

Minutes for August 23th, 2004

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062834 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **August 23, 2004** at **9:00 a.m.** Les Wigen, Chairman, G.R. "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: Denis Tracy, Tim Myers, Roger Marcus, Joe Reynolds, Mark Storey, and Phil Meyer.

062835 1. Items discussed included Auditor/Licensing, CETC lease, land management and the Palouse Cove Road. No action taken.

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

Present: Tammy Lewis.

D062835A 2. Motion by Commissioner Finch to approve the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

062836 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **166396-166419, 166606-166715** for **\$317,422.42** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	37,085.05	7,781.60	16,835.04
101	Self Insurance			797.26
102	Building & Development		835.00	56.70
103	Countywide Planning	1,021.20		91.75
104	Developmental Services			712.67
110	County Roads	16,084.40	4,050.00	1,654.89
118	Inmate Welfare			457.08
119	Emergency Services			79.73
123	Paths & Trails			40,063.25
126	Treasurer's M&O			215.20
127	Drug Enforcement	400.00		
132	Auditor's Document Preservation			40.87
133	Commissioners' Special Revenue			1,124.93
135	Prosecutor's Stop Grant			1,684.07
142	Whitcom-911			16,975.51
400	Solid Waste	2,159.60		153.04
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	4,613.20	450.00	16,169.06
510	Photocopier Revolving			1,504.11
655	Hospital District		300.00	

690	Clearing & Suspense			143,627.21
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062837 4. August 16, 2004 minutes approved.

062838-062845 5. Personnel board orders approved.

062846 6. Motion by Commissioner Finch **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried** to sign a resolution rescinding Resolution #062778 and instructing the Treasurer to deposit the interest received from Solid Waste fund investments in the Current Expense fund. (This action is a result of the State reversing its position regarding this matter.)

RESOLUTION NO. 062846

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met on Monday, August 23, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the current investment policy regarding the Solid Waste Fund (400.400.000) as addressed in Resolution 062778 on August 2, 2004 should be rescinded; and

WHEREAS, a policy of investing by the County Treasurer would allow the Treasurer by R.C.W. 36.29.020 to pay the interest of the investment to the Current Expense Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS BOARD HEREBY RESOLVES that the Whitman County Treasurer should invest the Solid Waste Fund (400.400.000) and pay the interest to the Current Expense Fund.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of August 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

062847 7. An email was received from Bruce A. Baldwin, Manager of Palouse Grain Growers, Inc. regarding the Palouse Cove Road reconstruction project.

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062848 8. The City of Pullman forwarded information to the Board regarding the proposed Gray Estate III annexation.

062849 9. A notice of a public hearing before the City of Pullman Board of Adjustment was received regarding a special use permit for the redevelopment of the Greystone Church building.

062850 10. A copy of a letter sent to the Whitman County Business Development Association was received from the Port of Whitman County regarding the potential sale of the Community Education Training Center building and the current programs run through this facility.

D062850A 11. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:15 a.m. - Kris Bunch, Information Services

Present: Tammy Lewis.

Kris Bunch of Information Services presented computer equipment requests for Human Services and the Prosecutor's Office. Mr. Bunch pointed out due to the age of the current equipment, replacing it is less expensive than repairing it.

Motion by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to approve the equipment requests of \$960 each including shipping from the asset acquisition fund for:

062851 Human Resources; and,

062852 Prosecutor.

10:20 a.m. - Recess.

11:00 a.m. - Mark Storey, County Engineer.

Present: Phil Meyer, Mark Bordsen, Alan Thompson, Michael Schuler, Cindi Lepper and Mark Lilley.

Planning Division:

062853 1. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to accept the Planning Commissions recommendation to approve the zoning map change for Jack Streibick Cluster A rezoning 20 acres from the Agricultural District to Cluster Residential District.

ORDINANCE NO. 062853

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

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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 Streibick 20 acres (Cluster A) from the Agricultural District to Cluster Residential District as may be allowed by the Whitman County Zoning Ordinance Chapter 19.04. The 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 SE ¼ of Section 28, 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 23rd day of August 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

Solid Waste Division:

062854 2. Motion by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** that the contract between Whitman County and the City of Garfield for the competitive recycling grant be signed as presented. In addition to the ordinance, the commissioners also signed the zoning map.

Chairman Wigen commented that these zone changes are a real asset to the county and he looked forward to more building in rural Whitman County. Commissioner Finch said zone changes like these dispel the theory that there was no demand for this type of zoning. Commissioner Partch thought this zone accomplishes what the Board wanted to accomplish while still protecting agricultural land.

Engineering Division:

D062854A 3. The Engineer reported:

- The Looney Bridge detour should be in place today/tomorrow.
- The Palouse Cove Road had issues with the rain but most of it is cleaned up now.

Maintenance Division:

D062854B 4. Mr. Meyer reported:

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- The Glorfield Road was closed last evening due to the rain but reopened this morning.
- Other roads affected by the rain included Almota and Sand Road.
- Crews are spending much time grading.

11:15 a.m. - Recess.

11:30 a.m. - Board Business Continued/Executive Session.

Present: Jennifer Roach, Mark Storey, Phil Meyer, Denis Tracy, Joe Reynolds Roger Marcus and Tim Myers.

D062854C 12. Motion by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to go into executive session with the above individuals until 12:00 p.m. for discussion of a property management issue.

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

1:30 p.m. - BOCC Workshop.

Present: Bev Welch and Sharron Cunningham (1:30 p.m.) and Jim Hatley and Kelli Campbell (2:00 p.m.).

D062854D 13. The items discussed included cost allocation, solid waste loan interest, interest on funds to Current Expense, Administrative Services staffing, Avista rebate and LEOFF I members long-term care insurance. No action taken.

2:30 p.m. - Recess.

3:00 p.m. - Board of Health.

Present: Fran Martin, John Skyles and Michael Baker.

062855 1. With respect to the West Nile Virus, Mr. Baker said the department continues to monitor dead birds and trappings. He shared with the commissioners one of the traps used in Whitman County and various handouts created about mosquito repellents for adults and children and the safe use of the same.

D062855A 2. Mr. Skyles reported on the status of the Dusty Café water issue. The state is allowing the owner to continue quarterly monitoring provided the maximum contaminate level stays below 10 parts per million as well as the yearly average. If the state determines the owner must take corrective action, the owner will have 3 options; 1) drill a new well, 2) hire an engineer to check the existing well casing or 3) implement a reverse osmosis or ion change unit at the water point of entry.

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D062855B 3. Mr. Skyles said before Roto Rooter can consider installation of an effluent system at the Port of Wilma, other issues must first be addressed.

D062855C 4. According to the Director, one case of salmonella was investigated at a day care in Pullman.

D062855D 5. **Motion** by Commissioner Partch **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried** to sign the contracts with the Whitman County school districts for nurse's services as follows:

- 062856 Colfax
- 062857 Colton
- 062858 Endicott
- 062859 Garfield
- 062860 Guardian Angel/St. Boniface
- 062861 Lacrosse
- 062862 Lamont
- 062863 Oakesdale
- 062864 Palouse
- 062865 Rosalia
- 062866 Steptoe
- 062867 St. John
- 062868 Tekoa

D062868A 6. Ms. Martin said the Sheriff approved an interagency agreement for jail health services.

D062868B 7. The Director is looking for funding to assist released inmates in obtaining necessary medication. Once an indigent inmate is released they can be without their medication for 2-4 weeks while the DSHS process is once again completed.

062869 8. Ms. Martin asked the commissioners to review a partnership report before she presents it to the other partner counties.

D062869A 9. The Director talked about the staffing changes made within her department.

D062869B 10. The food handler's classes have increased from 1 to 2 days per month. One session will be held in Colfax and the other in Pullman.

D062869C 11. The next Board of Health meeting is September 21st.

4:00 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Fran Martin and Sharron Cunningham (4:00 p.m.) and Kelli Campbell (4:30 p.m.).

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D062869D 14. Items discussed included solid waste tonnage, CETC's future, benefit comparison, ACE-WCIF meeting and Developmental Services staffing. No action taken.

5:00 p.m. - Adjournment.

D062869E Commissioner Partch **moved** to adjourn the **August 23, 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 **August 30, 2004**. The foregoing action made this **23rd** day of **August 2004**.

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

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

LES WIGEN, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners