



# FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR NIGHT MEETING  
*MAY 16, 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**

- *April 25, 2023 Commissioners Meeting Minutes approved as presented.*

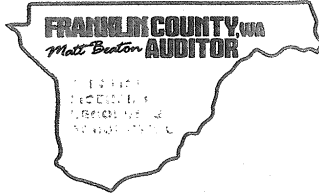
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# FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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



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

05/16/2023

### Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.080, expense reimbursement claims.

Action: As of this date, 05/16/2023

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:	00393665 - 00393839	\$752,800.11
EFT Check Numbers:	00001504 - 00001509	\$14,950.75
		<u>\$767,750.86</u>

Fund Expenditures	Amount Issued
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$311,975.93
AUDITOR O & M	\$127.91
TREASURER O & M	\$81.30
COURTHOUSE FACILITATOR	\$1,350.00
EDA CARES ACT RECOVERY ASSIST	\$10,267.95
BOATING SAFETY	\$104.29
JAIL COMMISSARY	\$8,023.62
DARE FUND SHERIFF	\$326.00
ENHANCED 911	\$1,677.93
COUNTY ROADS	\$134,873.16
ENDING HOMELESSNESS	\$1,411.69
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$135.00
MOTOR VEHICLE	\$48,009.07
INSURANCE CLAIMS FUND	\$249,387.01

In the amount of: \$767,750.86

The motion was seconded by: Mark Mullen

And passed by a vote of: 3 to 0

Reviewed by the County Administrator: Jeff A. Burckhard

The attached vouchers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy:  
Jeff Burckhard

Vouchers Audited By:  
Teresa Alvarez

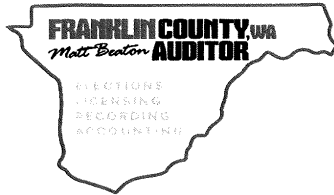
- ❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Fund Expenditures audited and certified by the auditing officer for warrants prepared for the week of May 16, 2023 for payment totaling \$767,750.86. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*



FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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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

May 16, 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, May 16, 2023  
moves that the following warrants be approved for payment.

<u>FUND</u>	<u>WARRANT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<b>Salary Clearing Payroll:</b>		
Net Payroll Checks	00393513-00393516	\$ 7,575.38
Net EFT Payroll Checks	00047442-00047709	\$ 568,279.72
Deduction and Contribution Checks	00393517-00393530	\$ 250,835.17
A/P EFT	00001503	\$ 359,105.21
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,185,795.48</b>
<b>Emergency Mgmt Payroll:</b>		
Net EFT Payroll Checks	00047438-00047441	\$ 9,241.57
Deduction and Contribution Checks	00393531-00393535	\$ 6,079.90
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,321.47</b>
<b>Grand Total All Payrolls</b>		<b>\$ 1,201,116.95</b>

In the total amount of \$1,201,116.95

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

The attached payroll has been approved by Auditor Matt Beaton

Payroll Prepared by Paola Mendoza

- ❖ **Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Salary Clearing and Emergency Management Payroll totaling \$1,201,116.95. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.**



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## 7:00 p.m.      **Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Resolution 2023-147 Re-Appointing Lynn Ramos-Braswell to Benton Franklin Workforce Development Center
2. Resolution 2023-148 Re-Appointing Lori Mattson to Benton Franklin Workforce Development Center
3. Resolution 2023-149 Appointment of Geoff Arends to Benton Franklin Workforce Development Center
4. Resolution 2023-150 Appointment of Andrew Cook to Benton Franklin Workforce Development Center
5. Resolution 2023-151 Appointment of Jessica Rusch Benton Franklin Workforce Development Center

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve consent agenda items 1-5. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried 3-0.*

7:03 p.m. The following individuals gave public comment.

- Mr. Martinez
- Lawanda Hatch
- George Dockstader

## **Regular Business**

7:09 p.m.

### **A. 2023-152    Creation of Chief Criminal Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Position**

Prosecuting Attorney Shawn Sant presented the Board with a request to create a Chief Criminal Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Position.

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve 2023-152 as presented. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*

7:24 p.m.

### **B. 2023-153    Movement of Jeff Briggs from Deputy Prosecuting Attorney II to Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney**

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve resolution 2023-153 as presented. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*



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7:28 p.m.

### **C. 2023-154 Increase to the Office of Public Defense Budget**

OPD Manager Larry Zeigler presented the Office of Public Defense predicament due to unfunded mandates.

- ❖ *Commissioner Peck moved to approve 2023-154 as presented. Commissioner Mullen seconded and the motion carried.*

7:36 p.m.

### **D. Historical Preservation Committee Discussion**

Administration Consultant Duane Davidson presented the Board with details of forming a Historical Preservation Committee. The Committee would consist of five persons including The Auditor, Treasurer, Administrator and two at large chosen by the three members.

- ❖ *The Commissioners were in consensus with moving forward in forming a Historical Preservation Committee with the agreement that the two at large positions come before the Board for final approval and consideration of a twice-annual call.*

7:53 p.m. **Commissioner/Administrator Updates**

Administrator Mike Gonzalez update

- Legislature had a special session on Blake decision
- Held a Press Conference – Topic Office of Public Defense unfunded mandate
- Met with Tri-City Herald
- Meeting with Franklin County Graphic

Commissioner Peck update

- Hydrogen Generation storage facility- for hydrogen powered aircraft
- WSAC

Commissioner Mullen update

- Ben Franklin Transit meeting- free rides for under 18 years old.
- WSAC- Affordable housing
- Climate Commitment Act raised sales tax on gas and diesel. Possibly omitting Agriculture
- Thanks to the Sheriff's Deputies for keeping us safe

Commissioner Didier update

- Elected and Department Head meeting
- Ben Franklin Transit meeting- free rides for under 18 years old.
- WSAC- Affordable housing
- Agenda Meeting
- ARPA Funds meeting
- Meeting with McKinstry and Solar energy for the HAPO Center
- OPD- Office of Public Defense Press Conference



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8:03 p.m.

## **Elected and Department Head Business**

- Auditor Matt Beaton-Flex schedule

8:20 p.m.

## **Quit Claim of Benton Franklin Juvenile Justice Center**

- ❖ *The quitclaim parcel numbers were incorrect. The document was pulled and will be returned to the Board next week for approval with corrections.*

8:21 p.m. The following individuals gave public comment.

- Lawanda Hatch

8:25 p.m. **Executive Session**

**RCW 42.30.110 (1) (d) review negotiations of performance of publicly bid contracts**

*Commissioner Didier recessed into executive session at 8:25 for fifteen minutes.*

*Commissioner Didier reconvened the regular meeting at 8:41 p.m. to extend the executive session an additional five minutes.*

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

8:49 p.m. **Executive Session**

**RCW 42.30.110 (1) (i) to discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation.**

*Commissioner Didier recessed into executive session at 8:49 for fifteen minutes.*

*Commissioner Didier reconvened the regular meeting at 9:04 p.m. to extend the executive session an additional five minutes.*

*Commissioner Didier reconvened the regular meeting at 9:10 p.m.*

## **Adjourn**

With no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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Chair

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Clerk of the Board

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Date