

Minutes for April 29, 2013

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074115 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **Monday, April 29, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** Chairman Michael Largent, Arthur D. Swannack and Dean Kinzer, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

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

Present: Sally Ousley and Bill Spence.

074116-074118 1-3. Items discussed included the Palouse Knowledge Corridor, wolf collar data, Martin Hall, PBS Special "Education Under Arrest", Snake River Salmon Recovery Board tour, October Quarterly Regional meeting, MS Dynamics AX software, budget amendment #1, 2013 Legislative session, Outdoor Amusement ordinance revisions, Workforce Development Council and Whitcom. No action taken.

9:45 a.m. - Recess.

10:00 a.m. - Reconvene/Flag Salute.

Present: Sally Ousley and Bill Spence.

D074118A 4. Pledge of Allegiance.

D074118B 5. **Motion** by Commissioner Kinzer to accept the consent agenda with the deletion of Veterans' Relief claim and personnel change orders #074136 and #074137. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Swannack and **carried**.

074119 6. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **303118-303131** for **\$271,163.74** and **303146-303206** for **\$235,266.87** approved.

D074119A 7. No Veterans Relief claims received.

074120 8. April 15, 2013 minutes approved.

074121-074135 and 074138-074142 9. Personnel change orders approved.

074143 10. Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the first quarter 2013 Public Disclosure report.

074144 11. Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize the publishing of a notice of hearing for a proposed amendment to the 2013 Whitman County budget.

074145 12. Commissioner Kinzer **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize the publishing of a notice of hearing for a proposed amendment to Whitman County Code 8.05, Food Service.

074146 13. Commissioner Swannack moved Commissioner Kinzer seconded the motion and it carried to authorize (as requested) a 12-month extension to the Uniontown Community Development Association for the 2011 .09 funded Dahmen Barn loafing shed project. The new completion deadline is April 4, 2014.

074147 14. Commissioner Swannack moved Commissioner Kinzer seconded the motion and it carried to authorize signing a letter of support to the Washington Fish and Wildlife Department regarding wolf collar data.

074148 15. Commissioner Kinzer moved Commissioner Swannack seconded the motion and it carried to appoint Steven Burkett to a 4-year unexpired term on the Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials. Mr. Burkett's term will expire 12/31/16.

074149 16. Commissioner Swannack moved Commissioner Kinzer seconded the motion and it carried to sign the 2013-14 legal printing contract between Whitman County and the Whitman County Gazette/Moscow-Pullman Daily News.

074150 17. Notice of an application by American Towers, LLC to locate a new tower at the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport was received from the Federal Communications Commission.

17A. The following executed copies were received:

- 074151 Whitcom for funding operator positions
- 074152 New World Systems additional software license

074153 18. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:25 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Alan Thomson, Jerry Basler and Bill Spence.

ACTION ITEMS

074154 19. Commissioner Swannack moved Commissioner Kinzer seconded the motion and it carried that the resolution to reduce the tipping fees at the Solid Waste Transfer Station be signed as presented.

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

In the Matter of establishing new)	
Tipping Fees at the Solid Waste)	RESOLUTION No. <u>074154</u>
Transfer Station Facility, Whitman)	
County Solid Waste Department)	ORDER ESTABLISHING FEES
Whitman County, Washington)	

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Whitman County, Washington in the matter of establishing "tipping" fees for the Solid Waste Facility located on Carothers Road near Pullman;

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Facility has realized a reduction in its operation costs, via implementation of a more cost effective transport and disposal contract with Allied Waste Services,

AND, WHEREAS, the Board recognizes its duty to the public to reduce costs to the citizens of the County when the opportunity arises,

AND, WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the necessity to operate the Solid Waste Facility in a fiscally responsible manner, to result in a balanced Solid Waste operating and disposal budget,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Whitman County will reduce the Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) disposal "tipping" fee to \$98 per ton, with a minimum charge of \$15, beginning on the first day of July, 2013,

AND, IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to match the "tipping" fee with inflation, the Solid Waste Facility shall continue to have the ability (when needed) to institute a 2 percent per year increase to the fee (rounded to the nearest dollar), to be applied every other year as an increase.

AND, IT IS ALSO HEREBY RESOLVED that Whitman County will continue to accept Permitted Demolition Waste for a "tipping" fee of \$75 per ton, with a minimum charge of \$15, until the Limited Purpose Landfill is deemed full.

ADOPTED this 29th day of April, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Michael Largent, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arthur D Swannack, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Dean Kinzer, Commissioner

074155-074161 20. Commissioner Kinzer **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the interlocal agreements between Whitman County and the cities of Pullman, Colfax, Palouse, Albion, Malden, Rosalia and Tekoa for Cooperative Shoreline Management Master Programs update be signed as presented.

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11:05 a.m. - Sally Ousley.

074162 21. Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the project agreement for construction proposal between Whitman County and the County Road Administration Board for Thorn Creek Road RATA funding be signed as presented.

074163 22. Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the project agreement between Whitman County and the County Road Administration Board for Almota Road 4 RATA funding be signed as presented.

D074163A 23. The Director briefly touched on green purchasing by Public Works.

Engineering Division:

074164 23A. A letter from Chet Swift supporting the Stoner Road name change was reviewed.

11:25 a.m. - Recess.

11:30 a.m. - **Karen Wilson, State Auditor's Office.**

Present: Bob Lothspeich, Chris Nelson, David Ledbetter, Eunice Coker, Kelli Campbell, Mark Storey, Sally Ousley, Bill Spence and Holly Bowen.

074165 24. Karen Wilson communicated the results of the 2011-12 accountability audit for Whitman County as a "clean" audit. The county's next financial audit is scheduled for this summer.

11:40 a.m. - Recess.

1:00 p.m. - **Reconvene/Board Business Continued/Executive Session.**

Present: Fran Martin and Brett Myers.

074166 25. Commissioner Kinzer **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to go into executive session with the above individuals until 1:45 p.m. in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for matters related to job applicants.

1:45 p.m. - **Return to Open Session/Recess.**

2:00 p.m. - **Whitman County Extended Learning Program.**

Present: Spokane Falls Community College representatives Janet Gullickson, President; Jim Minkler-Vice President; Glen Cosby, Dean of Humanities and Academic Initiatives; Jenni Martin, Dean of Instruction for Extended Learning; and Debbie Edwards, Pullman Extended Learning Manager.

074167 26. President Gullickson said Spokane Falls Community College has the legislative authority to serve this region but have been somewhat negligent about serving Whitman County in the past. They would like to build their Whitman

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County campus in a way that meets rural community needs and the vision the commissioners have for county and community. Ms. Gullickson asked the Board for input to help them achieve their goal. Some of the suggestions made by the commissioners included:

- Understanding the various town/community personalities,
- Understanding the linkages between the towns/communities,
- Visiting with the schools and Port,
- Developing a mechanism to survey the different areas, and
- Focus your efforts in creating a strong local program which can keep students in the local schools.

D074167A 27. Approved documents signed.

2:40 p.m. - Recess.

5:30 p.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued/Joint Workshop with Latah County Commissioners at the University Inn in Moscow.

Present: Dave McGraw, Tom Stroschein, Richard Wasler, Susan Petersen and Brandon Macz.

074168 28. Items discussed included Corridor acreage reduction, Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport, Whitcom, Whitman County Public Health/Emergency Management, County budgets, water/Department of Ecology, Martin Hall and commissioner terms. No action taken.

7:45 p.m. - Recess.

D074168A THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** Chairman Michael Largent, Art Swannack and Dean Kinzer, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

9:00 a.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued/Executive Session.

Present: Fran Martin.

074169 29. Commissioner Kinzer **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to go into executive session with the above individual until 12:00 p.m. in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for matters related to job applicants.

12:00 p.m. - Return to Open Session/Adjourn.

D074169A Commissioner Kinzer **moved** to adjourn the **April 29 and May 1, 2013** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Swannack and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **May 6, 2013**. The foregoing action made this **1st** day of **May 2013**.

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ss/ ART SWANNACK, COMMISSIONER
ss/ DEAN KINZER, COMMISSIONER

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
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MICHAEL LARGENT, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners