

Minutes for April 12th, 2004

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062424 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **April 12, 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. - Call to Order/Board Business/BOCC Workshop.

062425 1. Items discussed included tax revenues, drug court letter, Pullman City minutes, and the draft veterans' relief policy. No action taken.

9:30 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Tammy Lewis.

D062425A 2. Motion by Commissioner Finch to approve the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

062426 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **161497-161542, 161564-161596** and **161669-161839** for **\$901,281.65** approved.

| FUND | FUND NAME | AMOUNT |
|------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| 001 | Current Expense | 77,464.97 |
| 101 | Self Insurance | 161.40 |
| 102 | Building & Development | 61.50 |
| 103 | Countywide Planning | 21.00 |
| 104 | Developmental Services | 123.35 |
| 110 | County Roads | 8,325.50 |
| 114 | Bulk Purchasing | 2,145.54 |
| 117 | Boating Safety | 168.00 |
| 118 | Inmate Welfare | 121.28 |
| 119 | Emergency Services | 12,215.05 |
| 123 | Paths & Trails | 86.82 |
| 127 | Drug Enforcement | 259.12 |
| 129 | House Bill 3900 | 267.00 |
| 132 | Auditor's Document Preservation | 42.73 |
| 135 | Prosecutor's Stop Grant | 2,395.34 |
| 300 | Capital Projects | 9,095.51 |
| 320 | Cap. Project/Outside Sources (Bond) | 1,845.76 |
| 400 | Solid Waste | 170,998.51 |
| 410 | Solid Waste Reserve | 800.00 |

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| 501 | Equipment Rental & Revolving | 21,502.04 |
| 510 | Photocopier Revolving | 888.56 |
| 690 | Clearing & Suspense | 245,363.13 |
| ET | Electronic Transfer | 346,929.54 |

062427 4. April 5, 2004 minutes approved.

062428-062430 5. Personnel board orders approved.

062431 6. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to approve the county government week proclamation.

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

WHEREAS, county-owned transportation systems are a key part of the economic engine that drives this country; and,

WHEREAS, county highways and roadways, bridges, airports, and transit systems help move both people and products; and,

WHEREAS, counties also provide public safety, and offer medical and human services; and,

WHEREAS, counties provide opportunities for new businesses to prosper, provide job training and technological solutions; and,

WHEREAS, counties provide needed elderly services for grandmothers and grandfathers and healthcare to the disabled and needy; and,

WHEREAS, when natural or man-made disaster strikes, county emergency services keep children and their families safe and informed until order can be restored; and,

WHEREAS, counties provide many services that make America's communities stronger, safer places to live and raise families; and,

WHEREAS, county officials and employees use their role as local leaders to encourage economic development and therefore improve the lives of their citizens and make their communities more livable; and,

WHEREAS, counties have a long history of providing critical services; and,

WHEREAS, county governments are the citizen's local government voice, providing solutions that bring communities together.

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of the leadership, innovation and valuable services provided by our nation's counties, the Board of County Commissioners of Whitman County, Washington do hereby proclaim:

April 18-24, 2004 - National County Government Week

Dated this 12th day of April 2004.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Les Wigen, Chairman

ATTEST:

Greg Partch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

G. R. Finch, Commissioner

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062432 7. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a business associate agreement with Cemetery District #6.

062433 8. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a business associate agreement with Public Hospital District #2.

062434 9. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign a letter to Wolf & Associates authorizing them to quote long-term care insurance for LEOFF I members.

062435 10. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to sign a letter to Benefit Port NW authorizing them to quote medical insurance.

062436 11. Letter received from Mike Berney, Executive Director of Palouse River Counseling regarding the decommissioning of George Langfield as a county designated mental health professional.

062437 12. A listing of liquor licensees in Whitman County whose licenses will expire on July 31, 2004 was received from the Washington State Liquor Control Board.

D062437A 13. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:15 a.m. - Recess.

10:30 a.m. - Rod Powell and David Eckenberg, WSDOT Representatives.

Present: Tim Myers, Glenn Vaagen, and Tammy Lewis.

062438 Mr. Powell and Mr. Eckenberg presented and explained the needed county property for crossing and slope easements and right-of-way necessary for the SR 270 reconstruction project. This item tabled to April 19th pending review by the County Prosecutor.

11:05 a.m. - Dane Dunford, Public Works Director.

Present: Mark Storey, Mark Bordsen, Bob Anderson, Mike Kincaid, Dana Repp, Duane Steiger, Glenn Vaagen, and Tammy Lewis.

Action Items:

062439 1. Chairman Wigen opened the public hearing for a proposed road name change from the Helen Repp Road to the Repp-Steiger Road.

A staff report was received from County Engineer Mark Storey indicating that no conditions exist for the Road Department to oppose the requested name change.

Motion by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** that the Engineer's report for the name change of County Road #6180 be approved as presented.

The Chairman called for comments against the proposal. There being none, he called for comments in favor of the proposal.

Dana Repp thought the Repp-Steiger Road is a more appropriate name since the Steiger's live on one end and Repp's live on the other end. Both families have farmed this area for many years.

Duane Steiger voiced his support for the name change.

In response to Commissioner Finch's inquiry, Ms. Repp noted there are a total of 3 families on this road, all of which have signed the petition for the name change.

There being no further comments from those in attendance, Chairman Wigen closed the hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** that the resolution to change the name of County Road #6180 from Helen Repp Road to Repp-Steiger Road be signed as presented.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

In the Matter of the Intent)
To Change the Name of County)
Road No. 6180, the Helen Repp)
Road Located in Sections 30)
and 31, Township 16 North,)
Range 42 East W.M., Section)
6, Township 15 North, Range)
42 East W.M. and Section 1,)
Township 15 North, Range 41)
East W.M. in Whitman County,)
Washington)

RESOLUTION NO. 062439

FOR NAME CHANGE

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners declared their intention to change the name of County Road No. 6180, the Helen Repp Road, on the 22nd day of March 2004; and,

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Engineer has submitted a report which indicates that no conditions exist for the Road Department to oppose the name change; and,

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing, after proper notice, on the 12th day of April 2004, and interested parties for and against said name change were permitted to present to the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that County Road No. 6180, the Helen Repp Road shall be changed to County Road No. 6180, the Repp-Steiger Road.

DATED at Colfax, Washington this 12th day of April 2004.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Les Wigen, Chairman

ATTEST:

Greg Partch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

G. R. Finch, Commissioner

062440 **2. Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** that WSDOT local agency agreement supplement for Palouse Cove Road safety project be signed as presented.

062441 **3. Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** that the petition for annexation of Gray Estate be signed as presented. More specifically, this petition involves the inclusion of a portion of Wawawai Road and the road right-of-way that fronts Gray Estate for annexation to Public Hospital District #1-A and the City of Pullman.

Maintenance Division:

062442 **4.** The Department awarded a quote for 2004 sign materials to Zumar Industries, Inc. through the small works roster process for \$11,081.40 plus tax.

D062442A **5.** The Director provided a brief update on current maintenance work.

Planning Division:

062443 **6.** The County Planner submitted the official transmittal for an amendment to the Whitman County Subdivision and Zoning Ordinances that would allow the correction of scrivener's errors without the requirement of a public hearing and to add a severability clause to the Zoning Ordinance.

062444 **7. Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to set a public hearing for Monday, May 3, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. to be held in these Commissioner Chambers, Courthouse, specifically for taking public comment about proposed amendments to the Whitman County Subdivision and Zoning Ordinances. These amendments would allow the correction of scrivener's errors in those ordinances and in the Comprehensive Plan without

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the requirement of a public hearing, and to add a severability clause to the Zoning Ordinance.

Building Division:

062445 8. The 1st quarter 2004 activity report for the Building Department was received and reviewed.

Engineering Division:

D062445A 9. The Engineer gave a brief update on the Palouse Cove Road project.

11:30 a.m. - Bev Welch, Finance Manager/Information Services Director.

Present: Joe Reynolds, Randy Baldree, Mike Werner, Fran Martin, Kelli Campbell, Chad Connors, Tim Myers, Denis Tracy, Dane Dunford, Bob Lothspeich, Peggy Wright, Tom Miller, Bob Reynolds, and Tammy Lewis.

The following individuals contacted the Clerk of the Board regarding their absence from today's meeting: Eunice Coker.

062446 The March 2004 ending financial report provided by Ms. Welch.

March 2004 Cash Balance - \$ 892,019

March 2003 Cash Balance - \$1,221,671

March 2004 Revenue - \$1,389,434 - %15.82 of budget.

March 2003 Revenue - \$1,612,408 - %18.77 of budget.

March 2004 Expenditures \$2,173,290 - %22.77 of budget.

March 2003 Expenditures \$1,858,694 - %21.64 of budget.

1:30 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Tim Myers and Tom Miller (1:30 p.m.) and Bob Lothspeich (2:15 p.m.).

D062446A 14. Items discussed pertained to Facilities Management and the vacant Administrative Services position. No action taken.

3:00 p.m. - Adjournment.

D062446B Commissioner Partch **moved** to adjourn the **April 12, 2004** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **April 19, 2004**. The foregoing action made this **12th** day of **April 2004**.

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

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

LES WIGEN, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners