Commissioners' Proceeding for January 14, 2009

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Rick Miller, Chairman; Bob Koch, Chair Pro Tem; and Brad Peck, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board.

OFFICE BUSINESS

Secretary Patricia Shults met with the Board. Present in audience: <u>Tri-City</u> <u>Herald</u> Reporter Joe Chapman.

Consent Agenda

Motion - Mr. Peck: I move we approve today's consent agenda, January 14 as listed:

- 1. Approval of *Voluntary Transfer of Annual Leave Request* as per Resolution 2001-246 for Kathy Simon (Clerk's Office) for a total of 52.5 hours as follows:
 - Ann Snyder (Clerk's Office) to transfer 4 hours.
 - > Cherryl Jones (Clerk's Office) to transfer 15 hours.
 - ➤ Melissa Larios (Clerk's Office) to transfer 7.5 hours.
 - Maria Aguilar (Clerk's Office) to transfer 7.5 hours.
 - Sara Duncan (Clerk's Office) to transfer 15 hours.
 - Connie Rhoads (Clerk's Office) to transfer 3.5 hours. (Exhibit 1)
- 2. Approval for the Board to sign a Certificate of Appreciation recognizing Enrique (Henry) Curiel for his dedicated service to Franklin County as he retires effective January 16, 2009. (Exhibit 2)
- 3. Approval of **Resolution 2009-027** for the Professional Services Contract between Franklin County and Olympic Security Services, Inc., for Courthouse security services effective March 3, 2008, through December 31, 2009.
- 4. Approval to submit a letter to Washington State University verifying Franklin County's matching funds for Pathways Program. (Exhibit 3)

Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

Vouchers/Warrants

The vouchers include a payment of \$2675 for 26 task chairs from the Elections Department Budget.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Koch: I would move to pay the fund expenditures for various items, for the total amount of \$203,221.05: Treasurer O&M warrant 11226 for \$817.17; Current

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Expense warrants 11227 through 11297 for \$182,365.26; Crime Victims Witness warrants 11298 through 11300 for \$2790.76; DOC Building Inspection warrant 11301 for \$123.84; FC Capital Projects Fund warrant 11302 for \$444.14; Courthouse Renovation Fund warrants 11303 and 11304 for \$1035.04; TRAC Operations Fund warrant 11305 for \$25.00; FC Capital Projects Fund warrant 11306 for \$2880.31; Treasurer O&M warrant 11307 for \$363.60; Current Expense warrants 11308 through 11323 for \$4431.72; Courthouse Facilitator warrant 11324 for \$885.00; Current Expense warrants 11325 through 11332 for \$2500.06; and Auditor O&M warrant 11333 through 11335 for \$4559.15. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 4)

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Koch: I move that we accept the following warrants for Salary Clearing payroll in the amount of \$585,605.42:

Warrants 47495 through 47604 for \$204,185.04; warrants 47605 through 47611 for \$85,675.13; and Direct Deposit for \$295,745.25. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor.

The cover sheet also includes the following amounts:

Emergency Management payroll warrants 11336 through 11342 for \$3574.84; warrants 11343 through 11346 for \$1849.74; and Direct Deposit for \$7921.16; for a total amount of \$13,345.74; and

Irrigation payroll warrants 11347 through 11363 for \$8590.72; and warrants 11364 through 11367 for \$1586.59; for a total amount of \$10,177.31. (Exhibit 5)

PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board.

Building Update

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Koch: I would move that we accept Resolution 2009-028, final approval for Short Plat 2008-22 for Stemilt Holdings, and authorize the chairman to sign the plat. Second by Mr. Peck. 3:0 vote in favor.

PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Planning Director Jerrod MacPherson met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

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Building Department Update

The December 2008 Building Report was reviewed. Because it is also the yearend report, it is included as Exhibit 6.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman.

Regional Jail Study

Mr. Bowen will be meeting with staff members from other counties regarding the concept of a regional jail prior to meeting with legislators in Olympia in February.

Mr. Peck asked if the concept is that a regional jail would include a courtroom. Mr. Bowen said he thinks a courtroom would be needed in the facility but that most day-to-day courtroom proceedings would be concluded before a prisoner was sent to a regional jail.

Mr. Miller said he agrees we need to study a regional jail concept. He is doubtful it will work but wants to find out more about it and pursue legislation.

Mr. Bowen said the state is talking about regionalization for several governmental agencies including dispatch services.

PROSECUTOR

Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Ryan Verhulp met with the Board. Present in audience: Joe Chapman and Jerrod MacPherson.

Executive Session at 10:30 am for potential litigation based on RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) expected to last 15 minutes. Mr. Chapman and Mr. MacPherson left the meeting. **Open Session** at 10:45 am.

No action was taken.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR (continuing)

Joe Chapman and Jerrod MacPherson returned to the audience.

Executive Session at 10:45 am regarding potential litigation expected to last 10 minutes based on RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)(c) under legal risks of a proposed action. Mr. Chapman left the meeting.

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Open Session at 11:00 am.

Mr. Verhulp and Mr. MacPherson left the meeting. Many people came into the audience.

Inter Budget Transfer: Coroner

Mr. Bowen asked for approval of a transfer to the Coroner's budget. The Coroner's budget information was reviewed (Exhibit 7).

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Peck: I would like to make a motion that we authorize inter budget transfers totaling \$9430 from the 2008 Current Expense Non-Departmental Budget Number 700, line item 519.90.00.0001 which is Contingency Reserve, to Coroner's Budget #220 as follows: \$5770 to line item 563.20.49.0001 (Autopsies) and \$3660 to line item 563.20.48.0001 (Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance). Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. This is Resolution 2009-029.

PUBLIC WORKS

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board.

Bid Opening: CRP 591/Countywide Safety Improvements - culvert extensions

Bid Opening convened at 11:02 am. Present: Commissioners Koch, Peck and Miller; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Engineer Tim Fife; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. There were at least 20 people present in the audience.

(Exhibit 11: Sign-in sheet)

Eleven bids were received:

Westway Construction, Airway Heights	\$94,523.50
Culbert Construction, Pasco	\$84,153.32
Vono Construction, Kennewick	\$96,464.15
Shoemaker, Inc.	\$105,538.00
Bid D's, Pasco	\$85,277.00
KRCI, LLC, Wenatchee	\$138,422.00
Transtate (Granite Northwest)	\$143,377.00
Hurst Construction, East Wenatchee	\$76,362.00
Scott's, Pasco	\$118,654.00

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Rotschy	\$82,243.00
Premier, Richland	\$105,489.02

The engineer's estimate was \$142,060.82. The bids will be reviewed with award expected this afternoon at 3:00 pm.

Bid Opening: CRP 593/Dent Road Extension, Phase I – Irrigation Canal Modification

Bid opening convened at 11:13 am. Present: Commissioners Koch, Peck and Miller; County Administrator Fred Bowen; Engineer Tim Fife; and Clerk to the Board Mary Withers. There were at least 20 people present in the audience.

The following bids were received:

Westway Construction, Airway Heights	\$101,079.00
Culbert Construction, Pasco	\$98,996.40
Apollo, Kennewick	\$75,421.89
Premier Excavation, Richland	\$105,646.25
Rotschy, Inc., Yacolt	\$120,100.00
Shoemaker Excavation, Kennewick	\$126,453.00
Big D's Construction of Tri-Cities, Pasco	\$105,021.00
Fowler Construction, Richland	\$139,544.29
Transtate Asphalt, Pasco	\$107,715.00
Ray Poland & Sons, Kennewick	\$149,058.00
Hurst Construction, East Wenatchee	\$118,041.00

The bids will be reviewed. The engineer's estimate was \$146,581. Bid award is expected at 3:00 pm today.

Joe Chapman remained in the audience. All the other people in the audience left the meeting.

Vouchers

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Peck: I make a motion to approve the following four vouchers: County Road Fund \$62,968.13; MV & PW Equipment Fund \$10,367.39; Solid Waste Fund \$904.88, and again, Solid Waste Fund for another \$809.88. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 8)

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Other Business

Flood Damage: Emergency Management Director John Scheer contacted Mr. Fife regarding potential funding for public assistance for damage from flooding with a damage threshold amount of \$161,000. Mr. Fife did not declare an emergency. The county's damage amount was not anywhere close to that amount of \$161,000. Most of the problems have been fixed with graders and other equipment.

Road Restrictions: Mr. Peck asked if the road restrictions that were imposed were of benefit. Mr. Fife said people stayed off the restricted roads. There was not very much frost depth. There was some damage to roads but most was probably from runoff. Russell Road is still restricted.

Powerline Road: The City of Pasco has asked the county to submit a proposal to Benton Franklin Council of Governments (BFCoG) asking that Powerline Road between Road 68 and Road 100 be classified as an urban collector arterial road so that Pasco can request funding for an economic stimulus project. The road is in the urban growth boundary but is not currently Federally classified. Mr. Fife will submit that request to BFCoG unless the Board has a reason not to. This is the first step in a process to try to obtain the funding. The Board had no objections. The first half mile of the road is joint between the city and county. The remainder is in the county.

Recessed at 11:29 am.

Reconvened at 3:00 pm. Commissioners Miller and Peck were present. Commissioner Koch was attending another meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS

Engineer Tim Fife met with the Board.

Bid Award: CRP 591/Countywide Safety Improvements – Culvert Extensions

Mr. Fife recommended award of bid to the low bidder, Hurst Construction, LLC, of East Wenatchee.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Peck: I move that we approve CRP 591 Countywide safety improvement – culvert extensions, awarding that project to Hurst Construction, LLC, of East Wenatchee based on their bid of \$76,362.00. Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 9)

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<u>Bid Award: CRP 593, Road 100/Dent Road Extension, Phase 1 – Irrigation Canal Modifications</u>

Mr. Fife said it is primarily a siphon project with a little bit of pressure pipe and road restoration work involved. He recommended award of bid to the low bidder Apollo, Inc., for \$75,421.89. There were a few math errors in some of the other bids but the errors did not change the order. Apollo's bid did not have any math errors.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Peck: I move we approve CRP 593, Road 100/Dent Road Extension, Phase 1 -- Irrigation Canal Modifications, project to be awarded to Apollo, Inc., of Kennewick Washington, their bid amount of \$75,421.89. Second by Mr. Miller. 2:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 10)

Mr. Fife answered Mr. Miller's questions about the project. **Adjourned** at 3:10 pm.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until January 21, 2009.

	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
	Chairman
	Chairman Pro Tem
	Member
Attest:	
Clerk to the Board	
Approved and signed January 28, 2009.	