

Minutes for March 1st, 2004

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062232 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **March 1, 2004** at **9:00 a.m.** Les Wigen, Chairman, G.R. "Jerry" Finch and Greg Partch, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

9:00 a.m. - Board Business.

D062232A 1. Call to Order/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Eunice Coker and Debbie Hooper (9:30 a.m.).

062233 2. Items discussed included a conference call from the county's lobbyist providing a legislative update, Whitcom update, proper attorney-client conference area, Commissioners' Choice award, WSDOT Rail meeting, water meeting, Martin Hall, and elections equipment. No action taken.

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

Present: Tammy Lewis.

D062233A 3. Motion by Commissioner Finch to approve the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

062234 4. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **160185-160264** for **\$280,899.22** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	29,738.10
117	Boating Safety	84.00
118	Inmate Welfare	204.25
123	Paths & Trails	55.53
127	Drug Enforcement	23,021.43
320	Cap. Project/Outside Sources (Bond)	214.52
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	328.00
510	Photocopier Revolving	270.17
513	Communications Revolving	136.15
653	Cemetery Districts	37.00
690	Clearing & Suspense	164,855.07

062235 5. February 23, 2004 minutes approved.

062236 6. Personnel board orders approved.

10:05 a.m. - Kelli Campbell.

D062236A 7. The Correction Officers/Support Staff bargaining unit contract tabled.

062237 8. Motion by Commissioner Finch seconded by Commissioner Partch and carried to sign the Road and Solid Waste Bargaining Unit contract amendment.

062238 9. Motion by Commissioner Finch seconded by Commissioner Partch and carried to approve the 2003 annual county inventory.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 062238

We, Les Wigen, Greg Partch, and G.R. Finch, the Commissioners of Whitman County, State of Washington, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that we have examined the inventories as of December 31, 2003, as duly prepared and certified by the heads of various departments of Whitman County and find the same to be correct, as we verily believe.

Dated this 1st day of March 2004.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Les Wigen, Chairman

Greg Partch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 062238A

WHEREAS, R.C.W. 36.32.210 requires that the Board of County Commissioners shall each year file with the Auditor of the County a statement verified by oath showing for the twelve months period ending December 31st of the preceding year, a full and complete inventory of all capitalized assets kept in accordance with standards established by the State Auditor; and,

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WHEREAS, a listing of Whitman County's capitalized assets as of December 31, 2003, was circulated to all county elected officials and department heads for review and certification; and,

WHEREAS, all county elected officials and department heads have reviewed and certified their respective inventories as of December 31, 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Whitman County Commissioners, that the attached listing(s) of Whitman County's capitalized assets as of December 31, 2003, represented as Attachment A to be correct, as we verily believe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is directed to file said resolution and Attachment A with the County Auditor.

Dated this 1st day of March 2004.

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A COMPLETE TEXT OF THE INVENTORY IS AVAILABLE IN THE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

062239 10. The 2004 county dues requests were tabled to March 8th.

10:30 a.m. - Fran Martin and Rana Reavis.

062240 11. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch to appoint Suzanne Schmick to an unexpired term on the Parks & Recreation Board. Commissioner Partch expressed his support for Ms. Schmick as a great choice. **Motion carried.** Ms. Schmick's term will expire June 30, 2006.

062241 12. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to reappoint Robert L. Boettcher to a 6-year term on the Civil Service Commission. Mr. Boettcher's term will expire December 31, 2006.

062242 13. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a letter to Mutual of Omaha authorizing the agency to quote the county on long-term care insurance for LEOFF 1 members.

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062243 14. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch to sign an intergovernmental professional services agreement for administrative and fiscal services with Garfield County Health Department. Ms. Martin assured the Board Garfield County would be billed for all services rendered. Commissioner Partch expressed his appreciation to Ms. Martin and requested a quarterly report on this particular partnership. Motion **carried**.

062244 15. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign an interlocal agreement with Spokane County for funding for the planning and administration of regional homeland security in Whitman County.

062245 16. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch to sign a letter to the Asotin County Commissioners concerning Asotin County's inclusion in an agreement for dispatch services with Whitcom. Commissioner Finch commented on how hard Commissioner Partch and others have worked on this project and he hoped Asotin County would see the light bringing this new center to fruition. Motion **carried**. Commissioner Partch will present the letter this afternoon to the Asotin County Commissioners.

062246 17. Information received from the Department of Community Trade and Economic Development regarding the close out of the 2003 public service grant. The subcontractor, Community Action Agency will provide the information requested to the state.

062247 18. Information received from Williams Governmental Affairs regarding the status of the Williams Northwest Pipeline.

D062247A 19. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:45 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Tammy Lewis.

Action Items:

062248 1. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** that the resolution to establish the Almota Road project be signed as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 062248

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

In the matter of initiating a county road project designated as C.R.P. No. 8000-6, Project No. XFR40.

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IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Almota Road, County Road No. 8000 from milepost 0.56 to milepost 3.08 be improved as follows:

Grading, drainage, widening, improving sight distance and surfacing.

This project is hereby declared to be a public necessity and the County Engineer is hereby ordered and authorized to report and proceed thereon as by law provided (R.C.W. 36.75.050, 36.80.030, 36.80.070).

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that an appropriation from the official adopted county road fund budget and based on the County Engineer's estimate is hereby made in the amounts and for the purposes shown:

PURPOSE	AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATION
Engineering (PE&CE)	\$ 206,000.00
Contract	<u>\$1,380,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,586,000.00

This project was included in the official adopted annual road program as Item No. 11.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the construction is to be accomplished by contract in accordance with R.C.W. 36.77.020 et. Seq.

ESTIMATED date of commencing work: June 1, 2006
ESTIMATED date of commencing work: October 15, 2006

ADOPTED this 1st day of March 2004.

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062249 2. Motion by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** that the WSDOT local agency agreement for Almota Road be signed as presented.

062250 3. Motion by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** that the WSDOT local agency federal aid project prospectus for Almota Road be signed as presented.

062251 4. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** that the bid for one 2004, heavy duty, $\frac{3}{4}$ ton, extended cab, 4WD pick-up be awarded to Pullman Ford in the total bid amount of \$26,755.00 without tax.

062252 5. The commissioners also signed the bid contract document.

Administration Division:

062253 6. As the Co-Chair of the EAT Committee, Mr. Dunford presented a recommendation changing Whitman County Code 2.32, County Office Business Hours in the County Courthouse only from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. with the exception of Administration Services, Commissioners, Human Resources, and Juvenile Department. The Clerk was instructed to set a hearing to consider revisions to the Courthouse business office hours.

Maintenance Division:

D062253A 7. The Director stated weight restrictions have been lifted west of SR 195 and from Almota Road to the Onecho Church at the intersection of SR 194. Restrictions are still in effect for the remainder of the county. The department continues to issue some permits depending on circumstances.

Planning Division:

D062253B 8. March 3rd is the next Planning Commission meeting. Discussion will begin on single family rural residential.

D062253C 9. Chaplain McMurray's car was released from evidence and there is no value. Paperwork will be brought forth next week recommending Public Works move the remains of that vehicle to a salvage yard. Since the value is less than \$2,500 there is no hearing requirement to declare the vehicle surplus.

11:30 a.m. - 2004 Budget Amendment.

Present: John Peterson, Bob Lothspeich, and Tammy Lewis.

062254 Chairman Wigen opened the public hearing for a proposed amendment to the 2004 Whitman County budget. John Peterson explained each request for amendment. No comments received from those in attendance. The Chairman adjourned the hearing.

Commissioner Partch indicated another amendment would probably be necessary after receiving funding from the state for Whitcom.

Motion by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to approve the 2004 budget amendment.

RESOLUTION NO. 062254

In the matter of amending the 2004 Budget

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met on Monday, March 1, 2004, and,

WHEREAS, any and all taxpayers appearing at the hearing dated March 1, 2004, to be heard for or against any part of the budget amendment have been given the opportunity to be heard; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of Administrative Services estimates that these amendments are necessary for the operation of the specified funds through the end of the fiscal year 2004.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the authorized appropriations for these funds of Whitman County for fiscal year 2004 be amended by the amounts indicated as attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the appropriate entries to the accounting records be made to reflect the aforementioned budget amendment.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of March 2004.

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Fund	Account	Description	2004 Budget	2004 1st Amend	Balance	Inc/Dec	% of Change
SUBTOTAL NEW REVENUE			8,785,124	0	8,785,124	0	#DIV/0!
CURRENT EXPENSE REVENUE			9,539,906	5,265	9,545,171	5,265	0.06%
TOTAL COMMISSIONERS			1,440,566		1,440,566	0	0.00%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION			87,266	672	87,938	672	0.77%
TOTAL HUMAN RESOURCES			103,626	648	104,274	648	0.63%
TOTAL SUPERIOR COURT			279,265		279,265	0	0.00%
TOTAL DISTRICT COURT			640,378		640,378	0	0.00%
TOTAL CLERK			145,262		145,262	0	0.00%
TOTAL TREASURER			268,344		268,344	0	0.00%
TOTAL AUDITOR			538,266		538,266	0	0.00%
TOTAL ASSESSOR			307,093		307,093	0	0.00%
TOTAL PROSECUTING ATTORNEY			414,765		414,765	0	0.00%
TOTAL CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT			76,703		76,703	0	0.00%
TOTAL FACILITIES MANAGEMENT			366,186		366,186	0	0.00%

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TOTAL SHERIFF	2,034,681		2,034,681	0	0.00%
TOTAL JUVENILE SERVICES	505,257	690	505,947	690	0.14%
TOTAL WEED	69,514	642	70,156	642	0.92%
TOTAL AIRPORT	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
TOTAL CORONER	53,854		53,854	0	0.00%
TOTAL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	116,811		116,811	0	0.00%
TOTAL PARKS & FAIR/FAIRGROUNDS	458,096	872	458,968	872	0.19%
TOTAL INFORMATION SERVICES	293,644	846	294,490	846	0.29%
CURRENT EXPENSE EXPENDITURES	9,539,906	5,265	9,545,171	5,265	0.06%
SELF INSURANCE REVENUE	30,000	20,000	50,000	20,000	66.67%
SELF INSURANCE EXPENDITURES	30,000	20,000	50,000	20,000	66.67%
BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT REVENUE	88,750		88,750	0	0.00%
BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES	88,750		88,750	0	0.00%
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING REVENUE	187,550		187,550	0	0.00%
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING EXPENDITURES	187,550		187,550	0	0.00%
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES REVENUE	455,250		455,250	0	0.00%
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES EXPENDITURES	455,250		455,250	0	0.00%
MENTAL HEALTH REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
MENTAL HEALTH EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
INDIGENT SOLDIERS REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
INDIGENT SOLDIERS EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
VETERANS RELIEF REVENUE	15,500		15,500	0	0.00%
VETERANS RELIEF EXPENDITURES	15,500		15,500	0	0.00%
COUNTY ROAD REVENUE	10,666,688	900,000	11,566,688	900,000	8.44%
COUNTY ROAD EXPENDITURES	10,666,688	900,000	11,566,688	900,000	8.44%
PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT REVENUE (.08)	425,000		425,000	0	0.00%
PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROVEENT EXPENDITURES (.08)	425,000		425,000	0	0.00%
ERGONOMICS REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
ERGONOMICS EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
ERGONOMICS REVENUE	10,000		10,000	0	0.00%
ERGONOMICS EXPENDITURES	10,000		10,000	0	0.00%
COUNTY BULK PURCHASING REVENUE	6,500		6,500	0	0.00%
COUNTY BULK PURCHASING EXPENDITURES	6,500		6,500	0	0.00%
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX REVENUE	6,000		6,000	0	0.00%
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX EXPENDITURES	6,000		6,000	0	0.00%
BOATING SAFETY REVENUE	27,625		27,625	0	0.00%
BOATING SAFETY EXPENDITURES	27,625		27,625	0	0.00%
INMATE WELFARE REVENUE	42,000		42,000	0	0.00%
INMATE WELFARE EXPENDITURES	42,000		42,000	0	0.00%
EMERGENCY SERVICES REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
EMERGENCY SERVICES EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
EMERGENCY SERVICES REVENUE	81,000		81,000	0	0.00%
EMERGENCY SERVICES EXPENDITURES	81,000		81,000	0	0.00%

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PATHS & TRAILS REVENUE	78,641		78,641	0	0.00%
PATHS & TRAILS EXPENDITURES	78,641		78,641	0	0.00%
CHIPMAN PATH REVENUE	108,705		108,705	0	0.00%
CHIPMAN PATH EXPENDITURES	108,705		108,705	0	0.00%
BCPT-SPECIAL DONATIONS REVENUE	10,000		10,000	0	0.00%
BCPT-SPECIAL DONATIONS EXPENDITURES	10,000		10,000	0	0.00%
DONATIONS & PLANNED GIVING REVENUE	8,725		8,725	0	0.00%
DONATIONS & PLANNED GIVING EXPENDITURES	8,725		8,725	0	0.00%
TREASURERS M&O REVENUE	16,956		16,956	0	0.00%
TREASURERS M&O EXPENDITURES	16,956		16,956	0	0.00%
DRUG ENFORCEMENT REVENUE	285,675		285,675	0	0.00%
DRUG ENFORCEMENT TOTAL EXPENDITURES	285,675		285,675	0	0.00%
CRIME VICTIMS/WITNESSES REVENUE	37,521		37,521	0	0.00%
CRIME VICTIMS/WITNESSES EXPENDITURES	37,521		37,521	0	0.00%
HOUSE BILL 3900 REVENUE	19,481		19,481	0	0.00%
HOUSE BILL 3900 EXPENDITURES	19,481		19,481	0	0.00%
JUVENILE-CASA REVENUE	1,375		1,375	0	0.00%
JUVENILE-CASA EXPENDITURES	1,375		1,375	0	0.00%
INTER-LOCAL DRUG REVENUE	27,000		27,000	0	0.00%
INTRA-LOCAL DRUG EXPENDITURES	27,000		27,000	0	0.00%
DOCUMENT PRESERVATION REVENUE	37,000		37,000	0	0.00%
DOCUMENT PRESERVATION EXPENDITURES	37,000		37,000	0	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL REVENUE REVENUE	45,000		45,000	0	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL REVENUE EXPENDITURES	45,000		45,000	0	0.00%
JUVENILE JUSTICE REVENUE	62,000		62,000	0	0.00%
JUVENILE JUSTICE EXPENDITURES	62,000		62,000	0	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS RESERVE REVENUE	150,000	100,000	250,000	100,000	66.67%
COMMISSIONERS RESERVE EXPENDITURES	150,000	100,000	250,000	100,000	66.67%
ELECTIONS RESERVE REVENUE	264,000		264,000	0	0.00%
ELECTIONS RESERVE EXPENDITURES	264,000		264,000	0	0.00%
PROSECUTORS STOP GRANT REVENUE	29,596		29,596	0	0.00%
PROSECUTORS STOP GRANT EXPENDITURES	29,596		29,596	0	0.00%
ELECTRIC MONITORING REVENUE	5,000		5,000	0	0.00%
ELECTRIC MONITORING EXPENDITURES	5,000		5,000	0	0.00%
WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT REVENUE	4,900		4,900	0	0.00%
WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES	4,900		4,900	0	0.00%
FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING REVENUE	35,000		35,000	0	0.00%
FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING EXPENDITURES	35,000		35,000	0	0.00%
"911" EMERGENCY SERVICES REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
"911" EMERGENCY SERVICE EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
COURTHOUSE CLOCK REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
COURTHOUSE CLOCK EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!

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WASHINGTON HOUSING SHB 2060 REVENUE	36,000		36,000	0	0.00%
WASHINGTON HOUSING SHB 2060 EXPENDITURES	36,000		36,000	0	0.00%
WHITCOM WIRE LINE TAX REVENUE	839,658		839,658	0	0.00%
WHITCOM WIRE LINE TAX EXPENDITURES	839,658		839,658	0	0.00%
WHITCOM WIRE LESS TAX REVENUE	111,100		111,100	0	0.00%
WHITCOM WIRE LESS TAX EXPENDITURES	111,100		111,100	0	0.00%
WHITCOM MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	175,020		175,020	0	0.00%
WHITCOM MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES	175,020		175,020	0	0.00%
MARTIN HALL DEBT-REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
MARTIN HALL DEBT-EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
LIMITED TAX GO BOND 2002 REVENUE	164,468		164,468	0	0.00%
LIMITED TAX GO BOND 2002 EXPENDITURES	164,468		164,468	0	0.00%
MARTIN HALL DEBT REVENUE	46,189		46,189	0	0.00%
MARTIN HALL DEBT EXPENDITURES	46,189		46,189	0	0.00%
HARRISON BUILDING DEBT-REVENUE	21,315		21,315	0	0.00%
HARRISON BUILDING DEBT EXPENDITURES	21,315		21,315	0	0.00%
LIGHTING PROJECT DEBT REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
LIGHTING PROJECT DEBT EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CAPITAL PROJECTS GENERAL REVENUE	50,175	100,000	150,175	100,000	199.30%
CAPITAL PROJECTS GENERAL EXPENDITURES	50,175	100,000	150,175	100,000	199.30%
CP-ASSET ACQUISITION REVENUE	30,401	100,000	130,401	100,000	328.94%
CP-ASSET ACQUISITION EXPENDITURES	30,401	100,000	130,401	100,000	328.94%
CP-INFRASTRUCTURE REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CP-INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CP-COMPUTERS REVENUES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CP-COMPUTERS EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CP-PBS ROOF REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CP-PBS ROOF EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
C P-EWAN WATER REVENUE	1,500		1,500	0	0.00%
C P-EWAN WATER EXPENDITURES	1,500		1,500	0	0.00%
CP-AIRPORT REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CP-AIRPORT EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
CP-MUSEUM CONSTRUCTION REVENUE	19,725		19,725	0	0.00%
CP-MUSEUM CONSTRUCTION EXPENDITURES	19,725		19,725	0	0.00%
CP-GO BOND 2002 REVENUE	176,350		176,350	0	0.00%
CP-GO BOND 2002 EXPENDITURES	176,350		176,350	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE REVENUE	2,174,674		2,174,674	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE EXPENDITURES	2,174,674		2,174,674	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE RESERVE REVENUE	95,100		95,100	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE RESERVE EXPENDITURES	95,100		95,100	0	0.00%
EQUIPMENT RENTAL & REVOLVING REVENUE	3,490,716		3,490,716	0	0.00%
EQUIPMENT RENTAL & REVOLVING EXPENDITURES	3,490,716		3,490,716	0	0.00%
PHOTOCOPIER REVOLVING FUND REVENUE	75,000		75,000	0	0.00%
PHOTOCOPIER REVOLVING FUND EXPENDITURES	75,000		75,000	0	0.00%

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE REVOLVING REVENUE	35,000		35,000	0	0.00%
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE REVOLVING EXPENDIT.	35,000		35,000	0	0.00%
INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE REVOLVING FUND REVENUE	140,000	70,000	210,000	70,000	50.00%
INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE REVOLVING EXPENDITURES	140,000	70,000	210,000	70,000	50.00%
COMMUNICATIONS REVOLVING REVENUE	120,800		120,800	0	0.00%
COMMUNICATIONS REVOLVING FUND EXPENDITURES	120,800		120,800	0	0.00%
FAMILY SERVICES CENTER REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
FAMILY SERVICES CENTER EXPENSES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
ERNIE DIPPEL MEMORIAL FUND REVENUE	3,690		3,690	0	0.00%
ERNIE DIPPEL MEMORIAL FUND EXPENDITURES	3,690		3,690	0	0.00%
ZAIDEE PARVIN MEMORIAL FUND REVENUE	10,491		10,491	0	0.00%
ZAIDEE PARVIN MEMORIAL FUND EXPENDITURES	10,491		10,491	0	0.00%
PALOUSE EMPIRE FAIR BUILDING REVENUE	1,642		1,642	0	0.00%
PALOUSE EMPIRE FAIR BUILDING EXPENDITURES	1,642		1,642	0	0.00%
HARVEST HOUSE REVOLVING REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
HARVEST HOUSE REVOLVING EXPENSES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY SERVICES REVENUE	115,000		115,000	0	0.00%
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY SERVICES EXPENDITURES	115,000		115,000	0	0.00%
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY PLANNING REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY PLANNING EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY HOUSING REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY HOUSING EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY-LEAD REVENUE	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY-LEAD EXPENDITURES	0		0	0	#DIV/0!
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OTHER FUNDS	21,202,452	1,290,000	22,492,452	1,290,000	6.08%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES CURRENT	9,539,906	5,265	9,545,171	5,265	0.06%
TOTAL WHITMAN COUNTY EXPENDITURES	30,742,358	1,295,265	32,037,623	1,295,265	4.21%
TOTAL REVENUE OTHER FUNDS	21,202,452	1,290,000	22,492,452	1,290,000	6.08%
TOTAL REVENUE CURRENT EXPENSE	9,539,906	5,265	9,545,171	5,265	0.06%
TOTAL WHITMAN COUNTY REVENUE	30,742,358	1,295,265	32,037,623	1,295,265	4.21%

11:45 a.m. - Recess.

1:30 p.m. - Chad Atkins, Department of Ecology (DOE).

Present: Ray Turner, Cheryl Morgan, Randy Baldree, Bill Nelson, and Hillary Hamm.

Commissioner Partch is attending the Asotin County Commissioners' meeting this afternoon regarding Whitcom.

D062254A Mr. Atkins made a courtesy visit to Whitman County to update the commissioners on the status of riparian health issues, livestock, and water quality problems. He said about 3 years ago the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was performing flyovers in the southern portion of the county.

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They indicated Washington State was doing a very good job of addressing the impacts on livestock to water quality. About the same time, DOE was trying to do a better job of addressing non-point water quality related problems. They thought the best approach, given the economic state of agriculture, given the technical and financial assistance available to the conservation districts and Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), DOE would be most successful if they took a proactive approach by contacting and working with producers, and avoiding the regulatory approach to the greatest extent possible. That method has proven to be very successful.

Two years prior, DOE began looking at direct drainages into the Snake River from Whitman County and they have made some good progress. This year they are looking at the South Fork of the Palouse River using the same approach.

Mr. Atkins still had concerns about two producers in Whitman County that are not as far along in the process as they should be after two years.

In response to Chairman Wigen's inquiry, Mr. Atkins said DOE has not forced any producer out of business. That is not the direction DOE is pursuing. DOE's approach is to ask what is needed for the producer's business to be successful while protecting the creek.

Randy Baldree asked if Mr. Atkins DOE superiors felt the progress made to date in southeastern Washington would satisfy the critiques of DOE that basically brought charges against the department for not adequately enforcing non-point source pollution. Mr. Atkins said DOE is trying to brag about what people are doing in Whitman County by DOE using a voluntary approach. From the calls he is receiving from Olympia, he senses they are excited about this approach and the successes experienced. As long as successes continue, he believed DOE's support would continue.

Chairman Wigen talked about one cattle producer success stories in Asotin County.

Cheryl Morgan said the South Fork of the Palouse River is in her front yard. Hatley Creek is also in her front yard. She is trying to protect both streams. She wanted to know about beneficial uses. The stream and river by her is being used as a utility channel to get rid of someone else's waste. This is unacceptable to her because that is not supposed to be happening. Local governments, DOE, the Public Trust doctrine, and each generation, is charged with placing our natural resources in trust for present and future generations. Based on the numerous hours she has spent personally researching this issue, they are failing future generations. Without water there is no economics and one reason why it is so important to protect water quality. This will take everyone working together.

Randy Baldree asked what DOE's position is on stormwater runoff from municipalities. Mr. Atkins replied Washington State has spent a considerable amount of money on this issue and is probably the #1 focus in

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the state. He was not totally aware of all stormwater requirements, but it was his understanding, for any new construction, stormwater must be captured except for an amount that would otherwise flow off the site with natural vegetation in place. He also understood, DOE would be working toward municipalities using the same approach.

Ray Turner asked what DOE's thinking is on the channel running through the City of Pullman, i.e. dredging on a rotation basis to prevent flooding. Mr. Atkins replied DOE looks at options other than dredging because dredging just moves the problem downstream.

Commissioner Finch asked how in good faith DOE could say planting willow trees in a stream channel prevents flooding because it just eviscerates the problem? Ice becomes caught and creates flooding. This theory made no sense to him. When businesses and homes are destroyed because of fish that aren't there is not good, public policy.

Mr. Atkins said not being too familiar with the creeks and streams in Pullman, in general, vegetation in streams is good. It helps to slow runoff, prevent erosion, and keeps sediment from running downstream in addition to habitat. This is a good thing in terms of stormwater.

Commissioner Finch added the problem is Canary Grass is not indigenous to this area. It isn't if it will flood, but rather, when it floods. The current policy is creating manmade disasters.

Cheryl Morgan interjected filling in floodplains also creates disasters. Mr. Atkins said DOE has done themselves a disservice over the past 100 years not knowing then what they know now about floodplains.

Commissioner Finch explained common sense must be used. Bill Nelson elaborated on the use of common sense. He questioned paying taxes on property that is no longer usable by the property owner because of state requirements.

The commissioners thanked Mr. Atkins for his visit.

2:10 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Randy Baukol of AIA and Kelli Campbell.

D062254B 20. The item discussed was long-term care insurance for LEOFF 1 members. No action taken.

2:35 p.m. - Fran Martin, Public Health/Emergency Management Director.

062255-062256 Ms. Martin advised the Board of a nurse vacancy within her department and requested authorization to refill the position through the

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emergency hiring process. Having no objections, the commissioners signed personnel board orders authorizing the request.

2:45 p.m. - Recess.

3:00 p.m. - Steve Martin, Salmon Recovery Board.

Present: Hillary Hamm.

062257 Mr. Martin presented an interlocal agreement with 5 counties (Asotin, Whitman, Garfield, Columbia, and Walla Walla) and two tribal councils (Umatilla and Nez Perce) included in Snake River Salmon Recovery Board (SRB). The purpose of the agreement is to establish a quasi-governmental entity and to write a salmon recovery plan that addressed, hydro, hatcheries, harvest, and habitat in a way that will be endorsed and supported by the counties' constituents. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign the interlocal agreement.

3:45 p.m. - Adjournment.

D062257A Commissioner Finch **moved** to adjourn the **March 1, 2004** 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 **March 8, 2004**. The foregoing action made this **1st** day of **March 2004**.

ss/ G.R. FINCH, Commissioner
ss/ GREG PARTCH, Commissioner

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

LES WIGEN, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners