

## COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Adams County Courthouse  
Ritzville, Washington  
Regular Meeting

September 6, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.  
(Tuesday)

### **Call to Order**

Chairman Weise called the meeting to order.

### **Present:**

Chairman Jay R. Weise  
Vice-Chairman Terrance J. Thompson  
Commissioner Dan C. Blankenship

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Weise led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Approval/Addition of Agenda**

Commissioner Blankenship moved, Thompson seconded, to *approve the agenda as presented*. **Motion carried.**

### **Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Blankenship moved, Thompson seconded, to *approve the consent agenda as presented*. **Motion carried.**

### **Minutes**

Approve Preliminary Minutes of August 16 and 17, 2022

Approve Preliminary Minutes of August 23 and 24, 2022

### **Payroll**

Approve August 1 – 15, 2022 Payroll in the amount of \$497,064.22; and, Benefits in the amount of \$91,514.84 (Warrant # Series 532913-532919; Direct Deposit # Series 73118-73303; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1166133-1166139)

### **Vouchers**

Approve 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	22-2605 – 22-2660	\$ 43,690.89
001	Hand Pays	\$ 18,643.25
104	22-2661 – 22-2685	\$133,340.71
106	22-2686 – 22-2688	\$ 9,327.78
112	22-2689 – 22-2692	\$ 863.94
116	22-2693	\$ 19.83
123	22-9694 – 22-2697	\$ 3,372.59
502	22-2698 – 22-2708	\$ 6,775.71
502	Hand Pays	\$ 880.82
108	1163 – 1166	\$ 1,733.61
115	1167 – 1177	\$477,645.38
401	1178 – 1183	\$ 33,145.46
501	1184 – 1188	\$ 14,667.23
590	1189 – 1220	\$ 70,202.59
	TOTAL	\$814,309.79

**Resolution No. R-024-2022**

**Public Works**

Approve Resolution No. R-024-2022 In the Matter of Transferring Funds from Current Expense Fund #001 to Adams County Fair Fund #108

**Public Comment – None**

**Correspondence**

Linda Crosier, Chairman, Adams County Library District No. 1 re: Request Board Confirmation of Appointment of Sandra O’Dell, Othello, to the Adams County Library District No. 1 (Othello)

Linda Crosier, Chairman, Adams County Library District No. 1 re: Request Board Confirmation of Appointment of Roni Holm, Othello, to the Adams County Library District No. 1 (Othello)

People Against Illegal Drugs (P.A.I.D.) re: August 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Attorney Dan Wu re: Public Defender Quarterly Report for 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, 2022

Hilary S. Franz, Commissioner of Public Lands, Department of Natural Resources re: Community Wildfire Defense Grant

Curt Pavola, Program Manager, Department of Natural Resources re: Washington State DNR “Payment in Lieu of Taxes” 2022

### **Correspondence Sent**

Madelyn Carlson, People for People re: Support for People for People's Public Transportation Grant Projects to Serve Adams, Grant and Lincoln Counties

### **Board Updates**

Commissioner Thompson reported he attended a LEOFF Board meeting; People Against Illegal Drugs (P.A.I.D.) meeting; and, Adams County Development Council meeting.

Commissioner Blankenship reported he submitted a letter of support for a grant application by Lighthouse Community Center, Othello, for a Youth Violence Prevention Program grant. Additionally, he participated in a tour of Broadband facilities in Whitman County; a Broadband summit in Sequim; and a DNR renewable energy program meeting.

Commissioner Weise reported on his attendance at the Board of Health meeting held in Spokane, noting the three new members of the Adams County Board of Health were able to attend also.

### **Bard Discussion/Decision Items**

#### **E-911**

Corporal Barnes reported the Sheriff's office recently began rolling out electronic evidence tracking with equipment that was purchased several years ago and is no longer supported by Microsoft. Motorola Solutions provided a quote for a replacement bar code scanner; two (2) printers and associated hardware; training; and, a maintenance contract in the amount of \$6,570.52. The Board provided **consensus authorization for the Sheriff's Department to purchase the materials as presented utilizing Fund #103.**

Additionally, Sheriff Wagner discussed the need for replacement freezers in the jail, noting he will research associated costs.

#### **Adams County Development Council**

Kyle Niehenke, ACDC Executive Director, provided a report of his activities from May through mid-August, 2022, noting he attended the ICSC ReCon Expo in Las Vegas, and, WEDA Summer Conference in Bellingham.

Additional updates were provided on the following:

- Outreach – Adams County businesses, cities, organizations
- Networking – Industry professionals
- Fundraising – Capital campaign and per capita contributions
- Branding – Updating ACDC to consistent branding package
- Website – Adding resources to be a clearinghouse for county business information
- Commerce – Goals set by Commerce per contract
- Business Assistance – Provide resources to existing Adams County businesses
- Recruitment / Active Projects
- Business retention and expansion
- Burlington Northern Railroad – BNSF closed a portion of the rail line in Othello with Mayor Logan requesting ACDC's assistance in resolving the issue.

#### Adams County Library District No. 1 (Othello)

Commissioner Blankenship moved, Thompson seconded, to *confirm the appointment of Sandra O'Dell, Othello, to the Adams County Library District, No. 1, for a five-year term effective September 22, 2022 through September 21, 2027.* **Motion carried.**

Commissioner Blankenship moved, Thompson seconded, to *confirm the appointment of Roni Holm, Othello, to the Adams County Library District, No. 1, for a five-year term effective September 22, 2022 through September 21, 2027.* **Motion carried.**

#### Integrated Health Care Services

IHCS Director Guse requested and received **consensus authorization to increase the current spending limit of \$5,000 to \$15,000 on the county credit card issued to the IHCS Department.**

#### Adams County District Court, No. 2

Judge Benzel, Adams County District Court Position No. 2, reported District Court employee Margarita Alfaro has assumed the duties of Court Administrator in her office, requesting Ms. Alfaro be placed at a Range 1, Step 4, on the Adams County Exempt Employee Salary Schedule based on her years of experience with the county. Ms. Alfaro's previous position was compensated at a Range B, Step 7, on the Courthouse Bargaining Unit Salary Schedule. Payroll Deputy Bowman was present and reviewed

current policy when an employee moves from one position to another within the county. No action was taken pending further discussion.

**Permanent Minutes Signed**

August 9 and 10, 2022

**Executive Session – None**

**Recess @ 12:02 p.m.**

**Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.**

**Other Business**

The Board attended an opioid settlement virtual assembly, beginning at 1:00 p.m., with speakers from the State Attorney General's Office reviewing the proposed settlement and the steps each county must take moving forward.

**Adjournment @ 2:30 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

**RESOLUTION NO. R-024-2022**

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

**IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFERRING FUNDS FROM CURRENT EXPENSE FUND  
#001 TO ADAMS COUNTY FAIR FUND #108**

**WHEREAS**, funds were allocated in Current Expense Fund #001 for support of Adams County Fair Fund #108; and

**THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that One hundred thousand and no/100 dollars (\$100,000.00) be transferred from Current Expense Fund #001/099 BARS 597.75.00.01 to Adams County Fair Fund #108 BARS 397.75.00.00.

**DATED** this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.

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

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