



FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 9, 2021

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9:00 a.m.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Commission Chairman Clint Didier 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 Clint Didier, Chair Pro Tem Rocky Mullen and Member Brad Peck

9:00 a.m. **Potts and Associates Legislative Updates**

Zak Kennedy reported discussions that are happening in legislature concerning resentencing bills, which include but are not limited to, 1169, 1413, 5120 and 5164. Any exercise addressing the costs to your local jurisdictions would not be in vain through because all of the aforementioned bills will be back next year in their original form, if they do not pass this year.

Deep concern on HB 1202 Addressing meaningful civil remedies for persons injured as a result of police misconduct, including by allowing for an award of attorney fees in addition to damages and injunctive and declaratory relief.

Notification on items being brought forth to the floor have been reduced from one day to one hour. Many items are being discussed behind closed doors.

WSAC- Washington State Association of Counties has been helpful addressing many of the bills.

The State has inquired a large amount of money this year and cautioned jurisdictions on using the money for long-term items.

9:21 a.m. **Approval of Minutes**

January 26, 2021 Commissioners Meeting Minutes

❖ *Commissioners' Meeting Minutes were approved as presented.*

9:22 a.m. **Certificate of Appreciation for Beverly Villanueba**

Commissioner Didier read a county letter of appreciation to Beverly Villanueba for her outstanding service as Sheriff's Support Specialist, from 1989 to 2021. Commissioner Mullen and Commissioner Peck thanked her for her service as well.



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9:24 a.m. Public Comment

- Michelle Andres thanked Beverly Villanueva for her service in the Sheriff's Office. She voiced her concerns on the treatment of fellow employees, Potts and Associates presentation, bill 1225 and she gave information as to when the school board meets.
- Steve Bauman inquired of our tracking ability and conditions of bridges and if there was a repair/replacement plan in place.

9:31 a.m. Approval of Fund Expenditure Warrants

03/09/2021

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.080, expense reimbursement claims.
 Action: As of this date, 03/09/2021 *Kathy Miller*
 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:	00368872 - 00368995	\$431,058.55
EFT Check Numbers:	00000753 - 00000758	\$13,730.00
		<u>\$444,788.55</u>

Fund Expenditures	Amount Issued
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$305,701.90
ELECTION EQUIP REVOLVING	\$426.57
JAIL COMMISSARY	\$3,784.33
COUNTY ROADS	\$25,994.38
ENDING HOMELESSNESS	\$33,054.05
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$1,710.23
THE HAPO CENTER	\$4,643.33
FRANKLIN COUNTY RV PARK	\$1,058.22
MOTOR VEHICLE	\$59,414.06
FR CO UNEMPLOYMENT	\$9,001.48

In the amount of: \$444,788.55

The motion was seconded by: *Bob De*

And passed by a vote of: 3 to 0

Reviewed by the County Administrator: *Matt Beaton*

The attached vouchers have been approved by Auditor or Deputy:
Matt Beaton

Paola Mendoza
Vouchers Audited By:
Paola Mendoza

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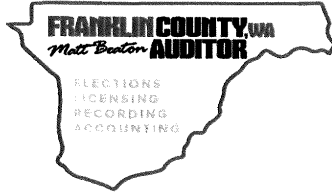


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❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Fund Expenditures audited and certified by the auditing officer for warrants prepared for the week of March 9, 2021 for payment totaling \$444,788.55 Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*

9:29 a.m. **Approval of Salary Clearing and Emergency Management Payroll**



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

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Action: As of this date, March 9, 2021

moves that the following warrants be approved for payment.

<u>FUND</u>	<u>WARRANT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Salary Clearing Payroll:		
Net Payroll Checks	00368797-00368800	\$ 6,632.94
Net EFT Payroll Checks	00032136-00032398	\$ 485,604.30
Deduction and Contribution Checks	00368806-00368824	\$ 519,067.28
	Total	\$ 1,011,304.52
Emergency Mgmt Payroll:		
Net EFT Payroll Checks	00032132-00032135	\$ 7,978.89
Deduction and Contribution Checks	00368801-00368805	\$ 5,861.23
	Total	\$ 13,840.12
Grand Total All Payrolls		\$ 1,025,144.64

In the total amount of **\$1,025,144.64**

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

The attached payroll has been approved by Auditor or Deputy

Payroll Prepared by Peter Gadomskiy

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Salary Clearing and Emergency Management Payroll totaling \$1,025,144.64. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*



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9:32 a.m. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Resolution 2021-049 New Policies and Procedures for the Franklin County Veterans Advisory Board
2. Resolution 2021-050 Appointment to the Franklin County Veterans Advisory Board
3. Resolution 2021-051 Service Agreement between Franklin County IS and Monsido for ADA Service
4. Resolution 2021-052 Accepting Work by Construction Ahead on County Road Project 618 Rumble Strips

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Peck seconded. Commissioner Didier asked for discussion on item #1 and #4. After discussion, the motion carried.*

9:46 a.m. **Administration Office Business**

- Administrator Keith Johnson discussed possible night meeting and suggested doing it the March 30, 2021 at 7 p.m.
- The Board discussed the proposal of Horse Heaven Hills – Scout Windfarm letter. Commissioner Peck would like to see the letter derive from Franklin County. Commissioner Mullen wanted to abstain from signing the letter.
- Prosecuting Attorney Shawn Sant advised the Board of the 20-day notice to public for changes to Commissioner Meetings and requested it be held at a later date to fulfill this obligation.

9:59 a.m. **Public Comment**

- Michelle Andres concerned with rumors of people losing their jobs. She wanted to know what happened to prayer for the county outside of meetings.
- Steve Bauman questioned the road reflectors, as well as the protocol of their upkeep.
- George Dockstader did not agree with the three-minute time limit for public comment.
- Steve Bauman questioned the three-minute limit on public comment.

10:05 a.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 10:05 a.m., for up to 40 minutes to discuss with legal counsel regarding litigation or potential litigation. The following were invited to attend; Commissioner Didier, Commissioner Mullen, Commissioner Peck, Administrator Keith Johnson, Attorney Shawn Sant, Attorney Jennifer Johnson, guest Attorney John Safarli and Clerk of the Board Karin Milham.

Commissioner Didier reconvened the Regular Meeting at 10:46 a.m. to extend the Executive Session for an additional 15 minutes.



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Commissioner Didier reconvened the Regular Meeting at 11:01 a.m. with no action taken.

11:03 a.m. **Executive Session** RCW 42.30.110 (1) (f) receive and evaluate complaints or charges against public officer or employee.

Commissioner Didier recessed into Executive Session at 11:03 a.m., for up to 30 minutes to receive and evaluate complaints or charges against public officer or employee.

The following were invited to attend, Commissioner Didier, Commissioner Mullen, Commissioner Peck, Attorney Shawn Sant, and Attorney Jennifer Johnson. Administrator Keith Johnson and Clerk of the Board Karin Milham were asked to step outside for a moment.

Commissioner Didier reconvened the Regular Meeting at 11:33 a.m. to extend the Executive Session for an additional 30 minutes. Administrator Keith Johnson and Clerk of the Board Karin Milham were asked to join the meeting at this time.

Commissioner Didier reconvened the Regular Meeting at 12:05 a.m. with no action taken.

Commissioner Peck noted that he heard Commissioner Didier give direction to the Board under an executive session, which action needs to be made in open public meeting. Commissioner Didier voiced his opinion that he did not give direction or make an action on behalf of the Board but expressed his desire to seek out ways to move forward in regards to redistricting.

Adjourn

With no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:08 a.m.

Chair

Clerk of the Board

Date