



FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 23, 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

9:01a.m. **Potts and Associates Legislative Updates**

Zak Kennedy discussed the Blake Decision and how the Supreme Court ruled that incarceration solely for an illicit substance is unconstitutional. This has had an impact on some reform bills by giving them a closer look.

- Friday is the cut off for policy.
- Gas tax, carbon tax and others are being bundled together
- Property tax and deferrals
- Department of Transportation
- 988 Hotline For Mental Health Emergencies
- Farm and Dairy overtime exempt

Legislators thanked the community for their involvement and letting their voices be heard.

9:30 a.m. **Background and Introduction - Urban Growth Areas (UGAs) and Limited Areas of More Intensive Rural Development (LAMIRDs)**

AHBL Contractor Nicole Stickney gave a brief presentation on the purpose and description of the Urban Growth Management and how it is incorporated into the county. She also discussed the limited areas more intensive rural development within the county. For more information go to www.bit.ly/FranklinPlan to review the Comprehensive Plan Update Project.

10:04 a.m. **Public Comment**

- Steve Bauman would like to see the City and County work together to develop the donut holes.
- Sheriff Raymond addressed the problems with the "Blake Decision" and suggested the county come up with an ordinance to assist the Sheriff's Department with this matter.



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10:17 a.m. Approval of Fund Expenditure Warrants

03/23/2021

Franklin County Commissioners:

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

Action: As of this date, 03/23/2021

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:	00369370 - 00369524	\$1,294,000.64
EFT Check Numbers:	00000762 - 00000766	\$3,910.91
		\$1,297,911.55

Fund Expenditures	Amount Issued
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$450,856.55
AUDITOR O & M	\$156.10
ELECTION EQUIP REVOLVING	\$65,778.36
SHERIFF SEX OFFENDER GRANT	\$1,500.00
JAIL COMMISSARY	\$5,984.63
ENHANCED 911	\$389.76
COUNTY ROADS	\$432,965.85
SOLID WASTE	\$3,172.62
2ND QTR PCT EXCISE TAX FUND	\$200,000.00
ENDING HOMELESSNESS	\$22,217.07
FC PUBLIC FACILITIES CONST FND	\$50,000.00
THE HAPO CENTER	\$21,137.66
FRANKLIN COUNTY RV PARK	\$765.54
MOTOR VEHICLE	\$42,987.41

In the amount of: \$1,297,911.55

The motion was seconded by: *Bob Peck*

And passed by a vote of: 3 to 1

Reviewed by the County Administrator: *Matt Beaton*

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

PAIR
Vouchers Audited By:
Paola Mendoza

www.co.franklin.wa.us/auditor

❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Fund Expenditures audited and certified by the auditing officer for warrants prepared for the week of March 23, 2021 for payment totaling \$1,297,911.55. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.*



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10:17 a.m. **Approval of Salary Clearing and Emergency Management Payroll**



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

March 23, 2021

Franklin County Commissioners:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer by RCW 42.24.080, expense reimbursement claims certified by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been sent to the board members.

Action: As of this date, March 23, 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	00369313-00369318	\$ 7,790.95
Net EFT Payroll Checks	00032399-00032658	\$ 458,335.05
Deduction and Contribution Checks	00369319-00369336	\$ 495,253.93
	Total	\$ 961,379.93
Emergency Mgmt Payroll:		
Net EFT Payroll Checks	00032659-00032662	\$ 7,727.35
Deduction and Contribution Checks	00369337-00369353	\$ 12,215.54
	Total	\$ 19,942.89
Grand Total All Payrolls		\$ 981,322.82

In the total amount of **\$981,322.82**

The motion was seconded by and passed by a vote of 3 to 1.

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 \$981,322.82. Commissioner Peck seconded and the motion carried.**



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10:18 a.m. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Resolution 2021-057 Re-Appointment of Joe Christ to the Board of Equalization
2. Resolution 2021-058 Convert Vacant Court Reporter to Executive Assistant
3. Resolution 2021-059 Addendum to Deputies' Bargaining Agreement Enabling 9-hour Shifts
4. Resolution 2021-060 Personal Services Contract between Benton-Franklin Counties and Cordant Health Solutions
5. Resolution 2021-061 Reimbursement Agreement IAA21665 Administrative Office of the Courts for UGA Appointment Services
6. Resolution 2021-062 Amendment to Agreement SWMCLCP-1921-FrCoPW-00026 with Department of Ecology
7. Resolution 2021-063 Mutual Use of Jail Facilities with Benton County
8. Resolution 2021-064 Adoption of County Wide Scanned Records Policy
9. Resolution 2021-065 Franklin County Electronic Signature Policy
10. Hiring of Corrections Deputy at Step 3

- ❖ *Commissioner Peck requested to pull #2 for separate consideration.*
- ❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-10 with exclusion of #2 for separate consideration. Commissioner Peck seconded and Commissioner Didier requested discussion on #9. All in favor and the motion carried.*
- ❖ *After discussion on item #2, Commissioner Peck moved to incorporate #2 into the consent agenda as originally presented. Commissioner Mullen seconded after discussion the motion carried.*

10:30 a.m. **Administration Office Business**

- Administrator Keith Johnson brought an opened Appraiser I position back before the Board.
- ❖ *Commissioner Mullen moved to approve the Assessors position (Appraiser I). Commissioner Peck verified the motion as proceeding with the hiring in the Assessor's office and seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.*
- ❖ *Commissioner Didier and Commissioner Peck agreed to sign a letter of objection to Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council in regards to Horse Heaven Wind Farm-Scout Clear Energy. Commissioner Mullen recused himself.*
- Mr. Johnson was invited to attend the State of the Counties Luncheon for a Question and Answer virtual meeting on April 28, 2021 at noon. Commissioner Mullen will also attend, as his Board assignment includes the Tri-Cities Chamber.



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10:44 a.m.

Commissioner Peck requested a five-minute recess.

Commissioner Didier recessed the meeting for five minutes at 10:45 a.m.

Commissioner Didier reconvened the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

10:53 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 10:53 a.m., for up to 30 minutes to discuss with legal counsel regarding litigation or potential litigation.

Commissioner Didier reconvened the Regular Meeting at 11:15 a.m. with no action taken.

- No further information from outside council on redistricting.
- Commissioner Mullen requested further information on the staffing in the Security building. Commissioner Mullen would like to discuss this further in next week's meeting.
- April 6, 2021 the Commissioners will hold their Regular meeting in the evening at 7 p.m.
- April 28th at 7 p.m. the Assessor's office will hold a meeting and deliver a presentation for the Public in regards to Real and Personal Property Assessment. Contact the Assessor's office for place of venue.

Adjourn

With no further business to bring before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Chair

Clerk of the Board

Date