

Minutes for May 04 2009

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069489 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **Monday, May 4, 2009** at **9:00 a.m.** Chairman Michael Largent, Patrick J. O'Neill and Greg Partch, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

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

069490 1. Items discussed included SB 5045/LIFT grant, indigent defense meeting, Port's request and Health Department Swine flu update. No action taken.

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

Present: Joe Smillie and Pete Martin.

D069490A 2. Motion by Commissioner Partch to accept the consent agenda less item #1D1. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner O'Neill and **carried**.

069491 3. April 27, 2009 minutes approved.

069492-069494 4. Personnel board orders approved.

069495 5. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to accept the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Advisory Task Committee and award the following 2009 Public Facilities (.09) projects:

City of Pullman	\$ 50,000	Pullman-Moscow Airport Fire Flow
City of Tekoa	\$ 7,350	Old City Hall Electrical Improvements
Hospital District #2	\$ 42,650	Garfield Clinic Improvements
Total	\$100,000	

069496 6. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to accept the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Advisory Task Committee and award the following 2009 Historical Preservation projects:

WC Rural Library Dist.	\$ 9,000	Rural Heritage Digitization
Town of Rosalia	\$ 2,000	Performing Arts Center
WC Historical Society	\$ 7,000	Many Historical Preservation Project
Total	\$ 18,000	

All commissioners voiced their appreciation to the Blue Ribbon Advisory Task Committee.

069497 7. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize the publishing fixing the County Commissioners' regular meetings.

069498 8. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:25 a.m. - Recess.

10:30 a.m. - 2009 Whitman County Budget Amendment Hearing #1.

Present: Sharron Cunningham, Bev Divine, Debbie Kilpatrick, Kim Kopf, Bob Lothspeich, Sonya Miller, Fran Martin, Brian Beason, Janet Schmidt, Adam Roberts, Maria Thomas, Kelli Campbell, Doug Robinson, Denis Tracy, Marlynn Markley, Pete Martin, Brett Myers, Evan Ellis and Joe Smillie.

069499 Chairman Largent convened the hearing for the 2009 budget amendment #1. The following staff report provided by Sharron Cunningham.

DEPARTMENT	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	PURPOSE
Current Expense/General Fund:			
General Fund Revenue	1,000		Increase HR Wellness Program
General Fund Revenue	17,500		Increase in Dist Ct Fines
General Fund Revenue	(350,000)		Decrease in Interest Earnings
General Fund Revenue	(80,000)		Decrease in Reinvested Interest Earnings
General Fund Revenue	5,256		Treasurer REET grant
General Fund Revenue	(17,000)		Decrease in Juvenile grants
General Fund Revenue	34,571		Increase in Emergency Management grants
General Fund Revenue	722		Increase in Health Department grants
General Fund Revenue	(500)		Decrease in Misc Revenue-UPS
Commissioners		(37,114)	Overall budget decrease
Human Resources		(30,482)	Overall budget decrease
Superior Court		(11,240)	Overall budget decrease
District Court		10,571	Overall budget increase
Clerk		(2,949)	Overall budget decrease
Treasurer		9,325	Overall budget increase
Auditor		15,322	Overall budget increase
Assessor		4,512	Overall budget increase
Prosecuting Attorney		4,363	Overall budget increase
Child Support Enforcement		3,770	Overall budget increase
Facilities Management		4,815	Overall budget increase
Sheriff		(44,500)	Overall budget decrease
Juvenile Services		5,067	Overall budget increase
Weed		(500)	Overall budget decrease
Coroner		(5,000)	Overall budget decrease
Extension		(1,906)	Overall budget decrease
Emergency Management		10,658	Overall budget increase
Public Health		(48,539)	Overall budget decrease
Fair/Fairgrounds		(4,735)	Overall budget decrease
Parks & Recreation		(6,068)	Overall budget decrease
Information Technology		1,500	Overall budget increase
Financial Services		18,066	Overall budget increase

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Beginning Fund Balance	283,387		Increasing Fund Balance Deficit
Current Expense Totals	(105,064)	(105,064)	
Non Current Expense/General Fund:			
Building/Development	(1,000)	(1,000)	Decrease travel, Increase fund balance
Planning	(1,000)	(1,000)	Decrease travel, Decrease Current Expense transfer
Developmental Services	(5,213)	(5,213)	Decrease CE Transfer, Overall decrease in expenditures
Bulk Purchasing-Software	(1,000)	(1,000)	Decrease CE Transfer, Decrease small tools & equipment
Bulk Purchasing-Paper	14,000	14,000	Creating new fund, moving from old fund number
Paths & Trails	0	0	Zero net effect, increases and decreases in expenditures
Chipman Path	0	0	Zero net effect, increases and decreases in expenditures
Crime Victim/Witness Expend.	0	0	Zero net effect, increases and decreases in expenditures
Juvenile-CASA Revenue	0	0	Zero net effect, increases and decreases in expenditures
Special Elections Project	0	0	Zero net effect, increases and decreases in expenditures
Web Site Development	(5,000)	(5,000)	Decrease CE Transfer, Overall decrease in expenditures
Emergency Communications	66,150	66,150	Increase fund balance, Decrease revenue, Decrease salaries, Increase capital outlay
Capital Projects-Asset Acquisition	(9,100)	(9,100)	Decrease CE transfer, Overall decrease in expenditures
Capital Projects-Document Management	28,800	28,800	Increase fund balance, Increase expenditures
Capital Projects-Klemgard Park	(7,513)	(7,513)	Eliminate budget
Capital Projects-Wawawai Park	(1,588)	(1,588)	Eliminate budget
Capital Projects-Parking Fees	(2,420)	(2,420)	Eliminate budget
Photocopier Revolving	203	203	Increase fund balance, Increase salary/benefits
Communications Revolving	56,967	56,967	Increase fund balance & revenue, Decrease CE transfer, Increase overall expenditures
Total Non-Current Expense Funds	132,286	132,286	
Total Budget Amendment #1 2009	27,222	27,222	

Ms. Cunningham stated budget amendment #1 for 2009 a decrease in Current Expense revenue expenditures of \$105,064; other revenues/expenditures increase of \$132,286 for a total net effect of \$27,222 equaling a .06% increase. With the amendment, Current Expense remains at a \$253,626 deficit.

The Chairman opened the hearing to public comment.

Chairman Largent said the commissioners don't pretend to have all the answers but have absolutely appreciated the teamwork in getting to this point but they have a ways to go. The Board would appreciate the department heads/elected officials advice and support as they move forward. The purpose of this hearing is not to solve our problem, but to determine the county current status. They have arrived at this point because of some diligent work by the department heads/elected officials, although not quite to the finish line. From this point on they must determine how to get to non-deficit spending.

Fran Martin asked if the Board had any thoughts to guide the departments and Chairman Largent said some general thoughts, but not specifics.

There being no further public comments, the hearing was adjourned to commissioner comments.

Chairman Largent began by saying this is a very difficult process. He is amazed at the professional qualifications on staff, particularly, Sharron Cunningham. Her job is to tell us the truth, although they may not like it. It is the Board's job and collectively county government to decide what they are going to do with that truth. The county is now \$253,000 short of a balanced budget. There are a couple of ways they can precede but if savings is used exclusively to plug this debt, they are not developing a balanced budget. Eventually they are going to have to make some tough decisions. Some of the more general comments receive indicate being fiscally responsible as soon as possible in closing this gap as opposed to the long-term.

I-695 money was suggested to be used and the Board will do so. This money has not been hidden. It has been part of the cushion used for working capital to get us through this hump because the county has more expenditures than revenue. It was the Chairman's opinion Whitman County must learn to live within its means making cuts to balance revenues/expenditures. In his opinion, the county does not have adequate reserves to handle long-term deficit spending. There are no economic factor indications pointing to a short or quick turn-around in the county's revenue picture. Looking forward, this could take some years. If the problem is not addressed now, they will still be in a deficit situation with no reserves. If there is any type of emergency whatsoever, the county would not be fulfilling its fiduciary responsibility by not being prepared to meet any unexpected contingencies. He didn't know the specific direction that would be taken to offset the \$253,000 deficit, but they will be looking for efficiencies and will bring those forward, probably on a case-by-case basis.

Chairman Largent said he would be speaking with all department heads/elected officials individually to solicit private/public comments because he doesn't have all the answers himself. Cutting this amount of money after already going through the trimming process to get to this point is not going to be easy and will affect something. What that is, he didn't yet know. He emphasized Whitman County is not the only government faced with this type of situation and is not in as bad of shape as some other counties because this county has been very fiscally responsible. However, he would like to be part of the team that continues to spend within its means. The Chairman suggested moving forward as quickly as efficiency will allow, looking for ways to bridge this budget deficit. Reserves will be used to help us get there, but he believed they must be rigid.

Commissioner Partch commented that the Chairman said everything quite well. He expanded that the county went through this in 2003 and came

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within \$86,000 of not meeting payroll and that was not going to happen on his watch, As duly noted, Sharron Cunningham and the Finance Department have done a great job to provide the necessary information while simultaneously working on other problematic issues. As mentioned by the Chairman other entities are experiencing similar situations and his concern over the past couple of months is WSU, one of main legs of Whitman County's economy, along with farming and Schweitzer Engineering. Anything detrimental to WSU is detrimental to Whitman County. Currently, Whitman County's biggest hit has been approximately \$420,000 in investment interest and the reason we are here today.

Commissioner Partch indicated he has met with many elected officials and appreciated their candid comments about their department. We are all in this together and will come out of it together, but it will be tough. He believed the national and regional economy will struggle through the remainder of the year. The county will temporarily use some of its reserves to balance the budget, but will have to be prudent about plugging the hole before the end of the year. The commissioners will seek advice from the 22 departments for efficiencies with the bottom line being maintaining services and personnel as much as possible.

Commissioner O'Neill thanked everyone for reducing their budgets again. This is the first time he has had to face something like this but believed they are all in this together and have to communicate. He will be contacting various people, asking different questions, seeking different ideas and offered the department heads/elected officials to come forth with information and ideas. Through communication he thought it would be a little easier, but the end result will still hurt. He hoped the economy turns around sooner than later and agreed with his fellow commissioners concerning the numbers, it's not going to be easy, but working as a team they can get it done. He is very proud of the people working for the county and proud to be associated with them.

Chairman Largent explained the numbers are somewhat of a moving target and shared financial information received as of 04/27/09.

\$1,100,000 = Restricted reserves

\$ 270,000 = I-695 funds (Commissioners' Reserve) will be used as working capital augmenting the \$864,000 needed for day-to-day cash expenditures

\$1,370,000 = Total working capital

\$ 600,000 = Current Expense monthly payroll

If the county experiences much of a negative hiccup in our economy or downward pressure on our tax revenues, in his view, the county is not adequately protected and why they must be very careful with reserves so the county is adequately protected and not having to react violently with

ever movement of backlash economic factors. Commissioner Partch gave examples of a hiccup as the swine flu or a murder trial, both issues that could extremely impact a county department and another reason to be fiscally responsible.

069500 Commissioner Partch moved Commissioner O'Neill seconded the motion and it carried to approve budget amendment #1 as presented.

**RESOLUTION NO. 069500
OF
THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR WHITMAN COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, May 4, 2009; and

WHEREAS, any and all taxpayers appearing at the hearing held May 4, 2009, to be heard for or against any part of the budget amendment have been given the opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the Assistant Finance Director estimates that these amendments are necessary for the operation of the specified funds through the end of the fiscal year 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the authorized appropriations for these funds of Whitman County for fiscal year 2009 be amended by the amounts indicated as attached; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate entries to the accounting records be made to reflect the aforementioned budget amendment.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of May, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Michael Largent, Chairman

Greg Partch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Patrick J. O'Neill, Commiss.

WHITMAN COUNTY BUDGET 2009

Fund	2009 Budget	Budget Amendment #1	2009 #1 Amendment Balance	Inc/Dec	% of Change
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Beginning Fund Balance	(29,761)	283,387	253,626	283,387	-952.21%
SUBTOTAL NEW REVENUE	12,032,679	(388,451)	11,644,228	(388,451)	-3.23%
CURRENT EXPENSE REVENUE	12,002,918	(105,064)	11,897,854	(105,064)	-0.88%
COMMISSIONERS	1,363,942	(37,114)	1,326,828	(37,114)	-2.72%
HUMAN RESOURCES	199,751	(30,482)	169,269	(30,482)	-15.26%
SUPERIOR COURT	359,128	(11,240)	347,888	(11,240)	-3.13%
DISTRICT COURT	873,545	10,571	884,116	10,571	1.21%
CLERK	189,222	(2,949)	186,273	(2,949)	-1.56%
TREASURER	294,039	9,325	303,364	9,325	3.17%
AUDITOR	639,415	15,322	654,737	15,322	2.40%
ASSESSOR	399,138	4,512	403,650	4,512	1.13%
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	550,245	4,363	554,608	4,363	0.79%
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	132,951	3,770	136,721	3,770	2.84%
FACILITIES MANAGEMENT	506,210	4,815	511,025	4,815	0.95%
SHERIFF	2,887,506	(44,500)	2,843,006	(44,500)	-1.54%
JUVENILE SERVICES	650,561	5,067	655,628	5,067	0.78%
WEED	90,677	(500)	90,177	(500)	-0.55%
CORONER	110,651	(5,000)	105,651	(5,000)	-4.52%
COUNTY EXTENSION	127,606	(1,906)	125,700	(1,906)	-1.49%
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	196,915	10,658	207,573	10,658	5.41%
PUBLIC HEALTH	1,358,306	(48,539)	1,309,767	(48,539)	-3.57%
FAIR/FAIRGROUNDS	268,831	(4,735)	264,096	(4,735)	-1.76%
PARKS & RECREATION	350,274	(6,068)	344,206	(6,068)	-1.73%
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	198,881	1,500	200,381	1,500	0.75%
FINANCIAL SERVICES	255,124	18,066	273,190	18,066	7.08%
CURRENT EXPENSE EXPENDITURES	12,002,918	(105,064)	11,897,854	(105,064)	-0.88%
SELF INSURANCE REVENUE	50,000		50,000	-	0.00%
SELF INSURANCE EXPENDITURES	50,000		50,000	-	0.00%
BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT REVENUE	148,100	(1,000)	147,100	(1,000)	-0.68%
BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES	148,100	(1,000)	147,100	(1,000)	-0.68%
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING REVENUE	229,100	(1,000)	228,100	(1,000)	-0.44%
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING EXPENDITURES	229,100	(1,000)	228,100	(1,000)	-0.44%

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DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES REVENUE	716,611	(5,213)	711,398	(5,213)	-0.73%
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES EXPEND.	716,611	(5,213)	711,398	(5,213)	-0.73%
EXTENSION PUBLICATIONS REVENUE	798		798	-	0.00%
EXTENSION PUBLICATIONS EXPENDITURES	798		798	-	0.00%
VETERANS RELIEF REVENUE	27,430		27,430	-	0.00%
VETERANS RELIEF EXPENDITURES	27,430		27,430	-	0.00%
HOMELESS HOUSING PLAN REVENUE	120,000		120,000	-	0.00%
HOMELESS HOUSING PLAN EXPENDITURES	120,000		120,000	-	0.00%
COUNTY ROAD REVENUE	14,167,208		14,167,208	-	0.00%
COUNTY ROAD EXPENDITURES	14,167,208		14,167,208	-	0.00%
CETC REVENUE	15,500		15,500	-	0.00%
CETC EXPENDITURES	15,500		15,500	-	0.00%
PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROV REVENUE	720,000		720,000	-	0.00%
PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROV EXPENDITURES	720,000		720,000	-	0.00%
BULK PURCHASING PAPER REVENUE	10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
BULK PURCHASING PAPER EXPENDITURES	10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
BULK PURCHASING-SOFTWARE REVENUE	20,000	(1,000)	19,000	(1,000)	-5.00%
BULK PURCHAS-SOFTWARE EXPEND.	20,000	(1,000)	19,000	(1,000)	-5.00%
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX REVENUE	26,433		26,433	-	0.00%
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX EXPENDITURES	26,433		26,433	-	0.00%
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES REVENUE	1,400		1,400	-	0.00%
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SVCS EXPEND.	1,400		1,400	-	0.00%
BOATING SAFETY REVENUE	48,800		48,800	-	0.00%
BOATING SAFETY EXPENDITURES	48,800		48,800	-	0.00%
INMATE WELFARE REVENUE	13,800		13,800	-	0.00%
INMATE WELFARE EXPENDITURES	13,800		13,800	-	0.00%
HISTORICAL PRESERV PROGRAMS REV.	22,100		22,100	-	0.00%
HISTORICAL PRESERV PRGRM EXPEND.	22,100		22,100	-	0.00%
BULK PURCHASING PAPER REVENUE	-	14,000	14,000	14,000	#DIV/0!
BULK PURCHASING PAPER EXPENDITURES	-	14,000	14,000	14,000	#DIV/0!
SHERIFF'S K-9 UNIT REVENUE	4,000		4,000	-	0.00%
SHERIFF'S K-9 UNIT EXPENDITURES	4,000		4,000	-	0.00%
PATHS & TRAILS REVENUE	92,000	-	92,000	-	0.00%
PATHS & TRAILS EXPENDITURES	92,000	-	92,000	-	0.00%
CHIPMAN PATH REVENUE	202,165	-	202,165	-	0.00%
CHIPMAN PATH EXPENDITURES	202,165	-	202,165	-	0.00%
BCPT-SPECIAL DONATIONS REVENUE	10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
BCPT-SPECIAL DONATIONS EXPENDITURES	10,000		10,000	-	0.00%
REET TECHNOLOGY FUND REVENUE	124,600		124,600	-	0.00%

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REET TECHNOLOGY FUND EXPENDITURES	124,600		124,600	-	0.00%
DONATIONS & PLANNED GIVING	60,500		60,500	-	0.00%
DONATIONS/PLANNED GIVING EXPEND.	60,500		60,500	-	0.00%
TREASURERS M & O REVENUE	30,436		30,436	-	0.00%
TREASURERS M & O EXPENDITURES	30,436		30,436	-	0.00%
DRUG ENFORCE/QUAD CITY REVENUE	189,763		189,763	-	0.00%
DRUG ENFORCE/QUAD CITY EXPEND.	189,763		189,763	-	0.00%
CRIME VICTIMS/WITNESSES REVENUE	50,000	-	50,000	-	0.00%
CRIME VICTIMS/WITNESSES EXPEND.	50,000	-	50,000	-	0.00%
HB 3900-CTED VICTIMS/ WITNESS REVENUE	41,660		41,660	-	0.00%
HB 3900-CTED VICTIMS/WIT EXPENDITURES	41,660		41,660	-	0.00%
JUVENILE- HB3900 REVENUE	22,426		22,426	-	0.00%
JUVENILE- HB3900 EXPENDITURES	22,426		22,426	-	0.00%
JUV SPECIAL REVENUE (CASA) REVENUE	4,122	-	4,122	-	0.00%
JUV SPECIAL REVENUE (CASA) EXPEND.	4,122	-	4,122	-	0.00%
INTERLOCAL DRUG REVENUE	13,600		13,600	-	0.00%
INTERLOCAL DRUG EXPENDITURES	13,600		13,600	-	0.00%
DOCUMENT PRESERVATION REVENUE	169,800		169,800	-	0.00%
DOCUMENT PRESERVATION EXPEND.	169,800		169,800	-	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL REVENUE	43,500		43,500	-	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS SPEC REV. EXPEND.	43,500		43,500	-	0.00%
JUVENILE JUSTICE REVENUE	62,000		62,000	-	0.00%
JUVENILE JUSTICE EXPENDITURES	62,000		62,000	-	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS RESERVE REVENUE	385,000		385,000	-	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS RESERVE EXPEND.	385,000		385,000	-	0.00%
ELECTIONS RESERVE REVENUE	28,500		28,500	-	0.00%
ELECTIONS RESERVE EXPENDITURES	28,500		28,500	-	0.00%
SPECIAL ELECTIONS PROJECT REVENUE	360,000	-	360,000	-	0.00%
SPECIAL ELECTIONS PROJECT EXPEND.	360,000	-	360,000	-	0.00%
PROSECUTORS STOP GRANT REVENUE	30,000		30,000	-	0.00%
PROSECUTORS STOP GRANT EXPEND.	30,000		30,000	-	0.00%
ELECTRIC MONITORING REVENUE	47,000		47,000	-	0.00%
ELECTRIC MONITORING EXPENDITURES	47,000		47,000	-	0.00%
PUBLIC DEFENSE IMPROVEMENT REVENUE	39,259		39,259	-	0.00%
PUBLIC DEFENSE IMPROV EXPENDITURES	39,259		39,259	-	0.00%
WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT REVENUE	10,000	(5,000)	5,000	(5,000)	-50.00%
WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES	10,000	(5,000)	5,000	(5,000)	-50.00%
FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING REVENUE	180,000		180,000	-	0.00%
FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING EXPEND.	180,000		180,000	-	0.00%

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SHB 2060 REVENUE	66,000		66,000	-	0.00%
SHB 2060 EXPENDITURES	66,000		66,000	-	0.00%
TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENTS REVENUE	47,656		47,656	-	0.00%
TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENTS EXPEND.	47,656		47,656	-	0.00%
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SYS. REV.	1,256,421	66,150	1,322,571	66,150	5.26%
EMERGENCY COMMUNIC SYS. EXPEND.	1,256,421	66,150	1,322,571	66,150	5.26%
MARTIN HALL DEBT-REVENUE	44,010		44,010	-	0.00%
MARTIN HALL DEBT-EXPENDITURES	44,010		44,010	-	0.00%
LIMITED TAX GO BOND 2002 REVENUE	170,790		170,790	-	0.00%
LIMITED TAX GO BOND 2002 EXPEND.	170,790		170,790	-	0.00%
CAPITAL PROJECTS GENERAL REVENUE	131,000		131,000	-	0.00%
CAPITAL PROJECTS GENERAL EXPEND.	131,000		131,000	-	0.00%
CP-ASSET ACQUISITION REVENUE	65,000	(9,100)	55,900	(9,100)	-14.00%
CP-ASSET ACQUISITION EXPENDITURES	65,000	(9,100)	55,900	(9,100)	-14.00%
CP-INFRASTRUCTURE REVENUE	32,034		32,034	-	0.00%
CP-INFRASTRUCTURE EXPENDITURES	32,034		32,034	-	0.00%
CP-COMPUTER SYSTEMS REVENUES	290,000		290,000	-	0.00%
CP-COMPUTER SYSTEMS EXPENDITURES	290,000		290,000	-	0.00%
CP PROJECTS-CIP REVENUE	8,000		8,000	-	0.00%
CP-CIP EXPENDITURES	8,000		8,000	-	0.00%
CP-DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT REVENUE	6,000	28,800	34,800	28,800	480.00%
CP-DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT EXPEND.	6,000	28,800	34,800	28,800	480.00%
CP-KLEMGARD PARK REVENUE	7,513	(7,513)	-	(7,513)	-100.00%
CP-KLEMGARD PARK EXPENDITURES	7,513	(7,513)	-	(7,513)	-100.00%
CP - WAWAWAI PARK REVENUE	1,588	(1,588)	-	(1,588)	-100.00%
CP- WAWAWAI PARK EXPENDITURES	1,588	(1,588)	-	(1,588)	-100.00%
CP-PARKING FEES REVENUE	2,420	(2,420)	-	(2,420)	-100.00%
CP-PARKING FEES EXPENDITURES	2,420	(2,420)	-	(2,420)	-100.00%
CP-MUSEUM CONSTRUCTION REVENUE	24,465		24,465	-	0.00%
CP-MUSEUM CONSTRUCTION EXPEND.	24,465		24,465	-	0.00%
CP-GO BOND 2002 REVENUE	607,000		607,000	-	0.00%
CP-GO BOND 2002 EXPENDITURES	607,000		607,000	-	0.00%
SOLID WASTE REVENUE	4,211,786		4,211,786	-	0.00%
SOLID WASTE EXPENDITURES	4,211,786		4,211,786	-	0.00%
SOLID WASTE RESERVE REVENUE	125,000		125,000	-	0.00%
SOLID WASTE RESERVE EXPENDITURES	125,000		125,000	-	0.00%
EQUIPMENT RENTAL & REVOLVING REV.	6,091,720		6,091,720	-	0.00%
EQUIP RENTAL & REVOLVING EXPEND.	6,091,720		6,091,720	-	0.00%
PHOTOCOPIER REVOLVING REVENUE	74,996	203	75,199	203	0.27%
PHOTOCOPIER REVOLVING EXPENSES	74,996	203	75,199	203	0.27%

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UNEMPLOYMENT REVOLVING REVENUE	370,000		370,000	-	0.00%
UNEMPLOYMENT REVOLVING EXPEND.	370,000		370,000	-	0.00%
COMMUNICATIONS REVOLVING REVENUE	145,469	56,967	202,436	56,967	39.16%
COMMUNICATIONS REVOLV EXPEND.	145,469	56,967	202,436	56,967	39.16%
WHITCOM GENERAL OPERATIONS REV.	1,462,000		1,462,000	-	0.00%
WHITCOM GENERAL OPERAT EXPEND.	1,462,000		1,462,000	-	0.00%
WHITCOM 911 TAX/GRANT FUND REVENUE	1,198,000		1,198,000	-	0.00%
WHITCOM 911 TAX/GRANT EXPENDITURES	1,198,000		1,198,000	-	0.00%
WHITCOM CAPITAL PROJECTS REVENUE	60,000		60,000	-	0.00%
WHITCOM CAPITAL PROJECTS EXPEND.	60,000		60,000	-	0.00%
ERNIE DIPPEL MEMORIAL FUND REVENUE	5,632		5,632	-	0.00%
ERNIE DIPPEL MEMORIAL FUND EXPEND.	5,632		5,632	-	0.00%
ZAIDEE PARVIN MEMORIAL FUND REVENUE	11,843		11,843	-	0.00%
ZAIDEE PARVIN MEMORIAL EXPENDITURES	11,843		11,843	-	0.00%
PALOUSE EMPIRE FAIR BUILDING REVENUE	1,696		1,696	-	0.00%
PALOUSE EMPIRE FAIR BLDG EXPEND.	1,696		1,696	-	0.00%
CAC SERVICES REVENUE	190,000		190,000	-	0.00%
CAC SERVICES EXPENDITURES	190,000		190,000	-	0.00%
CURRENT EXPENSE REVENUE	12,002,918	(105,064)	11,897,854	(105,064)	-0.88%
OTHER REVENUE	35,245,650	132,286	35,377,936	132,286	0.38%
TOTAL REVENUE	47,248,568	27,222	47,275,790	27,222	0.06%
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OTHER EXPENDITURES	35,245,650	132,286	35,377,936	132,286	0.38%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	47,248,568	27,222	47,275,790	27,222	0.06%

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

Present: Joe Smillie and Mark Williams.

ACTION ITEMS

Administrative Division:

069501 1. The 2008 County Road Administration Board (CRAB) Certificate of Good Practice was presented by the Chairman to the Public Works Director/Engineer.

069502 2. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to publish the no spray ad regarding noxious weeds.

069503 3. Commissioner Partch **moved** Commissioner O'Neill **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the RAP project agreement for Colfax Airport Road be signed as presented.

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069504 4. Commissioner O'Neill **moved** Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the contract between Whitman County and Frank Gurney, Inc. for guardrail on the Wawawai Road be signed as presented.

069505 5. A copy of the 2008 Public Works Department annual report was received.

11:20 a.m. - Recess.

11:30 a.m. - Fran Martin, Public Health/Emergency Management.

Present: Dr. Moody, Michael Baker, Cinnamon Brown, Melissa Elkins, Joe Smillie and Mark Williams.

069506 Whitman County Health officer, Dr. Moody provided an update on Influenza A (H1N1) (Swine Flu) as of May 4, 2009.

The World Health Organization (WHO) has 20 countries reporting over 1000 confirmed cases of Swine Flu including 25 deaths. The U.S. has well over 300 cases confirmed and one death. Dr. Moody pointed out there is no risk of infection from this virus from consumption well-cooked port and pork products. There is possibly one instance of transmission from humans to swine in Canada. Farmers would be prudent not to mix many people around their livestock. The WHO will probably move the pandemic alert level to Phase 6 fairly soon (Phase 6 is the highest alert level indicating that we are in a global pandemic). **This change would be due to recognized multi-continent geographic spread of this new virus and is not based on severity of disease.**

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is moving away from reporting the location of confirmed cases. They currently have 300 confirmed cases from 30 states and 600 "probable" cases are pending confirmation, keeping in mind these are the only people that have been tested. Most cases are from New York and Texas; 95% or more of the probable cases are turning into confirmed cases as the CDC lab processes the samples. The median age of cases is 17. There are approximately 30 reported hospitalizations, not yet knowing how many might be in intensive care. The CDC has updated guidance related to H1N1 on multiple sections including higher education, pregnancy, cardiovascular disease, etc.

In Washington State there are no confirmed cases at this time. However, there are at least 35 probable cases from five counties awaiting confirmation at the CDC. Median age of probable cases in Washington is 13. Two of these probable cases have been hospitalized and both have recovered. The State Department of Health has received their shipment of antiviral medications and personal protective equipment from the Federal Strategic National Stock (SNS); Whitman County should receive its shipment today or tomorrow. Guidelines on the use of state and federally supplied

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antiviral medications are being developed and will be sent out when the SNS stocks arrive.

Locally, Whitman County has no confirmed cases and no probable cases at this time. Two samples sent last week tested NEGATIVE for Influenza A. Policies regarding possible school closures are being evaluated and revised as we learn more about prevalence and severity of H1N1 in our communities.

For medical providers, some of the testing will probably be scaled back due to limited lab capabilities at the State level. Future testing will be limited to only seriously ill or hospitalized patients once there is a confirmation that the virus is circulating in the community. Antiviral medications and protective equipment from the SNS will be distributed to providers.

069507 If H1N1 becomes widely spread in the community, closure of single schools makes less and less sense. Public Health will probably move to a policy similar to the one draft from Chelan-Douglas Public Health.

Public Health continues to work with our partners at the State and local level, including medical providers, schools, law enforcement, EMS, hospitals and media. Their message remains the same:

- Stay home if you are sick
- Keep sick children out of school and daycare
- Cover your cough,
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid touching your mouth, nose and eyes,
- Don't share with others items you put in your mouth-eating utensils, drinking cups or smoking materials
- Call your health care provider first if you feel you need medical care rather than sitting in a clinic or emergency waiting room

Ms. Martin felt Whitman County has all its contingency plans covered if necessary. Melissa Elkins is a Public Health RN in charge of Communicable Disease Nurse and Michael Baker is the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator.

11:50 a.m. - Recess.

1:30 p.m. - Mike Berney, Greater Columbia Behavioral Health, GCBH.

Present: One visitor.

069508 1. Highlights from the April 2, 2009 GCBH Board meeting provided at the April 6th County Commissioners' briefing.

D069508A 2. GCBH budget amendment. This is essentially housekeeping in nature. GCBH has received more revenue than was anticipated when the budget was created. Additional budget authority is needed to reflect the increased revenue and expenditures. The Funding and Fiscal Operations Committee is unanimously recommending approval of this budget amendment. Whitman County will support the proposed budget amendment.

D069508B 3. GCBH contracts/contract amendments. Contracts with Kootenai Behavioral Health Center, Spokane Evaluation, Treatment Center, and 2 amendments to the Mental Health Division/GCBH are being presented for consideration. The Kootenai and Spokane contracts allow for utilization of those facilities if desired/needed. The amendments with the State primarily returns some revenue removed through the last amendment. Whitman County will vote in favor of authorizing the Chair to sign Kootenai contract and State contract amendments and the Whitman County representative will have flexibility to vote on the Spokane contract.

D069508C 4. New Director Recruitment/Conflict of Interest update. The issue of how to handle the appearance of a conflict of interest when a current Board Member/Alternate applies for a GCBH position was raised. As requested, legal counsel with input from the Executive Committee, drafted wording to address this issue for the Board to consider. The new wording essentially says that the Board Member/Alternate who applies for a position with GCBH must work with their county to arrange for a leave of absence from Board activities while they are under consideration for a position. Whitman County plans to vote in favor of the new Conflict of Interest policy.

D069508D 5. Amended GCBH Interlocal agreement. The original amended Interlocal agreement proposed by GCBH legal counsel was mostly housekeeping in nature. It clarified/unified liability/indemnification language and reflected the current status of the Yakama Nation. A new version of the amended interlocal was proposed by the Benton County representative. This new version envisions a Board of Directors made up of only county commissioners that meets quarterly (frequency of meetings is open for input) and focuses on providing policy direction. In addition, it creates a new Operational Board that meets more regularly to operationalize policy direction provided by the Board of Directors and to make certain decisions between the times the Board of Directors meets. All counties must agree in order to change the interlocal agreement.

A motion was put forward by Benton County to send the new proposed interlocal agreement to the member GCBH counties with a recommendation to sign. The motion passed 7 to 4. The Regional Office sent out the new interlocal agreement to each member county with a request to return it within 2 weeks, if possible. After the document was sent out, a couple of small wording changes were suggested by legal counsel and a county had

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some additional suggestions. At least one county signed and returned the interlocal agreement without the changes. The Board will be asked to provide new direction so all counties are signing the same document.

D069508E 6. Court costs associated with involuntary detentions. In January Yakima County sent letters to all member counties stating that they were going to start charging \$400 for court services associated with involuntary detentions and included a Memorandum of Understanding. GCBH Legal Council reported that, as requested, he has been in contact with North Sound Regional Support Network (RSN). In addition, legal counsel from Yakima Memorial Hospital contacted him. New legal counsel will be providing a report on any new information regarding this issue.

D069508F 7. Chemical Dependency County Coordinator Updates:

- Plan to extend current County contract for 3 months
- Discussion at Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse (DASA) regarding direct contracting.
- Mental Health (MH) contracting in the new biennium; contracts will be available to county commissioners in October.
- A clinical audit was conducted by GCBH on April 22nd. Report to follow.

1:50 p.m. - Recess.

2:00 p.m. - Glorfield Quarry Crushing Project.

Present: Mark Storey, Julie Banks and 3 bidders.

069509 The following bids were received for crushing at Glorfield Quarry.

BIDDER	AMOUNT
Seubert Excavators, Inc., Cottonwood, ID	\$ No Bid
DeAtley Crushing Company, Lewiston, ID	\$303,600
Tunnel Hill, Chelan, WA	\$270,999
Shawnee Rock, Inc., Pullman, WA	\$129,740

The commissioners will make an award May 11th.

2:05 p.m. - Recess.

2:15 p.m. - Repp Quarry Crushing Project.

Present: Mark Storey, Julie Banks and 3 bidders.

069510 The following bids were received for crushing at Repp Quarry.

BIDDER	AMOUNT
Seubert Excavators, Inc., Cottonwood, ID	\$ No Bid
DeAtley Crushing Company, Lewiston, ID	\$182,250

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Tunnel Hill, Chelan, WA	\$163,999
Shawnee Rock, Inc., Pullman, WA	\$ 84,500
Highland Enterprises, Grangeville, ID	\$217,600

The commissioners will make an award May 11th.

2:20 p.m. - Recess.

2:30 p.m. - Emergency Communications Shelter.

Present: Fran Martin, Robin Cocking, Steve Krigbaum and 1 bidder.

069511 The following bids were received for an Emergency Communications shelter.

BIDDER	AMOUNT
Modular Connections, LLC, Bessemer, AL	\$ 56,284
Thermo Bond Buildings, Inc., Elk Point, SD	\$ 54,465
Sabre Communications Corp., Sioux City, IA	\$ 45,200
TruFrame, LLC, Battleground, WA	\$ 88,500
Concrete Modular Systems Inc., Tarpon Springs, FL - bid arrived too late to be considered and was returned unopened.	

The commissioners will make an award May 11th.

2:40 p.m. - Recess.

3:00 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop at Port of Whitman.

Present: John Love, Bob Gronholz, Dan Boone, Mark Storey, Joe Smillie and Mark Williams.

069512 9. Items discussed included SB 5045/LIFT grant, IPZ, SEWEDA/RTPO, barge to Canada, wind generation and the Steptoe Butte tower. No action taken.

4:00 p.m. - Adjournment.

D069512A Commissioner O'Neill **moved** to adjourn the May 4, 2009 meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **May 11, 2009**. The foregoing action made this **4th** day of **May 2009**.

ss/ GREG PARTCH, COMMISSIONER
ss/ PATRICK J. O'NEILL, COMMISSIONER

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