

Minutes for January 26, 2009

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069130 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for Monday, January 26, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Patrick J. O'Neill and Greg Partch, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

9:00 a.m. - Call to Order/Board Business/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Kelli Campbell and Gary Hunt and Valerie Hunt (9:00 a.m.).

D069130A 1. Items discussed included union contracts. No action taken.

9:30 a.m. - Recess.

10:00 a.m. - Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Pete Martin, Michele Beckmann and Joe Smillie.

069131 Not used.

D069131A 2. Motion by Commissioner O'Neill to accept the consent agenda with additions. Motion seconded by Commissioner Partch and carried.

069132 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered 224733-224787 for \$285,912.60 approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	38,684.86
101	Self Insurance	10,753.25
102	Building & Development	35.00
103	Countywide Planning	100.00
104	Developmental Services	130.88
109	Homeless Housing	36.96
110	County Roads	1,767.80
123	Paths & Trails-123.310.000	207.15
127	Drug Enforcement-Quad City	1,504.94
141	Washington Housing SHB 2060	1,427.45
143	Trial Court Improve-143.030.000	4,396.31
144	Emerg. Communic.-144.260.001	6,471.69
400	Solid Waste	900.59
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	219,495.72

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069133 4. Veterans Relief request signed and forwarded to the Auditor's office for processing.

069134 5. January 19 and 20, 2009 minutes approved.

069135-069141 6. Personnel board orders approved.

D069141A 7. Pete Martin, County Coroner was recognized by the Board for receiving the prestigious Humanitarian Award from the Washington State Physicians Assistants Association.

069142 8. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve vacation accrual for Bev Divine as presented.

069143 9. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign a contract with Dingus, Zarecor & Associates PLLC for providing services associated with the county's 2008 audit.

069144 10. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to accept the KITTCOM Emergency Management agreement (12/31/10).

069145 11. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize the Chairman to sign the Washington Military Department contract #E09-170 for the term 09/01/08-06/30/10.

069146 12. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the Washington Military Department contract #E09-171 for the term 09/01/08-04/30/10.

13. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the following grant application data forms for Emergency Management:

069147 Dept. of Homeland Security in the amount of \$40,357.00

069148 Dept. of Homeland Security in the amount of \$66,226.00

069149 Dept. of Homeland Security in the amount of \$23,591.00

069150 14. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to reappoint Mark Yrazabal to a 4-year term on the Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials representing business. Mr. Yrazabal's term will expire 12/31/12.

069151 15. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve a special occasion liquor license for Guardian Angel-St. Boniface for March 21st.

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10:30 a.m. - Janet Schmidt and Steve VanVleet, Extension Service.

Present: Joe Smillie.

069152 16. The Agents requested authorization to purchase a small pickup truck from Grant County Public Works Department for \$4,000.00 to replace their existing Ford Ranger that is in need of at least \$2,500 in repairs. Funds to cover this expenditure would be deducted from the Extension Service Research Account (\$1100), Extension Service Travel (\$1000) and proceeds from the auction of the Ford Ranger (\$1900). If the auction does not bring in \$1900, Mr. VanVleet said he would work to bring in additional funds. Ms. Schmidt said additional funds could also be taken from Extension Service Travel if necessary.

In visiting with Whitman County Public Works staff Mr. VanVleet was advised no small pickups would be available within the coming year. Upon further discussion, Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize up to \$2,600 for a used vehicle paid for with funds from the Extension Service budget.

069153 17. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve a letter to the Bank of Whitman as submitted for visa cards within the Prosecutor's office.

069154 18. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to appoint Ron Wachter and Dale Miller to 4-year terms on the Blue Ribbon Advisory Task Committee. All terms will expire 12/31/12.

069155 19. A letter was received from Morgan Giddings voicing disappointment at local, state and federal elected officials for the current lack of viable recycling options.

069156 20. Notice of the upcoming countywide appraisals of selected real property parcels in Whitman County was received from the Department of Revenue.

21. The following executed contracts/agreements received:

- 069157** Community Action Center 2009 CDBG-PS (02/28/10),
- 069158** Community Action Center 2009 CDBG-PS subrecipient (12/31/09),
- 069159** KITTCOM/Whitman County agreement (12/31/10),
- 069160** WSU 2009 memorandum of agreement (12/31/09).

069161 22. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

11:05 a.m. - Board Business Continued/Executive Session.

Present: Bob Reynolds.

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069162 23. Commissioner Partch **moved** Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to go into executive session with the above individual until 11:35 a.m. in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(d) for a matter relating to negotiations during performance of a publicly bid contract.

11:35 a.m. - Return to Open Session/Recess.

2:00 p.m. - Weed Spray Contract Bids.

Present: Mark Storey, Phil Meyer, 4 bidders and Joe Smillie.

069163 The following bids were received for the 2009 weed contract:

BIDDER	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
	Dist. 1	Dist. 2	Dist. 3
Basin Tree Service Pest Control, Ephrata, WA	\$94,274.92	\$73,164.40	\$93,741.81
Darry-Air, Inc., Ephrata, WA	\$50,032.00	\$38,755.00	\$49,767.40
DeAngelo Brothers, Portland, OR	\$70,774.04	\$53,490.90	\$68,444.05

Public Works will review the bids and make a recommendation for award February 2nd.

2:10 p.m. - Adjournment.

D069163A Commissioner O'Neill **moved** to adjourn the **January 26, 2009** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **February 2, 2009**. The foregoing action made this **26th** day of **January 2009**.

ss/ GREG PARTCH, COMMISSIONER
ss/ PATRICK J. O'NEILL, COMMISSIONER

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

MICHAEL LARGENT, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners