

Minutes for November 13, 2006

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066083 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in their Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington for **November 13, 2006** at **9:00 a.m.** G.R. Finch, Chairman, Greg Partch and Les Wigen, Commissioners, Maribeth Becker, CMC, Clerk of the Board and Kaye Engel, Recording Clerk attended.

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

Present: Kelli Campbell and Michael Largent.

066084 1. Items discussed included CEDS update, ATV room, ADA update, Transfer Station tipping fees, I-747 funding and rural residential. No action taken.

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

Present: Kelli Campbell Michael Largent.

D066084A 2. Motion by Commissioner Wigen to approve the consent agenda with the deletion of item #1d3. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Partch and **carried**.

066085 3. Claims/Payroll warrants numbered **196829-196866, 196894-196924** and **196967-197126** for **\$1,541,103.05** approved.

FUND	FUND NAME	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
001	Current Expense	46,892.40	38,665.60	59,263.67
102	Building & Development	1,229.20	1,235.20	
103	Countywide Planning	2,326.80	2,332.80	253.96
106	Extension Publications			69.00
110	County Roads	16,120.80	14,078.40	449,023.04
111	CETC Building			68.47
114	Bulk Purchasing			3,370.19
118	Inmate Welfare			79.11
123	Paths & Trails			261.49
126	Treasurer's M&O			273.76
127	Drug Enforcement-Quad City	400.00	400.00	175.22
400	Solid Waste		3,828.40	6,129.29
501	Equipment Rental & Revolving	4,994.80	4,544.80	200,045.87
510	Photocopier Revolving			734.81
660	Whitcom-General-660.911.000			64,466.50
660	Whitcom-Grant Funding-660.911.001			6,354.76
690	Clearing Fund 690.005.000			12,113.00
690	Zaidee Parvin Memorial-690.010.002	213,632.06		
ET	Electronic Transfer		383,911.25	

066086 4. November 6, 2006 minutes approved.

10:05 a.m. - Sharron Cunningham.

066087 5. Commissioner Partch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to publish notice of the 2007 Whitman County budget hearing.

066088 6. Commissioner Partch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve contracting with HRA VEBA Service Group as the VEBA Administrator.

066089 7. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to adopt a resolution authorizing the establishment of a health reimbursement arrangement/voluntary employees' beneficiary association plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 066089

**AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT
ARRANGEMENT/VOLUNTARY EMPLOYEES' BENEFICIARY ASSOCIATION ("HRA VEBA") PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Code Section 501©(9) allows for the creation of a voluntary employees' beneficiary association which is a tax-exempt health and welfare trust; and,

WHEREAS, IRS guidelines and regulations allow an employer to office health reimbursement arrangement (HRA) plans; and,

WHEREAS, such HRA plans are available to governmental employers in the Northwest; and,

WHEREAS, the Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association for Public Employees in the Northwest Trust ("Trust") offers and will administer an HRA entitled "Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association Medical Expense Plan for Public Employees in the Northwest as Amended and Restated January 1, 2005" ("Plan"); and,

WHEREAS, Whitman County ("Employer") has determined that establishing an HRA plan which provides a tax-free defined contribution account for employees to pay for medical, dental, vision and tax qualified long-term care premiums and non-covered healthcare expenses is in the best interest of the Employer and its employees; and,

WHEREAS, the Employer desires to establish an HRA plan for its employees; and,

WHEREAS, the Employer desires to use the services of the Trust to administer such Plan; and,

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WHEREAS, such HRA established by the Employer will be administered in accordance with the Plan documents provided by the Trust on file in the Employer's Human Resources office; and,

WHEREAS, eligibility is limited to employees with excess monthly benefit dollars provided by the Employer; and,

WHEREAS, the Employer's contribution shall include all excess monthly benefit dollars on behalf of such employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Whitman County Commissioners hereby resolves as follows:

Section 1. Effective January 1, 2007 the Employer hereby elects to participate in the Plan and Trust as presently constituted or hereafter amended using the Trust as its plan administrator for the benefit of eligible employees as defined by Employer policies or collective bargaining agreements.

Section 2. The Plan will be funded with Employer contributions in amounts determined from time to time pursuant to Employer policies and collective bargaining agreements.

Section 3. The Chairman of the Board of Whitman County Commissioners is authorized to execute documents and establish procedures consistent with Plan and Trust provisions and applicable Employer policies and collective bargaining agreements necessary to effect the adoption and administration of the Plan.

Dated this 13th day of November 2006.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

G.R. Finch, Chairman

Greg Partch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

10:10 a.m. - Think Nguyen.

066090 8. Commissioner Partch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** that VEBA be expanded to all medical plans offered by WCIF.

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066091 9. Commissioner Partch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the memorandum of understanding to provide a long-term disability buy-up option for the Deputy Sheriff's Association.

066092 10. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign a letter to Barb Savary, Washington State Department of Transportation designating Karl Johanson as Whitman County's Rural Mobility representative.

066093 11. Commissioner Partch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign the grant application data form for the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women grant for \$339,416.

066094 12. Commissioner Partch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to sign Washington State Military Department and Department of Homeland Security contract amendment #E06-049B.

066095 13. Commissioner Partch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to authorize a \$1,000 contribution for the I-747 challenge. Commissioner Wigen voted nay.

066096 14. The Board accepted the certification of tax levies for calendar year 2007 from Educational Service District #123.

D066096A 15. Commissioners' pending list reviewed.

10:25 a.m. - Whitman County Budget Amendment #4.

Present: Sharron Cunningham, Mark Storey and Thinkh Nguyen.

066097 The Chairman convened the hearing for proposed amendment to the 2006 budget.

Sharron Cunningham provided the following report:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDS.</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
<u>Current Expense Funds</u>			
Commissioner		\$ 62	Developmental Services salaries and benefits due to .5% increase
Administrative Services		\$ 961	Salaries and benefits due to .5% increase, supplies
	\$169,643	\$169,643	Coordinated Community Response project
District Court	\$171,000		Attorney fees, probation fees, fines, forfeitures
		\$ 15,000	Additional staff, judge, protem judge and jury

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Cooperative Extension	\$ (345)			expenses due to increased caseload
		\$ 1,460		Decreased revenue
		\$ 2,000		Programs supplies
		\$ (2,000)		Vehicle
Public Health	\$ 15,036			Decreased supplies, travel, copies
		\$ 15,036		Indirect federal bioterrorism grant
Parks & Recreation	\$ 1,049			Salaries and benefits due to .5% increase
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<u>Other Funds</u>				
Developmental Services	\$ 62	\$ 62		Salaries and benefits due to .5% increase
Paths & Trails	\$ 0	\$ 0		Salaries and benefits due to .5% increase,
B. Chipman Palouse Trail	\$ 0	\$ 0		Decrease in capital outlay
Emergency Communications	\$ 36,000	\$ 36,000		Salaries and benefits, Newly enacted tax revenue
Communications Revolving	\$ 10,000			SCAN and long distance
		\$ 10,000		Small tools and equipment, SCAN and long distance
Total Current Expense Revenues/Expenditures Increase				\$ 203,211
Total Other Funds Revenue/Expenditures Increase				\$ 46,062
Total Current Expense Revenues/Expenditures				\$11,574,942
Total Other Funds Revenues/Expenditures				\$32,282,976
Total 2006 Budget with Amendment #4				\$43,857,918
Surplus Balance After Amendment #4				\$ 350,427
Surplus Balance After Amendment #3				\$ -198,304
Difference				\$ 152,123

One additional amendment will be conducted in December that will include, but not be limited to all bargaining unit salary and benefit changes.

There being no comments received from those in attendance either for or against the proposal the Chairman adjourned the hearing.

Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve budget amendment #4 as presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 066097

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, met in regular session on Monday, November 13, 2006; and

WHEREAS, any and all taxpayers appearing at the hearing held November 13, 2006, to be heard for or against any part of the budget amendment have been given the opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Administrative Services estimates that these amendments are necessary for the operation of the specified funds through the end of the fiscal year 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the authorized appropriations for these funds of Whitman County for fiscal year 2006 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 13th day of November 2006.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

 G. R. Finch, Chairman

 Greg Partch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

 Maribeth Becker, CMC
 Clerk of the Board

 Les Wigen, Commissioner

Fund	2006 Budget	2006 BA #4	2006 4th Amend Bal	Inc/Dec	% of Change
SUBTOTAL NEW REVENUE	10,453,209	355,334	11,925,369	355,334	3.07%
CURRENT EXPENSE REVENUE	10,355,450	203,211	11,574,942	203,211	1.79%
COMMISSIONERS	1,572,530	62	1,593,263	62	0.00%
ADMINISTRATOR	88,606	170,604	259,210	170,604	192.54%
HUMAN RESOURCES	105,472	0	105,472	0	0.00%

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SUPERIOR COURT	298,578	0	331,460	0	0.00%
DISTRICT COURT	728,156	15,000	758,156	15,000	2.02%
CLERK	161,702	0	161,702	0	0.00%
TREASURER	250,761	0	250,761	0	0.00%
AUDITOR	550,514	0	635,118	0	0.00%
ASSESSOR	330,332	0	330,332	0	0.00%
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	444,749	0	447,050	0	0.00%
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	105,645	0	110,061	0	0.00%
FACILITIES MANAGEMENT	392,849	0	403,745	0	0.00%
SHERIFF	2,458,686	0	2,462,503	0	0.00%
JUVENILE SERVICES	558,891	0	570,328	0	0.00%
WEED	71,620	0	81,620	0	0.00%
CORONER	61,152	0	61,152	0	0.00%
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION	101,992	1,460	103,452	1,460	1.43%
EMERGENCY SERVICES	111,265	0	901,219	0	0.00%
PUBLIC HEALTH	1,279,580	15,036	1,317,741	15,036	1.15%
FAIR/FAIRGROUNDS	217,800	0	223,162	0	0.00%
PARKS & RECREATION	205,503	1,049	208,368	1,049	0.51%
INFORMATION SERVICES	259,067	0	259,067	0	0.00%
CURRENT EXPENSE EXPENDITURES	10,355,450	203,211	11,574,942	203,211	1.79%
SELF INSURANCE REVENUE	50,000	0	50,000	0	0.00%
SELF INSURANCE EXPENDITURES	50,000	0	50,000	0	0.00%
BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT REVENUE	95,150	0	95,150	0	0.00%
BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES	95,150	0	95,150	0	0.00%
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING REVENUE	218,000	0	218,000	0	0.00%
COUNTYWIDE PLANNING EXPENDITURES	218,000	0	218,000	0	0.00%
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES REVENUE	507,311	62	517,655	62	0.01%
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES EXPENDITURES	507,311	62	517,655	62	0.01%

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EXTENSION PUBLICATIONS REVENUE	800	0	800	0	0.00%
EXTENSION PUBLICATIONS EXPENDITURES	800	0	800	0	0.00%
VETERANS RELIEF REVENUE	21,000	0	21,000	0	0.00%
VETERANS RELIEF EXPENDITURES	21,000	0	21,000	0	0.00%
HOMELESS HOUSING PLAN REVENUE	57,800	0	57,800	0	0.00%
HOMELESS HOUSING PLAN EXPENDITURES	57,800	0	57,800	0	0.00%
COUNTY ROAD REVENUE	13,122,658	0	13,622,658	0	0.00%
COUNTY ROAD EXPENDITURES	13,122,658	0	13,622,658	0	0.00%
PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROV (.08) REVENUE	450,000	0	1,062,500	0	0.00%
PUBLIC FACILITIES IMPROV (.08) EXPENDITURES	450,000	0	1,062,500	0	0.00%
CETC REVENUE	0	0	40,000	0	0.00%
CETC EXPENDITURES	0	0	40,000	0	0.00%
ERGONOMICS REVENUE	2,000	0	2,000	0	0.00%
ERGONOMICS EXPENDITURES	2,000	0	2,000	0	0.00%
COUNTY BULK PURCH PAPER REVENUE	10,000	0	10,000	0	0.00%
COUNTY BULK PURCH PAPER EXPENDITURES	10,000	0	10,000	0	0.00%
COUNTY BULK PURCH-SOFTWARE REVENUE	10,500	0	10,500	0	0.00%
COUNTY BULK PURCH-SOFTWARE EXPENDITURE	10,500	0	10,500	0	0.00%
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX REVENUE- NEW	21,849	0	21,849	0	0.00%
HOTEL/MOTEL TAX EXPENDITURES	21,849	0	21,849	0	0.00%
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SVC REVENUE	0	0	360	0	0.00%
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SVC EXPENDITURES	0	0	360	0	0.00%
BOATING SAFETY REVENUE	38,024	0	38,024	0	0.00%
BOATING SAFETY EXPENDITURES	38,024	0	38,024	0	0.00%
INMATE WELFARE REVENUE	42,000	0	42,000	0	0.00%
INMATE WELFARE EXPENDITURES	42,000	0	42,000	0	0.00%
HISTORICAL PRESERV/PROGRAMS REVENUE	11,730	0	11,730	0	0.00%
HISTORICAL PRESERV/PROGRAMS EXPENDITURE	11,730	0	11,730	0	0.00%
SHERIFF'S K-9 UNIT REVENUE	0	0	5,000	0	0.00%
SHERIFF'S K-9 UNIT EXPENDITURES	0	0	5,000	0	0.00%
PATHS & TRAILS REVENUE	89,981	0	89,981	0	0.00%
PATHS & TRAILS EXPENDITURES	89,981	0	89,981	0	0.00%
CHIPMAN PATH REVENUE	113,860	0	113,860	0	0.00%
CHIPMAN PATH EXPENDITURES	113,860	0	113,860	0	0.00%
BCPT-SPECIAL DONATIONS REVENUE	10,000	0	10,000	0	0.00%

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BCPT-SPECIAL DONATIONS EXPENDITURES	10,000	0	10,000	0	0.00%
REET TECHNOLOGY FUND REVENUE	43,300	0	43,300	0	0.00%
REET TECHNOLOGY FUND EXPENDITURES	43,300	0	43,300	0	0.00%
DONATIONS & PLANNED GIVING REVENUE	45,866	0	45,866	0	0.00%
DONATIONS & PLANNED GIVING EXPENDITURES	45,866	0	45,866	0	0.00%
TREASURERS M & O REVENUE	39,132	0	39,132	0	0.00%
TREASURERS M & O EXPENDITURES	39,132	0	39,132	0	0.00%
DRUG ENFORCE/QUAD CITY REVENUE	222,887	0	222,887	0	0.00%
DRUG ENFORCE/QUAD CITY EXPENDITURES	222,887	0	222,887	0	0.00%
CRIME VICTIMS/WITNESSES REVENUE	36,500	0	37,955	0	0.00%
CRIME VICTIMS/WITNESSES EXPENDITURES	36,500	0	37,955	0	0.00%
CRIME VICTIMS/WITNESS-CTED REVENUE	0	0	18,256	0	0.00%
CRIME VICTIMS/WITNESS-CTED EXPENDITURES	0	0	18,256	0	0.00%
HOUSE BILL 3900 REVENUE	20,981	0	20,981	0	0.00%
HOUSE BILL 3900 EXPENDITURES	20,981	0	20,981	0	0.00%
JUVENILE- CASA REVENUE	1,200	0	1,200	0	0.00%
JUVENILE- CASA EXPENDITURES	1,200	0	1,200	0	0.00%
INTER-LOCAL DRUG REVENUE	16,100	0	16,100	0	0.00%
INTER-LOCAL DRUG EXPENDITURES	16,100	0	16,100	0	0.00%
DOCUMENT PRESERVATION REVENUE	172,520	0	184,514	0	0.00%
DOCUMENT PRESERVATION EXPENDITURES	172,520	0	184,514	0	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL REVENUE	43,500	0	43,500	0	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL REVENUE EXPEND.	43,500	0	43,500	0	0.00%
JUVENILE JUSTICE REVENUE	62,000	0	62,000	0	0.00%
JUVENILE JUSTICE EXPENDITURES	62,000	0	62,000	0	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS RESERVE REVENUE	350,000	0	350,000	0	0.00%
COMMISSIONERS RESERVE EXPENDITURES	350,000	0	350,000	0	0.00%
ELECTIONS RESERVE REVENUE	17,000	0	17,000	0	0.00%
ELECTIONS RESERVE EXPENDITURES	17,000	0	17,000	0	0.00%
SPECIAL ELECTIONS PROJECT REVENUE	344,000	0	344,000	0	0.00%
SPECIAL ELECTIONS PROJECT EXPENDITURES	344,000	0	344,000	0	0.00%
PROSECUTORS STOP GRANT REVENUE	30,000	0	30,000	0	0.00%
PROSECUTORS STOP GRANT EXPENDITURES	30,000	0	30,000	0	0.00%
ELECTRIC MONITORING REVENUE	4,000	0	4,000	0	0.00%
ELECTRIC MONITORING EXPENDITURES	4,000	0	4,000	0	0.00%

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WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT REVENUE	10,000	0	11,315	0	0.00%
WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES	10,000	0	11,315	0	0.00%
FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING REVENUE	152,800	0	152,800	0	0.00%
FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING EXPENDITURES	152,800	0	152,800	0	0.00%
WASHINGTON HOUSING SHB 2060 REVENUE	65,000	0	65,000	0	0.00%
WASHINGTON HOUSING SHB 2060 EXPENDITURES	65,000	0	65,000	0	0.00%
TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENT REVENUE	0	0	10,000	0	0.00%
TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENT EXPENDITURES	0	0	10,000	0	0.00%
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS REVENUE	0	36,000	86,000	50,000	138.89%
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS EXPENDITURES	0	36,000	86,000	50,000	138.89%
MARTIN HALL DEBT-REVENUE	44,139	0	44,139	0	0.00%
MARTIN HALL DEBT-EXPENDITURES	44,139	0	44,139	0	0.00%
LIMITED TAX GO BOND 2002 REVENUE	163,418	0	163,418	0	0.00%
LIMITED TAX GO BOND 2002 EXPENDITURES	163,418	0	163,418	0	0.00%
DEBT SERVICE-COMPUTER SYSTEMS REVENUE	123,797	0	123,797	0	0.00%
DEBT SERVICE-COMPUTER SYSTEMS EXPEND.	123,797	0	123,797	0	0.00%
CAPITAL PROJECTS GENERAL REVENUE	250,000	0	305,000	0	0.00%
CAPITAL PROJECTS GENERAL EXPENDITURES	250,000	0	305,000	0	0.00%
CP-ASSET ACQUISITION REVENUE	41,800	0	41,800	0	0.00%
CP-ASSET ACQUISITION EXPENDITURES	41,800	0	41,800	0	0.00%
CP-COMPUTER SYSTEMS REVENUES	558,300	0	687,800	0	0.00%
CP-COMPUTER SYSTEMS EXPENDITURES	558,300	0	687,800	0	0.00%
CP-CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT REVENUE	100,000	0	110,000	0	0.00%
CP-CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT EXPEND.	100,000	0	110,000	0	0.00%
CAPITAL PROJECTS-DOC MGT REVENUE	0	0	77,911	0	0.00%
CAPITAL PROJECTS-DOC MGT REVENUE EXPEND.	0	0	77,911	0	0.00%
CAP PROJ-KLEMGARD PARK REVENUE	123,500	0	123,500	0	0.00%
CAP PROJ-KLEMGARD PARK EXPENDITURES	123,500	0	123,500	0	0.00%
CP-MUSEUM CONSTRUCTION REVENUE-NEW	20,802	0	20,802	0	0.00%
CP-MUSEUM CONSTRUCTION EXPENDITURE-NEW	20,802	0	20,802	0	0.00%
CP-GO BOND 2002 REVENUE	246,000	0	246,000	0	0.00%
CP-GO BOND 2002 EXPENDITURES	246,000	0	246,000	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE REVENUE	2,914,136	0	2,914,136	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE EXPENDITURES	2,914,136	0	2,914,136	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE RESERVE REVENUE	80,000	0	80,000	0	0.00%
SOLID WASTE RESERVE EXPENDITURES	80,000	0	80,000	0	0.00%

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EQUIPMENT RENTAL & REVOLVING REVENUE	5,142,720	0	5,642,720	0	0.00%
EQUIPMENT RENTAL & REVOLVING EXPEND.	5,142,720	0	5,642,720	0	0.00%
PHOTOCOPIER REVOLVING REVENUE	73,993	0	73,993	0	0.00%
PHOTOCOPIER REVOLVING EXPENDITURES	73,993	0	73,993	0	0.00%
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE REVOLVING REV.	37,000	0	37,000	0	0.00%
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE REVOLVING EXPND.	37,000	0	37,000	0	0.00%
COMMUNICATIONS REVOLVING REVENUE	170,044	10,000	180,044	10,000	0.00%
COMMUNICATIONS REVOLVING EXPENDITURES	170,044	10,000	180,044	10,000	0.00%
WHITCOM GENERAL OPERATIONS REVENUE	0	0	1,612,000	0	0.00%
WHITCOM GENERAL OPERATIONS EXPENDITURES	0	0	1,612,000	0	0.00%
WHITCOM 911 TAX/GRANT FUND REVENUE	0	0	1,513,000	0	0.00%
WHITCOM 911 TAX/GRANT FUND EXPENDITURES	0	0	1,513,000	0	0.00%
WHITCOM CAPITAL PROJECTS REVENUE	0	0	300,000	0	0.00%
WHITCOM CAPITAL PROJECTS EXPENDITURES	0	0	300,000	0	0.00%
PROPERTY TAX REFUND REVENUE	0	0	30,600	0	0.00%
PROPERTY TAX REFUND EXPENDITURES	0	0	30,600	0	0.00%
ERNIE DIPPEL MEMORIAL FUND REVENUE	3,660	0	3,660	0	0.00%
ERNIE DIPPEL MEMORIAL FUND EXPENDITURES	3,660	0	3,660	0	0.00%
ZAIDEE PARVIN MEMORIAL FUND REVENUE	11,058	0	11,058	0	0.00%
ZAIDEE PARVIN MEMORIAL FUND EXPENDITURES	11,058	0	11,058	0	0.00%
PALOUSE EMPIRE FAIR BUILDING REVENUE	1,836	0	1,836	0	0.00%
PALOUSE EMPIRE FAIR BUILDING EXPENDITURES	1,836	0	1,836	0	0.00%
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY SERVICES REV.	170,000	0	170,000	0	0.00%
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY SERVICES EXPEND.	170,000	0	170,000	0	0.00%
CURRENT EXPENSE REVENUE	10,355,450	203,211	11,574,942	203,211	1.79%
OTHER REVENUE	26,825,652	46,062	32,282,976	46,062	0.14%
TOTAL REVENUE	37,181,102	249,273	43,857,918	249,273	0.57%
CURRENT EXPENSE EXPENDITURES	10,355,450	203,211	11,574,942	203,211	1.79%
OTHER EXPENDITURES	26,825,652	46,062	32,282,976	46,062	0.14%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	37,181,102	249,273	43,857,918	249,273	0.57%

10:40 a.m. - Whitman County Code Title 18.

Present: Mark Storey, Sharron Cunningham, Michael Largent and Thinkh Nguyen.

ACTION ITEM:

Planning Division:

066098 1. The Chairman convened the hearing for proposed revision to Whitman County Code, Title 18, as it relates to Planned Residential Developments (PRD). Mark Storey explained the proposed revision would allow for a 2nd one-year extension to the process. There being no comments from those in attendance for or against the proposal, the Chairman adjourned the hearing. Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to amend Whitman County Code Title 18 as presented.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE)
WHITMAN COUNTY SUBDIVISION) **ORDINANCE NO. 066098**
ORDINANCE TO EXTEND A PRD)
CONTINUATION)

WHEREAS, the Board of Whitman County Commissioners on the 13th day of November 2006 held a public hearing in their Chambers for the purpose of considering a minor amendment to the Planned Residential Development portion of the County Subdivision Ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the Board considered the request for an extension of time, the reasonableness of such a request and any comments at the public hearing; and,

WHEREAS, the concept of a possible second extension of time is a reasonable action for this Board and future Boards to consider when there has been significant work achieved leading to this phase of a project and when appropriate reasons for a second extension are merited.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Whitman County Commissioners hereby approves this proposed amendment to the Whitman County Subdivision Ordinance as shown on the attached page.

Done at Colfax, Washington this 13th day of November 2006 and effective upon signature as of this date.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

G.R. Finch, Chairman

Greg Partch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

18.60.130 EXPIRATION OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL.

- A. Preliminary Planned Residential Development (**PRD**) Approval shall expire if a complete application for Final Design Approval is not submitted and accepted for approval within five (5) years of the date of the Preliminary Approval of the proposed project, or first phase of such project if a project phasing schedule has been approved for a PRD, or within one (1) year if processed administratively.

- B. An applicant who files a written request with the approving authority at least thirty (30) days before the expiration of the Final Design Approval period shall be granted up to two (2) ~~a~~ single one-year extensions. However, said extension may be granted by the approving authority only upon a finding that the applicant has attempted in good faith to complete the final PRD within the designated period.

- C. In the event that judicial review or quasi-judicial review of preliminary approval or amendments to Preliminary Approval is sought, the applicant may file a written request with the approving authority to extend the herein above stated final PRD approval deadline. The request must be filed at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the original deadline. For the extension to be granted the applicant must demonstrate that judicial review or quasi-judicial review prevents the timely completion of the project and fulfillment of conditions required by the approving authority.

10:55 a.m. - Phil Meyer, Cindi Lepper, Joe Smillie and Jay Allert.

066099 2. The second issue pertained to tipping fees at the Transfer Station. Graphs outlining expenses versus revenues, inflation projections and tipping fee analysis presented and reviewed. The Director noted the county has been operating at a loss for a number of years. Some of this has to do with the upcoming new solid waste contract and rising fuel costs to transfer and dispose of the waste. The contract has increased gradually over the past 8 years with Waste Management. The county is not a profit organization, but is required to keep a reserve for emergencies, spills, environmental issues, equipment, facility replacement and closure and post-closure events. Therefore, it would be contrary for the county to operate at a loss for a long period of time. In order to maintain the current tipping fee of \$69/ton that has been in place for the past 16 years, the county has been subsidizing the public. Had it not been for system and

operating efficiencies, this rate could not have stayed in place for a long as it has.

Commissioner Partch pointed out the Solid Waste fund is an enterprise fund and is not a part of the Current Expense (General Fund) budget. Mark Storey emphasized this fee has nothing to do with Current Expense or the County Road, Building and Planning funds; this fund is supported by user fees. He added many of the free or low-cost services provided to the citizens are covered by the overall fees, i.e. recycling, wood waste, household hazardous waste disposal, spring and fall cleanup, etc.

Conclusions: At a constant fee (no inflator) the fees will need to be revisited in 2-4 years. At an increased fee, the county may be able to go ten years without a major rate structure change. The proposed tipping fee is \$95/ton with a 2% escalator every 2 years. If the Solid Waste account performs better than predicted, the county may be able to administratively freeze tipping fees sometime in the future. There is a 75 day requirement to allow our disposal companies notice, therefore the proposed increase would not become effective until February 1, 2007. Mr. Storey believed he had presented a fiscally sound method to keep the transfer station enterprise fund healthy.

066100 Commissioner Wigen **moved**, Commissioner Partch **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to adopt the new Transfer Station tipping fees.

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

In the Matter of Establishing) **RESOLUTION NO. 066100**
a new Tipping Fee Schedule for)
Disposal of Solid Waste, Including) **ORDER ESTABLISHING FEES**
Minimum and Per Ton Rates, Used at)
the Whitman County Solid Waste)
Facility, Carothers Road, Whitman)
County, Washington)

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Whitman County, Washington in the matter of establishing tipping fees for the Solid Waste Facility located on Carothers Road near Pullman;

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Facility has operated for about 16 years without a "tipping" fee rate increase, set at \$69 per ton,

AND, WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Facility has experienced severe increases in operating costs over the last 4 years, primarily with respect to long haul and fuel costs,

AND, WHEREAS, the Public Works Department is extending the current disposal contract with Waste Management, which includes a substantial

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increase to account for inflation, which will result in a further increase in the Solid Waste Facility operating cost,

AND, WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the necessity to operate the Solid Waste Facility in a fiscally responsible manner, to result in a balanced Solid Waste disposal budget,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Whitman County will establish a new disposal "tipping" fee for the Solid Waste Facility, of \$95 per ton, with a minimum charge of \$15, beginning on the first day of February, 2007,

AND, IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to match the "tipping" fee with inflation, the Solid Waste Facility shall institute a 2 percent per year increase to the fee (rounded to the nearest dollar), to be applied every other year as an increase.

ADOPTED this 13th day of November 2006.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

G.R. Finch, Chairman

Greg Partch, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

Engineering Division:

D066100A 3. The Chairman convened the hearing for the proposed Squaw Canyon Road vacation.

066101 Mr. Storey reported this is a small public road that essentially services grain elevators near the Spokane County line. All the property owners have petitioned the county to vacate this portion of the road. There are no other properties currently serviced by this road that were not part of the petitioning group. One of the petitioners supporting the vacation, John Wayne Trail (Milwaukee Trail), operated by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has executed and recorded an easement document providing access for all the existing properties. By doing so, there are no landlocked properties. In the Director's opinion, it is not advisable to preserve this portion of county road.

066102 Engineer's cost of proposed vacation received.

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Petitioner Jay Allert was appreciative of the commissioners' consideration in this matter. He noted the road has become a public nuisance because of its hidden location by the Co-Ag elevator that has not been in use for several years. The road also provides for skirting around the limited access to the trail, dumping trash and bon fires.

There being no comments from those against the proposal, the Chairman adjourned the hearing.

066103 Commissioner Partch **moved**, Commissioner Wigen **seconded** the motion and it **carried** to approve the vacation as presented.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

In the Matter of the Intent to)	RESOLUTION NO. <u>066103</u>
Vacate and Abandon County Road)	
No. 3670, the Squaw Canyon)	
Road, Located in Sections 6)	
And 7, Township 20 North,)	
Range 43 East, W.M., in Whitman)	
County, Washington)	RESOLUTION VACATING

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners declared their intention to vacate and abandon a portion of said County Road on the 11th day of November 2006.

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Engineer has submitted a report which indicates it is not advisable to preserve portions of said county road for the county transportation system and therefore recommended the vacation of a portion of said county road.

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing, after proper notice, on the 11th day of November 2006 and interested parties for an against said vacation were permitted to present to the Board.

WHEREAS, the Whitman County Board of County Commissioners finds that the vacation of said county road is in the best interest of the citizens of Whitman County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HREBY RESOLVED that County Road No. 3670, the Squaw Canyon Road, from the intersection of the Squaw Road at milepost 0.00 to milepost 0.44, located in the SE ¼ of Section 6 and the NE ¼ of Section 7, Township 20 North, Range 43 East, W.M., be vacated and divided along the centerline and passed to the owners of record of the adjoining lands.

DATED at Colfax, Washington this 11th day of November 2006.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WHITMAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

G.R. Finch, Chairman

ATTEST:

Greg Partch, Commissioner

Maribeth Becker, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Les Wigen, Commissioner

Solid Waste Division:

D066103A 4. Ms. Lepper said in July the Department of Ecology (DOE) notified the counties of \$5.3 million in supplemental funding available for recycling projects. There were 104 applications statewide totaling \$10 million requested. Ms. Lepper submitted 3 applications and received full funding for all 3 projects.

066104 School Paper Recycling - \$23,000 grant

066105 City of Palouse Public Compost Facility - \$10,000 grant

066106 Earth Day Event "Come Together" 2nd Annual - \$20,000 grant

Maintenance Division:

D066106A 5. The Director provided an update on the status of the Almota Road project.

D066106B 6. Phil Meyer reported the winds have caused several down trees and power lines.

11:20 a.m. - Recess.

1:30 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshops.

Present: Janet Schmidt, Steve VanVleet, Tammy Lewis and Michael Largent.

D066106C 16. WSU Extension updates discussed. No action taken.

2:40 p.m. - Recess.

3:00 p.m. - Board Business Continued/BOCC Workshops.

Present: John Love, Bob Gronholz, Dan Boone and Joe Pore'.

066107 17. Items discussed included ISR update, Biodiesel update, Pullman-Moscow Corridor, Pow-Bac taxiway, Pullman Fiber, Central Ferry rail space and railroads. No action taken.

5:00 p.m. - Adjournment.

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D066107A Commissioner Partch **moved** to adjourn the **November 13, 2006** meeting. Motion **seconded** by Commissioner Wigen and **carried**. The Board will meet in regular session, in their Chambers', in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington, on **November 20, 2006**. The foregoing action made this **13th** day of **November 2006**.

ss/ Greg PARTCH, Commissioner
ss/ LES WIGEN, Commissioner

MARIBETH BECKER, CMC
Clerk of the Board

G.R. FINCH, CHAIRMAN
Board of County Commissioners