Commissioners' Proceedings for May 8, 2013

This document is a summarized version of the Board of Commissioners proceedings. The minutes are paraphrased, not verbatim. Access to an electronic audio recording of the meeting is available upon request.

The Honorable Board of Franklin County Commissioners met on the above date. Present for the meeting were Rick Miller, Chairman; Robert E. Koch, Chair Pro Tem; and Brad Peck, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Margo Hines, Administrative Assistant to the County Administrator/Acting Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 9:01 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC WORKS (9:02 a.m.)

Matt Mahoney, Franklin County Public Works Director, presented information regarding CRP 604 R-170 Bridge Replacement. Discussion ensued.

<u>Motion</u> – Commissioner Koch moved to approve the Local Agency Standard Consultant Agreement between Franklin County and Anderson Perry & Associates, Inc., for CRP 604 R-170 Bridge Replacement as presented. Second by Commissioner Peck. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2013-169 was approved.

TREASURER (9:07 a.m.)

Josie Koelzer, Franklin County Treasurer, presented information regarding refinancing of 2003 and 2005 bonds, noting taking advantage of all-time low interest rates. Discussion ensued regarding review by the County's bond attorney, the ability to cancel if rates increase, and pursuing cost savings to the County on bonds set to expire in 2022.

OFFICE BUSINESS (9:10 a.m.)

Present in audience: Matt Mahoney, Matthew Rasmussen, Roger Lenk, Dave Manterola, and numerous others as noted on sign-in sheet attached (Exhibit 1).

<u>Vouchers</u>: Commissioner Peck asked Administrator Bowen if he had reviewed the vouchers and Mr. Bowen confirmed he had. Both sets of vouchers are approved by the Auditor and have a second signature from the Auditor's office.

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Motion (9:11 a.m.)— Commissioner Peck: I move for approval of vouchers as presented: Salary Clearing Payroll \$81,131.60 and Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$237,311.72. Second by Commissioner Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Warrant</u>	<u>Amount</u>
County Road		
Payroll	81661-81677	19,859.84
Direct Deposit		37,527.95
		57,387.79
Benefits	81678-81681	10,118.83
	Total	\$67,506.62
Motor Vehicle		
Payroll	81682-81698	\$5,606.04
Direct Deposit		5,939.55
		\$11,545.59
Benefits	81699-81702	2,079.39
	Total	\$13,624.98
	Grand Total All Payrolls	
		(Exhibit 2)

Fund Expenditures	<u>Warrants</u>		Amount Issued	
Current Expense	81497	81531	\$49,496.51	
Current Expense	81532	81583	\$110,588.69	
Current Expense	81584	81592	\$2,782.50	
Auditor O & M	81593	-	\$142.46	
Jail Commissary	81594	81597	\$4,234.15	
Veteran's Assistance	81598	81599	\$300.00	
FC Capital Projects Fund	81600	-	\$16,867.82	
County Roads	81601	81607	\$4,255.46	
Motor Vehicle/Public Works	81608	81619	\$10,944.04	
CO Road Unemployment Fund	81620	-	\$801.43	
FC Public Facilities Const Fund	81621	-	\$334.17	
TRAC Operations Fund	81622	81645	\$16,677.44	
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Election Equipment Revolving	81649	-	\$6,776.64	
Election Equipment Revolving	81650	-	\$6,776.64	

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Current Expense

81703

\$5,700.00

Grand Total: \$237,311.72

(Exhibit 3)

Consent Agenda

Motion (9:12 a.m.) – Commissioner Peck moved to accept the Consent Agenda Items 1 through 6 as presented. Commissioner Koch seconded. 3:0 vote in favor.

- Approval of Resolution 2013-170, Contract Amendment WSART Consultation for County Juvenile Courts, DSHS Contract Number 1163-30902, Amendment No. 01, between State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services and Benton and Franklin Counties Juvenile Justice Center
- 2. Approval of Joint Resolution 2013-171, executing a Professional Services Agreement between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and Kennewick Police Department, to provide crisis intervention team (CIT) training to law enforcement and allied services providers in Benton and Franklin Counties
- 3. Approval of Joint Resolution 2013-172, executing a second amendment to agreement #2011/2013-HEN-LCC between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and Lourdes Counseling Center; approved by Benton County Resolution 2012-012 and Franklin County Resolution 2011-435
- 4. Approval of Resolution 2013-173, Public Works Contract between Franklin County and Bekeman Construction, LLC, for \$2986.50 including tax
- 5. Approval of Resolution 2013-174, Public Works Contract between Franklin County and Dondi's Garage Door Solutions, LLC, and approval of letter awarding bid for \$3324.52 including tax
- 6. Approval of Resolution 2013-175, payment of Franklin County's portion (\$5536.11) of an invoice accrued by The Landfill Group to Aspect Consulting LLC for professional consulting services

PROSECUTOR (9:22 a.m.)

Ryan Verhulp, Deputy Prosecutor, met with the Board.

Executive Session (9:24 a.m.) for up to 30 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel matters relating to litigation or potential litigation.

Open Session (9:40 a.m.)

Recessed at 9:41 a.m. and reconvened at 9:47 a.m.

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OPEN SESSION – PUBLIC COMMENT

Kent McMullen, Chairman of the Franklin County Natural Resources Advisory

Committee (NRAC), and numerous other members of the public commented on recent actions
taken by U.S. Fish and Wildlife by proposing the White Bluffs Bladderpod be added as an
endangered species and the impact the listing would have on agriculture in Franklin County.

Mr. McMullen gave the Board a letter (Exhibit 4). The NRAC alleges proper notice to allow for
public comment was not given. Discussion ensued and several members of the audience gave
opinions. It was determined the Commissioners would draft a letter to the appropriate parties as
soon as possible, requesting a halt to the listing and requesting affected landowners and the
County be issued proper notice to allow time for public comment. It was agreed the letter will be
signed by the Board Chairman for expediency. Additionally, a meeting will be arranged for
Tuesday, May 14, 2013 to further discuss the issue and to advise what has been accomplished to
date. Audience members present requested Chairman Miller invite Mr. Zimmer of Fish and
Wildlife to attend either Tuesday's or Wednesday's meeting, if possible. Chairman Miller
thanked all those attending for being at the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (11:03 a.m.) – Commissioner Koch moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Commissioner Peck. Vote: 3:0 meeting adjourned.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until May 15, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Rick Miller, Chairman

Robert E. Koch, Chairman Pro Tem

Brad Peck, Member

Attest:

Pro Tem Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed May 29, 2013.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY AUDITOR

Matt Beaton, Auditor

May 8, 2013

Franklin County Commissioners:

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Matt Beaton, Auditor

5/8/2013

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Vouchers Audited By: Julie Jordan

May 8th, 2013

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FRANKLIN COUNTY NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE REQUEST TO FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ACTION REGARDING U.S. FISH and WILDLIFE SERVICE

By a telephone poll of members of the Franklin County Natural Resources Advisory Committee (NRAC) conducted the afternoon of Monday, May 06, 2013, NRAC voted 13 Yes and 2 Not Present for requesting the Franklin County Commissioners take such actions as possible leading to the filing of a suit against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

This suit would be brought for violations of requirements detailed in the National Environmental Policy Act 16 U.S.C. Section 1533(b)(5)(A)(ii) requiring not less than ninety days notification before the effective date of a regulation and actual notice to local governments of its intent to propose a species for listing or change of listing status, or propose critical habitat areas. We would request that such a suit seek immediate suspension of any listing, endangered or threatened, and reopen a public comment period of not less than 60 days.

This NEPA requirement of notification to the appropriate county government jurisdiction requirement has been violated twice. First in the proposed listing of the White Bluffs Bladderpod (*Physaria douglasii tuplashensis*) for "threatened" status in the May 15, 2012 Federal

Register and again in the proposed elevation of protection of this plant to "endangered" status as printed in the April 23, 2013 Federal Register.

Sincerely,

Kent D. McMullen

Chairman, Franklin County NRAC