

Minutes for April 7th, 2003

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060989 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **April 7, 2003** at **9:20 a.m.** G. R. Finch, Chairman, Les Wigen and Greg Partch, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

9:20 a.m. - Call to Order/Board Business/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Jennifer Snead, Bob Gronholz, Norma Becker, and Emily Adams.

D060989A 1. Items discussed included
No action taken.

9:50 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Brett Bosse, Tammy Lewis, and Mike Berney.

D060989B 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

D060989C 3. Motion by Commissioner Wigen to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

060990 4. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **147736-147866** for **\$120,155.86** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	58,457.32
102	Building & Development	311.36
103	Countywide Planning	136.25
110	County Roads	829.09
118	Inmate Welfare	1,149.48
127	Drug Enforcement	13,235.57
400	Solid Waste	1,873.83
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	32,128.13
510	Photocopier Revolving	195.69
690	Clearing & Suspense	11,839.14

060991 5. March 31, 2003 minutes approved.

060992-060995 6. Personnel board orders approved.

060996 7. Mr. Berney requested the Chairman's signature on a \$65,000 DSHS Criminal Justice Treatment Act application. The application was

reviewed by the Law & Justice Planning Council and met with their approval. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to authorize the Chairman to sign the application.

060997 8. A request for a credit card was authorized for the Web Site Development Committee after **motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

060998 9. **Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to sign a proclamation declaring April 10, 2003 National D.A.R.E. day in Whitman County. The commissioners voiced their support for the continuation of the D.A.R.E. program and appointment of our D.A.R.E. officer to a 3-year state position will aid Whitman County's program.

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

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF RECOGNIZING NATIONAL D.A.R.E. (DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION) DAY IN WHITMAN COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the children of Whitman County are a precious resource and worthy of education in the matter of resisting drugs and violent behavior.

WHEREAS, the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Program is a most effective program that delivers a positive anti-drug and anti-violence message to the children of Whitman County.

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Sheriff's Office has provided the D.A.R.E. Program to the youth of the community since 1989.

WHEREAS, the D.A.R.E. Program allows area young people to engage in a positive experience with a Deputy Sheriff in a classroom setting.

WHEREAS, the children of Whitman County who have successfully completed the D.A.R.E. Program deserve positive recognition for their accomplishment.

WHEREAS, the D.A.R.E. Program has been in existence for 20 years and is now taught in all fifty states and fifty-six foreign countries.

WHEREAS, D.A.R.E. America has declared that the 10th Day of April 2003 be observed nationwide as "National D.A.R.E. Day".

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Whitman County Commissioners that April 10th, 2003 be recognized and observed countywide as:

"National D.A.R.E. Day"

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PROCLAIMED this 7th day of March 2003.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

G.R. Finch, Chairman

ATTEST:

Greg Partch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

060999 **10.** Reminder of an April 15th contract/subcontract activity report for grant #F-99-74099-015 (General Purpose Housing) was received from the Office of Community Development and forwarded to the Community Action Center.

061000 **11.** Reminder of an April 15th contract/subcontract activity report for grant #01-64021-038 (Lead Based Paint) was received from the Office of Community Development and forwarded to the Community Action Center.

061001 **12.** An email was forwarded to the House Judiciary and House Leadership Committee members regarding ESSB 5728, which deals with Tort Reform.

061002 **13.** A letter was received from the Department of Ecology concerning the status of the county's amendment to the Flood Damage Prevention ordinance. A copy was forwarded to Dane Dunford.

061003 **14.** A letter was received from Kathy Brooks, USPS Operations Programs Support, Spokane District. Due to additional logistic and transportation issues that have surfaced preventing the Postal Service from approving a change of delivery service to Central Ferry via Lacrosse rather than Pomeroy. Commissioner Wigen will forward a copy to Ron Wachter.

10:15 a.m. - Gordon Forgey.

061004 **15.** Copies of letters sent to the Governor and 9th district legislators were received from Mike Werner concerning developmental services legislation and budget decisions.

061005 **16.** A letter was sent by Tom Miller of Facilities Management to SMK Construction as authorization to proceed with the installation of the new Courthouse HVAC system.

061006 **17.** Notice of liquor licenses expiring July 31, 2003 was received from the Washington State Liquor Control Board.

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18. Executed copies of the following documents received regarding the sale and spin off of WCCS.

061007 Bill of sale, and
061008 Warranty deed.

061009 19. Commissioner Wigen explained the composition and purpose of Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 35. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign a letter supporting the WRIA 35 planning elements and unit membership with the inclusion of the Port of Whitman County. The letter was forwarded to Tim Simpson, Manager of Asotin PUD and lead agency for WRIA 35.

061010 20. The Prosecutor reviewed a Rural Mobility program agreement with the Council on Aging & Human Services and his recommendations incorporated. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign the agreement between Whitman County and the Council on Aging & Human Services.

D061010A 21. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** that Whitman County be a financial sponsor for the "Facing the Future" forum along with 5-6 other entity sponsors. This expenditure would be deducted from returned Public Health & Safety Network funds. The total, consolidated matching funds needed is estimated to be \$1,500.

D061010B 22. Commissioners' pending items reviewed.

10:30 a.m. - 2003-2004 Legal Printing Bids.

Present: Gordon Forgey, Brett Bosse, and Tammy Lewis.

061011 A joint bid was received from the Whitman County Gazette/Moscow-Pullman Daily News for \$8.75 per column inch.

061012 **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to accept the bid submitted by the Whitman County Gazette/Moscow-Pullman Daily News of \$8.75 per column inch. A letter of award and agreement was forwarded to the Gazette and Daily News for signatures. The required cashier check is being retained until the county is in receipt of the required bid bond.

10:40 a.m. - Bob Lothspeich, County Treasurer.

Present: Gordon Forgey, Brett Bosse, and Tammy Lewis.

D061012A Mr. Lothspeich requested the full time financial specialist position not previously replaced when vacated be authorized at this time at half-time status due to the strain this vacancy is having on his department.

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Motion by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to authorize replacing the financial specialist position in the Treasurer's office at half-time status.

10:45 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Mark Storey, Bob Anderson, Brett Bosse and Tammy Lewis.

Action Items:

061013 1. **Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to sign a resolution designating Spokane Culvert of Contech, as a sole source provider for culverts, back wall, and steel decking.

RESOLUTION NO. 061013

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Whitman County, Washington in the matter of County road and bridge maintenance and construction.

WHEREAS, the Board of Whitman County Commissioners recognizes Public Works need to install or replace steel drainage culverts and bridge abutment back wall with steel decking; and,

WHEREAS, the maintenance and construction products need to be durable, have a low lifetime maintenance cost, and maintain long term load capacity, the Public Works Department desires the culverts and decking to be of steel construction, and the decking to be 24' wide panels with 2' x 6' corrugations; and,

WHEREAS, Spokane Culvert Company, a subsidiary of Contech, Inc., is the only economically feasible provider of said construction products in the region, and other companies do not effectively compete due to transportation costs, and other supply related constraints, Spokane Culvert Company, a subsidiary of Contech, Inc., is deemed a sole-source provider of said products.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Whitman County Public Works Department may enter into sole-source supply agreements with Spokane Culvert Company, a subsidiary of Contech, Inc., to provide steel culvert and steel decking products for its maintenance and construction activities.

ADOPTED this 7th day of April 2003.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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G.R. Finch, Chairman

ATTEST:

Greg Partch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

Administration Division:

2. The Director requested authorization to refill the following positions:

- 061014 Equipment Operator-Oakesdale
- 061015 Recycling Coordinator
- 061016 Assistant County Planner

Motion by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to authorize refilling the above-noted positions.

Building Division:

061017 3. The 2003 first quarter report for Building Department activity was received and reviewed.

Engineering Division:

D061017A 4. The Chairman and Engineer reported on the status of pending road and bridge projects.

Maintenance Division:

- D061017B 5. The crews will grade all dirt roads when possible.
- D061017C 6. The crack-sealing machine is due in May at which time the commissioners and director will look at repairing the county's parking lots.
- D061017D 7. Current legislation of particular interest to the Whitman County was discussed.

11:20 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Brett Myers.

061018 22. Items discussed included Sheriff's proposal for part-time reserve officers, monthly financial presentations, and a Legislative Steering Committee (LSC) update. No action taken.

4:00 p.m. - Adjournment.

D061018A Commissioner Partch **moved** to adjourn the **April 7, 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 **April 14, 2003**. The foregoing action made this 7th day of **April 2003**.

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

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

G.R. Finch, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners