

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse
Ritzville, Washington
Regular Meeting

March 18, 2019
(Monday)

Call to Order @ 8:30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman John N. Marshall
Vice-Chairman Roger L. Hartwig
Commissioner Terrance J. Thompson

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Public Works

Public Works Director O'Brien and Engineer Yaeger provided updates on the following:

Bridge Replacement Program – a *draft* Interlocal Agreement between Adams County and Grant County was presented for review. The agreement will allow Adams County, as lead agency, to act on behalf of Grant County in the administration of a planning grant moving forward with the East Low widening project. Engineer Yaeger will forward the agreement to Grant County for approval once minor modifications have been completed.

McManamon Bridge Project – paving is expected to begin the week of April 15, 2019; currently there are no load restrictions on the bridge.

Road Maintenance – tasks include plowing snow; grading of gravel roads; and, preparing culverts for melting snow.

Derailment of Union Pacific Railcars – a recent Union Pacific derailment occurred in Adams County. Public Works Director O'Brien will contact the Director of Public Affairs for Union Pacific to discuss their access to the derailment site.

Solid Waste – a *draft* Notice of Call for Bids for one (1) used day cab, diesel 5th wheel tractor was presented for review. Additionally, Director O'Brien noted he will be travelling to Pullman, Washington to assess a cardboard baler that is for sale. Approval from the Solid Waste Assistance Program was received to install a waste oil heater at the Bruce Transfer Station with a portion of the cost paid through the Solid Waste Assistance grant.

Updates were provided on fairgrounds; facilities; and, the Public Works Apprenticeship Program. Additionally, Director O'Brien reported he reviewed the property at 445 & 449 East Cedar, Othello. O'Brien requested and received **consensus authorization to contract with Paul Coppock, DOH & Associates, Wenatchee, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 to analyze the building and assess costs that may be incurred should the County decide to purchase the building.**

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Recess @ 12:00

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

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McManamon Bridge #400-3

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Thompson seconded, to *approve Pay Request #4 in the amount of \$293,618.73 to Halme Construction, Inc. Spokane, Washington, for work completed February 1, 2019 through February 28, 2019 on McManamon Bridge #400-3 Project (CRP-169).*

Motion carried.

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Human Resources

Human Resources Manager Perez addressed concerns regarding the county's ability to extend medical insurance rates to junior taxing districts under the current agreement with PEBB. No action was taken pending further review.

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Treasurer

Treasurer Meise reviewed proposed HB1105 which would alter the "delinquent interest and penalties" statute in reducing or eliminating those fees, noting the monetary impact such an action would have on counties across the state.

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Executive Session

The Board called an executive session at 2:30 p.m. to last ten (10) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) – "to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation...". Session was extended an additional fifteen (15) minutes at 2:40 p.m. Session ended at 2:55 p.m. Additionally present was Prosecutor Flyckt.

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Foundational Public Health Services Funding

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Thompson seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-018-2019 In the Matter of Establishing Support for Foundational Public Health Services (FPHS)*. **Motion carried.**

Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification

Commissioner Thompson moved, Hartwig seconded, to *authorize the Chairman to sign the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification for the Sheriff's Office with the U.S Department of Justice for fiscal year 2019*. **Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Hartwig moved, Thompson seconded, to *approve the Consent Agenda*. **Motion carried.**

Preliminary minutes of March 11 and 13, 2019

Vouchers audited and certified by the Adams County Auditor as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090 and recorded on a listing, which was made available to the Board. These vouchers were listed as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Control Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001	754 – 778	\$ 32,002.22
104	779 – 799	\$ 10,690.50
117	800	\$ 15.05
122	801 – 803	\$ 1,811.34
123	804 – 806	\$ 3,220.10
166	807 – 814	\$ 1,700.28
502	815 – 830	\$ 11,626.81
108	366 – 368	\$ 306.42
115	369 – 378	\$120,659.74
401	379 – 388	\$ 16,412.44
501	389 – 391	\$ 2,494.21
590	392 – 415	\$110,355.38
	TOTAL	\$311,294.49

Resolution No. R-017-2019 In the Matter of Amending the Americans with Disabilities Act Notice and Grievance Procedure Policy; and, Amending Adams County Code Title 2, Administration and Personnel, Chapter 2.112, Subsection D

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Permanent Minutes Signed

March 4 and 6, 2019

Adjournment @ 4:30 p.m.

Submitted:

s/Patricia J. Phillips, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/John N. Marshall, Chairman
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Vice-Chairman
s/Terrance J. Thompson, Commissioner

RESOLUTION NO. R-017-2019

**ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT
NOTICE AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE POLICY; AND, AMENDING ADAMS**

**COUNTY CODE TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, CHAPTER 2.112,
SUBSECTION D**

WHEREAS, the County adopted by motion, on May 11, 2009, an amended American with Disabilities Act Notice and Grievance Procedure Policy that was appropriately filed in the County Policy Manual and distributed and posted;

WHEREAS, Adams County Resolution No. R-43-09, dated November 16, 2009, was the official adopting resolution for the Americans with Disabilities Act Notice and Grievance Procedure Policy; and

WHEREAS, the County is desirous of amending the designee authorized to receive alleged violations under the Grievance Procedure Policy.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Adams County Grievance Procedure under the Americans with Disabilities Act is amended to designate the Human Resources Manager

to receive complaints alleging discrimination on the basis of disability in the provision of services, activities, programs, or benefits by Adams County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Adams County Code Title 2, Chapter 2.112, Subsection D is amended.

DATED this 18th day of March, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/John N. Marshall, Chairman
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Vice Chairman
s/Terrance J. Thompson, Commissioner

ATTEST:
s/Patricia J. Phillips, CMC
Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION NO. R-018-2019

**ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

IN THE MATTER OF ESTABLISHING SUPPORT FOR FOUNDATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES (FPHS)

WHEREAS, the public health system in Washington provides the foundation for the larger health care framework, working to prevent illness and disease; and

WHEREAS, tracking, responding to, and preventing costly food and water contamination and disease outbreaks is essential to protecting the public's health in Adams County; and

WHEREAS, state and local public health officials, together with local leaders, have identified a set of core public health services that should be available for every Washingtonian; and

WHEREAS, after a century of increasing life expectancies, today these gains are threatened by more complex diseases, continued tobacco use and chronic diseases, putting today's children at risk of becoming the first generation with shorter life expectancies than their parents; and

WHEREAS, the public's well-being is also threatened by public health's inability to meet its basic responsibility to provide these core services due to changes in its funding structure, complex and new diseases, and growing populations; and

WHEREAS, the motor vehicle excise tax was repealed in 2000, leaving the public health system without an adequate and sustainable funding source; and

WHEREAS, Washington state's population has grown by more than one million residents since 2000, and is expected to grow by another two million residents by 2025; and

WHEREAS, Washington state spends less on public health protection (\$38.08 per person) than other states like Idaho (\$54.35 per person) and Wyoming (\$89.75 per person); and

WHEREAS, Adams County and other rural counties face a disproportionately larger burden from surveillance and investigation of vector-borne diseases, including those carried by mosquitos, rodents and other disease carrying species, without dedicated funding; and

WHEREAS, without securing ongoing, stable, and dedicated funding for core public health services, Adams County is left less prepared for emergencies like hazardous air from wildfires, and vulnerable to communicable diseases like mumps, measles and whooping cough.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Adams County Board of Health calls on the Washington state legislature to recognize that public health is essential and provide the critical down payment to support core services in all communities and allow public health to rebuild its statewide system with added efficiency.

DATED this 18th day of March, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/John N. Marshall, Chairman
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Vice-Chairman
s/Terrance J. Thompson, Commissioner

ATTEST:
s/Patricia J. Phillips, CMC
Clerk of the Board