



FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING
JULY 7, 2020

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9:00 a.m.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Commission Chairman Robert Koch called the Franklin County Commissioners' Regular Board Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' Meeting Room in the Franklin County Courthouse located at 1016 North Fourth Avenue, Pasco, Washington.

Commissioners Present: Commission Chair Robert Koch and Chair Pro Tem Brad Peck attended telephonically and Member Clint Didier was present in the Commissioners room and telephonically from his office.

9:01 a.m. Commissioner Koch referred to the Governor's proclamation, the first paragraph of page 4, which appears to say we may not hold a Board of County Commissioners meeting in person. Unless all three Commissioners "remote into the meeting" we will be violating the law, so canceling or postponing the meeting will need to take place if we are not all in compliance.

Prosecuting Attorney Shawn Sant gave the legalities of the Open Public Meetings Act and the Governors proclamation.

There was a brief discussion on moving the meeting to tomorrow, since the Governor's orders end at midnight July 7, 2020. However, it was suggested that the Governor will most likely sign another extension.

Commissioner Didier asked Mr. Sant the statues of limitations on an illegal meeting. Mr. Sant responded, two years. Commissioner Didier requested Mr. Sant to review a meeting from the past involving the Commissioners salaries and report back to him.

- ❖ *After discussion on legalities, Commissioner Koch recessed the meeting at 9:23 a.m. for approximately fifteen minutes.*
- ❖ *Commissioner Koch reconvened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. with all Commissioners attending telephonically. Commissioner Koch announced that the YouTube screen showed an Executive Session sign to stop the meeting. The sign was incorrect. It was not an Executive Session, but a Recess in order to allow Commissioner Didier to set up telephonically.*

9:31 a.m. **Contract with Department of Commerce for CARES Act Discussion**

Administrator Keith Johnson presented an interagency contract with the Department of Commerce to distribute funds from the CARES Act to assist those in the local area dealing with COVID 19.



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Commissioner Peck informed the Board that expenditures are required to be returned by a certain timeline.

Commissioner Didier preferred that a majority of small businesses receive the funds since the Health department is already receiving 2.3 million.

- ❖ *Commissioner Peck moved to approve resolution 2020-146 Interlocal Contract with the Department of Commerce for CARES Act Funds. Commissioner Didier seconded and the motion carried.*

9:37 a.m. Approval of Fund Expenditure Warrants

07/07/2020

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.090, expense reimbursement claims.
 Action: As of this date, 07/07/2020 Brad Peck Approved by Brad Peck
 Move that the following warrants be approved for payment: telephonically
 Certified by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been sent to the board members.

Warrants \ Check Numbers:	00361634 - 00361684	\$55,203.93
EFT Check Numbers:	-	
		\$55,203.93

Fund Expenditures	Amount Issued
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$13,456.12
AUDITOR O & M	\$2,381.60
SHERIFF SEX OFFENDER GRANT	\$60.03
DARE FUND SHERIFF	\$661.67
ENHANCED 911	\$402.67
COUNTY ROADS	\$12,991.47
SOLID WASTE	\$7,615.51
VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE	\$83.19
ENDING HOMELESSNESS	\$2,374.31
THE HAPO CENTER	\$86.75
MOTOR VEHICLE	\$15,090.61

In the amount of: \$55,203.93

The motion was seconded by: _____

And passed by a vote of: 3 to 0

Reviewed by the County Administrator: _____

Thomas Westerman
 The attached vouchers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy:
 Thomas Westerman

Peter Gadomskiy
 Vouchers Audited By:
 Peter Gadomskiy

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- ❖ *Commissioner Peck moved to approve Fund Expenditures audited and certified by the auditing officer for warrants prepared for the week of July 7, 2020 for payment totaling \$55,203.93. Commissioner Didier seconded and the motion carried.*



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9:38 a.m. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Resolution 2020-147 Amended Franklin County Data Breach Response Plan
2. Resolution 2020-148 Personal Services Contract with Rick Schuknecht POF Polygraph Service
3. Resolution 2020-149 Alternate Dates for 2021 Budget Preparation
4. Resolution 2020-150 Accept Work Performed by Pavement Surface Control for CRP 619

❖ *Commissioner Peck moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Didier seconded with discussion on item #4. After discussion, the motion carried.*

9:43 a.m. **Administration Office Business**

- Administrator Keith Johnson received a letter from Patricia Adams Clerk of the Board in Adams County, requesting the Commissioners to sign a letter of support for the Columbia River Basin Project, in efforts to finish the project.

❖ *After discussion, the Commissioner Peck moved to approve signing the letter of support to the Columbia River Basin Project. Commissioner Didier seconded and the motion carried.*

- Mr. Johnson presented the request of the Tri-Cities Amateur Hockey Association (TCAHA) to amend the contract by adding the responsibility of maintaining and making ice to TCAHA.

Mr. Johnson clarified that the proposed changes to TCAHA's contract included, rental of the ice rink building until the end of the spring 2022, at a rate of eighty thousand dollars, and they would be responsible for making and maintaining the ice.

❖ *All Commissioners were in consensus with amending the TCAHA contract and Mr. Johnson and HAPO Center Manager Tom French would take care of the documents.*

Adjourn

With no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Chair

Clerk of the Board

Date