

Minutes for July 12th, 2004

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062702 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **July 12, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.** Les Wigen, Chairman, "Jerry" Finch and Greg Partch, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

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

Present: Sharron Cunningham and Tammy Lewis.

062703 1. Items discussed included public defender contract, regional breakfast, CASA request, call for budget and Naylor Farms. No action taken.

9:15 a.m. - Recess.

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

Present: Tammy Lewis.

D062703A 2. Motion by Commissioner Finch to approve the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

062704 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **164953-165087** for **\$258,461.99** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	51,067.49
102	Building & Development	26.17
103	Countywide Planning	21.00
110	County Roads	3,679.40
118	Inmate Welfare	25.79
119	Emergency Services	161.73
123	Paths & Trails	401.55
132	Auditor's Document Preservation	36.94
141	Washington Housing SHB 2060	5,541.82
142	Whitcom-911	144,263.52
300	Capital Projects	1,906.03
400	Solid Waste	12,976.25
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	36,899.50
510	Photocopier Revolving	647.80
513	Communications Revolving	807.00

062705 4. July 5, 2004 minutes approved.

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062706-062707 5. Personnel board orders approved.

062708 6. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to call for the 2005 preliminary budget. The commissioners signed a letter outlining the 2005 goals and priorities.

062709 7. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to sign the 2004 cooperative burn permitting agreement with Whitman Conservation District.

062710 8. Pursuant to County Code regarding delegation of purchase orders, claims and payroll responsibilities, an authorization form was received from the Treasurer's office, signed by the Board and forwarded to the Auditor's office. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

062711 9. A letter was received from Snyder & Martonick Law Offices requesting their Superior Court indigent defense contract be extended. The commissioners will meet with the Prosecutor on this issue before taking any further action.

062712 10. An executed copy of the Juvenile Justice federal grant application I-100-01404 was received.

D062712A 11. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:30 a.m. - CDBG Lead Base Close Out.

Present: Judy Allen of Community Action Center (CAC).

062713 1. Chairman Wigen opened the public hearing for close out of the CDBG Lead Base grant #01-64021-038 in the amount of \$160,070.

Judy Allen provided the staff report as follows for the contract period August 1, 2001-December 31, 2003. Community Action Center staff received the required training to be EPA certified as Lead Based Paint (LBP) workers, supervisors and risk assessors in Washington, Idaho, and Region X. A free workshop was made available to contractors, landlords and the public regarding LBP safe work practices. The CAC purchased the necessary equipment for LBP testing, which included the Niton with accessory kits and software. Additional equipment was purchased to allow the weatherization crew to perform lead-based paint interim control on homes. A lead-based paint assessment was completed on 102 homes prior to weatherization or rehab, 70 homes were weatherized and/or rehabbed. Additionally, three homes received a grant to complete the LBP interim control in combination with the home rehab work performed. None of the homes would have qualified for rehab as the cost of interim control and the required health and safety repairs would have exceeded our program limits. The extension of the contract to 12/31/03 allowed the completion of lead based paint mitigation on 3 rehab projects. No income was accumulated during the project period. A total of

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\$129,647.78 was expended. The balance of \$30,421.22 will be returned to CTED.

Those in attendance were given an opportunity for comments and questions.

Chairman Wigen closed the hearing. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried** to sign the close out grant for CDBG lead based.

062714 2. A brief review of the CAC Community Services block grant for the period January 1, 2004-June 30, 2004 reviewed by Ms. Allen.

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

Present: Mark Storey, Tammy Lewis, Maggie Breshears and Leila Summers.

Action Items:

062715 1. **Motion** by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to publish the notice of hearing for the Six-Year Road Program.

062716 2. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** that the resolution to close the Carter Road for the Flaig Bridge project be signed as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 062716

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Whitman County, Washington in the matter of closing a certain county road/bridge pursuant to R.C.W. 47.48.010;

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the following road/bridge will be closed to vehicular traffic: County Road No. 0115, the Carter Road at milepost 0.01, beginning July 19, 2004 until completion of the replacement of the Flaig Bridge, which is estimated to be July 27, 2004.

ADOPTED this 12th day of July 2004.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Les Wigen, Chairman

ATTEST:

Greg Partch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

G. R. Finch, Commissioner

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062717 3. Motion by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to publish the notice of road closure for the Carter Road for the Flaig Bridge project.

Engineering Division:

062718 4. As requested, Mark Storey prepared and reviewed his report for the speed limit on a portion of the Endicott Road. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to accept the Engineer's report and recommendation to increase the speed limit on the Endicott Road to 55 MPH as of August 1, 2004. A resolution will be prepared for signatures next week.

D062718A 5. The engineer updated the commissioners on the status of the Palouse Cove Road project.

Maintenance Division:

D062718B 6. The Director said the crews are seal coating. With any luck, they should be done by July 23rd and will have expended \$450,000-\$500,000 within 8-9 days. Seal coating is by far, the most expensive operation annually performed by Public Works. It is a very good preservation tool for paved roads but does require much manpower, equipment and product.

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

Present: Joe Reynolds, Kelli Campbell, Chad Connors, Tim Myers, Dane Dunford, Bob Lothspeich, Tom Miller, Eunice Coker, Sharron Cunningham and Tammy Lewis.

The following individuals contacted the Clerk of the Board regarding their absence from today's meeting: Janet Schmick, Doug Robinson and Marlynn Markley.

062719 The June 2004 ending financial report provided by Ms. Welch.

June 2004 Cash Balance - \$1,674,897

June 2003 Cash Balance - \$2,029,744

June 2004 Revenue - \$4,297,686 - %48.92 of budget.

June 2003 Revenue - \$4,554,487 - %54.96 of budget.

June 2004 Expenditures \$4,367,519 - %45.66 of budget.

June 2003 Expenditures \$4,023,596 - %46.85 of budget.

12:00 p.m. - Recess.

1:45 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Dane Dunford, Mark Storey and Julie Banks.

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062720 12. Items discussed included the 6-year road program, bridge report and priority rating. No action taken.

3:00 p.m. - Adjournment.

D062720A Commissioner Partch **moved** to adjourn the **July 12, 2004** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **July 19, 2004**. The foregoing action made this **12th** day of **July 2004**.

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

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

LES WIGEN, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners