

Minutes for March 4th, 2002

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059325 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **March 4, 2002 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.

D059325A 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Evan Ellis, Chris Anderson and Jennifer Snead.

D059325B 2. Motion by Commissioner Finch to approve the Consent Agenda with the deletion of #2. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried**.

059326 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered 132443-132444 and 132491-132508 for \$121,585.46 approved.

FUND #	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	\$ 389.57
102	Building & Development	78.52
103	Countywide Planning	88.72
104	Developmental Services	31,594.15
110	County Roads	18,501.97
400	Solid Waste	70,381.35
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	551.18

059327-059331 4. Personnel board orders approved.

059332 5. Motion by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a resolution setting the hearing for proposed revisions to the Whitman County Water Conservancy Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 059332

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR A PROPOSED REVISION TO WHITMAN COUNTY CODE, TITLE 9, CHAPTER 50, ENTITLED WATER CONSERVANCY BOARD.

WHEREAS, the Board of Whitman County Commissioners is interested in considering a revision to the Water Conservancy Board Ordinance 056748, pursuant to the provisions of R.C.W. 90.80, by increasing the membership on the Water Conservancy Board from 3 to 5; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Whitman County Commissioners shall conduct a public hearing on Monday, March 18, 2002 at 1:30 p.m. in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for the purpose of receiving public comment on proposed revision to the composition of the Water Conservancy Board; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is directed to publish official notification of the hearing in accordance with the requirements of the law.

Dated this 4th day of March 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

059333 **6. Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to authorize the publishing of a notice of hearing for the Whitman County Water Conservancy Board.

059334 **7. Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to authorize the publishing of a notice seeking interested applicants to serve on the Whitman County Water Conservancy Board.

059335 **8. Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to authorize the publishing of a notice setting 2 Growth Management Act compliance hearings.

059336 **9. Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign a resolution correcting a typographical error in Ordinance No. 059017 regarding the realignment of Commissioner Districts in the Pullman area only.

RESOLUTION NO. 059336

RESOLUTION CORRECTING TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR IN ORDINANCE NO. 059017 REGARDING REALIGNING OF PRECINCTS, UNTIL FURTHER AMENDMENT, RELATING ONLY TO PRECINCTS IN THE PULLMAN CITY LIMITS.

WHEREAS, in accordance with R.C.W. 29.70.100, the Whitman County Commissioners determined on December 17, 2001 it was necessary to realign the boundaries of certain Whitman County Commissioner Districts within the city limits of Pullman, Whitman County, Washington due to population changes; and,

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2001 the Whitman County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 059017 moving Whitman County Precinct No. 135 from Commissioner District I to Commissioner District II and moving Whitman County Precinct No. 117 from Commissioner District II to Commissioner District III; and,

WHEREAS, it was recently discovered that a typographical error was made listing Whitman County Precinct #135 as being moved from Commissioner District I to Commissioner District II instead of Whitman County Precinct #131; and,

WHEREAS, the precinct detail information listed in Ordinance #059017 did in fact move Whitman County Precinct #131 from Commissioner District I to Commissioner District II as shown below:

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT I - includes precincts 126, 127, 128, 129, 130 and 228.

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT II - includes precincts 114, 115, 118, 124, 125, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 218, 234, and 235.

COMMISSIONER DISTRICT III - includes precincts 113, 116, 117, 119, 120, 121, 122, and 123.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that it was the original intent of the Whitman County Commissioners to move Precinct #131 from Commissioner District I to Commissioner District II and not Precinct #135.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED and effective immediately that all occurrences of **Precinct #135** noted in Ordinance No. 059017 be corrected to read **Precinct #131**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other language included in Ordinance No. 059017 remains in full force and effect.

Dated at Colfax, Washington this 4th day of March 2002 and effective upon signatures as of this date.

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Greg Partch, Chairman

G. R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

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059337 10. **Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a subrecipient contract between the Community Action Center and Whitman County for administration of the lead-based paint grant #01-64021-038 from the Office of Community Development.

059338 11. **Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to authorize the Chairman to sign the Mental Health application for license renewal.

059339 12. A letter of appreciation signed by the Board was sent to Senator Tim Sheldon thanking him for his bipartisan support on rural issues.

059340 13. The Chairman signed a Washington State Office of Community Development grantee closeout report for the Community Action Center's CDBG grant #1-96-745-021.

059341 14. Correspondence was received from Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Ron Shirley concerning an issue raised by the County Auditor regarding the annexation petition filed by Rural Fire District #6.

059342 15. Notice of annexation to the City of Pullman received by the Board.

059343 16. An executed copy of the Office of Community Development Lead-Based Paint grant #01-64021-038 received.

059344 17. The issue of 2002 BOCC/Whitman County annual dues was before the Board. The Board was in agreement to pay all requests received to date plus \$25 for the Community Airport Association and \$125 for the Upper Columbia RC&D for a total of \$25,844.

It was the Chairman's opinion no additional requests should be considered in the future if received after March 1 of each year.

Motion by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to adopt the dues for 2002 as amended.

Aging & Long Term Care	\$ 4,092
Community Airport Association	25
Community Education Training Center	5,000
National Association of Counties	742
NW Council of Governments & Assoc.	1,500
Upper Columbia RC&D	125
WA Association of County Officials	6,560
WA State Association of Counties	7,800
TOTAL	\$25,844

059345 18. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign a resolution authorizing Asotin County Public Utility District #1 to act as lead agency for WRIA #35.

RESOLUTION NO. 059345

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE WATERSHED PLANNING PROCESS IN WASHINGTON STATE DESIGNATED WATER RESOURCE INVENTORY AREA (WRIA) NUMBER 35 AND DESIGNATING PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF ASOTIN COUNTY AS LEAD AGENCY IN THE WRIA WATERSHED PLANNING UNIT.

WHEREAS, in 1998, the Washington State Legislature adopted into law Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2514, the Watershed Management Act, which provides the framework for local citizens, interest groups and governmental organizations to collaboratively identify and solve water related issues in the State Designated Water Resource Inventory Area; and,

WHEREAS, Public Utility District No. 1 of Asotin County is the largest water purveyor located in Water Resource Inventory Area No. 35 and is recognized as an initiating governmental organization as designated by the Watershed Management Act; and,

WHEREAS, Public Utility District No. 1 of Asotin County has been designated as the Lead Agency in the Watershed Planning Unit for Water Resource Inventory Area No. 35.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Whitman County Commissioners to support the formation of a Watershed Planning Unit for Water Resource Inventory Area No. 35 as provided for in the Watershed Management Act; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Whitman County Commissioners also support Public Utility District No. 1 of Asotin County to act as Lead Agency in the Watershed Planning Unit for Water Resource Inventory Area No. 35.

Dated at Colfax, Washington this 4th day of March 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

D059345A 19. Commissioners' pending items reviewed.

10:35 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Mark Storey.

Action Items:

059346 1. **Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to publish the notice of call for bids for liquid asphalt.

Solid Waste Division:

059347 2. A copy of the flyer associated with the Whitman County April 15th-April 27th annual spring clean up received. The reduced self-haul disposal rate is for residential waste only.

Engineering Division:

D059347A 3. Mr. Dunford noted that the engineer and his staff are helping the Towns of Rosalia and Albion with T-21 funded projects for street work. If funding continues for the small city pavement program, Public Works will probably receive more requests for assistance from the small communities. Mr. Dunford did discuss with the engineer the county's willingness to help these communities whenever possible, but there may come a point in which the department may be overloaded with their own projects that they will not be able to provide this assistance. However, they will do as much as is humanly possible to help the communities understand what they can do with their funding should they make a request.

Maintenance Division:

059348 4. Documentation was received for the 2002 bridge lumber supplies purchased through the small works roster process. Kennedy Johnson Lumber was awarded this quote in the amount of \$39,658.14 plus tax.

D059348A 5. The Department still plans to purchase steel pilings and steel back wall supplies in 2002 through the same process.

11:15 a.m. - Tim Myers.

D059348B 6. Other areas briefly discussed included the new Colfax Shop, the Harrison Building walk-thru, condition and completion of the Green Hollow Road, paving of the King Change Bridge approaches, the Pullman-Albion Road slide area, cooperative purchasing with neighboring counties, and the Endicott Road Phase IV project.

11:25 a.m. - Tim Myers, Parks, Fair and Facilities Management.

Present: Peg Motley.

059349 1. Mr. Myers presented an easement for access over and across the Bill Chipman Palouse Trail at the old Poe Site (Boyd Grainery) to Wheatland Express for property owned by Peg Motley. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to approve the easement between Whitman County and Wheatland Express.

D059349A 2. A discussion about the February 26th walk-thru of the Harrison Building held. It was pointed out that the Harrison's are still responsible for some pending repairs.

11:45 a.m. - Board Business Continued.

059350 20. Motion by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to approve the February 25, 2002 minutes as presented.

059351 21. An email was received notifying the commissioners that the county's application for FY 2002 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program funds has been approved. Information forwarded to Chad Connors.

11:50 a.m. - Recess.

2:00 p.m. - Wilbur-Ellis and Pullman South Quarries Crushing Bids.

Present: Dane Dunford, Mark Storey, Phil Meyer, Julie Banks and 2 bidders.

059352 1. The following Wilbur-Ellis Quarry bids were received, opened, and read aloud.

DeAtley Crushing Co.	\$154,500 w/o Tax
Seubert Excavators, Inc.	\$162,250 w/o Tax
Motley-Motley, Inc.	\$297,350 w/o Tax

059353 2. The following Pullman-South Quarry bids were received, opened, and read aloud.

DeAtley Crushing Co.	\$280,250 w/o Tax
Seubert Excavators, Inc.	\$174,400 w/o Tax

Staff will make recommendations for awards on Monday, March 11th at 11:00 a.m. Mr. Dunford thanked all bidders for their effort.

2:10 p.m. - Board Business Continued.

059354 22. Commissioner Wigen reported after attending a 2-day conference in the Tri-Cities, much energy is being put forth in bio-solids, thermal wind, and solar. This is a big industry that is just now starting to boom. There is \$570 million included in the new farm bill for wind energy in rural America. The county is being encouraged to write letters to our US Senators to pass legislation to get this industry going. After discussion, a letter was signed by the Board and sent to Senators Maria Cantwell and Patty Murray urging them to request that immediate priority be placed on moving forward with the wind production tax credit extension.

059355 23. David Fletcher was appointed to a 4-year term on the Whitman County Planning Commission. Mr. Fletcher's term will expire January 2, 2006.

2:15 p.m. - Recess.

4:00 p.m. - Public Works Department Workshop.

Present: Dane Dunford.

D059355A Discussed were road related items, the Pullman-Moscow Corridor, GMA critical areas, current legislation, wind towers, and the Lamont tower.

5:00 p.m. - Recess.

D059355B THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **March 5, 2002 at 9:30 a.m.** Greg Partch, Chairman, Jerry Finch and Les Wigen, Commissioners attended.

9:30 a.m. - Board Business Continued/Workshop.

Present: Jack McLaughlin and Dick Brown.

D059355C Items addressed included a conference call from the county's lobbyist and a discussion with a bonding attorney. No action taken.

12:00 p.m. - Adjournment.

D059355D Commissioner Finch **moved** to adjourn the **March 4 and 5, 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 **March 11, 2002**. The foregoing action made this **5th** day of **March 2002**.

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

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

GREG PARTCH, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners