	Inmate Welfare	858.72
126	Treasurer's M&O	371.58
400	Solid Waste	4,614.19
410	Solid Waste Reserve	720.00
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	258,480.96
513	Communications Revolving	242.73

**060596 6. December 30, 2002 minutes** approved.

**060597-060606 7. Personnel board orders** approved.

**060607 8. The 2003 Commissioner Committee assignments** reviewed and the slate accepted as revised. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to accept the committee assignments as revised.

## 2003 Whitman County Commissioners Committee Assignments

### **Commissioner District I, Greg Partch**

Aging & Long Term Care of Eastern Washington Governing Board (ALTCEW)  
Council on Aging & Human Services (COA&HS)  
Greater Columbia Behavioral Health Regional Support Network  
Workforce Investment Act (WIA)-State Paid Expenses  
WSAC Legislative Steering Committee (Partially Paid Expenses)  
WSAC Eastern District Secretary  
Joint Planning Advisory Committee (JPAC)  
Whitcom Executive Committee (Primary)  
Palouse Community Partners  
Developmental Services Advisory Board (Non-Member)

### **Commissioner District II, Jerry Finch**

Counseling Services Advisory Committee (Non-Member)  
Martin Hall Juvenile Facilities Consortium  
Washington Counties Insurance Fund (WCIF) (Paid Expenses)  
Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee  
Community Education and Training Center (CETC)  
United Way of Pullman  
Washington Counties Risk Pool (Primary)  
Incident Team (IT)  
Whitcom Executive Committee (Alternate)  
Palouse Local Work Group  
Scenic Heritage Byways Committee  
Safety Committee

### **Commissioner District III, Les Wigen**

Palouse Empire Fair Board  
Palouse Empire Fair Foundation Committee  
Palouse Empire Fair Grandstand Committee  
Northwest Council of Governments Association (NWCOGA)  
Whitman County Business & Development Association (Primary)  
WRIA 34  
WRIA 35  
WRIA 56  
Tucannon River Workgroup  
Salmon Recovery Board

### **All Commissioners**

Board of Health (BOH)  
Board of Equalization (BOE)  
Law & Justice Planning Council  
Joint Port of Whitman County/Whitman County  
WA-CERT Port/Whitman County Review Committee  
Quad Counties Committee  
ADO Committee

**Chairperson**

Hearings Examiner Board  
Finance Committee (All May Participate)  
Transportation Policy Board  
Board of Law Library  
Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)  
LEOFF 1 Disability Board  
Rural Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO)

**All Commissioners May Attend Occasionally (BOCC-Not Members)**

OKKO Club  
Noxious Weed Control Board  
Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)  
Agricultural Burning Task Force  
Extension Steering Committee  
TEA-21 Committee  
Road and Bridge Advisory Committee

**D060607A 9.** The appointment of the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Natural Resources Advisory Committee and Subcommittees tabled to January 13<sup>th</sup>.

**060608 10.** The annual snow removal and winter safety policy was received from Facilities Management.

**060609 11.** A listing of the Whitman County employees that have not participated in the 2002 Bloodborne Pathogen training was received from Human Resources.

**060610 12.** The Board received a copy of a notice and order of a condemned building that was sent to Christopher Dvorak.

**060611 13.** Information and a contract registering with Judicial Information System (JIS-Link) services were received from Hickman and Webster, Attorneys at Law and signed by the Chairman.

**D060611A 14.** Commissioners pending list reviewed.

**10:25 a.m. - Joe Reynolds, County Assessor.**

Present: Jerry Jones and Brett Bosse.

**060612** Regarding Sandy Weitz' retirement and rehire, Mr. Reynolds requested authorization to correct the immediate problem using his 2002 (13<sup>th</sup> month) budget for approximately \$1,053.00 while pursuing reimbursement from the Department of Retirement Systems (DRS). DRS acknowledged Ms. Weitz' retirement, but the month of October is the only question. Commissioner Partch **moved** to approve the Assessor correcting Sandy Weitz's retirement issue through a 13<sup>th</sup> month expenditure. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried**.

**10:45 a.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.**

Present: John Peterson.

**060613 15.** Items discussed included the 2003 .08 allocation, Public Safety & Health Network, Classification proposal, Emergency Management wages, HIPPA regulations, WSDOT/Port Railroad report, and an email from Bev Welch. No action taken.

**12:00 p.m. - Recess.**

**1:30 p.m. - Mike Werner, Developmental Services.**

**D060613A 1.** Mr. Werner indicated he had met with Commissioner Partch in advance of today's meeting concerning the Whitman County Public Health & Safety Network. The Network has ceased operations. The state decided to phase out the networks. The required 23-member board was very cumbersome and in Mr. Werner's opinion, a duplication of efforts with other existing organizations.

The Network now needs to settle up the finances. Approximately \$11,700 is remaining at the end of 2002. Since the county was the fiscal agent, the money needs to be turned over to the county. In talking with the Administrative Director, a 2003 budget should be established for the Network transferring the funds after the next budget amendment hearing.

From the Network's perspective, if the Board decides to use this money for programs, Mr. Werner asked that the Board consider what this money was originally intended for, youths, juveniles, and families at risk.

It was the consensus of the Board the money is placed in the general fund with no plans for expending these funds at this time.

**060614 2. Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to appoint Paul Strum to a 3-year term on the Developmental Services Advisory Board. Mr. Strum's term will expire January 1, 2006.

**D060614A 3.** Legislative issues and supplemental services payments briefly discussed.

**2:00 p.m. - 2003 Public Works Tire Bid.**

Present: Dane Dunford and Phil Meyer.

**060615** The following bids were received, opened and read aloud. Staff will make a recommendation for award on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

<b>COMMERCIAL TIRE</b>	\$ 558.50 (Partial Bid)
<b>TIRE DISTRUCTION</b>	\$2,649.26

**2:15 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.**

Present: Becky Griner of Cellular One, Bev Welch, and Dan Brown (3:00 p.m.).

**060616 16.** Items discussed included cellular telephone service, Administrative Director goals for 2003, and CIP rankings. No action taken.

**4:15 p.m. - Adjournment.**

**D060616A** Commissioner Finch **moved** to adjourn the **January 6, 2003** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **January 13, 2003**. The foregoing action made this **6th** day of **January 2003**.

ss/ GREG PARTCH, Commissioner  
ss/ LES WIGEN, Commissioner

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MARIBETH BECKER, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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G.R. "JERRY" FINCH, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners