

## Minutes for October 29, 2007

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**067374 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **Monday, October 29, 2007 at 9:10 a.m.** Chairman Greg Partch, G.R. Finch and Michael Largent, Commissioners and Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board attended.

**9:10 a.m. - Call to Order/Board Business/Executive Session.**

Present: Kelli Campbell and Gary and Valerie Hunt.

**D067374A 1.** Commissioner Largent **moved**, Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to go into executive session with the above individuals until 9:45 a.m. for labor negotiation matters.

**9:45 a.m. - Return to Open Session/BOCC Workshop.**

Present: Kelli Campbell (9:45 a.m.).

**067375 2.** Items discussed included county policy updates, Bill Bowen response, security survey, Office Depot employee cards, Veterans Relief, Planning Commission appointments, Finance Committee information, Jail REET proposal and non-represented salary calculations. No action taken.

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

Present: Joe Smillie.

**D067375A 3.** **Motion** by Commissioner Largent to accept the consent agenda. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Finch and **carried**.

**067376 4.** Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **208839, 209015-209027 and 209083-209178** for **\$404,810.54** approved for 10/22/07.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	44,096.28	449.12	6,012.80	46,831.73
102	Building & Development	1,297.20			29.88
103	Countywide Planning	2,417.60			357.18
104	Developmental Services				37,769.89
110	County Roads	13,520.20	4.24	1,250.00	4,660.01
118	Inmate Welfare		16.66		
123	Paths & Trails-123.310.000				32.65
127	Drug Enforcement-Quad City	400.00			233.07
136	Electronic Monitoring				480.50
300	Cap. Proj. Asset Acq.-300.010.001				8,259.11

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300	Cap. Proj.-300.310.001				7.37
400	Solid Waste	2,987.76	2,781.12		128,779.45
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	4,599.20	397.26	350.00	41,378.30
510	Photocopier Revolving				100.56
513	Communications Revolving				579.86
660	Whitcom-General-660.911.000				9,574.43
660	Whitcom-Grant-660.911.001				33,206.91
690	Clearing Fund 690.005.000				11,950.20

**067377 5.** Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **209252-209360** for **\$725,292.90** approved for 10/29/07.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	414,316.87
102	Building & Development	293.60
103	Countywide Planning	930.28
110	County Roads	5,082.03
111	CETC Building	225.18
118	Inmate Welfare	604.63
127	Drug Enforcement-Quad City	292.88
128	Crime Victims/Witnesses	136.44
132	Auditor's Document Preservation	431.69
135	Prosecutor's Stop Grant	1,464.06
137	Web Site Development	58.26
144	Emerg. Communications-144.260.001	6,842.46
400	Solid Waste	2,777.78
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	176,588.07
511	Unemployment Insurance	2,045.44
513	Communications Revolving	84.08
660	Whitcom-General-660.911.000	56,936.24
660	Whitcom-Grant Funding-660.911.001	11,354.26
690	Clearing Fund 690.004.000	33,124.25
690	CAC Agency Svc.-690.026.011	10,853.94

**067378 6.** October 15, 2007 minutes approved.

**067379-067403 7.** Personnel board orders approved.

**067404 8.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion to authorize 2007 vacation accrual (over 240 hours) to be carried over to 06/30/08 for Beverly Welch. Commissioner Finch abstained. Motion **carried**.

**10:10 a.m.** - Mark Storey, Phil Meyer and Dan Gladwill.

**067405 9.** Commissioner Finch **moved** Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** supporting the 2007-2009 Juvenile Services Consolidated contract.

**067406 10.** A copy of a letter sent to Inland Telephone signed by many local pilots was received from Arthur Sager concerning cell towers without lights being installed by both Inland Telephone and Pioneer Telephone. Commissioner Largent will respond to Mr. Sager.

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**067407** 11. Notice of hearing for the upcoming Crimson & Gray Subdivision No. 1 development was received from the City of Pullman.

**067408** 12. The commissioners acknowledged receipt of the 2008 excess levy amounts for Pullman School District #267.

**067409** 13. A letter of appreciation for the county's support that aided the Port in receiving the Innovation Partnership Zone designation and grant was received from Joe Poire, Port of Whitman County Executive Director.

**067410** 14. Notice of award for the 2008 CDBG-PS grant received from the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development. A hearing on this matter has been set for November 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.

**067411** 15. Notice of a request for a liquor license for Steptoe Friendly Mart, LLC received. Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** supporting the application.

**067412** 16. Notice was received from the Department of Revenue that they will be conducting their annual countywide appraisal of selected personal property parcels in Whitman County.

**067413** 17. The Department of Revenue acknowledged receipt of Whitman County's ordinance #067016 imposing an additional .01% countywide sales and use tax for public facilities. In doing so, the state will increase the county's .08 funds to .09 as of August 1, 2007.

**067414** 18. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

**10:15 a.m. - Mark Storey, Public Works Director.**

Present: Phil Meyer, Dan Gladwill, Mimi Wainwright, Cheryl Morgan, Jack Ensley, Suzanne Hamada, Rob Buchert and Joe Smillie.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**067415** 1. Commissioner Finch **moved**, Commissioner Largent **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that the resolution for the seasonal closure of some county roads be signed as presented.

**RESOLUTION NO. 067415**

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Whitman County, Washington, in the matter of closing certain county roads for the period from November 15, 2007 through March 15, 2008 pursuant to R.C.W. 47.48.010;

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IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the dirt portion of the following roads be closed to vehicular traffic from November 15, 2007 through March 15, 2008; provided, however, that a special permit may be obtained by contacting the Office of the Whitman County Engineer prior to traveling on any hereinafter listed road:

<u>Road No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Road No.</u>	<u>Name</u>
0015	Waterman Rd	4390	Ruff Road
0030	Merritt Road	4410	McGrady Road
0050	St. John Road	4420	Bob Schultz Road
0060	Wilhelm Road	4430	Morley Road
0100	Russell Road	4440	Bill Wilson Road
0115	Carter Road	4460	Bixler Road
0410	Fairbanks North Rd	4470	Rogers Road
1140	Bancroft Road	4480	Blackwell Road
1180	I. N. Balthis Road	4560	Ballaine Road
1420	Faught Road	4600	L Anderson Road
1540	Bunny Road	5160	McKenzie Road
1550	B. Howard Road	5170	Mader Road
2030	Sheahan Road	5210	L. West Road
2230	Tennessee Flat Road	5280	Mick Parvin Road
2310	Peringer Road	5370	McGreevy Road
2320	Huggins Road	5390	R. Zakarison Road
2330	Hubner Road	5410	Fulfs Road
2350	J. W. Baylor Road	5520	Kitzmilller Road
2430	Westacott Road	5525	Orville Boyd Road
2440	Sunrise Road	5560	Wexler Road
2520	Hilty Road	5580	Gray Road
2560	Mike Johnson Road	5590	Reaney Road
3200	Harwood Hill Road	6120	Guske Road
3390	Gene Nelson Road	6190	C. J. Ochs Road
3400	Jim Davis Road	8090	Klaus Road
3430	Howard West Road	8250	Nauert Road
3440	Dickerson Road	8310	Pat O Neil Road
3450	Greenbox Road	8330	Kincaid Road
3510	Tiegs Road	8350	Evans Road
3550	Hitchings Road	8450	Babbitt Road
3760	Mack Lloyd Road	8460	Enman-Kincaid Road
3700	Jim Henning	8470	Carothers Road
3890	McGuire Road	9040	Country Club Road
4290	Stubbes Road	9120	Gimlin Road
4365	Rattlesnake Road	8050	Hofer Road
4375	Manning Road	3920	Miller Home Place
4380	Gene Feenan Road	3460	Trunkey Road
		5010	Enos Road

Adopted this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 2007.

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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Michael Largent, Commissioner

**067416 2.** Commissioner Largent **moved** Commissioner Finch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to publish the seasonal notice of closure of some county roads.

**Building Division:**

**067417 3.** Dan Gladwill reviewed the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter activity report for the Building Division.

**Maintenance Division:**

**D067417A 4.** According to Phil Meyer, the crews are hauling rock and ditching; the fiber optics project north of Pullman is now completed; most sanders have been installed for the winter season.

**Engineering Division:**

**D067417B 5.** The Director reported Staley #3 Bridge is now completed and McNeilly Bridge is close to completion.

**D067417C 6.** Three thank you notes were shared by the Director: 1) Annette Barton regarding the Pullman-Albion Road, 2) Fire District #12 regarding the Boyd elevator fire and 3) Steptoe School staff regarding the Schultz Road.

**10:30 a.m. - WRIA 34 Watershed Management Plan.**

Present: Mimi Wainwright, Cheryl Morgan, Jack Ensley, Suzanne Hamada, Rob Buchert, Steve VanVleet, Janet Schmidt, Evan Ellis and Joe Smillie.

**D067417D** Commissioner Largent convened the hearing for the proposed WRIA 34 Watershed Management Plan.

Rob Buchert thanked Whitman County for the resources and staff dedicated to this project over the past 5 years. The WRIA 34 Planning Unit has adopted the plan and are forwarding it to the boards of county commissioners for final adoption in order that WRIA 34 can move on to

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Phase IV. Funding is available for Phase IV implementation projects and a detailed implementation plan.

Commissioner Largent called for comments from those in favor of the proposed plan.

On behalf of the Department of Ecology, Mimi Wainwright congratulated the Palouse Planning Unit and Whitman County for its support.

Cheryl Morgan said she has been involved in watershed planning for 11 years also serving on the WRIA 34 Planning Unit for the past 5 years. She urged the commissioners' adoption of the plan. She thanked Commissioner Largent for quickly getting up to speed on this issue, Mark Storey and the Palouse Conservation District (PCD) and staff for their continued efforts.

Janet Schmidt voiced her appreciation to Rob Buchert and Suzanne Hamada of PCD stating it was a pleasure to work with them.

Jack Ensley commented that Rob and others have put a lot of time and effort into this plan which he supports.

Commissioner Largent called for comments from those opposed to the proposed plan of which none were received. He then called for any non-repetitive comments.

On behalf of the Planning Unit members, Rob Buchert thanked the county for its support and urged the commissioners' adoption of the plan.

As a member of the Planning Unit, Steve Van Vleet hoped the Planning Unit would remain focused in the future.

Hearing adjourned by Commissioner Largent. Comments on the proposed plan will be accepted until 6 p.m. on November 26<sup>th</sup>.

Rob Buchert also pointed out state statute requires a formal SEPA process which the City of Pullman will conduct. Mimi Wainwright interjected the SEPA process must be completed by the time of the plan decision.

The Plan decision is scheduled to take place at a joint meeting of the county commissioners involved on Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. in the Whitman County Commissioners' Chambers.

All the commissioners expressed their appreciation to the PCD staff and the citizens serving on this committee.

**11:00 a.m. - Recess.**

**12:00 p.m. - Board Business Continued.**

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D067417E 19. The commissioners took part in the SR 270 completion ceremony on site.

1:00 p.m. - Recess.

3:45 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshop.

Present: Bev Welch and Sharron Cunningham.

D067417F 20. The 2006 financial discussed. No action taken.

4:00 p.m. - Adjournment.

D067417G Commissioner Finch **moved** to adjourn the **October 29, 2007** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Largent and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **November 5, 2007**. The foregoing action made this **29th** day of **October 2007**.

ss/ G.R. FINCH, COMMISSIONER  
ss/ MICHAEL LARGENT, COMMISSIONER

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MARIBETH BECKER, CMC  
Clerk of the Board

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GREG PARTCH, CHAIRMAN  
Board of County Commissioners