

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting
Adams County Courthouse
Ritzville, Washington

February 9, 2022 – 9:01 a.m.
(Wednesday)

Call to Order

Chairman Weise called the meeting to order.

Present:

Chairman Jay R. Weise
Vice-Chairman Terrance J. Thompson
Commissioner Dan C. Blankenship (*virtually*)

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Weise led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval/Addition of Agenda

Commissioner Thompson moved, Weise seconded, to approve the Agenda as presented. **Motion carried.**

Board of Health

Commissioner Weise discussed compliance issues with sporting events varying within different school districts within the state. Masking guidelines were discussed.

Dr. Brzezny provided updates on the following:

- the impact of COVID;
- COVID-19 graphs and statistics;
- Washington, regional, and local statistics;
- vaccine effectiveness against Omicron; and
- Omicron BA.2.

Additional updates were provided regarding recent testing supplies/challenges; Adams County Board of Health composition selection process; and, staffing challenges in Adams County Integrated Health.

Integrated Health Care Services

Integrated Health Care Services Director Guse provided IHCS agency updates on the following activities: nursing; administrative duties; environmental health; WIC; prevention; COVID; substance abuse; mental health; and, unfilled positions within the department. Additionally, a statewide standing order allowing the dispensing of Naloxone to aid persons experiencing an opioid related overdose in Washington was reviewed.

Behavioral Health

Commissioner Thompson moved, Blankenship seconded, to authorize the Chairman to sign Agreement 22ASO2613, with Spokane County, a political subdivision of the State of Washington, by and between Spokane County Regional Behavioral Health (SCRBH), a division of Spokane County Community Services, Housing, and Community Development Department (CSHCD), (hereinafter "CSHCD SCRBH"), and contractor identified as Adams County Integrated Health Care Services for a total contract award of \$201,642 for the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. **Motion carried.**

Recess @ 11:38 a.m.

Reconvene @ 1:05 p.m.

Public Works

Engineer Yaeger provided an update on the Sutton Road bridge decking project, noting the project is complete and crews are now moving to the Herman Road bridge. Current miscellaneous projects include gravel road repairs, pothole repairs, tree trimming, weed control, and litter cleanup. Additionally, updates were provided on solid waste and facilities.

Booker Road Overlay #2 Project (CRP-195)

Engineer Yaeger reviewed Local Agency Agreement Supplement #1 and a revised Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus for the purpose of authoring construction for the Booker Road Overlay #2 Project, CRP-195, Federal Aid Project Number STPR-A013)021). Action is anticipated February 15, 2022.

Road Materials

Results of the bid/quotes opened for road materials were shared. Specific materials will be ordered based on the lowest price and availability of the materials.

Solid Waste Long Haul Adjustment Proposal

Director O'Brien reported he has a meeting scheduled with Prosecutor Flyckt to finalize the proposal for the solid waste long haul pricing adjustment. Action is anticipated February 15, 2022.

Public Works Apprentice Program

Director O'Brien requested and received **consensus authorization to begin the process of advertising for apprentice program positions within the Public Works Department.**

Adjournment @ 2:21 p.m.

Submitted:

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

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/Jay R. Weise, Chairman
s/Terrance J. Thompson, Vice-Chairman
s/Dan C. Blankenship, Commissioner