

## Minutes for September 03, 2013

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**074556 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** Chairman Michael Largent, Arthur Swannack and Dean Kinzer, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

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

Present: Gary Petrovich, Kelli Campbell (9:00 a.m.) and Denis Tracy (9:30 a.m.).

**074557-074557A 1-2.** Items discussed included WSAC/I-502, Quarterly Regional meeting, Long-term Strategic Planning summarization, restricted reserve, WSAC/LSC recruitment, WSAC/public records, tax sharing, evaluations, internal controls and Whitcom legal services. No action taken.

**10:05 a.m. - Reconvene/Pledge of Allegiance.**

Present: Kelli Campbell and Sally Ousley.

**D074557B 3.** Flag Salute.

**D074557C 4. Motion** by Commissioner Swannack to accept the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Kinzer and **carried**.

**074558 5.** General Claims/Veterans/Payroll warrants numbered 305660-305741 for **\$282,547.63** approved.

**074559 6.** August 19, 2013 minutes approved.

**074560-074563 7.** Personnel change orders approved.

**074564 8.** Commissioner Kinzer **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the revised Business Associate agreement with Payne West Insurance as presented.

**074565 9.** Commissioner Kinzer **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to acknowledgement Chairman's signature on a resolution requesting review by the Health Care authority to participate in the Washington State Insurance Plans.

**RESOLUTION NO. 074541  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WHITMAN COUNTY REQUESTING REVIEW BY THE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WASHINGTON STATE INSURANCE PLANS**

**BOCC MINUTES-09/03/13**

WHEREAS, the Health Care Authority administers the medical, dental, life, and long term disability insurance coverage for the employees of the state of Washington, as set forth in chapter 41.05 RCW; and,

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Commissioners representing the Whitman County Group has reviewed the state insurance plans, chapter 41.05 RCW, RCW 41.04.205, chapter 182-08 WAC, and chapter 182-12 WAC; and,

WHEREAS, we deem the state insurance plans as providing desirable insurance coverage for the employees (and members of the Governing Body where applicable); and,

WHEREAS, we certify that all employees (and members of the Governing Body) enrolled are eligible to participate in the state insurance plans;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Whitman County Group requests approval by the Health Care Authority to participate in the state insurance plans for the employees of the Whitman County Group, subject to the requirement of RCW 41.04.205 and the rules adopted thereunder.

DATED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2013.

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Michael Largent, Chairman  
Name/Title of Governing Body Member

**10:10 a.m.** - Gary Petrovich.

**074566**      **10.** Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to forward a request to the Classification Committee for review/recommendation of the Heavy Equipment Operators for classification as "Essential Job Family" status.

**074567**      **11.** Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize Chairman to sign the Washington State Military Department contract agreement #E14-053 for Whitcom (08/15/14).

**074568**      **12.** Commissioner Kinzer **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize Chairman to sign a Juvenile Division professional services agreement with Lorlei Zickler (06/30/15).

**074569**      **13.** Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize Chairman to sign a Juvenile Division professional services agreement with Terry Petersen (06/30/15).

**074570**      **14.** Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize 2013 Board of Equalization to reconvene.

**074571**      **15.** Commissioner Kinzer **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize Chairman to sign a letter to the Secretary of State, Archives Division requesting a 4-year extension to the current agreement.

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**074572 16.** A letter signed by residents of the Pullman Airport Road was received expressing their displeasure in the reduction of the speed limit.

**074573 16A.** A letter was received from the Chair of the Finance Committee rescinding their recommendation of July 17<sup>th</sup> to bring representatives of New World on-site.

**074574 16B.** An executed copy of the 2013 CDBG-PS contract #13-65400-016 received (06/30/14).

**074575 16C.** An executed copy of the 3<sup>rd</sup> amended interlocal agreement with Greater Columbia Behavioral Health received.

**074576 16D.** An executed copy of the 2013-14 interlocal agreement between the Sheriff and WSU received (03/31/14).

**074576 16E.** An executed copy of the interagency agreement #IAA14063 for BECCA funding received (06/30/14).

**074578 17.** Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

**10:25 a.m. - Recess.**

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

Present: Gary Petrovich.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**074579 18.** Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the contract between Whitman County and Harry Johnson Plumbing and Excavation, Inc. for the tree removal bid be signed when received.

**074580 19.** Commissioner Swannack **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the contract between Whitman County and Frank Gurney, Inc. for the guardrail bid be signed when received.

**DIVISION UPDATES**

**Solid Waste Division:**

**074581 20.** A flyer regarding Fall Cleanup Week (Oct. 7-12) received from the Director.

**074582 20A.** A flyer regarding Tire Amnesty Day (Oct. 12) also received from the Director.

**11:10 a.m. - Recess.**

**11:30 a.m. - Board Business Continued/Monthly Financial Review.**

Present: Bob Lothspeich, Brett Myers, Cinnamon Brown, David Ledbetter, Denis Tracy, Gary Petrovich, Janet Schmidt, Kelli Campbell, Mark Storey, Marlynn Markley and Troy Henderson.

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**074583 21.** The monthly financial report was provided by Gary Petrovich and David Ledbetter.

2013 Revenues Forecasted	- \$12,600,000	- 100.00%
2013 Revenues Thru 07/31/13	- \$ 7,194,079	- 54.01%
2012 Revenues Thru 07/31/12	- \$ 8,126,732	
2013 Current Cash in Treasury	- \$ 2,379,644	
2012 Current Cash in Treasury	- \$ 3,076,496	
2013 Expenditures Thru 07/31/13	- \$ 7,458,791	- 56.00%

**D074583A 21A.** Mr. Ledbetter hoped to compile and advance by email the 2014 budget by Friday.

**D074583B 21B.** The 2012 audit is continuing; examiners have been in and out.

**D074583C 21C.** In response to a question raised by Janet Schmidt, Mr. Ledbetter said in order for the county to be considered for trial reimbursement, expenses must be compiled via the Auditor's Office and Administrative Services for submission to the state between October 1 and December 1.

**11:30 a.m. - Recess.**

**1:00 p.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued.**

**D074583D 22.** Approved documents signed.

**1:30 p.m. - Greater Columbia Behavioral Health (GCBH).**

Present: Mike Berney.

**074584 23.** Mr. Berney reviewed the items for consideration at the September 5<sup>th</sup> GCBH regular meeting.

**D074584A 23A. GCBH Contracts:**

- Amendment #7 with the State re: reallocation of ESH beds
- Amendment #1 with Mental Health Ombuds Inc.
- Chelan-Douglas RSN Bed Agreement

Mr. Berney recommended Whitman County vote in favor of amendments #7, #1, and be willing to terminate the bed agreement with C-D but not refund penalty dollars already paid.

**D074584B 23B. Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Letter:**

The State received a letter from CMS regarding their concerns about how services provided through the Regional Support Networks have been procured. The State needs to provide a corrective action plan within 90 days. Informational only, no action needed.

**D074584C 23C. GCBH Interlocal agreement:**

An executed copy of the interlocal agreement has been distributed and the Clerk of the Board has received a copy.

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**D074584D 23D.** Revisions to the GCBH bylaws are continuing.

**D074584E 23E.** One member asked Mr. Berney about the Affordable Care Act and he said Mental Health staff recently attended training on this issue.

**074585 24.** Executive Session cancelled.

**1:50 p.m. - Recess.**

**2:00 p.m. - Board Business Continued.**

**D074585A 25.** Continuation of the Public Works Director's meeting was not necessary.

**2:00 p.m. - Recess.**

**D074585B THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **Monday, September 9, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** Chairman Michael Largent, Art Swannack and Dean Kinzer, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

**9:00 a.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued/Workshop.**

Present: Gary Petrovich.

**074586 26.** Items discussed included CETC building, ALTCEW special meeting, criminal justice, I-502, I-601, new Finance Director, IBM retirees medical, Martin Hall update, strategic planning summary, Pullman Regional Hospital presentation, Safety Committee recommendation, safety classes, Quarterly regional breakfast meeting, 2014 budget, EAT meeting, Health Care conference call, 2012 audit, IT policy and Hawkins status. No action taken.

**D074586A 27.** Approved documents signed.

**074587-074587A 27A.** General/Veterans/Payroll warrants numbered **305746-305816** for \$359,435.39, **305535-305463** for \$281,580.39 and **305817-305840** for \$280,908.12.

**074588 27B.** Personnel change orders.

**074589 27C.** Previously approved guardrail contract with Frank Gurney, Inc. signed by the Board.

**074590 27D.** Previously approved tree removal contract with Harry Johnson Plumbing & Excavation, Inc. signed by the Board.

**074591 28.** Executive Session cancelled.

**074592 29.** Workshop scheduled for September 10<sup>th</sup> is cancelled.

**10:40 a.m. - Adjournment.**

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**D074592A** Commissioner Kinzer **moved** to adjourn the September 3 and 9, 2013 meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Swannack and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **September 16, 2013**. The foregoing action made this **9th** day of September **2013**.

ss/ ARTHUR SWANNACK, COMMISSIONER

ss/ DEAN KINZER, COMMISSIONER

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MARIBETH BECKER, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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MICHAEL LARGENT, CHAIRMAN  
Board of County Commissioners