

Minutes for January 22nd, 2002

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059175 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **January 22, 2002 at 10:05 a.m.** Greg Partch, Chairman, Jerry Finch and Les Wigen, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

10:05 a.m. - Board Business.

D059175A 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Chris Anderson and Jennifer Snead.

D059175B 2. Motion by Commissioner Finch to approve the Consent Agenda. **Seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried**.

059176 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **130643-130678** and **130681-131009** for **\$507,165.89** approved.

FUND #	FUND NAME	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	\$ 30,514.47	\$ 8,380.00	\$175,451.42
101	Self Insurance			2,135.03
102	Building & Development		1,200.00	23.96
103	Countywide Planning		1,800.00	717.97
104	Developmental Services			2,053.31
105	Mental Health	5,699.20	875.60	37,565.01
107	Chemical Dependency	2,236.00		2,165.03
108	Indigent Soldiers			808.00
110	County Roads	15,049.60	5,297.20	9,780.29
119	Emergency Services			2,300.00
123	Paths & Trails			2,170.19
126	Treasurer's M&O			116.49
127	Drug Enforcement			5,157.36
132	Auditor's Document Preserv.			992.45
135	Prosecutor's Stop Grant			41.11
136	Electronic Monitoring			957.50
138	Federal Equitable Sharing			85.38
139	"911" Emergency Service			25,985.41
300	Capital Projects			1,590.87
400	Solid Waste	1,750.00	883.20	78,642.98
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	2,698.00	1,997.20	71,523.95
510	Photocopier Revolving			2,486.18
512	Indust. Insurance Revolving			342.70
513	Communications Revolving			3,668.00
521	Family Svc. Center Revolving			2,024.83

059177 4. January 14, 2002 minutes approved.

059178-059182 5. Personnel board orders approved.

059183 6. **Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a proclamation acknowledging the USS Carl Vinson.

P R O C L A M A T I O N

USS CARL VINSON

WHEREAS, the 3,500 men and women assigned to the USS CARL VINSON aircraft carrier are returning to their homeport in Bremerton, Kitsap County, Washington after serving the United States bravely in support of operation ENDURING FREEDOM, in our nation's war on terrorism; and,

WHEREAS, during their deployment, Sailors and Marines worked 24 hours a day demonstrating the mobility and superior firepower of the United States of America and taking the fight from our homeland to the Taliban's front doorstep, preventing terrorists from operating with impunity from Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, the hearts of Americans across the Country, including citizens of Whitman County, swell with pride at the professionalism and dedication of the nation's finest warriors and patriots, who are attached to the USS CARL VINSON; and

WHEREAS, as this vessel returns back home, to the arms of our community, having earned through their efforts America's security, we reach out in appreciation and respect to welcome them home to their families, friends and neighbors.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS do hereby salute the personnel assigned to the USS CARL VINSON.

PROCLAIMED this 22nd day of January 2002.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Greg Partch, Chairman

ATTEST:

G. R. Finch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

059184 7. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign a proclamation acknowledging the USS Sacramento (AOE 1).

PROCLAMATION

USS SACRAMENTO (AOE 1)

WHEREAS, the USS SACRAMENTO (AOE 1) and its 567 officers, petty officers and sailors are returning home after a six-month deployment to the North Arabian Sea where they served the United States bravely in support of operation ENDURING FREEDOM, our nation's war on terrorism, and

WHEREAS, during their deployment, the USS SACRAMENTO was among the most important military assets in this war, having completed a total of 168 alongside-replenishments with forty-three different ships and transferring more than nineteen million gallons of fuel and 3,300 lifts of ammunition, food, stores, parts, and mail to support the battle group; and fueling and providing ammunition for nearly every bomb dropped in Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, allies around the globe and proud Americans across the country, including citizens of Whitman County, are exceptionally proud of the heroic effort, precision and swift response executed by the "Golden Bear" in defense of our nation and for world peace; and

WHEREAS, as this vessel returns home, having traveled over fifty-one thousand nautical miles (equivalent to two times around the world), to Bremerton in Kitsap County, Washington, the citizens of our community reach out in appreciation and respect to welcome them safely home to their families, friends and neighbors.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS do hereby salute the personnel assigned to the USS SACRAMENTO (AOE 1).

PROCLAIMED this 22nd day of January 2002.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Greg Partch, Chairman

G. R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

10:15 a.m. - Tim Myers and Tom Miller.

059185 8. Motion by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a resolution adopting the 2002 per diem rates.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SETTING THE PER DIEM AMOUNTS FOR MEALS FOR THE YEAR 2002.

WHEREAS, It is determined that meals while on travel status are best compensated by a standard per diem rate, and

WHEREAS, because the costs of meals will vary year to year the Whitman County Commissioners will set meal per diem rates annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

- (1) The total meal Per Diem for the year 2002 shall be \$35.00. The following separate allowance for calculating a per meal basis is as follows: Breakfast \$8.00, Lunch \$10.00, and Dinner \$17.00.
- (2) The effective date of this Per Diem shall be January 1, 2002.

Dated this 22nd day of January 2002 at Colfax, Washington.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Greg Partch, Chairman

ATTEST:

G. R. Finch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

D059185A 9. Commissioner Wigen advised the other members that former State Representative Darwin Nealey of Lacrosse passed away this morning. A proclamation in honor of Mr. Nealey will be prepared for the Board's signature.

059186 10. Motion by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to authorize publishing a notice to call for bids for the county building lighting project.

059187 11. Motion by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign an agreement with Fountain Flying Service.

059188 12. A request to carry over unused vacation leave into 2002 was received from Bev Welch, reviewed and tabled to next week.

059189 13. A letter was received from Gregory P. Royer, Vice President for Business Affairs at WSU, offering the assistance of WSU in revising the Comprehensive Plan/Zoning Ordinance.

059190 14. Email was received from Dale Miller concerning the commissioners' decision to postpone the 2002 spring .08 allocation.

059191 15. Notification of the annual countywide audit of selected property parcels in Whitman County was received from the Department of Revenue.

059192 16. An executed copy of CDBG Public Service grant contract #02-64002-014 was received from the Office of Community Development.

059193 17. Notice of a request for a special occasion liquor license for Guardian Angel/St. Boniface Home & School Association was received from the Washington State Liquor Control Board. The Board voiced no objections.

059194 18. An update on the effort to implement existing policy plans and property transactions received from the Department of Natural Resources.

059195 19. The Clerk advised the Board that the full amount of \$5,000 approved for the biodiesel study might not be necessary. Due to other contributing entities, this amount was reduced to \$4,300 after a **motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried**.

D059195A 20. Commissioners' pending items reviewed.

10:55 a.m. - Recess.

11:00 a.m. - Dane Dunford, Public Works Director.

Financial Division:

D059195B 1. According to the Director, the annual road levy information was forwarded to the CRAB by Public Works.

Maintenance Division:

D059195C 2. Mr. Dunford reported that the crews plowed snow the previous Saturday, Sunday and Monday (holiday) with varying amounts of staff.

Administrative Division:

D059195D 3. A discussion about current legislative issues held.

11:30 a.m. - Dick Brown, Administrative Services Director.

Present: Dane Dunford, Bob Lothspeich, Bev Welch, Peggy Wright, Randy Baldree, Fran Martin, Kelli Shrope, Mike Berney, Mike Werner, Jim Kaufman, Tom Miller, and Tim Myers.

The following individuals contacted Administrative Services regarding their absence from today's meeting: Chad Connors, Doug Robinson, Marlynn Markley and Joe Reynolds.

059196 The December 2001 ending financial report provided by Mr. Brown.

December 2001 Cash Balance - \$1,590,049

December 2000 Cash Balance - \$1,682,841

December 2001 Revenue - \$8,349,118 - 95.68% of budget.

December 2000 Revenue - \$8,510,595 -104.36% of budget.

December 2001 Expenditures \$8,312,125 - 91.22% of budget.

December 2000 Expenditures \$8,074,804 - 92.78% of budget.

12:00 p.m. - Recess.

2:00 p.m. - BOCC Workshop.

Present: Dick Brown, Fran Martin, John Skyles

D059196A Items discussed included the Capital Improvement Program, land use issues, and upcoming retreat.

No action taken.

4:00 p.m. - Recess.

D059196B THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **January 23, 2002 at 1:45 p.m.** Greg Partch, Chairman, Jerry Finch and Les Wigen, Commissioners attended.

1:45 p.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued.

059197 21. A letter was read by Commissioner Wigen in honor of Darwin Nealey.

059198 22. A proclamation was also read by Commissioner Wigen proclaiming that the Whitman County Courthouse flag be flown at half-staff from Friday morning, January 25th through Monday morning, January 28th. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION

In Honor of Darwin Nealey

WHEREAS, Darwin Nealey, represented the 9th Legislative District as a member of the Washington State House of Representatives, from 1982 - 1992; and,

WHEREAS, Darwin Nealey was dedicated to his family, friends, his hometown area of Lacrosse, Whitman County, and the Republican Party. He represented them well during his tenure in Olympia; and,

WHEREAS, Darwin Nealey served with the United States Army during World War II in the Aleutian Islands and in Europe.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that the flags in Whitman County be lowered to half-staff from Friday morning, January 25th until Monday morning, January 28th, 2002, in honor of Darwin Nealey.

Dated this 23rd day of January 2002.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Greg Partch, Chairman

G. R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

059199 23. Motion by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a memorandum of agreement with Whitman Conservation District for the biodiesel study.

2:00 p.m. - BOCC Workshop.

Present: Chad Connors.

D059199A Juvenile related legislative items discussed. No action taken.

2:55 p.m. - Recess.

D059199B THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **January 25, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.** Greg Partch, Chairman, Jerry Finch and Les Wigen, Commissioners attended.

2:00 p.m. - BOCC Workshop.

Present: Dane Dunford and Mark Bordsen.

D059199C Items discussed included: Capitol Press, lighting plan for DeMeiller storage buildings, and solid waste interests. No action taken.

2:30 p.m. - Recess.

3:00 p.m. - EAT COMMITTEE/Commissioners Retreat (Public Service Building).

Present: Joe Reynolds, Shirley Bafus, Dick Brown, Randy Baldree, Mike Berney, Mike Werner, Doug Robinson, Marlynn Markley, Bob Reynolds, Fran Martin, Pete martin, Kelli Shrope, Bev Welch, Chad Connors, Tim Myers, Jim Kaufman, Dane Dunford, Steve Tomson, Don Anderson, Dave Frazier, Bob Lothspeich, Peggy Wright and Janet Schmidt, Facilitator.

D059199D Items covered included: new county lighting update, vault space allocation, GIS/GPS advantages vs. cost, Courthouse renovation/mainframe computer replacement and bonding, numbering system for county office doors, Harrison Building, number of RCW's in hard copy, line item budget for newly elected/appointed officials' first year, Courthouse space allocation study, policies and procedures to review or establish, grant writing needs, seminars needed and performance based budgeting. No action taken.

7:15 p.m. - Adjournment.

D059199E Commissioner Finch **moved** to adjourn the **January 22, 23, and 25, 2002** 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 28, 2002**. The foregoing action made this **25th** day of **January 2002**.

ss/ JERRY FINCH, Commissioner
ss/ LES WIGEN, Commissioner

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

GREG PARTCH, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners