

082191 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **Monday, September 30, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.** Chairman Arthur D Swannack, Dean Kinzer and Michael Largent, Commissioners and Connie Ellis, Deputy Clerk of the Board attended.

8:30 a.m. - Call to Order/Board Business/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Bailey Wiedmer, Mark Storey, Evon Jones (8:30 a.m.), Maribeth Becker (8:40 a.m.), Victoria Fowler (9:10 a.m.), Brandy Dean, Bill Tensfeld (9:10 a.m.) and Lance Bishop (10:00 a.m.).

082192-082193 1-2. The following items were discussed but no action was taken.

- 2020 Medical Insurance
- Budget Amendment #3
- Weed Board Request
- IT Data Loss
- Pullman District Court
- Indigent Defense Contract
- Interlocal Agrmts./District Court
- Regional Meeting/Legislators
- 2020 Budget
- Concrete Work/Facilities

10:00 a.m. - Recess.

10:15 a.m. - Flag Salute.

Present: Paul Spencer, Victoria Fowler, Lance Bishop, Cynthia Hayward, Brandy Dean and Bailey Wiedmer (10:15 a.m.).

D082193A 3. Pledge of Allegiance.

D082193B 3A. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to amend the agenda to include #32, the 2020 Budget Workshop.

Consent Agenda:

082194 4. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to accept the consent agenda as presented.

082195 5. Treasurer's Wire Transfers and Check Report in the amount of **\$116,032.98**, and General Claims/Veterans' Relief warrants numbered **345328-345467** for **\$267,234.74** approved.

082196 6. September 16, 2019 minutes approved.

082197-082198 7. Personnel change orders approved.

082199 8. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to adopt resolution appointing Elizabeth Willits as petty cash custodian for the Pullman District Court.

**RESOLUTION NO. 082199
OF THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR WHITMAN COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, recognizes the need to change the pre-existing petty cash custodian within the Whitman County District Court-Pullman Department; and,

WHEREAS, the Whitman County District Court-Pullman Department would like to make Elizabeth Willits, Program Representative, the Custodian; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND AUTHORIZED that the Whitman County District Court-Pullman Department's petty cash account #001.000.00 111.70.031 shall be maintained by Elizabeth Willits.

Done this 30th day of September 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dean Kinzer, Chairman

Arthur D Swannack, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Ellis, Deputy
Clerk of the Board

Michael Largent, Commissioner

082200 **9.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to adopt resolution revising the countywide petty cash/revolving funds as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 082200
BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Board of Whitman County Commissioners met in regular session on the 30th day of September 2019; and,

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, petty cash stamp, revolving cash and advance travel accounts in all county funds; and,

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

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

PETTY CASH/CASH DRAWER, PETTY CASH STAMP, REVOLVING CASH AND ADVANCE TRAVEL ACCOUNTS

FUND #	ACCOUNT #	FUND NAME	CUSTODIAN	AMOUNT	SUB-TOTAL
TOTAL					
<u>CURRENT EXPENSE PETTY CASH/CASH DRAWER ACCOUNTS</u>					
001.000.000	111.70.02	Public Health-Colfax-Fiscal Petty Cash	Troy Henderson	\$ 70.00	
001.000.000	111.70.03	District Court-Colfax	Marlynn Markley	\$ 50.00	
001.000.000	111.70.04	Parks & Recreation-Colfax Office	Alisha Matelski	\$ 100.00	
001.000.000	111.70.05	Auditor-Colfax-Auto Licensing	Sandra Jamison	\$ 300.00	
001.000.000	111.70.09	Prosecutor	Kristina Cooper	\$ 100.00	
001.000.000	111.70.13	Clerk	Jill Whelchel	\$ 100.00	
001.000.000	111.70.15	Developmental Services	Alisha Matelski	\$ 25.00	
001.000.000	111.70.021	Public Health-Colfax-Front Desk	Noel Christiansen	\$ 140.00	
001.000.000	111.70.023	Public Health-Pullman-Petty Cash	Troy Henderson	\$ 199.00	
001.000.000	111.70.024	Public Health-Pullman-Front Desk	Meghan Johns	\$ 70.00	
001.000.000	111.70.031	District Court-Pullman	Elizabeth Willits	\$ 50.00	
001.000.000	111.70.041	Parks & Recreation-Kamiak Butte	Laura Bloomfield	\$ 25.00	
001.000.000	111.70.042	Parks & Recreation-Wawawai	Dave Mahan	\$ 25.00	
001.000.000	111.70.052	Auditor-Colfax-Legal Filing	Sandra Jamison	\$ 200.00	
001.000.000	111.70.11	Treasurer-Tax Counter	Chris Nelson	\$ 150.00	
001.000.000	111.70.21	Treasurer	Chris Nelson	\$ <u>750.00</u>	
		Total Current Expense Petty Cash/Cash Drawer Accounts			\$ 2,354.00

<u>OTHER FUNDS PETTY CASH/CASH DRAWER ACCOUNTS</u>			
106.240.000	111.70.07	Extension-Publications	Catherine Wigen \$ 50.00
110.400.000	111.70.10	Public Works-County Road	Brandon Johnson \$ 150.00
126.050.000	111.70.23	Treasurer's Tax Foreclosure	Clinton thru 12/31/18, Nelson-as of 01/01/19 \$ 4,500.00
400.400.000	111.70.17	Solid Waste-Landfill	McGillic/Street \$ <u>400.00</u>
Total Other Funds Petty Cash/Cash Drawer Accounts			\$ <u>5,100.00</u>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS PETTY CASH/CASH DRAWER ACCOUNTS			\$ 7,454.00
<u>CURRENT EXPENSE PETTY CASH STAMP ACCOUNTS</u>			
001.000.000	111.77.03	District Court	Marlynn Markley \$ 96.00
001.000.000	111.77.09	Prosecutor	Kristina Cooper \$ <u>100.00</u>
Total Current Expense Petty Cash Stamp Accounts			\$ 196.00
Total Other Funds Petty Cash Stamp Accounts			\$ <u>00.00</u>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS PETTY CASH STAMP ACCOUNTS			\$ 196.00
<u>REVOLVING CASH ACCOUNTS</u>			
127.140.000	111.77.25	Sheriff's-Drug Task Force	Brett Myers \$30,000.00
Total Current Expense Revolving Cash Accounts			\$ <u>00.00</u>
Total Other Funds Revolving Cash Accounts			<u>\$30,000.00</u>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS REVOLVING CASH ACCOUNTS			\$30,000.00
<u>ADVANCE TRAVEL ACCOUNTS</u>			
999.000.000	111.00.9706	Treasurer-Advance Travel	Chris Nelson <u>\$15,000.00</u>
Total Current Expense Advance Travel Accounts			\$15,000.00
Total Other Funds Advance Travel Accounts			\$ <u>00.00</u>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS ADVANCE TRAVEL ACCOUNT			<u>\$15,000.00</u>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS PETTY CASH/CASH DRAWER, PETTY CASH STAMP, REVOLVING CASH AND ADVANCE TRAVEL ACCOUNTS			<u>\$52,650.00</u>

Dated this this 30th day of September 2019 and effective as of this date.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Arthur D Swannack, Chairman

ATTEST:

Dean Kinzer, Commissioner

Connie Ellis, Deputy
Clerk of the Board

Michael Largent, Commissioner

082201 10. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to authorize approval of Data Cloud Solutions, LLC contract for assessment field application.

082202 11. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to authorize the IT Director to purchase the proposed Microsoft license as presented.

082203 **12.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to adopt revised resolution for 2019 Per Diem.

RESOLUTION NO. 082203
THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS FOR WHITMAN COUNTY
STATE OF WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, September 30, 2019 and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington recognizes the need to modify the 2019 per diem resolution to better accommodate person eligible for per diem for the entire day; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believe that the per diem rate for 2019 as revised and set at \$55.00 per day for anyone eligible for all meals in any one day, while retaining individual meal per diem for anyone eligible for less than all meals in any one day at \$12 breakfast, \$15 lunch, \$25 dinner; and,

WHEREAS, the County Auditor expressed the need to limit the methods of claiming per diem to one method if using the gross limit of \$55 per day to enable proper auditing as follows:

- Whitman County will reimburse per diem at \$55.00 per day for anyone eligible for all meals in any one day and individual meal per diem for anyone eligible for less than all meals in any one day at \$12 breakfast, \$18 lunch, \$25 dinner; and,
- Whitman County requires anyone wishing to claim the gross limit of \$55 per day when eligible for all meals in any one day must use one method of payment;
 - County credit card
 - Employee reimbursement form
 - Advance travel
- Employees may not combine multiple methods of reimbursement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Whitman County Commissioners to adopt the above per diem revisions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of September 2019 and effective as of October 1, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Arthur D Swannack, Chairman

ATTEST:

Dean Kinzer, Commissioner

Connie Ellis, Deputy
Clerk of the Board

Michael Largent, Commissioner

082204 **13.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to adopt revised resolution for 2020 Per Diem.

RESOLUTION NO. 082204
THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS FOR WHITMAN COUNTY
STATE OF WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, September 30, 2019 and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington recognizes the need to modify the 2020 per diem policy to better accommodate person eligible for per diem for the entire day while retaining the adjustment to the per diem rate made September 3, 2019 which is effective January 1, 2020 year; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believe that the per diem rate for 2020 should be set at \$60.00 per day for anyone eligible for all meals in any one day, while retaining individual meal per diem for anyone eligible for less than all meals in any one day at \$15 breakfast, \$20 lunch, \$25 dinner; and,

WHEREAS, the County Auditor expressed the need to limit the methods of claiming per diem to one method if using the gross limit of \$60 per day to enable proper auditing.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Whitman County will reimburse per diem at \$60.00 per day for anyone eligible for all meals in any one day, while retaining individual meal per diem for anyone eligible for less than all meals in any one day at \$15 breakfast, \$20 lunch, \$25 dinner beginning January 1, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Whitman County requires anyone wishing to claim the gross limit of \$60 per day when eligible for all meals in any one day must use one method of claim (county credit card purchase or Employee reimbursement form or advance travel) and may not combine multiple methods of reimbursement.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of September 2019 and effective as of January 1, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Arthur D Swannack, Chairman

ATTEST:

Dean Kinzer, Commissioner

Connie Ellis, Deputy
Clerk of the Board

Michael Largent, Commissioner

082205 **14.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve signature delegation responsibilities for purchase order, claims and payroll for the Whitman County Noxious Weed Control to Scott R. Watson and/or Doug Meyer.

082206 **15.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to authorize approval of MasterCard with a credit line of \$5,000 for the Whitman County Noxious Weed Control Board Coordinator.

082207 **16.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to reappoint Rick Finch to a three year term, expiring December 31, 2020 on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

082208 17. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve a liquor license for Boyer Park & Marina KOA.

082209 18. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to appoint Bailey Wiedmer as temporary board alternate to the Washington Counties Insurance Fund during Kelli Campbell's absence.

082210 19. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to approve carrying over 2019 Capital Improvement Plan projects not yet completed.

082211 20. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to authorize a change in the 2020 WCIF Medical Insurance Provider from Kaiser Permanente to WCIF Premera and offering the following 2020 Premera medical insurance plans to all non-represented and represented employees pending union approval.

- PREMERA WCIF 500 PPO
- PREMERA WCIF 750 PPO
- PREMERA WCIF 1500 HSA
- PREMERA WCIF 3000 PPO

082211A 20A. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Kinzer **seconded** the motion and **carried** to authorize a change in the 2020 medical contribution for non-represented employees and represented employees pending union approval of the medical insurance change from WCIF Kaiser Permanente to WCIF Premera.

CORRESPONDENCE:

D082211B 21. The following correspondence was received:

082212 21A. A letter was received from Doug Meyer, President of the Whitman County Weed Board requesting and recommending Scott Watson, the new Weed Control Coordinator, be upgraded to step three in the wage scale designation. He enclosed a letter from Scott Watson dated September 23, 2019 requesting the upgrade along with Mr. Watson's resume.

082213 21B. A letter was received from the State of Washington Department of Commerce to Dawn Smith, Executive Director of Southeast Washington Economic Development Association (SEWEDA) congratulating her that Whitman County had designated SEWEDA as their Associate Development Organization for the new biennium. The biennium award for 2020-2021 is \$100,000.

082214 21C. A letter was received from the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board approving Hurricane Cannabis, LLC license as a Tier 2 Marijuana Processor.

082215 21D. A letter was received from the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board notifying Interstate 502 that their marijuana license had been discontinued as of September 6, 2019.

082216 21E. A copy of letter from GL Booth, JG Davis and Associates, PLLC to Secretary of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was received requesting the proposed effective date for the tariff revisions to be October 1, 2019.

082217 21F. An email from Scott Watson was received notifying commissioners he had obtained a Busch Distributors gas card for the Weed Department.

082218 22. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

082219 23. The regular meeting was recessed and the hearing convened at 10:45 a.m. by the Chairman for 2019 budget amendment #3.

Chairman Swannack briefly reported there is a \$6,622 increase in revenue to the county.

The hearing was opened to public comment. There being none the hearing was adjourned and the regular meeting reconvened at 10:50 a.m.

082220 **24.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to adopt the 2019 budget amendment #3 as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 082220
THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR WHITMAN COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON
2019 BUDGET AMENDMENT #3

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Whitman County, State of Washington, met in regular session on Monday, September 30, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, any and all taxpayers appearing at the hearing held this date, to be heard for or against any part of the budget amendment have been given the opportunity to be heard; and,

WHEREAS, the Auditor estimates that these amendments are necessary for the operation of the specified funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the authorized appropriations for these funds of Whitman County for fiscal year 2019 be amended by the amounts indicated as attached; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate entries to the accounting records be made to reflect the aforementioned budget amendment.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of September, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

 Arthur D Swannack, Chairman

 Dean Kinzer, Commissioner

ATTEST:

 Connie Ellis, Deputy
 Clerk of the Board

 Michael Largent, Commissioner

DEPARTMENT	2019 Adopted Expend. Budget	BA #1 Revenue	BA #1 Expend.	2019 Amended Expend. Budget after BA #1	BA #2 Revenue	BA #2 Expend.	2019 Amended Expend. Budget after BA #2	BA #3 Revenue	BA #3 Expend.	2019 Amended Expend. Budget after BA #3
Administrative Services	208,605			208,605			208,605			208,605
Assessor	437,945			437,945			437,945			437,945
Auditor	912,834		7,299	920,133	2,037	6,854	926,987			926,987
Child Support Enforcement	129,225			129,225			129,225			129,225
Clerk	308,903			308,903			308,903	8,200	8,800	317,703
Commissioners	427,288			427,288		8,250	435,538		1,500	437,038
General Government	4,328,944			4,328,944		(1,130,382)	3,198,562	99,075	(250,000)	2,948,562
Coroner	192,267			192,267			192,267	2,305	-	192,267
District Court	829,623			829,623	28,000	27,614	857,237	25,000	18,400	875,637
Emergency Management	297,179			297,179			297,179			297,179
Extension	138,881			138,881			138,881			138,881
Facilities Management	689,722		55,865	745,587			745,587			745,587
Fair	406,092			406,092			406,092			406,092

Health	888,825			888,825		(20,000)	868,825			868,825
Human Resources	222,533			222,533			222,533			222,533
Information Technology	245,966			245,966		1,133,382	1,379,348			1,379,348
Juvenile	587,703			587,703			587,703			587,703
Parks & Recreation	260,487		4,897	265,384			265,384			265,384
Prosecuting Attorney	723,427			723,427			723,427			723,427
Sheriff	3,994,000			3,994,000			3,994,000			3,994,000
Superior Court	235,733			235,733		4,173	239,906			239,906
Treasurer	411,391			411,391		127,000	538,391			538,391
Weed	106,780			106,780			106,780		183	106,963
Fund Balance Adjustment		68,061		-	126,854		-	(355,697)		-
	16,984,353	68,061	68,061	17,052,414	156,891	156,891	17,209,305	(221,117)	(221,117)	16,988,188

1. Zero net effect in Expenditures, BA #2
2. Zero net effect in Expenditures, BA #3

DEPARTMENT	2019 Adopted Budget	BA #1 2019 Revenues & Expend.	2019 Amended Budget BA #1	BA #2 2019 Revenues & Expend.	2019 Amended Budget BA #2	BA #3 2019 Revenues & Expend.	2019 Amended Budget BA #3	
Self Insurance	55,000		55,000		55,000		55,000	101.012.000
Building & Development-PW	255,647		255,647		255,647		255,647	102.400.000
Countywide Planning-PW	483,792		483,792		483,792		483,792	103.400.000
Developmental Services	1,002,842		1,002,842		1,002,842		1,002,842	104.340.000
Extension Publications	200		200		200		200	106.240.000
Veterans Relief	135,550		135,550		135,550		135,550	108.060.000
Homeless Housing Plan	275,000		275,000		275,000		275,000	109.012.000
County Road-PW	19,116,800		19,116,800		19,116,800		19,116,800	110.400.000
Public Facilities Improvement	550,000	1,400,000	1,950,000		1,950,000	1,600,000	3,550,000	112.010.000
Hotel/Motel Tax	26,500		26,500		26,500		26,500	115.300.000
Domestic Violence Services	700		700		700		700	116.010.000
Boating Safety	107,100		107,100		107,100		107,100	117.140.000
Inmate Welfare	34,000		34,000		34,000		34,000	118.140.000
Historic Preservation/Program	54,100		54,100		54,100		54,100	120.010.000
Sheriff K-9 Unit	13,500		13,500		13,500		13,500	122.140.000
Paths & Trails-General	212,002		212,002		212,002		212,002	123.310.000
REET Technology	16,200	203,955	220,155		220,155	111,781	331,936	124.050.000
Donations & Planned Giving-Fair	5,956		5,956		5,956		5,956	125.300.000
Donations & Planned Giving-Parks	345,098		345,098		345,098		345,098	125.310.000
Treasurer M&O	29,370	232,550	261,920		261,920		261,920	126.050.000
Quad-City	407,898		407,898		407,898		407,898	127.140.000
Crime Victims/Witness	118,520		118,520		118,520		118,520	128.100.000
Juvenile Special Revenue Funds	87,235		87,235		87,235		87,235	129.170.000
Inter-Local Drug Fund	19,000		19,000		19,000		19,000	130.140.000
Auditor's Document Preservation	272,000		272,000	-	272,000		272,000	132.060.000
Commissioners Special Revenue	529,579		529,579		529,579		529,579	133.010.002
Elections Reserve	44,000		44,000		44,000		44,000	134.060.000
Prosecutor Stop Grant	24,119		24,119		24,119		24,119	135.100.000
District Court-Elec Monitoring	44,105		44,105	10,000	54,105		54,105	136.030.00x
Federal Equitable Sharing	250,500		250,500		250,500		250,500	138.140.000
Washington Housing-SHB 2060	36,000		36,000		36,000		36,000	141.010.000
Trial Court Improvement-Superior	48,396		48,396		48,396	28,964	77,360	143.020.000
Trial Court Improvement-District	91,639		91,639		91,639		91,639	143.030.000
Emergency Communications	1,317,395		1,317,395		1,317,395	190,000	1,507,395	144.260.001
Debt Service External-PSB Bond	362,700		362,700		362,700		362,700	200.010.003
Debt Service	86,890		86,890		86,890		86,890	210.010.001
Capital Projects	1,738,968		1,738,968		1,738,968	40,000	1,778,968	300.010.00x
Capital Projects-Fair	13,300	1,500,000	1,513,300	11,874	1,525,174		1,525,174	310.300.xxx
Capital Projects-Outside Source	84,784		84,784		84,784		84,784	320.010.00x
Solid Waste - PW	6,423,000		6,423,000		6,423,000		6,423,000	400.400.000
Solid Waste Reserve - PW	1,796,000		1,796,000		1,796,000		1,796,000	410.400.000

Equipment Rental & Revolv	7,270,600		7,270,600		7,270,600		7,270,600	501.400.000
Unemployment	150,000		150,000		150,000		150,000	511.012.000
IT Operations	1,383,382		1,383,382	(1,383,382)	-		-	515.320.xxx
	45,319,367	3,336,505	48,655,872	(1,361,508)	47,294,364	1,970,745	49,265,109	

1. Zero net effect-BA #2
2. Zero net effect-BA #2

11:00 a.m. - Public Works.

Present: Mark Storey, Brandon Kruger, Dean Cornelison, Paul Spencer, Kevin Akesson, Brandy Dean, Case Steedham, Scott Neumann, Cody Brown, Heather Smathers, David Keys, Ben Waldemarson (10:55 a.m.), Bailey Wiedmer (11:15 a.m.), and Troy Henderson (11:40 a.m.).

082221 **24A.** The following Public Works related issues approved/updated:

ACTION ITEMS:

082222 **25.** The following bids were received.

BIDDER

	AMOUNT
Western Construction of Lewiston, Inc, Lewiston, ID	\$6,073,876.10
Debco Construction, Orofina, ID	\$6,348,140.00
M.A. Deatley Construction Inc., Clarkston, WA	\$5,561,248.75
Scarsella Bros, Inc., Seattle, WA	\$6,184,452.20
LaRiviere Inc., Rathdrum, ID	\$5,800,433.92
M.L. Albright & Sons, Inc., Lewiston, ID	\$7,265,021.88

Award will be made at a later date.

Commissioner Kinzer excused himself from the remainder of the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

082223 **26.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Chairman Swannack **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the 2020 Construction Program as presented.

082224 **27.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Chairman Swannack **seconded** the motion and **carried** to authorize Whitman County Public Works to sell a 2009 Chevy Trailblazer LT sheriff's car to the City of Colfax for approximately \$5,000.00 as presented.

DIVISION UPDATES:

D082224A **28.** The following division updates provided by Public Works staff.

Solid Waste Division:

D082224B **28A.** Mark Storey reported staff met with contractors last week regarding the Solid Waste office building which is expected to be delivered and installed before significant snow hits. The bridge crew will mobilize next week to start on the foundation.

Engineering Division:

D082224C **28B.** Dean Cornelison reported the guardrail project pre-construction meeting was held last week. The utility and project contractors will work together to get the job done. The project is scheduled to begin on October 28, and should be completed within two weeks.

Maintenance Division:

D082224D **28C.** The crew is working in District 1 laying gravel on a section of Fairbanks Road. It has been problematic in the past.

D082224E **28D.** The graders are out taking advantage of the moisture.

D082224F **28E.** The crew worked on Kitzmiller Bridge after seeing erosion caused from flooding back in April. They filled in with larger stones to protect the foundation.

D082224G 28F. The crew has made minor repairs to the Lamont Railroad Bridge replacing some of the rail.

082225 29. At 11:30 a.m. Kevin Akesson addressed the Commission stating he was working with an organization called Liberty State on a statewide measure to split the state affecting counties east of the Cascade Range. He added there are many distinct differences between the east and west sides, one being I502. He noted he is simply introducing the idea at this point and has received no general state guidance on how to move forward. He believes an advisory vote may be advantageous. Mr. Akesson said the elections department is coordinating with him for information on cost. He suggested the possibility of a special election in February.

Commissioner Largent asked if Liberty State was a specific organization, and who it was comprised of. Because they are in an initial state, he was assuming the organization was asking counties to do their polling for them. Commissioner Largent asked what information Mr. Akesson could provide that would show Whitman County has interest in dividing the state. Mr. Akesson admitted they were at a "grass root county level" and are still coming together. They are organizing under a political action committee. At this time he does not have actual county interest information. Commissioner Largent commented at this time it may be "putting the cart before the horse".

Mr. Akesson replied the subject was recently brought before Congresswoman, Cathy McMorris Rodgers, and stated she did not deny support. He had also heard Senator Mark Schoesler's office and Representatives Mary Dye and Joe Schmick are also supportive. He ended by stating the key issue driving him is Senate Bill 6219 regarding health insurance and public funding of abortion.

D082225A 30. Approved documents signed.

12:20 p.m. - Recess.

1:30 p.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued.

082226 31. Not used.

1:45 p.m. - Recess.

D082226A THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.** Chairman Arthur D Swannack, Dean Kinzer and Michael Largent Commissioners, and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board.

2:00 p.m. - Reconvene/Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Gary Petrovich

082227 32. The following items were discussed but no action was taken.

- 2020 Budget

4:20 p.m. - Adjournment.

D082227A Commissioner Largent **moved** to adjourn the September 30, **2019** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Kinzer and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **October 7, 2019**. The foregoing action made this **2nd** day of **October 2019**.

ss/ DEAN KINZER, COMMISSIONER
ss/ MICHAEL LARGENT, COMMISSIONER

CONNIE ELLIS, Deputy
Clerk of the Board

ARTHUR D SWANNACK, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners