

### Minutes for August 8, 2005

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**064309 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **August 8, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.** Greg Partch, Chairman, Les Wigen, Commissioner and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

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

Present: Sharron Cunningham.

**064310 1.** The item discussed was HB 2163, Homeless legislation. No action taken.

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

Present: Tammy Lewis.

**D064310A 2. Motion** by Commissioner Wigen to approve the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

**064311 3.** Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **179615, 179707-179742, 179776-179807 and 179824-179913** for **\$843,429.91** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	30,438.37
101	Self Insurance	1,274.10
102	Building & Development	602.79
103	Countywide Planning	594.31
110	County Roads	24,173.41
119	Emergency Services	13.24
127	Drug Enforcement	2,444.36
132	Auditor's Document Preservation	320.66
134	Elections Reserve Fund	9,132.93
135	Prosecutor's Stop Grant	1,232.17
300	Capital Projects	29.89
400	Solid Waste	108,649.28
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	15,735.55
513	Communications Revolving	674.11
660	Whitcom-General-660.911.000	10,109.28
660	Whitcom-Grant Funding-660.911.001	6,633.93
690	Clearing & Suspense-002	252,590.87
ET	Electronic Transfer	384,780.66

**064312 4.** August 1, 2005 minutes approved.

**064313-064315 5.** Personnel board orders approved.

**10:10 a.m. - Sharron Cunningham and Bev Welch.**

**064316** 6. The purpose of this resolution is to account for additional requirements and revenues due to the passage of Washington Laws, Chapter 442. Ms. Welch discovered late Friday that the Auditor prefers not to segregate these funds from Document Preservation fund 132.060.000. These funds are for use countywide but are held under the direction of the Auditor. Ms. Welch was directed to visit with the Administrative Services Director and Auditor regarding this matter. Therefore, no action was taken.

**064317** 7. This resolution recognizes the need for a Domestic Violence Services Fund to account for the passage of Washington Laws, Chapter 374. A new filing fee of \$30.00 is being collected in the County Clerk's office and administrated by the commissioners.

**064318** 8. This resolution allocates \$1.00 of a preexisting legal filing surcharge for Historical Preservation and Programs Fund and is under the direction of the commissioners.

**064319** 9. This resolution results from the passage of Washington Laws, Chapter 484, Section 9 establishing the Homeless Housing Plan Fund also administered by the commissioners to account for new requirements and revenues.

**064320** 10. This resolution establishes the Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) Technology Fund. An additional charge tacked on to the current excise tax filings will be deposited into this fund to create an automated system for electronic processing between the county and the state. This fund is the responsibility of the Treasurer.

**064321** 11. A resolution was passed earlier in the year designating Whitcom as its own legal entity and moved it to an agency fund. The State Examiner has advised Ms. Welch that Whitcom needs to be removed from the county's 2005 financials. Therefore, a resolution is necessary to revise the effective date of this change from March 28, 2005 to December 31, 2004.

Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve resolutions 2-6 (as listed on the agenda).

- 2) Domestic Violence Services Fund
- 3) Historical Preservation and Programs Fund
- 4) Homeless Housing Plan Fund
- 5) Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) Technology Fund
- 6) Whitcom Funds

**RESOLUTION NO. 064317**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, August 8, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington recognizes the need for a Domestic Violence Services Fund to account for the passage in the Washington Laws, Chapter 374; and

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WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believe that a separate fund is the proper procedure to account for the new requirements and revenues.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a Domestic Violence Services Fund numbered 116.010.000 is hereby created.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of August 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Greg Partch, Chairman

ATTEST:

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G.R. Finch, Commissioner

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Maribeth Becker, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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Les Wigen, Commissioner

**RESOLUTION NO. 064318**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, August 8, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington recognizes the need for a Historical Preservation and Programs Fund to account for the passage in the Washington Laws, Chapter 442; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believe that a separate fund is the proper procedure to account for the new requirements and revenues.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a Historical Preservation and Programs Fund numbered 120.010.000 is hereby created.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of August 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Greg Partch, Chairman

ATTEST:

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G.R. Finch, Commissioner

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Maribeth Becker, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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Les Wigen, Commissioner

**RESOLUTION NO. 064319**

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, August 8, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington recognizes the need for a Homeless Housing Plan Fund to account for the passage in the Washington Laws, Chapter 484, Section 9; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believe that a separate fund is the proper procedure to account for the new requirements and revenues.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a Homeless Housing Plan Fund numbered 109.010.000 is hereby created.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of August 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Greg Partch, Chairman

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G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Maribeth Becker, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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Les Wigen, Commissioner

RESOLUTION NO. 064320

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, August 8, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington recognizes the need for a Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) Technology Fund to account for the passage in the Washington Laws, Chapter 480; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believe that a separate fund is the proper procedure to account for the new requirements and revenues.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a REET Technology Fund numbered 124.050.000 is hereby created.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of August 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Greg Partch, Chairman

ATTEST:

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G.R. Finch, Commissioner

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Maribeth Becker, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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Les Wigen, Commissioner

**RESOLUTION NO. 064321**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, August 8, 2005; and,

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2005 the commissioners adopted Resolution #063693 changing Whitcom from a Special Revenue Fund to an Agency Fund; and,

WHEREAS, the commissioners and State Auditor believe that changing the effective date is the proper procedure to account for these revenues and expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Whitcom Funds numbered 660.911.000 for the General Fund, 660.911.001 for 911/Grant Funding and 660.911.002 for Capital Projects are hereby effective as of December 31, 2004.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of August 2005 and effective as of December 31, 2004.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Greg Partch, Chairman

ATTEST:

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G.R. Finch, Commissioner

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Maribeth Becker, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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Les Wigen, Commissioner

**064322**      **12.** Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to set a hearing for the proposed Hangman Creek Water Resources Management Plan (WRIA 56). Hearing will take place on August 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.

**064323**      **13.** A memo was received from the Undersheriff regarding plans for establishment of a Narcotic Detection K-9 Program. A workshop was later scheduled with the Sheriff regarding this issue.

**064324**      **14.** Information regarding rural residential housing modifications was received from Susan Fagan of Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Inc.

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**064325** 15. A letter was received from Greg Royer, Vice President for Business Affairs concerning a certain portion of the impending agricultural zoning change.

**064326** 16. The annual regular motor vehicle fuel tax allocation factors and county arterial preservation program allocation factors for 2006 were received from the County Road Administration Board.

**064327** 17. Theodore M. Olson with the Department of Ecology wrote the commissioners stating the county's Flood Damage Prevision Ordinance contains a number of provision in addition to the minimum required by FEMA. The ordinance is commendable and complies with the current FEMA Model Ordinance. Therefore, Whitman County remains in good standing with FEMA and the National Flood Insurance Program.

**064328** 18. A response to the commissioners' letter to Governor Gregoire was received concerning liquid nutritional supplements.

**064329** 19. Notice of annexation to Public Hospital District No. 1-A was received from Kelly N. Brown, Attorney.

**064330** 20. The prosecutor submitted his formal input on the purchase of a new mainframe computer system for the county suggesting the county issue a 10-year bond to pay for the system.

**064331** Not used.

**064332** 21. Information was received concerning the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development's 2006 Action Plan.

**064333** 22. The commissioners responded to John Sherman's letter of July 29<sup>th</sup> regarding the county's proposed rural residential zone.

23. Executed copies of the following documents received:

**064334** DSHS #0563-77152 - \$10,000 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant

**064335** Commercial Lease for Pullman Public Health Office with Pullman Regional Hospital Foundation.

**D064335A** 24. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

**10:30 a.m. - Kris Bunch, Information Services.**

Present: Bev Welch, Bob Lothspeich, Sharron Cunningham and Tammy Lewis.

**064336** Mr. Bunch recommended awarding the RPF for the county financial system software to New World Systems for #331,600. This decision was based on 1) finance/cost, 2) usability for users, 3) how well does it meet the functions Whitman County needs and 4) ease of administration for Information Services. This software package includes Human Resources, Finance, Payroll and Accounts Payable.

In addition, Mr. Bunch requested authorization to request RFP's for an Assessor, Treasurer and GIS package. All Assessor-Treasurer software packages would have to link into the software system selected so the county is not operating a dual entry system.

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When questioned about what type of hardware would be needed, Mr. Bunch said that would depend on the software vendor selected. Only the mainframe hardware would change.

Sharron Cunningham said she totally agrees with Information Services choice as the best system for the county.

Bob Lothspeich thought this particular system had a lot going for it.

Chairman Partch suggested holding a workshop August 16<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. to further discuss this issue.

The Treasurer said his office needs some type of investment software that was not included in the current proposed software. According to Bev Welch, New World Systems investment module won't be available until September 2006 and would be approximately \$10,000 additional. If a spreadsheet were developed for the Treasurer's office, it would better serve the Treasurer's needs than the information being pulled from our current system. Mr. Lothspeich was in agreement and said that makes sense if New World Systems is going to include an investment element.

**064337** Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize an RFP for an Assessor-Treasurer package and GIS software.

**11:00 a.m. - Dane Dunford, Public Works Director.**

Present: Mark Storey and Tammy Lewis.

**Action Items:**

**064338** 1. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the resolution to purchase Mainline Rock and Ballast's stockpile of crushed rock be signed as presented.

**RESOLUTION NO. 064338**

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS in the matter of purchasing crushed rock from Mainline Rock and Ballast.

WHEREAS, for road maintenance Whitman County Public Works Department has a yearly need for crushed rock, and,

WHEREAS, Mainline Rock and Ballast has a stockpile of crushed rock including 1-1/4" minus and 5/8" minus located near the Town of Lacrosse, and,

WHEREAS, Mainline has offered to sell the rock to Whitman County at a price of \$.55 per cubic yard including tax for 8,200 cubic yards of 1-1/4" minus and 3,050 cubic yards of 5/8" minus crushed rock, and

WHEREAS, this pricing is about one-third of the price of comparable crushed rock when acquired through the bidding process and represents a "Special Market Condition",

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners authorizes Public Works to purchase this stockpile of crushed rock.

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Dated at Colfax, Washington this 8th day of August 2005.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Greg Partch, Chairman

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G.R. Finch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Maribeth Becker, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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Les Wigen, Commissioner

**064339** 2. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to publish the public notice of hearing on proposed amendments to Whitman County Building Code, Chapters 17.04, 17.08 and 17.12.

**Solid Waste Division:**

**D064339A** 3. Fall cleanup is scheduled for September 19-24, 2005 at the reduced rate of \$20 per ton.

**D064339B** 4. A total of 1,200 tons of yard waste was ground last week at the Landfill of which 150 tons was clean wood waste.

**Engineering Division:**

**D064339C** 5. Bridge construction work continues on 3 bridges.

**Maintenance Division:**

**D064339D** 6. On-going limited crews are performing some ditching, spot grading and asphalt work for Colfax.

**D064339E** 7. Commissioner Wigen said today the commissioners offered Whitman County's assistance to Garfield and Columbia counties today with respect to the "School Fire" in their area. Through the county's mutual aid agreement, Mr. Dunford pointed out 4 large water tankers are available to the other counties if needed. They simply need to contact Whitcom.

**11:40 a.m. - Joe Poire' Port of Whitman Manager.**

Present: Denis Tracy, Sharron Cunningham and Ting Nguyen.

**D064339A** Isothermal Systems Research (ISR) expansion issue was before the Board.

Joe Poire' said the concept is that ISR's current building in Pullman is too small for the growth of the company and we are working with ISR Vice-President Chuck Tilton on the company's future needs. The Port has some proposals for ISR that have not been formalized. We have put together somewhat of a financial package of what it would take for an expansion. Architects are working on the proper amount of square footage needed.

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There are two interesting components to this project. 1) We need to build more square footage than ISR is going to occupy right away for two reasons; a) the competitiveness of locating ISR employees at their other location, and b) there is available space, on demand space. 2) It is difficult for a public entity to incrementally build taking into account the laws that must be followed. Every time a company needs a 5,000 square feet expansion, the Port will spend \$50,000 to go through the public bidding process that the private sector doesn't need to spend. The idea is to build with some excess capacity. The Port is talking to ISR about a date they would acquire and use the excess capacity.

In the meantime, there is no revenue coming from the excess capacity. Currently, the Washington State legislature looks very favorably on incubator buildings and funding for incubator buildings. The Port has located money to perform an incubator feasibility study through Community, Trade and Economic Development (CTED). They also located set-aside funds of \$100,000 (approximately) to help manage the study. They might use 5,000 square feet of the excess space for this type of concept, but it is premature to say at this time. However, there are avenues for what might be considered excess capacity.

The Port is structuring a date with ISR for moving into the space. The new structure would be built with a contingency of time for ISR to move in.

That brings us to a project that cost more than the lease rate will repay. The numbers are not settled as yet, but the concept from the Port was to talk with the county commissioners about partnering using .08 (public facilities) money to work on this project.

The Port is asking the state at two levels, the governor's office and the Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) to partner with them and the Port has received a "yes" from both offices. One will be a grant and the other will be a grant/loan. The concept he ran by Commissioner Finch was to do some kind of a grant/loan using .08 money. They can apply for a 3-5 year deferral from the state on the money that needs to be repaid. They won't know the answer to that until they go before the CERB Board. That would leave the first few years to repay the .08 money before the state money kicked in.

When asked by Commissioner Wigen if all .08 money would be returned to the county Mr. Poire' said no, only a portion of it would be repaid. He relayed to Commissioner Finch that the Port would like to see the county honor the same ratios on the project as the state i.e. 50/50, 75/25, etc. The project is financially upside down and won't pay for itself. There are a couple reasons for that. The Port has to compete square footage-wise with other areas ISR could locate and they must follow the public works laws. It costs the Port 20% more than what the private sector can build for and this 20% cannot be shaved off. Also, additional costs for excavating in the Palouse Hills must be factored in as opposed to the other ISR Liberty Lake location that is bone flat and they can build without the Davis-Bacon Act.

Denis Tracy said he reviewed the statute and talked with the Port's attorney, Bruce Ensley, about some of the details. The Prosecutor thought it would be legal to give or loan .08 money to the Port to develop a facility as long as the Port continues ownership of the building.

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Commissioner Wigen confirmed ISR would lease the building from the Port and Joe Poire' said that is correct.

Mr. Poire' said the architect would be meeting with him tomorrow to drop off some preliminary drawings. They are trying to bring this all together at once. They have a September 15<sup>th</sup> appointment before the CERB Board. The best-case scenario is to have a decision from the county commissioners before that time. The better he can frame this idea to the governor's office and CERB Board the better position they will be in. The CERB Board meets quarterly. They need to break ground and have the slab on grade this fall so they can build through the winter. Otherwise, they must wait until April.

Denis Tracy said one thing Mr. Ensley talked about was .08 funds would not be required until a lease had been signed with ISR so the county had the assurance the project would move ahead. Mr. Poire' said that is correct. A general obligation bond must be done in order to move forward with this project. The Port is working with ISR to define what this will look like, but no one is going to raise any money if ISR doesn't sign a lease. ISR is currently reviewing a draft of the Port's proposal. Mr. Poire' said there will be a lease signed prior to ground breaking with ISR.

Commissioner Wigen asked if Mr. Poire' would put his request in letter format specifying the amount requested and how the loan would be repaid. Mr. Poire' replied, the project is still pretty fluid.

Chairman Partch said the commissioners would have to further discuss this when Commissioner Finch returns. He added, the county had hoped to work with Pullman on infrastructure in the Corridor using .08 funds but Pullman didn't feel it was in their best interest at this time. However, one of the things the commissioners did hear at the time the county was going to obligate .08 funds for 2 years for infrastructure in the Corridor, from other entities that didn't have any objections, but they did not want the entire amount used for the Corridor. Therefore, the Chairman suggested discussing extending the .08 funds for the Port over a longer period of time in order to continue making .08 funds available for other small town projects during this time.

Mr. Poire' pointed out all local funds must be spent before state funds could be received. This means the Port must do the construction portion of the project. Chairman Partch sought clarification about the Port needing \$600,000 in one lump sum and Mr. Poire' said yes. It would be used for the construction portion. The Chairman wondered if \$200,000/year would work and Mr. Poire' responded, that was not discussed, but that is not to say something couldn't be worked out. The Port would have to borrow from another source and then relieve it in some capacity.

Mr. Poire' thanked the commissioners for their time.

**12:00 p.m. - Recess.**

**1:00 p.m. - Karl Cozad, Community Action Center Director (CAC).**

Present: Denis Tracy, Bev Welch, Sharron Cunningham, Amy Robbins, Eunice Coker, Troy Woo and Mike Berney.

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**064340** The Chairman reported the 2005 legislature passed HB 2163 requiring counties to set up a mechanism for adoption of a 10-year plan to address homelessness. Funding is derived from additional legal filing fees in the Auditor's office.

Karl Cozad said Amy and he attended a workshop about this legislation. The next step beyond the contact process is to establish a task force to address a 10-year plan to eliminate homelessness in Whitman County. He hoped Whitman County could stay on the same road with the Community Action Center playing a very vital role, taking the lead and moving forward in that vein. The August 15<sup>th</sup> timeline with Community, Trade and Economic Development (CTED) is to provide a contact list of two at the county and local level. By December 31st of this year a task force must be in place to work on the plan. If CAC should take the lead on this project, they would bring in a third party facilitator for an objective, non-ownership issue to look at the best ways to develop the plan. Funds are available for developing the plan and that is the money that could be used for a facilitator.

Amy Robbins said 40% of the fee collected is returned to the state. After one year, the county would be eligible to apply for funds for existing programs.

Chairman Partch asked about Whitman County's homeless rate. According to CAC's 2004 annual point-in-time survey, Amy Robbins said there were 83 homeless households. Of this amount 18 households fell into the category of chronically homeless. That means these 18 households had more than one homeless episode in a years' time.

Chairman Partch wondered if the county should do the same as they did with HB 2060 legislation whereby each city signed a letter authorizing the county to administer this program on their behalf.

Denis Tracy indicated the county could opt out of this program. If that were the case, a city would have the option of stepping in. The state would then contract with an organization like CAC. CTED would then retain the revenue due the county.

The Auditor stated her office has been collecting the additional fees since August 1<sup>st</sup>. Disbursement of funds to CAC could be handled the same as HB 2060; CAC submits a bill to the county and the funds are released through the claims process.

Troy Woo thought the cities needed to pass a resolution accepting the responsibility rather than a letter declining their responsibilities. His initial reaction is that this is something Pullman would not want to do on its own. He thought the homeless would be better served if the funds remained consolidated rather than split off to various cities. However, he will review this issue with the Mayor and City Supervisor. Mr. Woo agreed to serve on the task force representing Pullman.

Mike Berney said Palouse River Counseling Center would like to participate for both their Mental Health and Chemical Dependency population and will be participants in the task force. He agreed it makes sense to contract with CAC if they are willing to take the lead.

Greg Partch and Amy Robbins were identified as the official CTED contacts.

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Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to contract with CAC for Whitman County's responsibilities related to HB 2163.

Mike Berney thought the next logical step would be for CAC is to generate a budget for developing the task force and the plan for review by the Board on September 6<sup>th</sup>. After which, the Prosecutor will draft a contract between Whitman County and CAC.

**2:00 p.m. - Summit Road Establishment.**

Present: Dane Dunford, Mark Storey, Dennis Richmond and Martin Steen.

**064341** The Chairman convened the hearing for the proposed establishment of Summit Road and requested the Engineer's report.

The Engineer said Mr. Richmond has petitioned to establish a small portion of a county road to be known as Summit Road. This is an extension of Orchard Street in Colfax. In his opinion, the better interest of the people of Whitman County would be served through establishment of this road. Provided, the requirements and conditions listed below are completed to the satisfaction of the County Engineer.

- The road, if established would only serve 2 properties.
- The petitioner, Dennis Richmond has agreed to complete a survey of the proposed road showing all ownership and property corners.
- The City of Colfax has agreed to perform all required maintenance on the road.
- The city of Colfax will annex and establish an extension to Orchard Street, ending even with the westernmost city limit line on the street.
- The petitioner has agreed to obtain all required property owner approvals and affidavits to establish the new rights of way.

Once this package is complete, Mr. Storey will submit a resolution to the county commissioners for establishment.

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

Mr. Richmond said the City of Colfax has a problem in that the road is not located where it is supposed to be. The survey markers are halfway into Hallett's front yard. Mr. Richmond said part of his front yard is in the same position, but it is not a problem for him because he understands the road won't be moved. This really won't affect anyone, but evidently Mr. Hallett has a concern. Mr. Richmond said that issue may not be resolved for some time and since he is in the county, he wondered if there was any reason why he couldn't precede with his sub-plot on the back 5 acres while the city and Mr. Hallett work to resolve this problem.

Dane Dunford said the city must resolve their issue by annexing the property and establishing the road as a city street.

Mark Storey said the law doesn't allow the county to establish a county road without it leading to another legally established public road. Therefore, without a county road establishment, Mr. Richmond cannot subdivide his property.

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

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Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to accept the Engineer's report as submitted.

**2:30 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.**

Present: Bob Lothspeich, Dane Dunford, Evon Jones, Donna Poland, Sharron Cunningham (2:30 p.m.), Kim Kopf (3:00 p.m.), Cindi Lepper, Fran Martin and Kris Wilcox (3:30 p.m.), John Beck, Dane Dunford, Fran Martin, Mark Storey, Mike Schuler, Patti Von Bargaen and Liz Broadfoot (4:30 p.m.).

**064342 25.** Items discussed included non-sufficient check fees, CASA volunteers, Environmental Health solid waste issues and a microwave tower in Colfax. No action taken.

**5:30 p.m. - Adjournment.**

**D064342A** Commissioner Wigen **moved** to adjourn the **August 8, 2005** 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 **August 15, 2005**. The foregoing action made this **8<sup>th</sup>** day of **August 2005**.

ss/ LES WIGEN, Commissioner

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MARIBETH BECKER, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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GREG PARTCH, CHAIRMAN  
Board of County Commissioners