

Minutes for April 23, 2007

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066781 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **April 23, 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: Bob Reynolds and Sharron Cunningham (9:00 a.m.), Kelli Campbell (9:30 a.m.) and Denis Tracy (9:45 a.m.).

066782 1. Items discussed included Superior Court microphone system, union letter of agreement and a vacancy in the Prosecutor's office. No action taken.

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

Present: Kelli Campbell.

D066782A 2. Motion by Commissioner Largent to approve the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried**.

066783 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **202505-202522, 202630-202719** for **\$319,069.41** approved.

| FUND | FUND NAME | AMOUNT | AMOUNT | AMOUNT | AMOUNT |
|------|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| 001 | Current Expense | 38,687.60 | 8,203.86 | 9,440.03 | 32,457.79 |
| 102 | Building & Development | 1,297.20 | | | 206.45 |
| 103 | Countywide Planning | 2,417.60 | | | 749.48 |
| 104 | Developmental Services | | | 66.30 | 35,878.13 |
| 106 | Extension Publications | | | | 18.00 |
| 110 | County Roads | 14,584.20 | 1,250.00 | | 3,281.88 |
| 111 | CETC Building | | | | 852.59 |
| 118 | Inmate Welfare | | | 19.57 | |
| 127 | Drug Enforcement-Quad City | 400.00 | | | 553.76 |
| 132 | Auditor's Document Preservation | | | | 1,311.92 |
| 135 | Prosecutor's Stop Grant | | | | 805.26 |
| 300 | Capital Projects Computer-300.010.003 | | | | 35,918.96 |
| 400 | Solid Waste | 3,898.00 | | 2,516.00 | 101,959.21 |
| 501 | Equipment Rental & Revolving | 4,599.20 | 450.00 | 171.40 | 17,075.02 |

066784 4. April 16, 2007 minutes approved.

066785-066790 5. Personnel board orders approved.

10:05 a.m. - Adam Roberts and Jana Davidson.

066791 6. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign a proclamation recognizing May as Older Americans Month.

PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, Whitman County is home to more than 4,875 citizens 60 years of age or older who represent a dramatic trend in our nations demographic make up; and,

WHEREAS, older persons are diverse, respected citizens who continue to contribute to our nation’s social and economic well-being; and,

WHEREAS, a growing number of baby boomers are rapidly becoming older citizens, and the number of individuals providing care to family members and friends is expanding significantly; and,



WHEREAS, the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead require us to think differently about health and long term care, and work together to rebalance and modernize current systems so that we adequately address the needs of current and future generations; and,

WHEREAS, older persons are entitled to live lives of dignity and independence through:

- Streamlined access to information and community services;
- Information about cost-effective prevention practices and activities that will improve health and quality of life, and,
- Innovative, affordable options of care and support that will provide an array of choices about how and where to live.



NOW, THEREFORE, THE WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, do hereby proclaim **May 2007** to be **Older Americans Month** and urge all citizens to honor our older adults and those who care for them during May and throughout the year. We urge all to promote and participate in activities that contribute to helping older Americans make choices for a healthy and rewarding future.

Dated this 23rd day of April 2007.

Greg Partch, Chairman

ATTEST:

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board

Michael Largent, Commissioner



066792 7. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign a proclamation recognizing 2007 National County Government Week.

PROCLAMATION
National County Government Week
April 22-28, 2007
"Protecting the Environment"

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,066 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities serving 300 million Americans; and,

WHEREAS, counties take seriously their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its citizens in sensible and cost-effective ways; and,

WHEREAS, many county government initiatives involve the protection of valuable and vulnerable environmental resources in communities; and,

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States, provides essential services to the nation's counties, advances issues with a unified voice before the federal government, improves the public's understanding of county government, assists counties in finding and sharing innovative solutions through education and research, and provides value-added services to save counties and taxpayers money; and,

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties first celebrated National County Government Week in 1991 to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nation's counties to meet the needs of the community; and,

WHEREAS, in recognition of the leadership, innovation and valuable service provided by the nation's counties,

THE WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DO HEREBY PROCLAIM

April 22-28, 2007 as National County Government Week

IN WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON.

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

066793 8. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign a proclamation recognizing 2007 Week of the Young Child.



PROCLAMATION

THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

APRIL 22-28, 2007

Whereas, Whitman County and other local organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the Week of the Young Child, April 22-28, 2007; and,

Whereas, these organizations are working to improve early learning opportunities that are crucial to the growth and development of young children, and to building better futures for everyone in Whitman County; and,

Whereas, all young children and their families across the country and in Whitman County deserve access to high-quality early education and care; and,

Whereas, in recognizing and supporting the people, programs and policies that are committed to high-quality early childhood education as the right choice for kids,

Now, Therefore, the County Commissioners of Whitman County, Washington do hereby proclaim **APRIL 22-28, 2007** as **THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD** and encourage all citizens to work to make a good investment in early childhood in Whitman County.

Dated this 23rd day of April 2007.

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OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

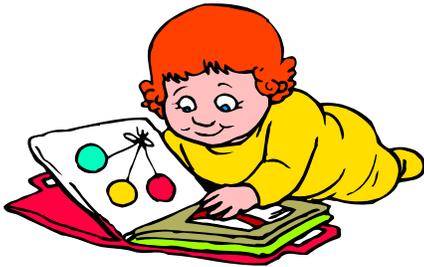
Greg Partch, Chairman

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board

Michael Largent, Commissioner



066794 9. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the annually updated Workplace Violence Prevention Program and POL-0100-40-HR Preventing & Responding to Workplace Violence.

RESOLUTION NO. 066794
BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

IN THE MATTER OF revising the **WHITMAN COUNTY WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM** and POL-0100-40-HR **PREVENTING & RESPONDING TO WORKPLACE VIOLENCE**:

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Director has determined there is a need to revise the current policy in accordance with the annual review requirement of the Workplace Violence Prevention Program; and

WHEREAS, the Employee Safety Orientation checklist and phone numbers of Appendix B may be updated without a new resolution of the whole program; and

WHEREAS, this action is necessary and in the best interest of Whitman County and its employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Whitman County Board of Commissioners that the WHITMAN COUNTY WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM and POL-0100-40-HR PREVENTING & RESPONDING TO WORKPLACE VIOLENCE is approved and adopted as attached and is effective April 23, 2007.

Dated at Colfax, WA this 23rd 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

ATTACHMENT

Due to the length of the attachment, it will not appear in the journal in full context. A copy of the attachment is available in the Human Resources and Commissioners' offices.

066795 10. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the Road bargaining unit letter of agreement (related to the premium paid for oil distribution and striping crew).

066796 11. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the Emergency Services Communications Special Revenue Fund resolution pertaining to interest.

**RESOLUTION NO. 066796
BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met on Monday, April 23, 2007; and

WHEREAS, a policy of investing by the County Treasurer would allow Emergency Services Communications to direct their own investments and retain all interest involved with those investments beginning May 1, 2007.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS BOARD HEREBY RESOLVES that the Emergency Services Communications Special Revenue Fund 144.260.001 will invest their own

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monies and retain all interest from those investments beginning May 1, 2007.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of April 2007.

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G. R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Michael Largent, Commissioner

066797 12. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to have the Chairman sign the Washington Military Department E911 Wireline/Wireless Operations contract amendment #E07-026(A).

066798 13. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the Spokane County FY 2006 funding the Planning of Regional Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETTP) in Whitman County.

066799 14. Adam Roberts presented two requests for Asset Acquisition purchases. The first item involved replacing the MailFoundry SPAM appliance server. As of September 1, 2007 the company will no longer support this server and the county's maintenance renewal expires May 10, 2007. MailFoundry is requesting the county upgrade to their newer model for a cost of \$1,299 and \$698/year maintenance agreement. The county has had numerous problems with this company and their equipment. Mr. Roberts recommended replacing this equipment with a Barracuda spam server at the cost of \$1,999 with a 3-year maintenance agreement for \$1,249. The county would not only be saving on the cost of maintenance but would also be receiving a much better model. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the request.

066800 15. The second request was for the purchase of a laptop computer with a docking station and LCD monitor for a Juvenile Department employee's use at meetings away from county offices. The department's old computer would be used for parts. Commissioners previously approved the purchase of a desktop computer for the Department, but they prefer a laptop. The new desktop computer is in stock will be issued to another department in need. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the request.

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D066800A 16. The commissioners agreed the county is in need of a policy for the use of laptops and what happens when one is lost or stolen.

066801 17. A letter was received from the City of Pullman concerning the proposed south bypass.

18. Comments associated with the proposed revisions to the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning and Subdivision ordinances as they relate to Rural Residential Housing were received from:

066802 Susan Fagan, on behalf of Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Inc. and,

066803 Robert Zorb of Spokane.

066804 19. A copy of a *Whitman County Gazette* "Letter to the Editor" was received from Tom Forbs supporting development in the Corridor.

066805 20. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:40 a.m. - Recess.

11:00 a.m. - Mark Storey, Public Works Director.

Present: Phil Meyer, Alan Thomson, Mariah Simpson, Debbie Snell, Barney Buckley, Mary Munson, Ed Harkins and Jana Davidson.

ACTION ITEMS

066806 1. The Chairman convened the hearing for the Colfax Airport Access Road name change and requested a staff report.

Mr. Storey reported he has examined the Colfax Airport Access Road and finds that no conditions exist for the Public Works Department to oppose the name change.

The hearing was then opened to comments from those in attendance.

Barney Buckley, a building owner at the airport and county resident said the current name is long, cumbersome and confusing with Colfax Airport Road. He picked a name that seemed more descriptive and submitted it for consideration. He has spoken to adjoining property owners and received no objections. The name change would be better for 911 purposes.

Debbie Snell, Port of Whitman County Property and Development Manager said Mr. Buckley attended a Port Commissioners meeting where he made this proposal. The Port commissioners are in full support of the name change. The Port also sent out a wide spectrum of letters inviting airport users and stakeholders to come to this hearing if they had concerns. The Port feels

this would be a good change not only for their marketing efforts at the airport, but also for 911 consumers and basic address clarification.

There being no further comments, the Chairman adjourned the hearing.

Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the resolution to change the name of county road #8580 Colfax Airport Access to Flight Line Drive be signed as presented.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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| In the Matter of the Intent to |) | |
| Change the Name of County Road |) | RESOLUTION NO. <u>066806</u> |
| No. 8580, the Colfax Airport |) | |
| Access Road located in Section |) | FOR NAME CHANGE |
| 21, Township 16 North, Range |) | |
| 43 East W.M. in Whitman County, |) | |
| Washington |) | |

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners declared their intention to change the name of County Road No. 8580, the Colfax Airport Access Road, on the 26th day of March, 2007.

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

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing, after proper public notice, on the 23rd day of April 2007, 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. 8580, the Colfax Airport Access Road shall be changed to County Road No. 8580, Flight Line Drive.

DATED at Colfax, Washington, this 23rd day of April 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Greg Partch, Chairman

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC

Michael Largent, Commissioner

Clerk of the Board

066807 2. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to award the bid for 2-truck boxes, pintle hitch and hydraulics to ED-KA Manufacturing, Inc. in the total bid amount of \$43,450.00.

Planning Division:

066808 3. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the zoning map change for Ed Harkins, rezoning 24.013 acres from the Agricultural District to Cluster Residential District. (The zone change will take effect once the zoning map is prepared and signed.)

ORDINANCE NO. 066808

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WHITMAN COUNTY ZONING MAP TO CHANGE THE ZONING FROM AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO CLUSTER RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED and enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Whitman County, State of Washington, it having been determined by the Board after hearing the Recommendations and Findings of Fact of the Whitman County Planning Commission that these should be accepted and this action is consistent with the Whitman County Comprehensive Plan.

Change the zoning of the McCormack 24.013 acres from the Agricultural District to Cluster Residential District as may be allowed by the Whitman County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 19.04. The site of this proposed rezone is located on Sunshine Road east of Pullman, approximately 1 mile south of the intersection between SR 270 and Sunshine Road, in the NW ¼ of Section 11, Township 14 N., Range 45 E.W.M., Whitman County, Washington.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Whitman County Commissioners of Whitman County, Washington on the 23rd day of April 2007.

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G.R. Finch, Commissioner

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066809 4. Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the Board accept the Planning Commission's

recommendation to approve the Doug and Dan Bruce/BNP Lentil Company zone change north of Farmington, WA from Agricultural District to Heavy Commercial District as described in the report from the Planning Commission. (The zone change will take effect once the zoning map is prepared and signed.)

ORDINANCE NO. 066809

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WHITMAN COUNTY ZONING MAP TO CHANGE THE ZONING FROM AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO HEAVY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED and enacted by the Board of County Commissioners of Whitman County, State of Washington, it having been determined by the Board after hearing the Recommendations and Findings of Fact of the Whitman County Planning Commission that these should be accepted and this action is consistent with the Whitman County Comprehensive Plan.

Change the zoning for Doug and Dan Bruce for 12.9 acres from the Agricultural District to Heavy Commercial as may be allowed by the Whitman County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 19.04. The uses allowed in this zone are primarily transportation providers, storage facilities for personal property, sales services to the agricultural sector, concrete and asphalt plants, seed packaging, storage and sales and other similar uses. The site of this proposed rezone is in SE ¼ Section 31, Township 19 N., Range 46 E.W.M. It is .10 miles north of Farmington, WA city limits on Farmington Road (CR #1000).

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Whitman County Commissioners of Whitman County, Washington on the 23rd day of April 2007.

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ATTEST:

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Solid Waste Division:

D066809A 5. The first weekend of Spring cleanup was very busy at the Landfill. Things went very smooth with the added signage and traffic control.

Engineering Division:

D066809B 6. According to a conversation Mr. Storey had with the state, opening of the Farband Bridge and Sunshine Road is planned for next week. Installation of the guardrail was required before the bridge could be opened.

Maintenance Division:

D066809C 7. Phil Meyer reported maintenance crews are hauling rock and will begin crack sealing next week in the Lacrosse area.

Administrative Division:

D066809D 8. A brief legislative discussion relative to Public Works related issues held.

11:30 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Tim Myers (1:30 p.m.).

D066809E 21. Items discussed included Parks and Developmental Services updates. No action taken.

2:00 p.m. - Recess.

3:00 p.m. - Bauer Quarry Crushing Project.

Present: Mark Storey and Phil Meyer

066810 The following bids for Bauer Quarry crushing were received, opened and read aloud. Public Works will review the bids and make a recommendation for award on April 30th at 11 a.m.

| BIDDER | AMOUNT |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Shawnee Rock, Colfax, WA | \$131,400 without tax |
| DeAtley Crushing Co., Lewiston, ID | \$134,800 without tax |

3:15 p.m. - Doneen Quarry Crushing Project.

Present: Mark Storey and Phil Meyer.

066811 The following bid for Doneen Quarry crushing was received, opened and read aloud. Public Works will review the bids and make a recommendation for award on April 30th at 11 a.m.

| BIDDER | AMOUNT |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| DeAtley Crushing Co., Lewiston, ID | \$229,500.00 without tax |

3:20 p.m. - Adjournment.

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D066811A Commissioner Finch **moved** to adjourn the **April 23, 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 30, 2007**. The foregoing action made this **23rd** 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