

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting County Public Services Building Othello, Washington

August 24, 2022 – 9:03 a.m.
(Wednesday)

Call to Order

Chairman Weise called the meeting to order.

Present:

Chairman Jay R. Weise
Vice-Chairman Terrance J. Thompson
Commissioner Dan C. Blankenship

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Weise led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval/Addition of Agenda

Commissioner Blankenship moved, Thompson seconded, to add the following items to the agenda; and, approve the agenda as amended.

1. Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)
2. Discussion of the Broadband procurement checklist.

Motion carried.

Public Comment

David Sperl, Othello, thanked the County for the progress that has taken place regarding code enforcement in the Othello area.

Board Workshop

Othello Fair Board

The Othello Fair Board reviewed current projects underway at the fairgrounds as well as long term goals for the fair. There was discussion of the grounds being utilized for community events rather than just the fair. Roger Ensz noted that a paid secretarial position to advertise and promote the grounds would be advantageous. Additionally discussed were the food booths and buildings and whose responsibility it is to maintain or make necessary repairs as well as security for the grounds.

Executive Session

At 9:48 a.m. Chairman Weise announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for fifteen (15) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – “To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee.” No action is anticipated. Additionally present was Juan Garza, Juvenile Court Administrator.

At 9:55 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. No action taken.

Juvenile Department

Juvenile Court Administrator Garza provided updates on juvenile department activities, noting graffiti continues to be an issue. Additionally, Garza reported on gang activity in the Othello area, noting exchanges with law enforcement, as well as parents of gang members, is on-going; and, an application by Lighthouse Community Center for a FY 2022 Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Youth Violence Prevention Program grant is being applied for.

McKinney Road #1 Project (CRP-192)

Based on the recommendation of the Public Works Department, Commissioner Blankenship moved, Thompson seconded, to award the McKinney Road #1 Project (CRP-192) to the lowest responsive bidder, Selland Construction, Inc., Wenatchee, Washington, for a bid amount of \$1,399,999.25; and, approve the Chairman sign Concurrence to Award.

Motion carried. The bid is 1.1470% of the engineer’s estimate of \$1,220,558.28.

Broadband Request for Bids for Professional Services

The Board reviewed the federal procurement policy relating to advertising for professional services for the WSBO Infrastructure Acceleration Grant. Commissioner Blankenship noted that a full fourteen (14) days had not elapsed from the date of the final advertisement to the bid opening on August 23, 2022. Board consensus authorized advertising the Request for Bids (RFB) for Adams County Broadband Project Professional Services again on August 31, 2022 with a bid opening set for September 14, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Additionally, the notice will be posted on the Office of Minority & Women’s Business Enterprises (OMWBE) website. The lone bidder will be notified of the decision to re-advertise.

Recess @ 10:59 a.m.

Reconvene @ 1:00 p.m.

The Board attended a farewell gathering for Loren Wiltse, Building and Planning Director, at the County Services Building, Othello.

Adjournment @ 2:30 p.m.

Submitted:

s/Patricia J. Phillips, CMC

Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

s/Jay R. Weise, Chairman

s/Terrance J. Thompson, Vice-Chairman

s/Dan C. Blankenship, Commissioner