

Minutes for June 27, 2005

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064150 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **June 27, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.** Greg Partch, Chairman, G.R. "Jerry" Finch and Les Wigen, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

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

064151 1. Items discussed included building fees, vote-by-mail, maintenance contracts and the DSHS contract updates, WSAC legislative forum, Port/CETC/BOCC and law and justice agreement. No action taken.

9:30 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Kelli Campbell, Adam Roberts and Tammy Lewis.

D064151A 2. Motion by Commissioner Finch to approve the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried**.

064152 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **178182-178280** for **\$386,721.70** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	80,024.85
102	Building & Development	12.85
103	Countywide Planning	242.92
110	County Roads	16,597.53
118	Inmate Welfare	145.21
119	Emergency Services	758.63
125	Donations & Planned Giving	321.11
127	Drug Enforcement	430.14
300	Capital Projects	897.23
320	Cap. Project/Out. Sources (Bond)	1,584.94
400	Solid Waste	108,460.12
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	28,785.42
510	Photocopier Revolving	15.44
660	Whitcom-General-690.911.000	64,278.69
660	Whitcom-Grant Funding-690.911.001	84,166.62

064153 4. June 20, 2005 minutes approved.

064154-064159 5. Personnel board orders approved.

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064160 6. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve publishing a notice seeking vendors for the small works and professional services rosters.

10:05 a.m. - Megan Doyle and Ashley Courtial.

064161 7. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the Developmental Services Coordinator's professional services contract as presented.

10:10 a.m. - Sharron Cunningham.

064162-064163 8. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the Washington Rural Counties Insurance Pool renewal resolution and interlocal agreement.

RESOLUTION NO. 064162

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Whitman County, met and reviewed the proposal for Whitman County to join a self insured pool of counties in the State of Washington (Washington Rural Counties Insurance Program); and,

WHEREAS, this proposal described the program structure, insurance coverage, premium, and other formation requirements for entering a self-insured retention pool for property and liability risks; Whitman County wishes to proceed as a member in the pool.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors authorizes the County Commissioners to: a) pursue the membership of Whitman County in the self-insured pool, b) update risk management policies of the Board of Directors as necessary, c) and provide for the necessary administrative structure to manage the program to the benefit of Whitman County.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Greg Partch, Chairman

ATTEST:

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

064164 9. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve a resolution revising the Parks, Developmental Services Fair and Facilities Management cash drawer funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 064164
BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Board of Whitman County Commissioners recognizes the need to revise pre-existing petty cash, cash drawer and postage accounts as well as establish new petty cash, cash drawer and revolving accounts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND AUTHORIZED that the Whitman County petty cash, cash drawer and revolving accounts be revised and/or established as follows:

DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT	FUND NO.	BARS CODE	CUSTODIAN	PURPOSE
Fair-Office	\$125.00	001.000.000	111.70.08	Terry Jeffries	Cash Drawer
Fair-RV	\$ <u>25.00</u>	001.000.000	111.70.081	Craig Danielson	Cash Drawer
Total	\$150.00				
Facilities Management	\$ <u>50.00</u>	001.000.000	111.70.06	Terry Jeffries	Cash Drawer
Total	\$ 50.00				
Parks and Rec-Office	\$100.00	001.000.000	111.70.04	Janel Goebel	Cash Drawer
Parks & Rec-Kamiak Butte	\$ 25.00	001.000.000	111.70.041	Roger Marcus	Cash Drawer
Parks & Rec-Wawawai	\$ <u>25.00</u>	001.000.000	111.70.042	Bart Dearborn	Cash Drawer
Total	\$150.00				

Dated this 27th day of June 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

 Greg Partch, Chairman

 G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

 Maribeth Becker, CMC
 Clerk of the Board

 Les Wigen, Commissioner

064165 10. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve a resolution revising the countywide petty cash/cash drawer/revolving accounts.

RESOLUTION NO. 064165
BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Board of Whitman County Commissioners met in regular session on the **27th** day of **June 2005**; and,

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WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, recognizes the need and requirement of regulating the various petty cash/cash drawer/revolving accounts in all county funds; and,

WHEREAS, the responsibility for the various petty cash/cash drawer/revolving accounts must be entrusted to specific individuals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the following are the revised petty cash/cash drawer/revolving accounts for Whitman County:

DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT	FUND NO.	BARS CODE	CUSTODIAN	PURPOSE
Auditor	\$5,000.00	001.000.000	111.00.10	Eunice Coker	Revolving
Auditor, Auto Licensing	\$400.00	001.000.000	111.70.05	Eunice Coker	Cash Drawer
Auditor, Elections	\$200.00	001.000.000	111.77.05	Debbie Hooper	Petty Cash/Postage
Auditor, Legal Filing	\$100.00	001.000.000	111.70.052	Eunice Coker	Cash Drawer
Clerk	\$50.00	001.000.000	111.70.13	Shirley Bafus	Cash Drawer
Developmental Services	\$25.00	001.000.000	111.70.15	Janel Goebel	Cash Drawer
District Court	\$96.00	001.000.000	111.77.03	Kristina Cooper	Petty Cash/Postage
District Court, Colfax	\$50.00	001.000.000	111.70.03	Kristina Cooper	Cash Drawer
District Court, Pullman	\$50.00	001.000.000	111.70.031	Virginia Walker	Cash Drawer
Facilities Management	\$50.00	001.000.000	111.70.06	Terry Jeffries	Cash Drawer
Fair-Office	\$125.00	001.000.000	111.70.08	Terry Jeffries	Cash Drawer
Fair-RV	\$25.00	001.000.000	111.70.081	Craig Danielson	Cash Drawer
Parks and Rec-Office	\$100.00	001.000.000	111.70.04	Janel Goebel	Cash Drawer
Parks and Rec-Kamiak Butte	\$25.00	001.000.000	111.70.041	Roger Marcus	Cash Drawer
Parks and Rec-Wawawai	\$25.00	001.000.000	111.70.042	Bart Dearborn	Cash Drawer
Prosecutor	\$100.00	001.000.000	111.77.09	Sonya Miller	Petty Cash/Postage
Prosecutor	\$100.00	001.000.000	111.70.09	Sonya Miller	Petty Cash
Public Health, Colfax	\$70.00	001.000.000	111.70.020	Robin Cocking	Front Desk/Petty Cash
Public Health, Colfax	\$140.00	001.000.000	111.70.021	Judy Roberts	Front Desk/Cash Drawer
Public Health, Colfax	\$50.00	001.000.000	111.70.022	Pauline Anderson	Cash Drawer
Public Health, Pullman	\$100.00	001.000.000	111.70.023	Shannon Hatley	Petty Cash
Public Health, Pullman	\$70.00	001.000.000	111.70.024	Shannon Hatley	Cash Drawer
Public Health, Pullman	\$99.00	001.000.000	111.77.026	Shannon Hatley	Petty Cash/Postage
Public Health, Environ. Health	\$50.00	001.000.000	111.70.025	Marge Crowder	Cash Drawer
Public Works	\$150.00	110.400.000	111.70.10	Judy McMurray	Petty Cash
Sheriff, Drug Task Force	\$30,000.00	127.140.000	111.77.01	Brett Myers	Revolving
Sheriff	\$400.00	001.000.000	111.77.01	Brett Myers	Revolving
Solid Waste	\$300.00	400.400.000	111.70.17	Ruth McGillic	Cash Drawer
Superior Court	\$33.00	001.020.000	111.77.20	Eileen Roe	Petty Cash/Postage
Treasurer	\$900.00	999.000.000	111.70.11	Donna Poland	Cash Drawer
Treasurer, Advance Travel	\$15,000.00	999.000.000	111.00.21	Lana Cloaninger	Revolving

Signed this 27th day of June 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Greg Partch, Chairman

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

064166 11. Adam Roberts reported that the Drug Task Force received a grant specifically for computer equipment upgrades. The Task Force would like to purchase two computers and a printer for their Pullman office. Information Services will create a form similar to the Asset Acquisition purchase form for approval of all grants purchased computer equipment. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the purchase of the computer equipment for the Drug Task Force.

064167 12. The Chairman signed DSHS Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Programs contract #0563-73267.

064168 13. The commissioners responded to Karl Johanson's presentation requesting the establishment of a Special Needs Transportation Authority. The Board felt it was premature to approve a request at this time for several reasons, i.e. public meeting notice, would like to hear from others involved and affected, future tax implications and county obligations and/or responsibilities. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the response letter as read.

064169 14. Pursuant to County Code regarding delegation of purchase orders, claims and payroll responsibilities, an authorization form was received from the Parks and Developmental Services department(s), signed by the Board and forwarded to the Auditor's office. **Motion** by Commissioner Wigen **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried**.

064170 15. A copy of a state condemnation petition was received pertaining to the SR 270 construction project. No action is required of the county.

064171 16. A copy of the Skagit County Commissioners letter to the Governor was received concerning new criteria for liquid nutritional supplements for Medicaid seniors and the seriously ill.

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064172 17. A copy of a letter sent to the Whitcom Administrator was received from the Emergency Management Division concerning the \$54,352 of additional funding for regionalization.

064173 18. Notice was received from the Washington State Liquor Control Board approving the application of the Dusty Country Store.

064174 19. Information pertaining to the proposed preliminary plat of Barclay Estate Subdivision No. 1 was received from the City of Pullman.

10:25 a.m. - Bob Reynolds.

20. Executed copies of the following documents received:

- 064175** Palouse Conservation District 2005 agricultural burning,
064176 Emergency Management Division contract #E05-031(B) for Wireless Operations and
064177 Emergency Management Division contract #E05-055(B) for Wireline Operations.

D064177A 21. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:30 a.m. - **Janitorial Service Bids.**

Present: Bob Reynolds, Tammy Lewis, Megan Doyle and Ashley Courtail.

064178 Mr. Reynolds presented an award recommendation for janitorial service to Service Masters Building Maintenance, Moscow, Idaho for the sum of \$33,696.00/year effective 07/01/05 thru 12/31/06 and to proceed with entering into a contract. The contract has been reviewed and amended by the Prosecutor.

The Chairman stated the Board was not unhappy with the current maintenance staff they simply had to find cost-savings measures and this contract will save more than originally projected. Mr. Reynolds pointed out one janitorial and one building engineer position will be hired.

064179 Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the contract as presented.

10:45 a.m. - **Tim Myers, Parks and Developmental Services Director.**

Present: Mark Storey, Tammy Lewis, Megan Doyle and Ashley Courtail.

D064179A 1. Tim Myers indicated the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) has authorized funding for the Klemgard Bridge project. They are on a tight timeline because Public Works needs to be involved in the project the first part of July. Their only hold up is waiting for IAC to sign the contract which they cannot do that until after the first of July. Mr. Myers spoke with a representative of IAC on Tuesday who was

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completing the contract and hoped the county would receive it over the weekend but that did not happen and no funds can be expended on the project until the contract is signed.

Acceptance of the grant means a commitment by the county to meet a \$90,000 match. The department is confident most of this match can be met. The county originally set aside \$25,000 for the match, but because of the IAC grant they are hoping not to use the entire amount, but more likely in the range of \$5,000 by doing some fund raising for the playground and restrooms. Some donations are already in place for this project.

The plan is \$5,000 of county dollars is committed to the project plus staff time. The remainder of the match will be donated materials and dollars as well as in-kind labor for building the playground, prepping for the restrooms and work on the bridge and trails. The department has 2 years to complete the project and during that time they will try to bring the \$5,000 down to \$0. Mr. Storey said the current wooden bridge would be replaced with a concrete structure capable of supporting the heavy equipment that needs to cross it. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the IAC contract upon receipt.

064180 **2.** The next issue dealt with a property purchase on the Bill Chipman Palouse Trail (BCPT) located at Sunshine Road. This is a joint project between Whitman County Public Works, Whitman County Parks and the Washington State Department of Transportation.

The Engineer explained the project entails installation of the Farband Bridge on Sunshine Road and includes required land for the road improvement and bridge construction and additional land that could later be converted to a recreational use. This project will also improve approaches to the state highway. The department has received a signed agreement by the property owner (Bailiff-Mardel Investment Co., Inc.).

10:55 a.m. - Jean Wardwell.

Tim Myers said WSDOT budgeted \$10,000 to purchase $\frac{1}{4}$ acre required for the bridge. The county took the approach to work with WSDOT and BCPT Committee who agreed to donate \$40,000 to the overall project and part of that donation includes purchasing this property. They succeeded in obtaining 1.3 acres needed for the same price as the $\frac{1}{4}$ acre and because of that a park site could be sited at this location. The property owner also agreed to donate back the additional value of the property.

The property owner's uncle was a county park board member for several years and passed away last year. The nephew would like to commemorate his uncle at this site and all parties have worked out the details for that purpose with the nephew paying for all expenses associated with the memorial.

Mr. Storey said this project would also provide a means of access to the middle of the trail rather than from just each end in addition to building the road, bridge approaches and improving safety at the intersection. Mr. Myers said this involves an overpass, whereby the road will go over the trail. Purchase of this property will come from the BCPT account, but will ultimately be Whitman County property.

Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to complete the purchase and sale agreement (with attachments and addendums) for this property.

11:00 a.m. - Bart Dearborn.

11:05 a.m. - **Mark Storey, County Engineer.**

Present: Mark Bordsen, Alan Thomson, Jean Wardwell, Tammy Lewis, Megan Doyle and Ashley Courtail.

Action Items:

064181 1. The Chairman convened the hearing for the proposed vacation of a portion of the Johnson Road right-of-way. The Engineer presented his report and recommended it is not advisable to preserve this road right-of-way for the county transportation system in the future.

There being no comments from those in attendance the Chairman adjourned the hearing. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the resolution to vacate a portion of Johnson Road right-of-way be signed as presented.

**RESOLUTION NO. 064181
BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

In the Matter of the Intent to)
Vacate and Abandon a Portion of)
the Johnson Road No. 9050 Lying)
Outside of the new right of way)
for said Johnson Road, in the)
Northwest quarter of Section 26,)
Township 13 North, Range 45 East,)
W.M. in Whitman County, Washington)

**RESOLUTION NO. 064181
RESOLUTION VACATING**

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners declared their intention to vacate and abandon a portion of said Johnson Road on the 31st day of May, 2005.

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Engineer has submitted a report, which indicates it is not advisable to preserve the portion of said Johnson Road for the county transportation system and therefore recommended the vacation of a portion of said Johnson Road.

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WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing, after proper public notice, on the 27th day of June 2005, and interested parties for and against said vacation were afforded the opportunity to present to the Board.

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners finds that the vacation of a portion of said Johnson Road is in the best interest of the citizens of Whitman County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that said portion of the Johnson Road being replaced by a new alignment for C.R.P. 9050-7 Johnson Road Safety Project, recorded in the Whitman County Engineers office, and lying easterly and outside of the new County road right of way, as shown on said road construction plans, be vacated and divided along the centerline and passed to the owners of record of the adjoining land.

DATED at Colfax, Washington, this 27th day of June 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Greg Partch, Chairman

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

064182 **2.** Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the zoning map district change for the Dan Boyd cluster rezone of 20.8 acres from the Agricultural District to Cluster Residential District.

ORDINANCE NO. 064182

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 Dan Boyd 20.8 acres (Boyd Cluster 1) from the Agricultural District to Cluster Residential District as may be allowed by the Whitman County Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 19.04. The

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site of this proposed rezone is located on Kitzmiller Road north of Pullman, approximately 1.5 miles east of the intersection between Whelan Road and Kitzmiller Road, in the SW ¼ of Section 27, Township 15 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 20th day of June 2005.

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OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Greg Partch, Chairman

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

064183 **3.** The following roads or portions thereof are scheduled for seal coating this year:

Lancaster Road	MP	9.13-18.16	
Penawawa Road	MP	0.00- 6.43	
Endicott Road	MP	26.73-29.81	
Parvin Road	MP	0.00- 3.82	
Garfield-Farmington Rd.	MP	0.22- 5.70	
Farmington Road	MP	<u>5.41-10.26</u>	
Total Miles		32.69	for \$400,500

Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the resolution to initiate a county road project for 2005 seal coating be signed as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 064183

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

In the matter of initiating an agency forces county road project designated as 2005 Seal coating, C.R.P. No. 1000 ET AL, Project No. XFL05.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Selected Countywide Roads be improved as follows:

Preleveling and Sealcoating approximately 32 miles of County Roads using CMS-2P Emulsified Asphalt and ½"-¾" Crushed Screenings.

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This project is hereby declared to be a public necessity and the County Engineer is hereby ordered and authorized to report and proceed thereon as by law provided (RCW 36.75.050, 36.80.030, 36.80.070)

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that an appropriation from the official adopted road fund budget and based on the county engineer's estimate is hereby made in the amounts and for the purposes shown:

PURPOSE	AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATION
Engineering	\$ 500.00
Maintenance	<u>\$400,000.00</u>
TOTAL (Road Fund)	\$400,500.00

ESTIMATED date of commencing work: July 1, 2005

ESTIMATED date of completing work: September 15, 2005

ADOPTED this 27th day of June 2005.

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Greg Partch, Chairman

G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

064184 4. According to Mark Bordsen, the Planning Commission had intended to hold their public hearing on the Rural Residential draft to the Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance on July 13th. The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) announcement that must preclude this was published last week. The Planning Commission met last Wednesday and decided more work was needed on this so they changed the public hearing date to July 20th. The department will re-advertise SEPA again this week and the documents will then be available to the public. In the meantime, one of the things that came up inadvertently is the fact that some people have been attempting to qualify land for a residential site under the existing code requiring land not be in commercial agricultural production for 3 years. This creates a situation for those people who have set aside this type of land, taken it out of commercial agricultural production and planted it to grass so they could wait for the 3-year period to end and therefore build. However, this option may not be available to them with the passage of a new code. The site might not work as a home site and staff felt that was not fair. The problem is these landowners cannot become vested until the land meets the criteria of being out of production for 3 years.

Staff proposed to the Planning Commission that these landowners be able to register with the Planning Office, provide documentation to prove they have removed their land from commercial production and that they do intend to build. The landowner then has the choice of trying to fall under the new rules when adopted or staying under the old rules. In doing so, the Chair of the Planning Commission sent the county commissioners a letter asking the Board to direct the Planning Office to do this and that the Board would also publish a notice advising those landowners that wish to comply with the current code to register with the Planning Office by July 15th.

Chairman Partch then read the letter from Ms. Wardwell. She clarified this only speaks to the interim period. The Planning Commission is going to public hearing on the 20th. During the Planning Commission's public workshop on this ordinance she didn't feel there was much criticism as to what the Commission had done, but rather more acceptance. However, that probably won't be the case with the proposed revisions.

064185 Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize publishing a notice regarding idling land with the intention to eventually qualify as a residential site.

11:30 a.m. - Denis Tracy, County Prosecutor.

Present: Mike Berney, Mike Werner, Tim Myers, Tammy Lewis, Megan Doyle and Ashley Courtial.

064186 The Prosecutor reviewed the revised DSHS Terms/Conditions contract dated June 1, 2005. He explained DSHS provides funding to the county for developmentally disabled persons, mental health counseling and substance abuse. The state requires the county to enter into a general terms/conditions contract before the county can receive any funding. After which the county contracts with individual agencies to provide the services.

The problem that arose is that language within the proposed contracts says the state wants the county to ensure the state will never have to pay any damage caused to anyone for anything. The state basically wants the county to be an insurer for them, reimburse and make sure the state never has to pay out any money for anything. That of course is not a good idea from the county's perspective and does not make sense. If the state is at fault in some way, the state should have to pay their share.

The state has changed their proposed language and removed the express provision regarding the county reimbursing the state or indemnifying the state for negligent acts of others. There is still some other language that is a bit troubling. However, the Prosecutor suggested the Board approve the current proposed DSHS general terms/conditions contract for one year as opposed to the original five-year term. During this next year DSHS has

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committed to work with the counties to resolve the other issues. The Prosecutor thought the state does appear to be acting in good faith.

Along with the approval of this contract, the Prosecutor suggested the Board include a letter with the contract to DSHS. He was at a meeting with all the prosecutors in the state last week and the consensus was that this was a good way to approach the issue and he agrees. He felt his draft letter makes it clear to DSHS that the questionable language remaining in the contract is not interpreted by this county to mean Whitman County is the insurance company for the state and if the state or some subcontractor hurts someone else and the state might be liable for that subcontractor's acts, the state may have to pay. If the county is liable for a subcontractor's act, the county may have to pay.

If the Board signs the contract and letter, the services will continue to be provided as of July 1, 2005 and the county will be protected to the best extent possible at this point.

Mike Werner supported the Prosecutor's recommendation. He pointed out that the agencies the county contracts with all carry insurance and those contracts include the same language as the General Terms/Conditions.

Mike Berney also voiced his support for the Prosecutor's recommendation.

The Prosecutor agreed to revise the letter incorporating suggestions by the commissioners and staff.

Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the DSHS General Terms/Conditions contract #0583-72084 for one year with DSHS from July 1, 2005-June 30, 2006.

2. As part of this action, Mike Werner requested the commissioners extend the existing contracts with Palouse Industries and CARES for 120 days for the following amended amounts:

064187	CARES	\$157,224-\$167,736
064188	Palouse Industries	\$547,968-\$565,066

Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the Developmental Services contracts as extended.

064189 3. Mr. Werner also requested a 5-year extension of a lease agreement with Palouse Industries for the Human Services Building for people with developmental disabilities noting the Prosecutor has reviewed the agreement. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the lease agreement as presented.

12:00 p.m. - Recess.

1:00 p.m. - Mike Berney, Palouse River Counseling Center.

D064189A Mr. Berney briefed the commissioners on the preliminary budget and funding mechanisms for Greater Columbia Behavior Health along with the estimated distribution scenarios for Whitman County.

1:30 p.m. - Judson Bridge Project Bids.

Present: Mark Storey, Julie Banks, Phil Meyer and Joe Schroder.

064190 The following bids for the Judson Bridge project were received, opened and read aloud. Public Works will review the bids and make a recommendation for award today at 2:30 p.m.

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A&R Construction, Inc., Lewiston, ID	\$513,474.00
Westway Construction, Inc., Airway Heights, WA	\$504,966.70
Robert R. Goebel General Contractors, Inc., Spokane, WA	\$512,660.00
Harry Johnson Plumbing & Excavation, Walla Walla, WA	\$435,096.50
N.A. Degerstrom, Inc., Spokane, WA	\$527,376.00

1:45 p.m. - Recess.

Commissioner Wigen excused himself from the remainder of today's meeting.

2:00 p.m. - Sue Kreikemeier, Early Learning Services.

Present: Eric Hoyle and Erica Coleman.

064191 Eric Hoyle began by saying Palouse Industries, a non-profit organization, provides services to people with developmental disabilities. They also serve children and families, families with children who have special needs and conduct developmental parent education.

The children and family programs came on board with Palouse Industries 2-years ago with their main office being in Moscow, providing family education and early childhood development education to families throughout Latah and Whitman County. The key funding source for this program comes through the Early Learning Opportunity Act administered by the Department of Health and Human Services. Every couple of years organizations like Palouse Industries respond to a federal register announcement applying for Early Learning Opportunity Act grant funds.

Sue Kreikemeier explained the role of the Young Children and Families Oversight Committee and the role of the commissioners in this grant application process. The action requested today is for the commissioners to designate the Young Children & Family Program Oversight Committee as the designated entity applying for the Early Learning Opportunity Act grant this year.

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Mr. Hoyle stated there is no cost to the county in terms of budgetary allocations. They are simply asking for recognition of the Oversight Committee for the grant application.

Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the letter granting the authority as presented.

2:15 p.m. - Recess.

2:35 p.m. - Judson Bridge Project.

Present: Dane Dunford and Mark Storey.

064192 The Director recommended the bid for the Judson Bridge project be awarded to Harry Johnson Plumbing & Excavation.

064193 Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to award the Judson Bridge project to Harry Johnson Plumbing & Excavation in the amount of \$435,096.50.

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

Present: Dane Dunford and Mark Storey.

D064193A 22. Items discussed were all Public Works related issues. No action taken.

4:05 p.m. - Recess.

D064193B 23. The commissioners attended the Quad Counties meeting in Pomeroy.

8:30 p.m. - Recess.

D064193C THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **July 5, 2005 at 2:00 p.m.** Greg Partch, Chairman, G.R. "Jerry" Finch, Commissioner and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

2:00 p.m. - Reconvene.

064194 24. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the July 5, 2005 Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **178356-178470** for **\$304,611.98**.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	56,561.87
101	Self Insurance	884.47

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102	Building & Development	39.16
103	Countywide Planning	126.00
104	Developmental Services	172.26
110	County Roads	7,281.45
112	Public Facilities Improvement	35,000.00
117	Boating Safety	89.00
118	Inmate Welfare	728.32
119	Emergency Services	56.10
126	Treasurer's M&O	90.83
127	Drug Enforcement	8,287.95
134	Elections Reserve Fund	13,403.37
135	Prosecutor's Stop Grant	3,883.84
400	Solid Waste	810.50
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	13,051.66
690	Clearing & Suspense-005	153,423.31
690	Clearing & Suspense-026	12,721.89

064195-064207 25. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the Personnel board orders.

064208 26. The Chairman signed the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation grant agreement #04-1214D as previously authorized for Klemgard Park.

2:10 p.m. - Financial Computer System RFP's.

Present: Bev Welch and Kris Bunch.

064209 The following RFP's for a new financial computer system were received, opened and read aloud. Information Services will review the RFP's and make a recommendation for award on July 25th at 10:30 a.m.

RFP	AMOUNT
New World Systems, Troy, MI	\$331,600.00
SunGuard	\$359,250.00
eSoftware Professionals, Inc., Portland, OR	\$620,472.00
Tyler Group, Renton, WA	\$889,166.00
Eden Systems, Vancouver, WA	\$398,366.08
The Resource Group, Renton, WA #1	\$120,478.00
The Resource Group, Renton, WA #2	Received too late to consider

2:30 p.m. - Adjournment.

D064209A Commissioner Finch **moved** to adjourn the **June 27** and **July 5, 2005** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **July 11, 2005**. The foregoing action made this **5th** day of **July 2005**.

ss/ G.R. FINCH, Commissioner
 ss/ LES WIGEN, Commissioner

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

GREG PARTCH, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners