Commissioners' Proceedings for January 28, 2015

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 Brad Peck, Chairman; Rick Miller, Chair Pro Tem; and Robert E. Koch, Member; Fred Bowen, County Administrator; and Mary Withers, Clerk to the Board. Meeting convened at 9:00 am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENSE (OPD)

Benton and Franklin Counties Public Defense Manager Eric Hsu met with the Board.

Present in audience: Linda Robb, Jim Raymond, Troy Woody, Curtis McGary, <u>Tri-City Herald</u>

Reporter Geoff Folsom and one other man.

Case Weighting System

Mr. Hsu reviewed the proposed case weighting system policy (Exhibit 1).

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Koch: I move to approve the resolution in the matter of approving a public defense caseload "weighting system" to be adopted and published by the Benton-Franklin Counties Office of Public Defense. Second by Mr. Miller. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2015-041 was approved.

HUMAN SERVICES (HS) (9:12 am)

HS Administrator Linda Robb met with the Board. Present in audience: Jim Raymond, Troy Woody, Tim Dickerson and Geoff Folsom.

First Amendment to Agreement #2014-HHAA-CFCS-YARP between Benton and Franklin

Counties Department of Human Services and Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Yakima d/b/a

Catholic Family & Child Service of the Tri-Cities

<u>Motion</u> - Mr. Miller: I move for approval of First Amendment to Agreement between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Yakima, d/b/a Catholic Family & Child Service of the Tri-Cities, amending Resolution 2014-219. The consideration amount is \$24,398. Second by Mr. Koch. Resolution 2015-042 was approved.

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Point In Time homeless count

Ms. Robb answered questions about the Point In Time Count that will occur tomorrow, counting homeless people.

TRAC (9:22 am)

TRAC Manager Troy Woody and Deputy Prosecutor Tim Dickerson met with the Board. Present in audience: Jim Raymond, Linda Robb and Geoff Folsom.

Executive Session at 9:23 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), litigation or potential litigation, RV Park claims review: David Robinson and Michael Olson, expected to last 10 minutes. Those in the audience left the meeting.

Open Session at 9:33 am. Linda Robb and Geoff Folsom joined the audience.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we deny the claim for damages of Michael Olson, an incident that occurred to a travel trailer. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2015-043 was approved.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Miller: I move for denial of claim for damages by David Robinson. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor. Resolution 2015-044 was approved.

OFFICE BUSINESS (9:35 am)

Present in audience: Tim Dickerson, Linda Robb and Geoff Folsom.

Vouchers

Motion – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve the expenditures for the date of January 28, 2015, certified by Matt Beaton and Margaret Mathia as listed for the bottom line total of \$1,742,564.19. Second by Mr. Koch. Mr. Bowen told the Board about one of the vouchers. 3:0 vote in favor. (Exhibit 3)

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Consent Agenda

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Koch: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of the consent agenda as listed, 1 through 8. Second by Mr. Miller.

- Approval of Resolution 2015-045, Correction in 2015 Current Expense Planning and Building Department Budget for PT Secretary Salary and Benefits. Inter-budget Transfer of \$9,528 from Current Expense Salary and Benefit Contingency Budget Number 001-000-700.519.90.00.0002 to the Current Expense Planning and Building Department Budget Number 001-000-130
- 2. Approval of Resolution 2015-046, Public Works Contract between Benton-Franklin Counties Juvenile Justice Center and A-One Refrigeration & Heating, Inc.
- 3. Approval of Resolution 2015-047, setting vacation accrual for Undersheriff Dan McCary and Corrections Administrator Stephen Sultemeier at 25 days per year

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- 4. Approval of Resolution 2015-048, approval of an administrative adjustment to employee pay and authorization to issue back pay for Enrique Curiel in the amount of \$4429.56 and Inter-Budget transfer from 2014 Current Expense Non-Departmental Budget 001-000-700 to Facilities Budget 001-000-200
- 5. Approval of Resolution 2015-049, Agreement #ESG-DVS-2015 between Benton and Franklin Counties Department of Human Services and Domestic Violence Services of Benton and Franklin Counties (DVSBR)
- 6. Approval of Resolution 2015-050, First Amendment to Tower Space Lease Agreement between Franklin County and USCOC of Richland, Inc., dba U.S. Cellular
- 7. Approval of Resolution 2015-051, Extended Service Agreement for X-ray machines between Astrophysics, Inc., and Franklin County and accepting Quote #SRVOA3543 in the amount of \$7400 to pay for said service
- 8. Approval of Resolution 2015-052, digital submittal certification of the 2015 road levy certification and estimated revenue produced to County Road Administration Board (CRAB)

Jim Raymond and Janet Taylor joined the audience. There was discussion of consent agenda items.

Vote: 3:0 vote in favor.

HUMAN RESOURCES (HR)

Deputy Prosecutor Janet Taylor and Human Resources Generalist Carlee Nave met with the Board. Present in audience: Linda Robb, Jim Raymond, Tim Dickerson, Geoff Folsom and Matt Mahoney.

Executive Session at 9:48 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4) regarding labor – contract negotiations expected to last up to 30 minutes, reserving the right to come out early. Tim Dickerson, Jim Raymond and Matt Mahoney were asked to remain in the meeting. Linda Robb and Geoff Folsom left the meeting.

Open Session at 10:20 am.

Sheriff Raymond and Tim Dickerson let the meeting.

Executive Session at 10:22 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4) to discuss labor - contract negotiations expected to last up to 15 minutes. Present in audience: Matt Mahoney.

Open Session at 10:37 am. Present in audience: Shawn Sant, Matt Mahoney, Carlee Nave and Janet Taylor.

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR (10:37 am)

County Administrator Fred Bowen met with the Board.

Public Works

Public Works Director Matt Mahoney met with the Board. Present in audience:

Prosecutor Shawn Sant, Deputy Prosecutor Tim Dickerson, Deputy Prosecutor Janet Taylor and
Human Resources Generalist Carlee Nave.

Executive Session at 10:39 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss potential future litigation expected to last 15 minutes, reserving the right to come out early.

Open Session at 10:55 am.

<u>Motion</u> – Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve a work authorization by the chairman between Franklin County and NRC. Mr. Peck noted the motion relates to unplanned cleanup work along the Pasco-Kahlotus Highway and authorizes the chair to sign contingent on legal review from our Prosecutor's Office. Second by Mr. Koch. 3:0 vote in favor.

Qualifications of applicant for employment

Mr. Mahoney met with the Board. Present in audience: Shawn Sant, Tim Dickerson, Carlee Nave and Janet Taylor.

Executive Session at 10:58 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate qualifications of an applicant for public employment or review performance of public employee, expected to last up to 15 minutes.

Open Session at 11:13 am.

Mr. Sant, Mr. Dickerson, Ms. Nave, Ms. Taylor and Mr. Mahoney left the meeting. **Executive Session** at 10:58 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate qualifications of an applicant for public employment or review performance of public employee, expected to last up to 10 minutes. Ms. Withers left the meeting.

Open Session at 11:33 am. Mrs. Withers returned to the meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS (11:34 am)

Manhattan Project National Park Monument Advisory Board

The Board approved Commissioner Brad Peck to represent Franklin County on the Manhattan Project National Park Monument Advisory Board.

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Legislative Issues

Mr. Peck has submitted a proposed wording change to state legislators for House Bill 1145 regarding meetings held by more than one county.

Executive Session at 11:46 am pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate qualifications of an applicant for public employment or review performance of public employee, expected to last up to 10 minutes. Mr. Bowen and Mrs. Withers left the meeting.

Open Session at 12:01 pm.

Adjourned at 12:02 pm.

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There being no further business, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned until February 4, 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman

Chairman Pro Tem

Member

Attest:

Clerk to the Board

Approved and signed February 11, 2015.

Benton & Franklin Counties Office of Public Defense Executive Summary

Case Weighting System Policy

Summary

The Washington State Standards for Indigent Defense ("SID") adopted by the State Supreme Court in 2012 allows local jurisdictions to adopt "case weighting systems" in order to facilitate the counting of cases toward mandated caseload limits for public defenders. In order for the Benton & Franklin Counties Office of Public Defense ("BFOPD") to continue providing the current level of services, a case weighting system must be adopted.

The proposed case weighting system has been carefully developed in consultation with the State Office of Public Defense ("SOPD") and the courts in Benton and Franklin Counties and has been modeled after the state-wide Model Weighting System published by SOPD in mid-2014.

What is a Weighting System?

In short, a Weighting System is a system of counting cases for purposes of counting individual public defender caseloads toward newly effective mandatory caseload caps, which permits certain cases to be counted as something other than "a full case."

The determination of how cases (to which the Weighting System is applicable) is to be counted depends on a multitude of factors including:

- Whether or not the defender was actually assigned to a case or simply was assigned to provisionally represent a group of defendants on a docket (such as on arraignment dockets);
- Whether a case is a new criminal case or an allegation of probation or other sentence violation;
- Whether there are systems in place (such as dedicated public defense dockets and security badges for bypassing security) that affect the time commitment of public defenders to individual cases or dockets;

The State Standards for Indigent Defense ("SID") as adopted by the Washington Supreme Court not only permit, but actually encourage, local jurisdictions to adopt Weighting Systems.

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Does the Weighting System apply to all cases?

No. Since caseloads on new criminal cases across all of the jurisdictions for which the Benton & Franklin Counties Office of Public Defense provides services (Superior, District and Juvenile) are all already well within caseload maximums, to avoid excessive administrative overhead, the decision was made to subject only the following types of cases to the Weighting System:

- 1. Probation and sentence violation cases
- 2. Cases on failure to pay fine dockets
- 3. Cases at initial appearance or arraignment dockets

What happens if no Weighting System is Adopted?

If no weighting system is adopted, then every single case on every single docket will be counted as "a full case" toward mandated caseload caps. As a result, it would be impossible to continue providing current levels of service at anywhere near current expenditure levels. Important programs such as the providing of counsel at all arraignment and initial appearance dockets (which significantly improves the quality of local public defense services and therefore the risk profile of the County) would cost many times more to operate (making them possibly cost prohibitive).

What steps must be taken to adopt the Weighting System?

SID 3.5 requires that Weighting Systems be adopted and published in writing by the "local government entity responsible for employing, contracting with or appointing public defense attorneys." Since, in Benton and Franklin Counties, this authority has been delegated to BFOPD, assuming the Board has no objection, BFOPD will be formally adopting and publishing the proposed Weighting System retroactively effective to January 1, 2015 in order for public defense attorneys to utilize the System for their public defense standards compliance certification that must be filed January 1, 2015 for the first quarter of 2015.

What are other jurisdictions throughout the state doing?

Based on discussions with SOPD, there does not seem to be any uniformity whatsoever in what other jurisdictions in Washington State are doing on this issue. However, BFOPD has been working with the City of Pasco in an effort to ensure that the Weighting System they adopt is similar or identical to the one to be adopted by BFOPD, in order to have uniformity and predictability throughout Benton and Franklin counties on this issue.

Benton & Franklin Counties Office of Public Defense Case Weighting System

For District Court & Superior Court cases

Purpose

This policy implements a system for weighting public defense cases for purposes of certifying to public defense misdemeanor and felony caseloads pursuant to Washington Supreme Court's Standards for Indigent Defense. This policy recognizes that appropriate case weighting allows reasonable workloads for public defense attorneys consistent with applicable rules and standards.

Applicable Court Rules, Regulations & Standards

- A. Washington State Rules of Professional Conduct ("RPC")
- B. Criminal Rules for Superior Court ("CrR"); Criminal Rules for & Criminal Rules for Courts of Limited Jurisdiction ("CrRLJ")
- C. Washington Supreme Court Standards for Indigent Defense ("SID")
- D. Benton County Public Defense Ordinance #470; and Franklin County Public Defense Ordinance #7-2009

Definitions

- A. Case: the filing of a document with the court naming a person as defendant or respondent, to which an attorney is appointed in order to provide representation.
 - a. In courts of limited jurisdiction multiple citations from the same incident can be counted as one "case."
 - b. The number of counts in a single cause number does not affect the definition of a "case."
 - c. When there are multiple charges or counts arising from the same set of facts, the weighted credit will be assigned based on the most serious charge.
- B. Case Weighting: the process of assigning a numerical value, or "weighted credit," to specific types of cases that recognizes the greater or lesser attorney workload required for those cases compared to an average case.
- C. Caseload: the complete array of cases in which an attorney represents or provides service to clients.

- D. Docket/Calendar Representation: a grouping of filings where a public defense attorney is designated to represent indigent defendants on a provisional basis, without screening for indigency (as provided and authorized by RCW 10.101.020(4)), and without an expectation of further or continuing representation¹. Examples include, but are not limited to, first appearance calendars/arraignment calendars, fine/legal financial obligation review calendars, and probation or sentence violation calendars.
- E. Full Time: working approximately forty hours per week. It is presumed that a "full-time" public defense attorney spends approximately 1,800 hours annually on case representation. It is expected that other work time is spent on administrative activities, attending CLEs, participating in professional associations or committees, and spending time on vacation, holiday, or sick leave.
- F. Local Factors: practices, characteristic, or challenges that are unique to the delivery of public defense in a given jurisdiction, and that substantially impact the time required for effective delivery of public defense services.
- G. Non-Charge Representation: matters where public defense attorneys represent clients who are eligible for public defense representation for matters that do not involve the filing of new criminal charges. Examples include, but are not limited to, sentence violations, extraditions, and representations of material witnesses.
- H. Partial Representations: situations where clients are charged with crimes, but representation is either cut short at early stages of the case, or begins significantly later. Such situations include, but are not limited to, client failures to appear, preliminary appointments in cases in which no charges are filed, withdrawals or transfer for any reason, representation on a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor case at or later than the juncture wherein the prosecution is seeking to revoke a previously entered Stipulated Order of Continuance or Deferred Prosecution, where the attorney either did not previously represent the defendant on the same case, or when more than a year has elapsed since the conclusion of representation on the same case (ie concluding with the entry of the Stipulated Order of Continuance or Deferred Prosecution.
- I. Public Defense Attorney: a licensed attorney who is employed or contracted to representing indigent defendants. "Public Defense Attorney" also refers to a

¹ In the instance of sentence violation or financial obligation review dockets, subsequent provisional representation on the docket by a public defense attorney as a result of a) court mandated re-appearance for the sole purposes of compliance check, proof of completion of sentence requirement, production of documents or any other purely administrative purpose; or b) a subsequent summons by the court, separate allegation of sentence or financial obligation violation, defendant-initiated court appearance or other similar reason, shall not constitute an expectation of "further or continuing representation" so as to take such cases out of the definition of Docket/Calendar Representation.

- licensed attorney who is list-appointed to represent indigent defendants on a case-by-case basis.
- J. **Weighted Credit:** one weighted credit represents a type of case which, on average, requires six hours of attorney time.

Caseload Limits

As provided in the Washington Supreme Court Standards for Indigent Defense, the caseload of a full-time public defense attorney should not exceed 300 misdemeanor weighted credits per year, which is equivalent to the time spent on 400 average misdemeanor cases per year; 150 felony cases, or 250 juvenile criminal cases. The caseload of a full-time Rule 9 Intern who has not graduated from law school may not exceed 75 misdemeanor weighted credits per year.

Caseload Limits

- A. Caseload limits reflect the maximum caseloads for fully supported full-time defense attorneys for cases of average complexity and effort.
- B. Caseload limits are set to ensure that all public defense attorneys have adequate time to provide quality representation.
- C. Caseload limits assume a reasonably even distribution of cases throughout the year.
- D. If the public defense attorney is carrying a mixed caseload with non-misdemeanor cases, the attorney's caseload should be calculated proportionately by case type, as provided in the Standards.
- E. If the public defense attorney also maintains a private law practice, the public defense caseload should be proportionate to the percentage of work time the attorney devotes to public defense.
- F. If the attorney provides public defense services in multiple courts, the combination of cases from all courts are used for caseload calculations.

Applicability of this Policy

This policy only applies to the following types of Cases:

- a) Cases on sentence or probation violation calendars (held in courts of limited jurisdiction);
- b) Cases on fine or legal financial obligation review calendars (held in Courts of Limited Jurisdiction or Superior Court);

- c) Provisional representation by public defense attorneys at preliminary appearance or arraignment docket calendars (held in Courts of Limited Jurisdiction or Superior Court);
- d) Provisional representation by public defense attorneys at preliminary appearance, arraignment docket calendars and sentence or probation violations hearings (held in the Juvenile Division of Superior Court);

Case types to which this Policy does not apply are counted as "cases" irrespective of the complexity or seriousness (or lack thereof) of the case, toward a 400 case annual maximum for misdemeanor/gross misdemeanor cases, 150 case annual maximum for felony cases, and 250 case annual maximum for juvenile criminal cases.

Weighted Credits

A. Guilty Pleas at First Appearance or Arraignment

As required by Standard 3.5, resolution of cases by please of guilty to criminal charges at a first appearance or arraignment hearing are presumed to be rare occurrences requiring careful evaluation of the evidence and the law, as well as thorough communication with clients. Therefore, if the attorney is appointed as counsel of record, these guilty pleas must be valued as one case.

B. Sentence Violations and Other Non-Charge Representation

- 1) Except for cases that qualify under the definition of Docket/Calendar Representation, sentence violations and other non-charge representations (not including such cases where the only allegation is failure to pay legal financial obligations or where the only allegation is a new criminal offense and the case is assigned to "track" with the new criminal case) shall all be counted as 0.28 case credits (1/3 case credit less the 0.05 case credit downward adjustment because of local factors).
- 2) Sentence violations and other non-charge representations where the only allegation is a new criminal offense and the case is assigned to "track" with the new criminal case shall not be counted, by the attorney appointed to the new criminal case, as an additional case credit toward that attorney's annual maximum caseload under the SID. However, contractual provisions or policies may provide additional compensation to that attorney for having the sentence violation added to the new charge case.
- 3) Sentence violations and other non-charge representations where the only allegation is failure to pay legal financial obligations shall all be counted as

- 0.20 case credits (0.25 case credit less the 0.05 case credit downward adjustment because of local factors).
- 4) Sentence violations and other non-charge representations in Juvenile Court shall be counted as **0.33 case credits**.

1. Docket/Calendar Representation

Cases on a criminal first appearance or arraignment docket where the attorney is designated, appointed, or contracted to represent groups of clients without an expectation of further or continuing representation and which are not resolved at that time (except by dismissal or amendment to an infraction), and cases on a sentence violation, probation violation or failure to pay legal financial obligation docket where the attorney is designated, appointed, or contracted to represent groups of clients without an expectation of further or continuing representation beyond that particular docket, are not counted individually. attorney's hours needed for appropriate client contact, preparation, and court time are calculated as a percentage of the net annual hours of work time, and then applied to reduce the attorney's caseload. Each hour of such docket time is assigned 0.17 weighted credits (based on a 300 weighted credit annual caseload maximum) for such time on dockets in Courts of Limited Jurisdiction (pursuant to the Model Weighting System published by the State Office of Public Defense) and 0.075 weighted credits for such time on dockets in Superior Court².

Adjustments

A. Local Factors

Due to the listed local factors that have been identified as reducing attorney time, the maximum downward adjustment of 0.05 case credits (in counting cases in Courts of Limited Jurisdiction only) is applicable to this policy:

- Court calendars or dockets dedicated to public defense cases, resulting in reduced attorney wait time (in Benton County District Court only);
- 2) Security badges issued to public defenders (including contract defenders) allowing them to bypass lines at metal detectors;
- Regular use of technological tools to reduce time of representation (including, but not limited to electronic discovery and a web-portal to facilitate the interaction of contract attorneys with the Benton & Franklin Counties Office of Public Defense);

² Based on an assumption of such attorneys working 2,000 hours a year on a caseload of 150 cases.

4) Close proximity of the jail to courtrooms (located on same campus, within easy walking distance);

RESOLUTION

2015 041 FRANKLIN COUNTY RESOLUTION NO.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING A PUBLIC DEFENSE CASELOAD "WEIGHTING SYSTEM" TO BE ADOPTED AND PUBLISHED BY THE BENTON & FRANKLIN COUNTIES OFFICE OF **PUBLIC DEFENSE**

WHEREAS, Franklin County ("County") is obligated by law to provide indigent defense services in Franklin County Superior, Juvenile, and District Courts; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Supreme Court has adopted certain standards pertaining to the provision of such indigent defense services, including caseload caps for public defenders; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Supreme Court's standards ("Standards") permit local jurisdictions to adopt caseload "weighting systems" to count caseloads in such a manner that recognizes the greater or lesser time and resources needed for additional cases and to also account for certain special types of representation (including limited representation); and

WHEREAS, the Benton & Franklin Counties Office of Public Defense, after reviewing Standards, discussing this matter with local criminal justice stakeholders, meeting with the various courts, and consulting with the State Office of Public Defense, has drafted a proposed Case Weighting System that will allow County to continue providing the current (very sufficient) level of public defense services with little to no change in financial outlay; and

WHEREAS, it therefore appears to be in the best interests of Franklin County to adopt the Case Weighting System as proposed:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Benton & Franklin Counties Office of Public Defense is directed to take the necessary steps to formally adopt and publish the proposed Case Weighting System so that it may be used by public defenders in the courts of Franklin County in calculating their caseloads in compliance with public defense standards adopted by the Washington State Supreme Court.

Dated this . 98 . day of . Lanuary ..., 20 /5.

Chairman of the Board

Chairman Pro-Tem

Member

Constituting the Board of County Commissioners, Franklin County

Washington

Attest: May Withers

Clerk of the Board

FRANKLIN COUNTY AUDITOR



Matt Beaton, Auditor

1/28/2015

Franklin County Commissioners:

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

Action: As of this date, 1/28/2015

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.

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| In the amount of | MM 109124 | 1- 1.00 | \$1,742,564.19 |
| The motion was seconded by | Fixon | 1 | |

And passed by a vote of ________to_____

Reviewed by County Administrator

The attached vertichers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy

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