



FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2022

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9:00 a.m.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Commission Chairman Clint Didier called the Franklin County Commissioners' Regular Board Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' Meeting Room in the Franklin County Courthouse located at 1016 North Fourth Avenue, Pasco, Washington.

Commissioners Present: Commission Chair Clint Didier, Chair Pro Tem Rocky Mullen and Member Brad Peck

9:01 a.m. Approval of Minutes

- ❖ *January 04, 2022 Commissioner Meeting Minutes approved as presented*
changed a title from nominated to appointed in Commissioner Update
- ❖ *January 11, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes approved as presented*
- ❖ *January 11, 2022 Commissioner Meeting Minutes approved as presented*
- ❖ *February 01, 2022 Commissioner Meeting Minutes approved as presented*

Commissioner Didier asked for an investigation of our Prosecuting Attorney. Commissioner Peck called Point of Order, as this topic was not on the agenda. Commissioner Didier voiced his concerns with Prosecuting Attorney Shawn Sant, due to the information given in the January 4, 2022 Minutes that were presented for approval today.

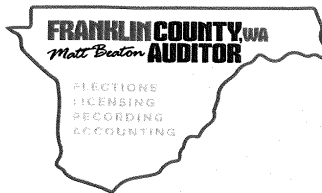
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9:05 a.m. Approval of Fund Expenditure Warrants



1016 N 4th Ave
Pasco, WA 99301
(509) 545-3502

02/15/2022

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.090 expense reimbursement claims.
Action: As of this date, 02/15/2022

Move that the following warrants be approved for payment:

Certified by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been sent to the board members.

Warrants \ Check Numbers:	00378646 - 00378739	\$632,667.24
EFT Check Numbers:	00001060 - 00001065	\$8,475.00
		<u>\$641,142.24</u>

Fund Expenditures	Amount Issued
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$128,179.80
AUDITOR O & M	\$89.36
ELECTION EQUIP REVOLVING	\$352.03
TREASURER O & M	\$43.68
COURTHOUSE FACILITATOR	\$585.63
SHERIFF SEX OFFENDER GRANT	\$1,324.45
JAIL COMMISSARY	\$45.32
ENHANCED 911	\$12,450.60
COUNTY ROADS	\$136,455.68
SOLID WASTE	\$300.00
LAW LIBRARY	\$2,908.57
VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE	\$199.71
ENDING HOMELESSNESS	\$3,800.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$50,264.45
THE HAPO CENTER	\$21,747.77
FRANKLIN COUNTY RV PARK	\$9,844.11
MOTOR VEHICLE	\$77,617.66
INSURANCE CLAIMS FUND	\$194,933.42
In the amount of:	<u>\$641,142.24</u>

The motion was seconded by: Brian Peck

And passed by a vote of: 3 to 0

Reviewed by the County Administrator: [Signature]

The attached vouchers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy:
Matt Beaton

Vouchers Audited By:
Paola Mendoza

- ❖ Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Fund Expenditures audited and certified by the auditing officer for warrants prepared for the week of February 15, 2022 for payment totaling \$643,142.24. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.



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9:05 a.m. Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Resolution 2022-033 Local Agency Agreement No. 01 CRP 626 Safety Eltopia, West Railroad Crossing 626
2. Deputies Guild Memorandum of Agreement Juneteenth Floating Holiday

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve consent agenda items 1-2. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*

9:06 a.m. Commissioner/Administrator Updates

Administrator Keith Johnson update

- WSAC-Changes in Health Board
- McKinstry-HAPO Center
- Growth Management Hearing Board
- BCES
- Sustainable Energy Measures- working with City of Pasco water reuse
- Interviews for Public Works Director

Commissioner Peck update

- WSAC –Legislative Steering Committee- review of 2022 proposed bills
- Questions on compliance of new health board
- Opposition to no funds for County Road Transportation.

Commissioner Mullen update

- Local Decision Makers
- Meeting with Community Leaders to discuss the Mental Health plans. They wish for the public to have a voice in the matter. Consensus for a one-stop shop to work together.
- Ben Franklin Transit- new Chair Will McKay. Possible new building

Commissioner Didier update

- Port of Pasco
- Ben Franklin Transit-Senator Mark Schoesler spoke of taxes on license plates, permits of all kinds, ends the sale of gas vehicles. Transit bill will end the sales of gas vehicles.
- Contacted by concerned citizens on the Mental Health plans

9:12 a.m. Public Comment

- Steve Bauman asked for an update on the UGA Expansion. Administrator Keith Johnson responded to his question. The Board challenged some of the work the County is doing with the City of Pasco. There is a team, including legal consultants looking into this.



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- Angie Manterola was disappointed that Greater Columbia Behavior Health was not here to answer questions on the Behavior Health program. She hoped that all entities would work together to build a program to help those in need.
- Laurie Hayles asked that there be five community members involved with the Behavior Health program and keep Franklin and Benton Counties separate. She stated that the reason the mental health tax passed, was to help those in need, not a money grab.
- Sheriff Jim Raymond has worked with a group for over 36 months. Those persons containing, doctors, lawyers, mental health workers, medical workers, non-profits have all come together in a large group to support a united mental health program. This group was in consensus with a one-stop shop to provide all needs under one roof. They wished to have a say in the service provider, what the system looks like and how it was to run. He stated that if there were no outside input, the system would fail.
- Lawanda Hatch reaffirmed what the previous comments stated. She agrees there must be a plan in place with community input.
- George Dockstader voice his concerns on the Ben Franklin Transit wasting tax dollars on a new building. Dial a Ride and Van Pools are self-sustaining. Buses are not profitable. The Growth Management turned down our plan due to taking too much farmland and everything is farmland.

9:25 a.m. Reclassification of two Human Resources Generalist Positions.

Human Resources Director Eric Wyant explained the reasons behind the changes in the positions in his office.

After discussion, the Commissioners brought it to a vote.

❖ ***Commissioner Peck moved to approve resolution 2022-034 Reclassification of HR Generalist Positions. Commissioner Mullen seconded and the motion carried.***

9:40 a.m. **Closed Session RCW 42.030.140(4)(b) Collective Bargaining**

Commissioner Didier recessed into Closed Session at 9:40 a.m., for up to 10 minutes to discuss Collective Bargaining. Those participating are Commissioner Didier, Commissioner Mullen, Commissioner Peck, County Administrator Keith Johnson, Human Resources Director Eric Wyant, Sheriff Jim Raymond and the Clerk of the Board Karin Milham.

9:50 a.m. *Commissioner Didier reconvened the regular meeting.*

9:51 a.m. **Executive Session RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)**, evaluate qualifications of applicant for employment or review performance of public employee.

Commissioner Didier recessed into Executive Session at 9:51 a.m., for up to 10 minutes to qualifications for an applicant for employment. Those participating are Commissioner Didier, Commissioner Mullen, Commissioner Peck, County Administrator Keith Johnson, and the Clerk of the Board Karin Milham.

10:05 a.m. *Commissioner Didier reconvened the regular meeting.*



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10:05 a.m. Executive Session RCW 42.30.110 (1) (i), Litigation or Potential Litigation

Commissioner Didier recessed into Executive Session at 10:05 a.m., for up to 60 minutes to discuss litigation. Those participating are Commissioner Didier, Commissioner Mullen, Commissioner Peck, County Administrator Keith Johnson, Clerk of the Board Karin Milham, Planning and Building Director Derrick Braaten, AHBL Consultant Nicole Stickney and Outside Council Taud Hume.

11:05 a.m. Commissioner Didier reconvened the regular meeting.

Adjourn

With no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Chair

Clerk of the Board

Date