



**FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 21, 2023**

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7:00 p.m.

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Commission Chairman Clint Didier called the Franklin County Commissioners' Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.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

7:00 p.m. **Approval of Minutes**

*December 20, 2023 Commissioners Meeting Minutes approved as presented.  
January 3, 2023 Commissioners Meeting Minutes approved as presented.*

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7:00 p.m. Approval of Fund Expenditure Warrants

02/21/2023

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.086, expense reimbursement claims.

Action: As of this date, 02/21/2023

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:	00390653 - 00390982	\$342,304.65
EFT Check Numbers:	00001427 - 00001435	\$18,839.72
		<u>\$361,144.37</u>

Fund Expenditures	Amount Issued
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$197,777.00
AUDITOR O & M	\$49.03
ELECTION EQUIP REVOLVING	\$3,160.18
COURTHOUSE FACILITATOR	\$1,687.50
EDA CARES ACT RECOVERY ASSIST	\$1,214.66
TRIAL COURT IMPROVEMENT	\$1,905.75
JAIL COMMISSARY	\$8,037.73
ENHANCED 911	\$1,568.88
COUNTY ROADS	\$97,920.31
SOLID WASTE	\$525.53
VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE	\$425.06
ENDING HOMELESSNESS	\$5,894.75
FRANKLIN COUNTY RV PARK	\$1,914.14
MOTOR VEHICLE	\$38,863.63
TREASURERS TRUST FUNDS	\$200.22

In the amount of: \$361,144.37

The motion was seconded by: Brad Peck

And passed by a vote of: 3 to 0

Reviewed by the County Administrator: Steve Swindson

The attached vouchers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy:  
Tim Anderson

Vouchers Audited By:  
Teresa Alvarez

[www.co.franklin.wa.us/auditor](http://www.co.franklin.wa.us/auditor)

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Fund Expenditures audited and certified by the auditing officer for warrants prepared for the week of February 21, 2023 for payment totaling \$361,144.37. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*



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**7:00 p.m. Approval of Salary Clearing and Emergency Management Payroll**



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

February 21, 2023

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 4 certified by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been sent to the board members.

Action: As of this date, February 21, 2023  
moves that the following warrants be approved for payment.

*Today of Matt*

<u>FUND</u>	<u>WARRANT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b>Salary Clearing Payroll:</b>		
Net Payroll Checks	00390764-00390771	\$ 8,565.06
Net EFT Payroll Checks	00045730-00045998	\$ 540,665.88
Deduction and Contribution Checks	00390787-00390800	\$ 232,605.13
A/P EFT	00001426	\$ 334,075.54
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,115,911.61</b>
<b>Emergency Mgmt Payroll:</b>		
Net EFT Payroll Checks	00045726-00045729	\$ 8,109.45
Deduction and Contribution Checks	00390772-00390786	\$ 9,473.16
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 17,582.61</b>
	<b>Grand Total All Payrolls</b>	<b>\$ 1,133,494.22</b>

In the total amount of **\$1,133,494.22**

The motion was seconded by *Bob Peck* and passed by a vote of 3 to 0.

The attached payroll has been approved by Auditor *Tim Anderson*  
Matt Beaton

Payroll Prepared by *Paola Mendoza*

❖ **Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Salary Clearing and Emergency Management Payroll totaling \$1,133,494.22. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.**



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## 7:02 p.m. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Contract with Pro Cut Concrete for Glad N Road Bridge
2. Resolution 2023-055 Grant Agreement 2023 HHAA OXFORD Housing and Human Services

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve consent agenda items 1-2 as presented. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried 3-0.*

## 7:00 p.m. The following individuals gave public comment.

- John Rose via Karin Milham distributed documents
- Lawanda Hatch
- George Dockstader
- Kurt Didier
- Kevin Heinen

## 7:15 p.m. **Commissioner/Administrator Updates**

### Interim Administrator Duane Davidson update

- Met with Commissioner Didier and Fire District 3 Chief to discuss lack of EMT services in the county
- Budget update with Financial Director Tim Anderson and other key staff members
- Starting a monthly meeting to receive updates on the entire current expense budget
- Signed an emergency contract for security services for the Wilson House, prior to its sale.
- Attendance at the HAPO Center Home and Garden Center was a great success
- Travel policy was updated and is currently in legal review
- Preparing for bi-county meeting on February 23, 2023

### Commissioner Peck update

- Legislative Steering Committee meeting- State received 15 million dollars from the federal government to do a study on road usage charges in lieu of gasoline taxes.
- HB 1670 proposes to increase the authority of this board and every other County Council and board in Washington to increase your property taxes every year is currently capped at one percent of what was collected the previous year.
- Benton Franklin Council of Governments-updated policies and bylaws

### Commissioner Mullen update

- Received opposing phone calls to the permit process for the access to highways
- Benton Franklin Board of Health- interviewed candidates for the 1152 committee

### Commissioner Didier update

- Met with Administrator Davidson and Fire District 3 Chief to discuss lack of EMT services in the county
- Budget Review meeting
- Columbia Basin Sustainable Water Coalition- lawsuit on senior or junior water rights.
- Went to Olympia with Mr. Davidson to speak to several legislators



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7:40 p.m. **Regular Business**

**A. Clarification on Pool Barrier Requirements**

Planning and Building Director Derrick Braaten brought forth information on International and Franklin County pool barriers policy. He was seeking guidance from the Board to amend the current Ordinance. Mr. Braaten will bring the request of a four-foot high fence before the Planning Commission and bring back the Planning information to the Commissioners.

**B. Proposed Public Works Fee Schedule Packet**

Public Works Director Craig Erdman brought the fee schedule packet before the board for consideration. As the discussion continued, the County Road Approach Policy was considered.

*❖ After lengthy discussion, the Commissioners decided to table the both topics.*

8:20 p.m. The following individuals gave public comment.

- Lawanda Hatch
- Sheriff Jim Raymond
- Kurt Didier
- Human Resources Director Sam Hughes
- Jason Broberg
- Lawanda Hatch
- George Dockstader

Commissioner Didier recessed into Closed Session RCW 42.30.140 (4) Contract Negotiations at 8:35 p.m. for five minutes.

Commissioner Didier reconvened the regular meeting at 8:47 p.m.

*❖ Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Resolution 2023-053 (2023 Public Works, Appraisers and Courthouse 5% COLA and Benefits). Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*

Commissioner Didier recessed into Executive Session at 8:48 a.m. to discuss RCW42.30.110 (1) (g) evaluate qualifications of applicant for employment or review performance of public employee for 15 minutes.

9:06 p.m. Commissioner Didier reconvened the regular meeting.

**Adjourn**

With no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

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Chair

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Clerk of the Board

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Date