

Minutes for April 9, 2007

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066708 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **April 9, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.** Chairman Greg Partch, G.R. Finch and Michael Largent, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

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

Present: Sharron Cunningham and Joe Smillie.

066709 1. The following updates were provided: financial, CETC classes, county and Whitcom audits, lobbyist, Ty Meyer request and the Pullman Corridor. No action taken.

9:30 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Joe Smillie and Tammy Bailey.

D066709A 2. Motion by Commissioner Finch to approve the consent agenda (with the deletion of items #1b1, 1b2 and 1e1). Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Largent and **carried**.

066710 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **202056-202114, 202118-202147** and **202165-202285** for **\$883,110.68** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	46,050.40	34,317.09
102	Building & Development	1,297.20	
103	Countywide Planning	2,417.60	42.00
104	Developmental Services		41.23
110	County Roads	15,834.20	2,108.31
111	CETC Building		48.80
123	Paths & Trails		319.76
127	Drug Enforcement-Quad City	400.00	
132	Auditor's Document Preservation		10,224.26
134	Elections Reserve Fund		3,000.00
144	Emergency Communications-144.260.001		1,552.32
300	Capital Projects Asset Acq.-300.010.001		356.00
400	Solid Waste	3,898.00	4,304.17
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	5,049.20	33,920.85
510	Photocopier Revolving		36.09
513	Communications Revolving		2,181.58

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690	Clearing Fund 690.002.000	168,618.25	
690	Clearing Fund 690.005.000		165,944.26
ET	Electronic Transfer	381,149.11	

066711 4. April 2, 2007 minutes approved.

066712-066720 5. Personnel board orders approved.

066721 6. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign a proclamation as read recognizing Don Schmick.



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

WHEREAS, Don Schmick has dedicated much of his life to his City of Colfax, Washington and the citizens of Whitman County; and,

WHEREAS, Don has been one of the most outstanding advocates for business and growth within our county; and,

WHEREAS, Don was instrumental in bringing forth, promoting and implementing a plan in conjunction with Whitman County Community Action Center to bring a learning center to the City of Colfax and Whitman County; and,

WHEREAS, Don was the catalyst to engage the Community Colleges of Spokane to have a presence in the new learning center; and,

WHEREAS, as that center was able to spin off the successful Whitman County Community College program at the Gladish Center in Pullman; and,

WHEREAS, we want to recognize Don for his persistence, perseverance and dedication to see the project through to what is today and what it holds for the future.

WE NOW, THEREFORE issue this proclamation honoring Don Schmick, Mr. Colfax, Mr. Cougar and the wonderful gentleman he is and thank him on

behalf of the citizens of Whitman County through the Whitman County Commissioners.

DATED THIS 4TH DAY OF APRIL 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Greg Partch, Chairman

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Michael Largent, Commissioner

066722 7. Verification of Whitman County's eligible shoppers through the Federal Surplus Personal Property Program was received from the Department of General Administration.

066723 8. Notice was received from the Bureau of Land Management concerning their plans to amend the Columbia Basin Shrub-Steppe Assembled land exchange environmental assessment #EA-04135-03-01.

066724 9. An executed copy of the Washington Teamsters Welfare Trust Subscription agreement received.

066725 10. An executed copy of Teamsters Local #690 01/01/07-12/31/09 agreement with the Whitman County Corrections Officers/Support Staff was received.

066726 11. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:20 a.m. - Recess.

10:30 a.m. - Mark Storey, Public Works Director.

Present: Phil Meyer, Cindi Lepper, Joe Smillie and Tammy Bailey.

ACTION ITEMS

Engineering Division:

066727 1. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that we award the bid for the Scott Road Overlay to Transtate Paving in the total bid amount of \$256,114.00.

066728 2. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the contract between Whitman County and A&R Construction for the Staley #3 Bridge project in the total bid amount of \$401,414.00 be signed as presented.

Solid Waste Division:

066729 3. Cindi Lepper attended the Home & Garden Show in Moscow on March 16 and 17th again sharing the space with Moscow Recycling. The booth was arranged to promote Palouse Earth Day, the Palouse Earth Day Association (PEDA) and activities planned for April in Latah and Whitman Counties. During the Home & Garden Show nominations were received for various businesses in both counties who sell or use some type of sustainable products or practices. On Earth Day those businesses will be recognized. Lepper felt the event was very successful.

D066729A 4. Along with PEDA, Ms. Lepper participated in a kickoff at the Palouse Mall for the more than 100 different events taking place in Latah and Whitman Counties during the month of April. Ms. Lepper set up 2 tables, one representing Whitman County Recycling and the second for PEDA. Over 30 participants were involved in the kickoff. At this event, individuals could enter to win a motor scooter, front-loading wash machine or a lawn mower. Ms. Lepper presented the commissioners with coffee mugs made from recycled materials and calendars listing upcoming events. She also shared pictures of the kickoff.

D066729B 5. The Coordinator reported on Tire Amnesty Day where she estimated 39 tons of tires were brought in. Pictures of this event were also shared. The county contracts with a company to haul the tires away and recycle them for sidewalks or playground equipment.

Maintenance Division:

D066729C 6. Phil Meyer reported the maintenance crews should complete grading all dirt roads in the next two days.

066730 7. Mark Storey read a letter from residents of Sunshine Road regarding the extended closure. He has spoken with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) who is trying to get a handle on the contractor's schedule. Before the Sunshine Road Bridge can be opened to the public, the guardrail must be installed.

D066730A 8. The Director noted that the proposed revisions for Rural Residential Housing was placed on the county's website April 5th. Mr. Storey also pointed out anyone with questions or comments can visit Public Works anytime; they don't have to wait until the hearing.

11:05 a.m. - Recess.

Commissioner Finch excused himself from the remainder of today's meetings.

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2:00 p.m. - Union Center Quarry Crushing Project.

Present: Mark Storey and Mark Cochran.

066731 The following bid for crushing at Union Center Quarry was received, opened and read aloud. Public Works will review the bids and make a recommendation for award April 16th at 11 a.m.

BIDDER	AMOUNT
Shawnee Rock, Colfax, WA	\$197,220.00

2:15 p.m. - Recess.

2:45 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Kelli Campbell and Joe Smillie.

D066731A 12. A suggestion received was discussed. No action taken.

3:00 p.m. - Executive Session.

Present: Kelli Campbell.

D066731B 13. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it carried to go into executive session with the above individual until 4:00 p.m. for personnel matters.

4:00 p.m. - Return to Open Session/Adjourn.

D066731C Commissioner Finch **moved** to adjourn the **April 9, 2007** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Largent and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **April 16, 2007**. The foregoing action made this **9th** day of **April 2007**.

ss/ G.R. FINCH, Commissioner
ss/ MICHAEL LARGENT, Commissioner

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

GREG PARTCH, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners